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SUBJECT: Transmittal of Historical Record.

TO : Commanding General, Seventh Army, APO 758, U S Army.
(Attn: Historical Section)

Transmitted herewith Historical Record of the 45th Signal Company, this command, for the period 1 February 1945 to 28 February 1945, inclusive.

For the Commanding General:

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APO 45 US ARMY

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COMPANY HISTORY
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The company gained a 2½ ton cargo truck on February 2nd, due to a change in the T/E. The Red Cross girls provided doughnuts at lunch. Inside Germany, and I. & E. film was shown to the company.

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P.X. rations for the company were drawn on February 6th.

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On February 8th, Typhoid and Tetanus injections were given. T/4 Fullam filed an application to attend the J.A.G. O.C.S.

In the early morning of the 9th there was a light snowfall. S/Sgt. Baxter and Pvt. Matusik submitted applications to attend an Infantry O.C.S. The articles of war were read to the men by the officers in charge of the sections.

On February 11th, Sgt. Harper left on a two day pass to Brussels.

On the 12th a schedule for the showing of motion pictures was set up in conjunction with Division Headquarters. The theater was located in La Petite Pierre.

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On the 14th Lt. O'Meara, was appointed Top Secret Control Officer. Annex #4.

On the 15th preparations were made for a move to a rest area near Luneville, France. Lt. Hugh Reed, formerly of the company and rotated to the USA from Anzio was Construction Officer of the relieving Signal Co.

On the 16th part of the company moved to Baccarat for one night.

On the 17th the Division Advance CP location was picked in Luneville and wire and Message Center installations were made. The company CP was set up in Castle Stanislaus.

On the 18th the Division Rear CP closed and the remainder of the company was moved to the rear. The day was spent in cleaning the buildings and the area which had been left quite dirty by the former occupants.

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On February 19th our training schedule was started off by having Major Batte speak on "Military Government of Germany". The Army SSO permitted us to use their theater for the showing of training and I.& E. films. The men were also able to take advantage of any motion picture or stage shows presented by Army SS.

On the 20th T/5 Quinn and PFC Stern left on T/D to the U.K. All vehicles were washed with the help of a civilian fire fighting unit.

On the 21st new clothing and personal equipment was issued.

On the 22nd and 23rd the films "Battle of Russia" and "Battle of Britain" were shown as part of the I.& E. program. On the 23rd T/4 Blacker left on T/D to the U.K.

On the 24th Lt. O'Meara, T/3 Wilton, T/5 Root, T/5 Gordon, T/5 Counter and Pvt. Feldman left for Brussels on two day passes.

On the 25th PFC Gwara departed on T/D in the USA. T/Sgt. Dudley rejoined the company after a long absence caused by illness.

On the 26th T/5 O'Keefe and PFC Jackson left on two day passes to Brussels. A small PX ration was drawn for the company.

On the 28th S/Sgt. Baxter's OCS application was returned disapproved.

Following is a record of men going to and coming from hospitals during the month: February 2, T/4 Kusen to hospital. February 3, PFC Loudin to hospital. February 5, Pvt. Cole to hospital. February 6, T/5 Hutchison to hospital. February 7, Pvt. Cole to duty. February 8, Pvt. Buttner to hospital. February 9, T/4 Kusen and Pvt. Matusik to duty. February 11, PFC Loudin to duty. February 13, Pvt. Buttner to duty. February 23, Pvt. Gery to hospital. February 25, Pvt. Butler to duty. Tech. Sgt. Dudley to duty.

3. Following are the reports of the activities of the various sections during the month:

TRUCK SECTION

Number of trucks in company by section and type:

<u>SECTION</u>	<u>1/4</u>	<u>3/4</u>	<u>1 1/2</u>	<u>2 1/2</u>
Construction	10	4	2	
Message Center	10			1
Radio	5	5		3
T. & T.	1	2	2	1
Repair				7
Supply and Mess		2		3
Adm. and DSO	2	2	1	
Truck	1	1		4
 Trucks damaged and repaired:				
Construction	50	8		
Message Center	48			1
Radio	9			2
T & T	1	2	2	2
Repair				23
Supply and Mess		3		3
Adm. and DSO	2	1		
Truck	1	3		2

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