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24 February 1944.

The staff section spent the day in the field as observers of the divisional exercise. Routine business was carried on. A large shipment of the new gas mask spectacles arrived. Provisions have been made for replacements to have their eyes re-fracted and necessary spectacles provided. Our chain of evacuation was changed. From 130th Station Hospital our patients are evacuated to 32nd General Hospital instead of 2nd General Hospital.

25 February 1944.

The staff section, exclusive of the Office Executive, spent another day in the field observing the medical service during the problem. Plans have been laid for the entire re-immunization of the division in compliance with directives from higher headquarters. The serum has been requisitioned and is on its way.

26 February 1944.

Weekly Statistical Report 86ab was rendered and no unusual conditions were noted. The monthly venereal report for the period ending 2400 25 February 1944 was rendered and the good record of the division was spoiled by the report of five (5) cases of gonorrhoea. These cases came in the last few days of the period otherwise we would have had a negative report. No mechanical or chemical prophylaxis was used after or during the contact in these cases.

27 February 1944.

No activity - Sunday. Official mail received and noted.

28 February 1944.

The staff section went into the field again. The entire division will be re-immunized on 3 March 1944. Officers and enlisted men that are highly proficient in German were interviewed by the G-2 for possible attendance at a course in document interpretation. The results were satisfactory and future action will be taken by G-2.

29 February 1944.

The entire staff section went out to observe the last phase of the divisional exercise. Advantage was taken during the CC "A" problem to practice medical evacuation. This gave the combat command surgeon an opportunity to work closely with battalion surgeons and the supporting medical company. The principles of our medical S.O.P. were practiced and appear sound. A visit to our section was paid by the Surgeon's Section of the 5th Armored Division. Their Dental Surgeon and chief clerks represented the section and their questions were answered about administrative details in the ETO. Captain Kifner visited the 130th Station Hospital to check on our officers and men in the hospital, contact was also made with the new chief of laboratory service.



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