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ARMY PICTORIAL SERVICE LABORATORY.
DOPE SHEET.
LIB 790

PF/SHC/Ext 1706.

SUBJECT : Taking the Town.
CAMERAMAN : Bundschau
UNIT : 167th Signal Photo Co.
FOOTAGE : 500'
LOCATION : Geilenkirchen
DATE : 19 November 1944.

DESCRIPTION :

This film was shot between 10 00 and 14 00 hrs in and around the German village of Geilenkirchen. The town was taken by the 1st Bn. ~~333~~ Infantry Regiment ~~84th~~ Division whose objective was the town beyond.

After an intensive bombardment by Artillery and Plane which lasted about two days, at dawn of the 19th November the Infantry moved into the town. After a fight which lasted most of the day the town was taken. About 14 00 hrs the troops reached the other side of the town and moved into the country. Around 300 German prisoners were taken, but some of them only after having been persuaded by airfire, Grenades etc. The effective use of "Psychological Warfare" was a factor in the surrender of many prisoners. The city was protected by Mines, Pillboxes, and complicated dugouts. Most of the strongpoints were neutralized before the attack, and Engineers and Tanks mounting flails cleared the mains. This was the first day these troops have had a close in battle with the enemy.

ROLL 1 and 2.

Clearing of Mines.

IS The finding and removing of Mines By Pfc. Aaron.

MS Oldaker, Buckhannon, West Virginia

MCU About 300 Mines were loosely scattered around and some carefully hidden.

IS Oldaker Giving Mine to 1st Lt. Edward J. Greenan, Buffalo, New York.

IS Of Lt. operating Mine

CU of Mine

IS of Lt laying Mine down.

Making Mine safe.

IS Lt. taking Mine

ROLL 2.

MS showing Mine works

CU shows making Mine safe

IS Putting Mine on Pile Lt. is Greenan, S/Sgt. is Ralph S. Cadwallader.

Finding hidden mine

IS Going to Mine

CU Uncovering Mine and making it safe

IS Putting Mine in pile

As I stated before many Mines were scattered around loosely, while some were carefully buried in the hope that some one would be careless.

CU S/Sgt Cadwallader. This unit that is removing the Mines are men of 1st Plt. Co. "A", ~~171~~ Eng. Bn., of the ~~433~~ Combat Team.

Location of Mine belt is about 700 Yds S. E. of Geilenkirchen.

MS Men of Co. "D" ~~333~~ Infantry Regiment, ~~84th~~ Inf. Division moving.

MS Past Mine Belt.

ROLL 3 and 4 and part of 5.

Men of the 1st Bn, ~~433~~ Moving in town Flushing out Germans. Tanks as close support weapons. Taking of German Prisoners.

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~~The short story of prisoners being searched. Man doing searching
is 1st Lt. Kenneth L. Ayres, West Palm Beach, Fla.~~

~~Roll 5. 50' to 80' 333rd moving up.~~

~~30' to 100' Co. "B" 105, 102nd moving up.~~

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SUBJECT : Taking Eschweiler
UNIT : "g" 165 Sig Photo Co
CAMERAMAN : Shelton
LOCATION : Eschweiler, Germany
FOOTAGE : 335
DATE : 20 November 1944

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22 November 1944

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DESCRIPTION : ROLL 1

First Pictures of Eschweiler. Division Objective. "C" Co 290th Eng. Bn, 404th Inf Div. 1st U.S. Army, troops blow a building with 4 teller mines and rout out a Nazi sniper (young) on the road to Eschweiler. Then the engineers explode a 155 shell (dud) which had blocked traffic.

Infantrymen of "C" Co, 1st Bn. 415th Inf. Reg, 264th Inf. Div. 1st U.S. Army move into Eschweiler, going from house to house, making sniper search. Pix of troops going up street, breaking in door taking over 1/2 doz. prisoners. The street car barn, with Eschweiler sign.

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SUBJECT : Ruins
CAMERAMAN : Marthey
UNIT : Special Coverage.
FOOTAGE : 400'
LOCATION : Aachen
DATE : 23.10.44.

DESCRIPTION:

ROLL 1.

IS Street in ruins, 88 in foreground
MS 88 and buildings in background
CU of ruined Gun
CU Few feet of Store signs wrecked

ROLL 2.

IS Various views of wrecked buildings
MS -do-
CU -do-

Roll 3.

Various views of Aachen ruined buildings.

Roll 4.

IS Practice run of troops and flame throwing tanks
MS -do-
CU of flame from Tank
CU of flame coming at Camera

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LIB 807

FF/ph/Ext 1544
22 November 1944

SUBJECT : Refugees...and Burned Town
UNIT : 163 Sig Photo Co
CAMERAMAN : T/4 Galbraith
LOCATION : Corcieux Area
FOUNDED : 800
DATE : 19 November 1944

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DESCRIPTION : ROLL 1
Various shots group of refugees standing around talking.
MS Butcher selling beef. These people are for the most part from Corcieux, the Nazis forces them to leave the town and then burned it. There are approx. 500 persons in this area.

ROLL 2
LS. MS. CU women cooking out doors. MS Two women cooking in burned house nothing left of house except two walls. CU. Elderly Lady stirring pot of potatoes. MS.& CU. family eating.

ROLL 3
Various shots groups of refugees talking.

ROLL 4
LS MS CU. family loading their possessions on to Ox cart : preparation to move back to Corcieux. Two shots. ox carts and refugees moving along road.

ROLL 5
LS Refugees moving along highway in b.g. is Corcieux. CU Refugees pass Corcieux city limits sign. LS Ox carts entering town. MS unloading cart, at a house left unburnt.

ROLL 6
LS. Looking up main street burned building in b.g. Several shots inside home, MS and CU debris filled sink water running. MS and CU, burned sewing machine. MS Burned buildings.

ROLL 7
Shot looking up side street. Two shot inside Church, which Germans burned. Position of altar is at far end. MS. Monument to 1914-18 soldiers, burned buildings all around.

ROLL 8
Several shots . Family salvaging possessions from their burned home. Most of their possessions were hidden in cellar and was not damaged.

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Cameraman: Sgt. Rudkin
Story: Geilenkirchen
Length: 600 ft.

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The British Second Army and Americans have jointly conquered this German town. The occupation proceeded in the pouring rain. Snipers were still active but were being steadily reduced. The town is dead, its civilians evacuated, its buildings smashed. Its broken windows and houses strewn with pathetic domestic relics are an echo of the desolation the Nazis have brought to other countries in Europe and a warning of the future lying before the German Nation if it chooses to carry on the fight.

Roll 1.

The town of Geilenkirchen in the Reich occupied by Allied troops. Scenes inside the town after the occupation.

Prisoners on the road out of Geilenkirchen.

m.s. Repeat.

c.u. Repeat.

c.u. Signpost outside town.

l.s. Looking down the road into the centre of the town.

Various shots of scenes of desolation in the town.

l.s. the bandstand and centre of the town.

m.s. American soldier placing signpost.

Roll 2.

Snipers rounded up in the town.

m.c.u. of prisoners.

m.c.u. of wounded prisoner supported by comrades.

c.u. Young prisoner.

m.s. Wounded prisoner taken to seat.

m.s. The Nazi H.Q.

l.s. Damaged building in Hindenbug Straat. An

Allied soldier finds an umbrella useful.

Various shots of the occupation.

Roll 3 Inside one of the houses.

The Adolf Hitler book in a damaged house.

Notices to the German people by the Allied

Military Government of Germany.

Shots of British Infantry and transport moving beyond Geilenkirchen.

11th Army Group
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1881

PATHE GAZETTE.

Batch 56,

B. 521/B.

CAMERAMAN: K. GORDON

Box 13016

LOCATION:

GEILRATH, Germany.

SUBJECT:

The British are Fighting on German Soil.

As we advanced towards Germany, the Huns blew up all the Church Spires.

Our picture shows (next few words indecipherable) of blown church, and rubble (name indecipherable).

Next sentence indecipherable.

All is "dead" in the German-captured ~~GANGHEIT~~. *German town of Gangelt.*

Fire salvoes from Vickers on Germans. This harassing fire strikes the German troops from all sides, a few belts of ammo, and then off to another target.

Shuman
Massed German tanks put down barrages.

Note the huge pile of used ammo.

Other shots in ~~GANGHEIT~~ showing deserted town and tank guard.

British Vickers machine guns in action near ~~Geilrath~~, Germany.

British Infantry advancing to attack ~~GEILRATH~~.

What many German towns look like. Scenes in front line, German town, ~~BAUCHUM~~.

British infantry go forward to attack, passing through ~~BAUCHUM~~.

Tank guards road with German houses blown to rubble, ~~BAUCHUM~~.

Note German houses destroyed.

New type of German automatic weapon captured at ~~BAUCHUM~~.

Scenes in ~~GANGHEIT~~ deserted German town. Sentry guards gate.

German civilians awaiting evacuation. We are taking no risks. They are being sent to safe camps in Holland.

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PATHE GAZETTE.

6-48EP20
Batch 57.

B.522/B.

Boe 13016

CAMERAMAN: K. GORDON.

LOCATION: IN AND AROUND GEILENKIRCHEN, GERMANY. 21st November

SUBJECT: BRITISH INSIDE GERMANY. 1944.

German civilians being evacuated from villages near GEILENKIRCHEN.

Lorries loaded with German civilians ^{being evacuated} crossing Dutch frontier into Holland for safe-keeping.

Sign outside British Military Government Headquarters.

The first British Military Governor of Germany, with his escort and staff. He is Major JAN. F. REITZ of South Africa, the Major is grandson of General REITZ who was president of the Orange Free State before the Boer War.

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F.L.A. 7.

Box 13020.

Robert Petiot. Cameraman.
10 Rolls - 1000 feet.

ADVANCE OF FRENCH ARMY IN THE BELFORT GAP

The ~~1st Army Corps~~ (C.O. Gd. Bethourd) - who at Narwick in 1940 - advance toward Belfort.

LIST OF THE SCENES.

Columns on the country road, Tanks crossing on rapidly prepared bridges by the engineers - engineer at work - mule columns - Infantry advances through Héricourt - A German P.O.W. - in the streets of Héricourt soldiers taking cover during a shelling - a wounded man - German soldiers killed by the advance patrols of tanks - columns of German prisoners - - passing thru flooded streets - General view of Montebeliard - Gal Bethourd going out of Montebeliard Town Hall. The General in his jeep. - The population of Montebeliard acclaims congratulating the troops of the 1st Army Corps.

At this point of view the story is not complete, but the fighting took generally place at night.

F.L.A.S. -

R. Bernard - J. Manier - E. Werner - Cameraman.
3 rolls - 300 feet.

The french colony of London receives in the French Headquarters Club, St. James Square, the 200 FFI visiting this country.

Monsieur MASSIGLI - French Ambassador in England, french delegate to the European advise council welcomes them into the club.

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6-483P30

Box 13021

CAMERAMAN: Sgt. Laws (25)
STORY: Advance east of Beringe, Holland.
LENGTH: 100 foot.
DATE: 19.11.44
FORMATION: ~~2nd Bn. Argyll, 3rd Scots Guards.~~
~~15 Scottish Div., 8 Corps.~~
LOCATION: East of Beringe, Holland.

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Today the Infantry of the ~~2nd Bn. Argyll, 15 Scottish~~
~~Div.~~ riding on tanks of the 3rd Scots Guards advanced east
of Beringe. Opposition was slight and consisted of sporadic
shelling. As the light was poor and the sky was angry, I
exposed for dramatic and silhouette material in preference
to the ordinary flat lighting.

ROLL 1.

L.S., L.S., L.S., M.S. Infantry riding into action on
M.S., M.S. Churchill, Sherman and Flail tanks.

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