

88<sup>th</sup> Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron

Headquarters & Service Troop

HQ & SV TR DIARY 23 February 1945 – 8 April 1945

23 Feb 1945	Ohee, Holland.
27 Feb 1945	1700 Hq & Sv Troop joined the march column and moved toward Germany
28 Feb 1945	Golkrath, Germany. Arrived 0900. Billeted in farm buildings.
1 March 1945	Golkrath, Germany. Hq & Sv Troop captured its first prisoners. 2300 moved again. Maintenance parts truck hit a mine, three injured and evacuated.
2 March 1945	Amern St. George, Germany. C and R car plus three peeps entered Stenden, Germany as first American troops there and took twelve prisoners.
3 March 1945	Stenden, Germany
5 March 1945	Stenden, Germany. 0630 Squadron Headquarters proceeded to Lintfort.
8 March 1945	Lintfort, Germany. Squadron left Lintfort in the morning for rear area of Glabbach, arriving about noon.
26 March 1945	Glabbach, Germany. Troop moved out at 2145 headed for Rhine.
27 March 1945	Bruckhausen, Germany. Troop crossed Rhine at 0740 and arrived at Bruckhausen.
28 March 1945	Holt Hausen, Germany. In afternoon left Bruckhausen with Troops D, and E, and Company F on right flank of CCR. Two men evacuated after peep ran over a mine.
29 March 1945	Zweckel, Germany. Troop moved in to administration building of a coal mine.
31 March 1945	Marl, Germany. Left coal mine, stopped in Zweckel proper and noon chow was at a private home in Zweckel. Squadron Headquarters established in Marl. In Marl there were clean sheets, water, and electricity.
1 April 1945	Marl to Zelm. At 0300 of Easter, left Marl for Dursten and there crossed canal on a pontoon bridge. Late in morning stopped at a farm in Zelm. In evening, Squadron, minus Troops B and C, moved on toward Delbruck. Paused for several hours during night on the autobahn, then continued on to Gelde.
2 April 1945	Delbruck, Germany. Headquarters was set up near edge of town. Line troops continued and met resistance.
3 April 1945	Lippstadt, Germany. Whole troop billeted in a hotel with fresh linen, electricity, and water.
4 April 1945	Bockenforde, Germany. Three miles from Lippstadt.
5 April 1945	Ruthen, Germany.
7 April 1945	Echtorp, Germany.
8 April 1945	Echtorp, Germany. <b>Nothing to report.</b>