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HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY  
599TH ENGINEER BASE DEPOT  
EUROPEAN COMMAND  
APO 757 US ARMY

20 April 1951

CALENDAR YEAR NARRATIVE REPORT

1. This unit was activated on 25 June 1949 at Grossauheim, Germany, Grid Coordinates Wm8867, per General Order #11, Headquarters, European Command, Office of the Chief Engineer, dated 15 June 1949 and Operates under TO & E 5-620 IT, dated 10 February 1945 as changed with an authorized strength of 26 Officers, 3 Warrant Officers and 107 Enlisted Men. Department of the Army Circular 298 dated 1948 has been applied. Total aggregate of 136 personnel.

a. This report covers the period from 1 January 1950 to 31 December 1950.

b. 1st Lt Harry F. Middleton CE, took command of this unit on 23 February 1950 vice, Captain James W. McGovern Jr FA, Captain Eugene I. Halle CE, took command of this unit on 20 August 1950, vice 1st Lt Harry F. Middleton CE and remains in command as of this date.

c. The mission of this unit is to provide administrative and technical personnel to the Hnanu Engineer Depot and attached Troops Headquarters. This unit has no operational Secondary Mission with the exception of the disposition of assigned Officers and Enlisted Men to various units with a Secondary Mission to render whatever assistance is necessary.

d. Enumeration of Key Personnel:

- (1) Captain Eugene L. Halle, [REDACTED]  
Company Commander
- (2) 1st Lt Walter G. Pomper [REDACTED]  
Administrative Officer
- (3) M/Sgt James L. Woenkufuss [REDACTED]  
Company First Sergeant
- (4) Sgt L. A. Conger [REDACTED]  
Company Supply Sergeant
- (5) SFC Karol J Velts [REDACTED]  
Company Mess Steward
- (6) Cpl Joseph H. O'Brien [REDACTED]  
Company Motor Sergeant
- (7) Cpl Joseph F. Merson [REDACTED]  
Company Armorer
- (8) Cpl Ralph Maesi [REDACTED]  
Unit Mail Orderly
- (9) Pfc Robert K. Taramoto [REDACTED]  
Company Clerk

e. This unit is located in building #9, first floor, Pioneer Kaserne, Wolfgang, Germany, Grid Coordinates Wm8867. This unit is serviced by Unit #5, Army Post Office, 757, US Army.

f. This unit has Officers and Enlisted Personnel assigned to all the operating divisions of the Hnanu Engineer Depot and the attached Troop Headquarters.

g. The Supply Economy program has been thoroughly brought to the attention of all personnel of this unit and a marked improvement is noticeable in the preservation and maintenance of Organizational and individual equipment.

h. This unit has on hand all Organizational TO & E equipment with the exception of a few component parts for various sets which are on a validated requisition. All Basic weapons are on hand.

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2. Venereal Disease and Court Martial data:

a. This unit had four (4) cases of Gonorrhoea during the reporting period.

b. This unit had one (1) General Court Martial, Six (6) Special Court Martials and ten (10) Summary Court Martials.

c. This unit had proceedings approved on two (2) EM under the provisions of AR 615-968.

3. Extra functions of this unit for the reporting period:

a. This unit sponsored the building of a Playground for German children in the Stadt Park, Hanau, Germany. The playground was dedicated on 29 December 1950. Refreshments were served to the children of the city. General Callagher and Perry were present for the dedication along with other dignitaries from the City of Hanau.

b. This unit has two (2) GYA NCO's who are in charge of the GYA Centers at Grossauheim, Germany and Steinheim, Germany. Sgt Wolfgang Maehler and Sgt Roger C Korbau both speak the German language fluently and have done much toward furthering German and American relations.

c. This unit was active in the March of Dimes Campaign, the Red Cross Campaign and the Army Emergency Relief Campaign during the reporting period. Cake raffle, shooting matches, auctions and various other methods were used to raise funds for the campaigns mentioned above along with direct donations

4. Training:

a. NCO school is held once a week by this unit during Off-Duty hours. The instructors being Officers and Senior NCO's of this Unit. Training films and training aids and instructor's notes are used as training material.

b. Daily on the job training is carried out by EM of this unit.

c. A weekly training schedule is published by the Battalion S-3 section, outlining all phase of training to be performed.

d. This unit completed firing the basic weapon for the 1950 range season. The basic weapon is the Cal 30 Carbine. The unit is presently armed with the M-2 Cal 30 Carbine plus one (1) 50 Caliber Air Cooled Machine Gun plus sixteen (16) 45 caliber Automatic Pistols. All weapons are on hand. Two (2) crews are assigned for the Machine Gun, the First Crew and Alternate crew.

e. This unit is very active in the Troop Information and Education Program and have had excellent instructors to present the program.

f. This unit has taken an active part in sending men to the various European Command Schools. All Officers and EM who enrolled have invariably graduated with excellent or higher. Many Officers and EM of this unit participated in off duty education through USAFI, with a high percentage of completion and graduation.

5. Personnel Strength of this unit for the reporting period:

a. As of 1 January 1950:

Off	27
WO	5
EM	103

b. As of 1 February 1950:

Off	24
WO	5
EM	105

- c. As of 1 March 1950:
  - OFF 24
  - WO 5
  - EM 109
- d. As of 1 April 1950:
  - OFF 22
  - WO 5
  - EM 107
- e. As of 1 May 1950:
  - OFF 21
  - WO 5
  - EM 107
- f. As of 1 June 1950:
  - OFF 22
  - WO 5
  - EM 101
- g. As of 1 July 1950:
  - OFF 22
  - WO 5
  - EM 102
- h. As of 1 August 1950:
  - OFF 20
  - WO 5
  - EM 102
- i. As of 1 September 1950:
  - OFF 22
  - WO 5
  - EM 101
- j. As of 1 October 1950:
  - OFF 26
  - WO 5
  - EM 102
- k. As of 1 November 1950:
  - OFF 32
  - WO 8
  - EM 92
- l. As of 1 December 1950:
  - OFF 29
  - WO 7
  - EM 87

m. Seven (7) EM reenlisted during the reporting period.

6. Recreational activities and functions:

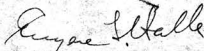
- a. This unit has a Day Room which has a pool table, Radio, Writing table, Ping Pong table and all popular magazines, games, books, etc available to the EM.
- b. This unit has a TI & E center where all current literature pertaining to TIME and current world events are available.
- c. This unit has access to Post facilities which include a Snack Bar, Theater, Gymnasium, Library, Service Club, Bowling Alleys, Tennis Court, Baseball Field, Softball field, Information Center, Volleyball courts, football field, horseshoe pits and two (2) EM Clubs.
- d. A Special Service Office is available to arrange hunting parties etc. Many Officers and EM of this unit participate in hunting and fishing.
- e. This unit participated in company level Basketball and softball.

extra Duties performed by EM of this Unit are:

- a. Company Charge of Quarters.
- b. Depot Charge of Quarters.
- c. Master at Arms.
- d. Other sundry details from time to time.

8. The Morale and discipline of this unit is considered to be excellent.

9. The Unit Historian is 1st Lt Walter C. Pomper. M/Sgt James L. Wockenfuss is his assistant.



EUGENE L. HALLE  
Captain, CE  
Commanding