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MYSTERIOUS DITCHES SLOW DOWN 4TH ARMORED ADVANCE

Given the unusually high number of ditch accidents it may not be too farfetched a theory to suppose that they are part of the obviously defeated German Army's last and desperate attempts to stop our forces on their way to victory.

Our S-2 expert Lt. Hesselberth investigated several incidents that occurred during the last couple of days and reported that they use dwarfs to spill oil on the highways to make our vehicles slip into the ditches. He also found out that the Nazis have invented a new chemical that can make clouds pour down with rain for over 48 hours in a row to demoralize the enemy. Our intelligence has already uncovered and eliminated Hitler's futile secret weapon "Brain Sucker 1". We are all curious what else these twisted German minds might work out next - be prepared for surprises.

First Sergeant Saunders of B Troop 25th Cavalry Recon Squadron Mechanised, anxious to hold on to his few remaining strands of hair for his return to the States and the „Shady Acres“ retirement home of southbend West Virginia begs the armored car crews of B Troop "Please guys, no more ditches as T5 "Mac" Mc Nally is bleeding me dry!"



Another M8 in the Ditch (US Army Signal Corps, Pictorial Service)



The 4th Armored Ditch Contest. (US Army Signal Corps, Pictorial Service)



What a Mess (US Army Signal Corps, Pictorial Service)



M8, B 22 in the Ditch (US Army Signal Corps, Pictorial Service)

Ztracený volant



Corporal Hawkins (US Army Signal Corps, Pictorial Service)

Tato událost se stala již před několika dny, ale považujeme za důležité vás o ní informovat. Byl to den jako každý jiný. Deštivý. Džíp obávaných Los banditos se připravoval k bojovému přesunu na Horskou Kvildu. Zařazení v pocho-

dovém proudu bylo mezi M-8 B 10 a halftrackem D 10. Řidič džípu Cpl Hawkins pohlčen ranní únavou nevěnoval dostatečnou pozornost pravidelné údržbě svého stroje, což se mělo záhy projevit. Těsně po výjezdu z tábora s hrůzou zjistil, že jeho volant opustil místo jemu určené. Když si uvědomil, že kolona jede z prukého kopce a on nemá vládu nad strojem, jeho první myšlenka byla opustit stroj. Jelikož se však jedná o velmi zodpovědného vojáka, zvítězila v něm zodpovědnost za svoji osádku. V poslední chvíli narazil volant zpět na svoje místo a projel bezpečně zákeřnou šikanou. Jeho spolujezdec Pvt Reagan ihned poté uvědomněle zajistil volant uvolněnou maticí. Pouze díky duchapřítomnosti a téměř hrdinskému obětování této posádky byla zajištěna konzistence kolony a splnění rozkazu. Naše vítězné jednotky potřebují více takových vojáků. Dobrá práce hoši.



Cartoon drawn by T5 Photographer Rick van Nooij, 166th SPC



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Gallantry even when drunk!

A really gallant action took place a couple of days ago when two of the field kitchen crew wanted to take a shower in a local pup in Strazny. The bar tender wanted to charge the girls 100 Czech Crowns after they were done with their evening hygiene. However our correspondent had already paid him for all the girls in advance.

The girls were very surprised about this unexpected additional fee, but agreed to pay to avoid confrontation. This lively discussion was overheard by the (not too sober) troops of B-Co. present, who immediately stepped up and offered to pick up the bill.

Gallantry in action as we like to see it. Finally the MP section came to the scene and by threatening the bar owner to declare the bar "off limits" the unpleasant affair was solved in a second.

Well done guys and a special applause to "Teddy Bear" for saving the evening!

NAZI TROOPS SWEEPED OUT OF KASPERSKE HORY!

A BATTLE REPORT

FROM THE FRONTLINE!

On the way to our main target Kasperske Hory yet another M8 hit the ditch yesterday. Thankfully there were no casualties. With the help of a local woodworker and his heavy crane tractor the vehicle was swiftly pulled out of its miserable situation. In the meantime a second M8 suffered a fuel pump failure and needed to be looked after. This combined with the constant rainfall and chilly temperatures did not improve morale. 1st Sgt Saunders had to work hard to keep his men motivated. Finally after 2 hours the column was on their way again.

They reached Kasperske Hory in the early evening where they soon made contact with the enemy. Two advancing jeeps ran into an ambush on a meadow outside the village. The crews were seized and brought behind the German lines. When the main forces reached the site they immediately went on to the offensive. The M8s formed the spearhead of the attack with jeeps and halftracks moving up on the flanks. The infantry used the vehicles as cover and made their way up the slope. They then proceeded to engage the Germans in fierce firefight.

The battle reached its peak when our captured men tried to escape and were mowed down from behind. At the view of the advancing Sherman tank the Krauts realized they would not stand a chance against our superiority and surrendered. A mixed bunch of SS and Wehrmacht soldiers were taken prisoner.

The 1st Sgt grabbed the German officer and shouted that he will make him personally responsible for the killing of our men. The scared expression in the Hun's face will go down in history. And so the day ended with another victory for our troops. Let us all remember the men who died for our freedom!



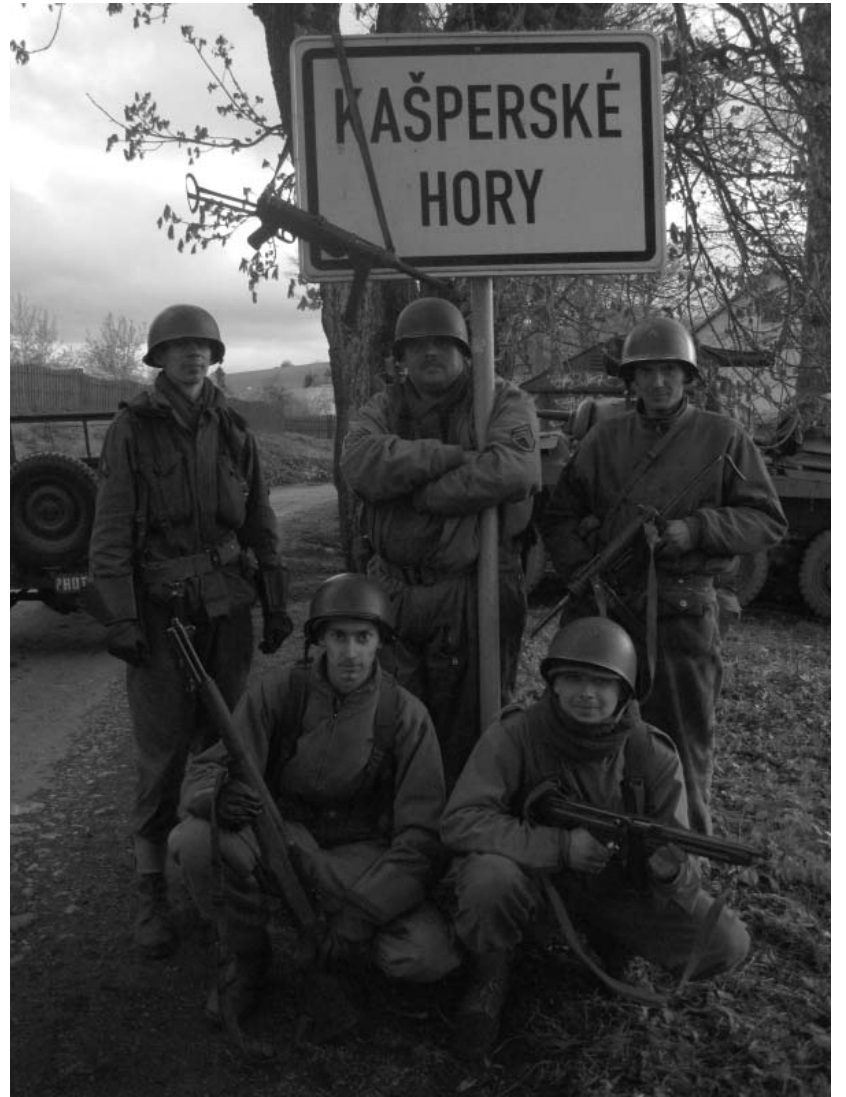
Prisoners taken in Kasperske Hory (US Army Signal Corps, Pictorial Service)



Armored Cars and Infantry attacking Kasperske Hory (US Army Signal Corps, Pictorial Service)



Lt. Hesselberth - The Duck Hunter (US Army Signal Corps, Pictorial Service)



Our troops in front of the village Kasperske Hory (US Army Signal Corps, Pictorial Service)



Sherman Tanks with Infantry (US Army Signal Corps, Pictorial Service)

★ THE UNSUNG HEROES OF B-TROOP ★

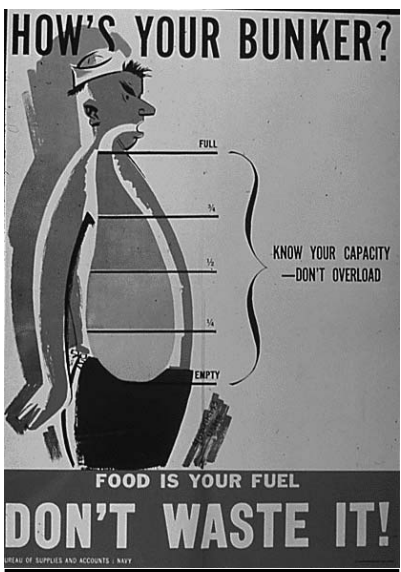
The US Army is rapidly advancing through Europe. Tanks and infantry are mopping up the Hun and the newsreels are full of heroic actions performed by the brave men of the US Armed Forces. But what makes this war machine really move forward?

Gasoline and food!

So who then feeds B-Company? Who makes sure that the men are fit for duty every morning? It's field kitchen B-47!

the worst weather conditions has to be seen to be believed. Breakfast usually starts with large amounts of coffee and tea, fresh fruits and cereal and sometimes even eggs and bacon. Bread and butter finish off the delicious meal. With a full stomach it's easy to climb into the damp armored cars and jeeps and roll on.

deserts are being served...and plenty of it. Apart from the good smell of the delicious dinner, what a sight to see when being served. The cute girls smile at the hungry troops and give them a short moment of "feeling at home" even though they are thousands of miles away from it. Those are the real heroes of the war in Europe, the boys and girls of the Quartermaster Corps. Well done folks, we could not do all this without you!



Dorothy (US Army Signal Corps, Pictorial Service)



Jane (US Army Signal Corps, Pictorial Service)



Emily (US Army Signal Corps, Pictorial Service)



John Famous for his Czech Penguin Tartare Prosluly pro Cesky Tartar Biftek s Tucnaka (US Army Signal Corps, Pictorial Service)



Miss Kasperske Hory - MAY 1945 (US Army Signal Corps, Pictorial Service)

They get up before dusk and they finally fall asleep long after the last tanker has already hit the sack. They are Jane Hart, Emily Wilson, Dorothy Brew, Anne Bennett, John and David of headquarter platoon. The amount of high quality food and drink that is provided by this crew every day and under

Lunch is being handed out with breakfast in form of canned fruit, pâté and crackers... enough to make it through the day.

When the combat teams arrive at the camp site the kitchen crew is already hard at work preparing a full and freshly cooked dinner for the men. Warm food is what the frozen men need once they climb out of the fighting vehicles. What awaits them is home style cooking at its best! Cooked meats, soups, fresh vegetables and sweet



David (US Army Signal Corps, Pictorial Service)



The Kitchen Team (US Army Signal Corps, Pictorial Service)

HIP HIP HOORAY!
from the
PRESS TEAM