

ROUST MARCHE SHUBAN POLAND - HAMMILBURG GERMANY

DATE	MARCHED TO	FOOD RATION	QUARTERS	MISC.	DISTANCE
JAN 21, 1945	EXIN	NONE	BARN - LIGHTS	LONG AND SNAFU APEL IN COLD - 1,282 O'S 109 E.M.'S STARTED MARCH - IRC BOX EA. - SOME SLEDS - JOIN REFUGEE COLUMN - 2 BREAKS CONSTANT ADJUSTMENT OF PACKS - HEAVY ARTICLES + EXCESS DISCARDED MOB FORMATION - SNOW SICK LEFT BEHIND - SLOW MARCH GROUP FORMED - STILL STREAM OF REFUGEES - DEAD HORSES ALONG ROAD - CIVILLIANS FRIENDLY GAVE MILK LIBERATION DAY - GUARDS LEFT 0400 - HEARD SMALL ARMS + ARTILLERY - CIVILLIANS GIVE TEA SOUP - POLES REPORT RUSSIANS 5 KILOS AWAY GUARDS RETURN - LEFT 1600 - S.S. GUARDS MANY O'S TOOK OFF OVER FIELDS	22 22
22	EICHFELDE NEAR WIRSITZ	NONE	DAIRY BARN W/ CATTLE		28 50
23	CHARLOTTENBERG	NONE	BARN		7 57
24	LOBSENS	3/4 BROTE, 1/2 LB. CHEESE 1/8 LB. MARGERINE - 1 CUP OATMEAL	BARN	GUARDS SHOT UP BARN AFTER WE LEFT - CIVILS. IN LOBSENS GAVE BREAD CHEESE, ERSATZ - SOUP OLD GUARDS REJOIN COLUMN - IT ESCAPED O'S CAUGHT - SPEECH BY OBERSK. BE GENTLEMEN MUST ESCAPE - SS TROOPS UNDER ORDER OF HIMMLER.	12 69
25	FLATOW	ERSATZ - 1/4 BROTE POTATOE SOUP	BARN	COLDER + MET COLUMN OF KUSION + BRITISH POW'S - WENT THRU SCHWARTZ FIRST TOWN IN GERMANY - FROZEN RUSSIAN.	23 92

26	1ST DAY OF REST	1/4 BROTE	BARN		92
27	JASTROW	1/4 LB. MARGE-SOUP	BARN	COLUMN FINNALLY ORGANIZED - OBERSK OFFERED COL. GOODE COMMISSIONS IN GERMAN ARMY FOR ALL AM. POW'S TO FIGHT RUS. OUR COMMON ENEMY - SAW BIG COLUMNS RUS. BRIT. POW'S.	20 112
28	ZIPPNOW	1 CUP MEAT-POTATOE SOUP	HEATED SCHOOL HOUSE	SHOES FROZEN-VERY COLD-WINDY-	17 129
29	OFLAG II D NEAR REDERITZ	SPURKRAUT-SPUDS PORK FAT SOUP	POLISH OFLAG	PAST WESTHOFEN BKS. LARGE GERMAN CAMP RUMOR OF LAYOVER 766 MEN + O'S LEFT	8 137
30	MACHLIN	GRASS SOUP-ERSATZ 1 BROTE	SMALL BARN - GROUPS OF 50 MEN	FEAR OF RUS. NO LAYOVER MOVED AT 1300 - DEEP SNOW - MANY REFUGEES-	13 150
31	TEMPLEBURG (4 KILOS PAST)	1 CUP NOODLE + SPUD SOUP	BARN	WEATHER WARMER	16 166
FEB 3, 1945	HEINRICH DORF	SOUP - 1/4 MARGE 1 BROTE	BARN	TRAIN - SNOW MELTING - SLEDS BEING LEFT	4 170
2	ZUSHAGEN	SOUP (1 CUP)	BARN	ARRIVED AFTER DARK ALL SLEDS ABANDONED	17 187
3	SECOND DAY OF REST	SOUP (1 CUP)	BARN	O'S CAUGHT STEALING CHICKENS - TRAIN	187
4	GEINOW (VIA DRAMBURG- JANIKOW)	NONE	BARN	WEATHER WARM	17 204
5	ZEITLITZ (VIA MANGREN)	SPUDS-OATMEAL- CABBAGE SOUP	BARN	180 LEAVE BY TRAIN 350 LEFT	18 222
2 6	TRUGENWALDE	CABBAGE SOUP (3 BRS) 1/2 BROTE	REFUGEE CAMP		20 242

7	LEBBIN (VIA GREIFENBURG)	SPUDS - ERSATZ	BARN (VERY GOOD)		20 262
8	STUCKOW (VIA PLATHE)	CABBAGE SOUP - SPUDS ERSATZ	BARN		18 280
9	STRESNOW (VIA JUSTIN)	SPUDS GRAVY ERSATZ TEA	BARN		14 294
10	DIEVENOW (VIA FRESNOW)	TURNIPS, SPUDS + GRAVY - 1 BROTE (8 DAYS STARTING MONDAY) (TODAY - SATURDAY)	BRICK BARRACKS LUFT AIRPORT + AIR SCHOOL	STARTED CROSSING OF ODER - SCENIC TOURIST COUNTRY - TOWN FULL OF CHILDREN FROM THE GOERING HOME FOR CHILDREN	14 308
11	NEUNDORF (VIA HEIDEBRINK)	BARLEY SOUP	BARN		15 323
12	SWINEMÜNDE (VIA MISDROY)	SPUDS + GRAVY	ATIC BRICK BUILDING OF NAVAL SCHOOL	HAD A HOT SHOWER - SAW SWEDISH R.C. SHIP	25 348
13	GORZE	SPUDS	BARN	FEW SICK STAYED BEHIND FERRY RIDE - SAW MANY PLANES IN WOODS	8 356
14	STOLPE	SPUDS + GRAVY	BARN	CROWDED BARN - VIEW OF ODER	15 371
15	THIRD DAY OF REST	SOUP - ERSATZ	BARN	RAW DAY - RUMOR R.C. BOX	
16	MURCHIN (4 KILOS SHORT OF ANKLAM)	1 BOX KNACKERBROTE CABBAGE SOUP	BARN	CROSS LAST OF ODER - BRIDGE FITTED FOR DEMOLITION - 100 SICK LEFT BEHIND - TRAIN	22 393
17	GUTZKOW (2 KILOS PAST)	2 BOXES KNACKERBROTE SOUP - SPUDS $\frac{1}{6}$ SPUDS BROTE	BARN	RECEIVED ONE AMERICAN #10 R.C. PARCEL	27 420
18	FOURTH DAY OF REST	BARLEY SOUP	BARN	BASHED BY FIRE ALL DAY STRENGTH NOW #90	
19	JARMIN	$\frac{1}{6}$ BROTE	BARN		11 431

20	EUGENIENBURG (VIA DEMMIN)	SOUP - SPUDS 1/6 BROTE BARN	GOT HALF WAY THRU DEMMIN COLUMN STOP- PED BY RC. REP. (SWISS)- TURNED BACK FOR ISSUE OF RC. BOXES - BOXES TO BE DELIVERED TO BARN - ARRIVE AT BARN OBERST SNYDER MADE SPEACH - TRANS- PORTATION SOON - MARCH ALMOST AT END - TWO DAYS AT MOST - PARCEL ISSUE 1 CANADIAN - 1 AM. #10 PER TWO MEN.	21 452
21	FIFTH DAY OF REST	SOUP - 1/6 BROTE BARN	BEAUTIFUL DAY - SUPER BASHES ALL DAY - BEST DAY ON TRIP SO FAR.	17 469
22	NEUKALEN (VIA DARGUN)	ERSATZ (NOON HALT) SOUP - SPUDS - 1/6 BROTE BARN	NO FIRES - LONG WALK THRU TOWN FOR SOUP LAST BUNCH TO GO HAD THIRDS (EVERY THICK BARLEY & MEAT SOUP) STAYED AWAKE ALL NIGHT WITH STOMACH ACHE.	17 469
23	BASEDOW (VIA MALLHUN)	CABBAGE SOUP - SPUDS 1/2 BROTE BARN (W/ROOM FOR A CHANGE) GOONS GETTING GENEROUS ERSATZ NOON HALT SINCE 1945		18 487
24	CRAMON	TURNIP SOUP - SPUDS BARN		21 508
25	PLAURNAGEN	HOT WATER - SPUDS BARN		21 529
26	SIXTH DAY OF REST	BARLEY & MEAT SOUP BARN	NO FIRES - RAIN	
27	LUTHERON (VIA LÜBZ)	TURNIP SOUP BARN	RECIEVED 1/2 RC. PARCEL MADE MY FIRST TRADE WITH GOOD CIVILLIAN WOMEN - KNOCKED ON DOOR SAID "ICK HOBBEN KAPPE FÜR BROTE"	16 545

27 (CONT.)

				GOT 1 BROTE, 100 SUCRARINE TABLETS, COUPLE LBS. ONIONS, MILKO CAN FULL SORGHUM FOR FOUR SPOONS FULL CANADIAN GROUND COFFEE 2 BARS SOAP (BIG DEAL)	
28	SIGGELKOW	SOUP-SPUDS 1/2 BROTE BARN 1/5 MARGE		TOLD MAY STAY FOR 2 OR 3 DAYS TO AWAIT TRANS. IN PARCHIM TOOK LONG SHORTCUT ACROSS COUNTRY	13 558
MARCH 1 2 3 4 5	WAIT FOR TRAIN	1/8 BROTE DAILY SOUP + SPUDS DAILY 1/4 LB. MARGE 5th	BARN	BAKERY ACROSS STREET FROM BARN - RENTY TRADING FOR B.T.O.'S FIRES EVERY DAY (3RD) 1/4 R.C. #10 AM. (4th) TWO O'S MISSING APPEL FORMATION - FOUND LATER IN PARCHIM 5th	
6	PARCHIM	MEAT BROTH (3 DAY MEAT RATION)	TRAIN	UP AT 0430 - ITALIAN BOX CAR - CAR TOPS PAINTED USA POW - 36 O'S 4 GOONS - LEFT 1130	10 568
7 + 8	ENROUTE TO HAMMELBURG		TRAIN	SWEATED OUT AIRRAIDS ARRIVED 1730 THE 8th SAW MANY EFFECTS OF OUR AIR FORCE - STAYED ON TRAIN ALL NIGHT MARCHED UP STEEP HILL - VALLEY + HAMMELBURG VERY PICTURESQUE GREETED BY GENERAL IN COMMAND - WAITED ALL DAY FOR PROCESSING SERCHED - SHOWER 2200 BILLETED 0200 - (FINIS)	
9	HAMMELBURG LAGER KIII B	GRASS SOUP	LAGER		4 5572 357 miles
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MARCH 9-26 STAY AT LAGER HAMMELBURG - VERY MEAGER RATIONS (MEDICS SAID 2700 CALORIES STARVATION DIET - WE GOT 1400 DAILY APPROX. (1/4 BROTE TWO WATERY SOUPS OR ONE SLIGHTLY THICKENED DAILY) + APPROX 1/5 LB MARGE, 1/8 LB SUGAR, 2 SPOONS MARMALADE PER WEEK) 1/4 RC BOX RNO WIK.

HAMMELBURG - NUREMBURG

MARCH 27	HAMMELBURG LIBERATION	1/4 RATION (APPROX. 6)	HOOD OF HALFTACK	TASK FORCE OF 4TH ARMORED DIV. (1 COMPANY TANKS - 1 CO ARLINE) DROVE 60 KILOS IN REAR GOON LINES TO US. HEARD FIRE ALL MORNING. - FEW RIKASHEYS IN LAGER - TANKS BROKE THRU FENCE LATE AFTERNOON - WE WERE ORDERED TO PACK IMMEDIATELY - ON WAY TO VEHICLES THRU PACK AND BLANKETS AWAY - RODE TILL WE HIT ROAD BLDK WERE STOPPED - RETURNED TO HIGH GROUND - LARGE GROUP RETURNED TO LAGER WITH COL. GOODE - SOME ATTEMPTED TO GET TO AM. LINES. SOME STAYED WITH TANKS. ARRIVED BACK 0800 - 28TH LEFT 1500 MARCHED TO TOWN - 1/4 RC #10 AM. COURTESY SERBS. - BOX CARS CROUDED LEFT AFTER DARK, SWEAT OUT PLANES	
28	ENTRAINED	NONE	TRAIN		4 4
29	NUREMBURG BOUND	1/4 BROTE 1/5 CAN GOON BULLY BEEF	TRAIN		
30	NUREMBURG STALAG LUFT III	COFFEE (G.I.)	TENTS	WAIT FOR TENTS TO BE PUT UP -	2 6
<p>MARCH 30TH TO APRIL 3RD STAY AT LUFT III R/C PARCELS USED IN CENTRAL MESS INSTEAD SEPARATE ISSUE CHOW VERY GOOD (FOR KREIBY CAMP)</p>					

STRATEGIC WITHDRAWAL NUREMBURG - MOOSEBURG

APRIL 3, 1945	STOPPED AT PREPARATION FOR HIKE	WORMY PEAS	TENTS	SICK LEAVE BY TRAIN ISSUE BRITISH RC BOX PLUS - CAN MARGE - FRUITBAR CAN BACON - 1 PR KAUKI PANTS		
4	PFEIFFEHUTTE	NONE	WOODS	LEFT FROM ADEL FORMATION MOB PLATOON 6 GROUPS - GUARDS WITH DOGS - HEAD OF COLUMN CAUGHT IN TSI BOMBING AT DLHENBRUCK 3 KILLED - TARGET RR. YARD NEXT TO ROAD ARRIVE AT WOODS 2200. FIRES 1/2 HR.	14	14
5	NONSTOP	NONE	NONE	HEARD BIG AIRRAID ON NUREMBURG - 4 HR. HALT OUTSKIRTS OF POLLING- RAIN - RE - NEUMARK - RAIN - DELAY -	15	29
6	BERCHING	TEA SOUP 1/4 BROTE	CHURCH	FEED IN DARK 0100 - 1 CUP TEA SOUP - 1/4 BROTE MARCH ALONG HIWAY RAIN PITCH DARK 0200 - 0600 - R.C. WHITE TROLIES HAUL SICK, 2 HR HALT 0600 - 0800. MARCHED ON TO BERCHING IN HEAVY RAIN MANY DELAYS. ISSUED 1/2 BRITISH RC BOX. SLEPT UNDER PEW IN CHURCH.	10	39
7	SANDERSDORF	NONE	BARN	LV. 1000 ARRIVE 2100 BED 2200	30	69
8	LAYOVER	NONE	BARN	GOOD FIRES - BEACUP FIRE WOOD		
9	NEUSTADT	1/4 BROTE	BARN	CROSS DANUBE BRIDGE HEAVILY MINED - 1500 RC BOX 2 MEN	18	80

10	NILDERUMELSDORF	NONE	BARN		15 101
11	LAYOVER	1/2 BROTE	BARN	ROTTEN POTATOES FROM SEED BED - BEAUTIFUL DAY	
12	LAYOVER	NONE	BARN	NEW AND BETTER SEED BED FOUND IN HOP FIELD. 2 KILO MARCH TO APPEL	
13	MARGRATSTAN	2/9 BROTE	BARN	MUCH DELAY ENROUTE TRADE SOAP FOR SACCARINE BROTE + NOODLES - SALT.	4 105
14	LAYOVER	2/9 BROTE	BARN	0 SHOT THRU LIP BY RADAR SS TROOPS - TRADE FOR SACCARINE - SALT - ATE TURNIP GREENS	
15	LAYOVER	1/9 BROTE	BARN	APPEL 1 KILG	
16	HOLZHAUSEN	NONE	BARN	SURPRISE ISSUE 1/4 AM #10 1/4 FRENCH PARCEL (5 SARDINES 2 LB SUGAR 6 LIGARETTES 4 CAKES	11 116
17	OBERMUNCHEN /	1/9 BROTE 5 SPUDS (RAW)	BARN	1/2 #10 1/4 ENG	8 124
18	GAMMELDORF	NONE	BARN	FINIS 1/4 ENG.	6 130
14	LAYOVER	1/4 BROTE	BARN	SCROUNGED ROTTEN SPUDS + BARLEY - GROUND BARLEY HAD HOT CAKES + PRIM	
20	MOOSEBURG / VII A	1/4 BROTE	LAGER.	HASTY SEARCH - SHOWERS BILLETED - ARGENTINE BULK ISSUE CRACKERS - CHEESE - TEA -	8 138