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HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, 85TH INFANTRY DIVISION

APC 85, U. S. Army
12 March 1945

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REPORT OF OPERATIONS
1 Feb. to 28 Feb. 1945

- 1 - Feb: Forward echelon remained in bivouac area vicinity of Villa de Sassonero, Italy. Coordinates 965234, Loiano Sheet 98-1, Italy map 1:50,000. Rear echelon remained in bivouac area at Gagliano, Italy. Coordinates 831957, Firenzuola Sheet 98-11, Italy map 1:50,000.
- 1-5 Feb: Both echelons remained in same bivouac areas and performed regular duties.
- 6 - Feb: Decoration ceremony held in forward echelon. General Truscott, 5th Army Commander and General Keys, II Corps Commander present for ceremony. No change in location of either forward or rear echelon.
- 7-10 Feb: Both echelons remained stationary and performed regular duty.
- 11-20 Feb: Both echelons remained stationary and performed regular duty. Weather during this period mostly fair.
- 21 - Feb: 85th Division Band moved to Montecatini, Italy for duty with the 85th Infantry Division rest center.
- 22-27 Feb: Forward and rear echelons remained in respective bivouac areas and performed regular duties.
- 28 - Feb: Company paid.
Both echelons remained in same areas.

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One Legion of Merit awarded during month.

- 16 - Feb: Gerald W. Nolan T/Sgt 37182513 G-2
For services in North Africa and Italy from 10 Jan to 9 Sept 1944.
GO #31, Hq Mediterranean Theater of Operations dated 16 Feb. 1945.
Two Bronze Stars awarded during month.
- 15 - Feb: Morris H. Saks Capt 0528375 Sp Trps, Med Det
Meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period
28 April to 17 November 1944 in Italy.
- 15 - Feb: William T. Bocher Major 0447779 Sp Trps, Med Det
Meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period
10 Oct. to 23 Dec. 1944 in Italy.

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Supply: Normal.

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Health: Morale was excellent and sick rate low. Passes to 85th Infantry Division rest center at Montecatini, Italy and to 5th Army rest center Rome, Italy were continued.

Weather: The weather throughout February was greatly improved. There was very little rainfall or snow and the ground and roads dried out considerably.

Gain of 1 Officer and 24 enlisted men in Headquarters Company and attached units for month of February.

Assigned strength as of 28 Feb. 1945

<u>Hq Co</u>	<u>Div Hq Plat</u>	<u>M.P. Plat</u>	<u>Band</u>	<u>Atchd Med</u>	<u>Hq Sp Trps</u>
Off - 4	Off - 38	Off - 4	Off - 0	Off - 2	Off - 3
WO - 0	WO - 8	WO - 0	WO - 2	WO - 0	WO - 0
EM - 106	EM - 110	EM - 101	EM - 57	EM - 15	EM - 7

Thomas A. Roberts
 THOMAS A. ROBERTS
 Captain, Infantry,
 Commanding

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