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DOPE SHEET

Cameraman: Sgt. Deeming.
Story: Lumber Camps.
Length: 600 ft.
Date: 9.11.45.
Location: Aflenz and Murzzuschlag.

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As winter draws on in Austria, men of the 6th Bn. Lincolns and the K.O.Y.L.I. in 138 Bde., 46 Div. find that their main task just now is lumber jacking.

All available troops are stationed in Southern Austria are hard at work felling timber to provide fuel for units and troops stationed in the cities when any other means of heating becomes unobtainable.

As the snow will be coming soon and some of the main roads will become impassable, speed is essential at this time to provide an ample stock of timber for fuel and heating purposes.

This material shows first a lumber camp of the Lincolns at Murzzuschlag and the other camp at Aflenz where things are going on in a big scale. At this camp all the treatment to the timber is done on the same site, sawing, splitting and loading on a miniature railway for shipment to the main Austrian cities.

Rolls 1 to 6.
All self explanatory material.

Cameraman: Sgt. Deeming.
Story: Surface coal mine in Austria.
Length: 400 ft.
Date: 9.11.45.
Location: Uvitsberg, Southern Austria.

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This material shows work by R.E's of the 46th Division on a surface coal mine in Uvitsberg, Southern Austria, although there is no pit and the material is taken off from ground level, it entails a great deal of labour and manhandling, in which the R.E's give invaluable and skilled assistance.

By using scrapers, each one carrying 8 cubic yards, the coal is transported to a railway siding and dropped into trucks ready for despatch to the principal cities such as Vienna or Graz and for use as fuel in steel factories.

The material obtained is technically not coal but lignite, which basically is very young immature coal.

The output of this mine, supervised now by R.E. N.C.O's and Sappers, is about 1000 tons per week, but in time it is intended to aim at getting out 1000 tons a day, to help supplement the fuel needed for Austrian industry which at the moment is almost at a standstill for lack of fuel.

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This is just another odd job soldiers in Austria are doing to help to get Austrian industry on its feet again, and lessen the burden and expense of importing materials into the country by the Allied Powers.

Roll 1.

Shows the work of getting out the mineral from the mine by grabs.

Roll 2.

Loading lignite into train trucks.

Roll 3.

Loading the R.E.'s scrapers etc.

Roll 4.

Finally loading on to train trucks for despatch.