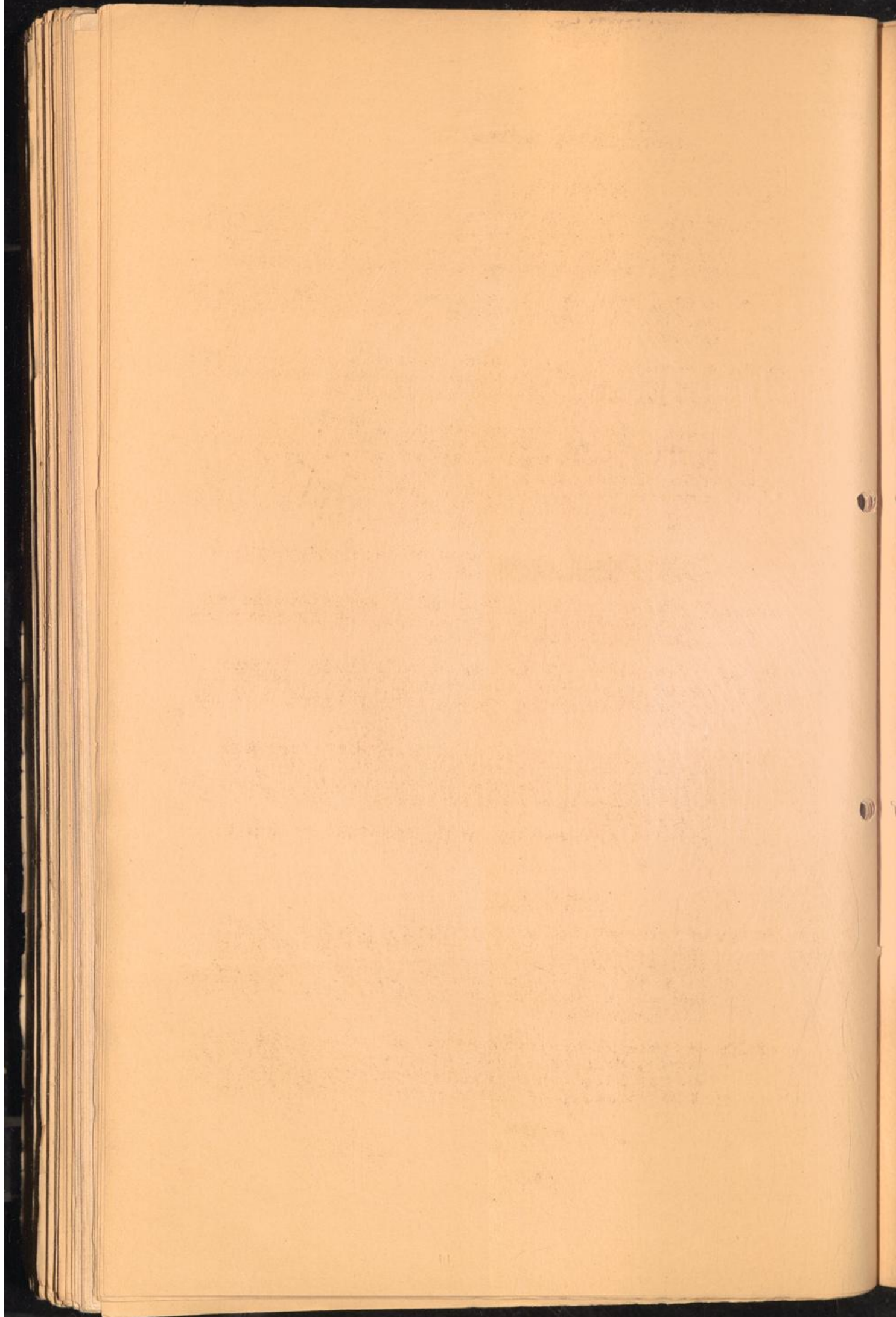


FLYING SQUADS.



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without permanent location.

BAUBRIGADE I

CC Kdo. of Sachsenhausen, established on 24.10.42 with 1000 pris., for the purpose of repairing the damages caused by air raids, this brigade was first stationed at Duesseldorf (Netherlands Red Cross), Steffeler Kapellenweg (ENEB) and Duisburg-Meiderich.

In Febr. 1943, both parts of the brigade were transferred to the channel island Alderney, for work on fortification (Netherlands Red Cross).

CC Kdo. of Neuengamme. In May 43 (Former inmate), the prisoners received Neuengamme numbers of the series 16000 - 17000; work on fortifications continued under very hard circumstances.

Around 22.6.44, Alderney was evacuated to Sollstedt, Germany, following the route: Alderney - Guernsey island - Jersey island - St. Malo - Rennes - Nantes - Tours - Nevers - Chalon s.S. - Dijon - Landres - Epinal - Toul - Nancy - Metz - Sedan - Namur - Bruxelles - Kortemark - Sollstedt, where the prisoners arrived at the beginning of Oct. 44. In Toul, a trial of escape resulted in the massacre of 40 pris. by the SS guards.

On Sept. 22nd, the Kdo was turned over administratively to CC Buchenwald (Netherlands Red Cross).

CC Kdo. of Buchenwald, starting 22.9.44 with 570 pris., prisoners numbers of the series 88000, until 28.10.44, when they were transferred administratively to CC Dora.

CC Kdo. of Dora, starting 28.10.44, located in Sollstedt, prisoners' numbers of the series 100000, until 10.12.44, when the Kdo was transferred administratively to Sachsenhausen (Netherlands Red Cross).

CC Kdo. of Sachsenhausen, starting 10.12.44, with old Sachsenhausen numbers, working in Sollstedt until beginning of April, 45, when the Kdo was evacuated to Steyr via Gruenewald - Wittenberg - Berlin - Kladrau - Pilsen - Karowitz - Budweis - Maut-
hausen - Steyr.
Liberated in Steyr, on May 5th 45 (Netherlands Red Cross).

BAUBRIGADE II

CC Kdo. of Neuengamme: first mentioned on 13.2.42 (trf. of 250 pris. from Baubrigade 3 to Bremen), 300 pris. of this brigade were employed in Osnebrueck, and 700 pris. at Bremen. Towards the end of 1943, both details and a reinforcement of 1000 prisoners were sent to Hamburg. In April 44, the brigade was transferred to Sachsenhausen.

CC Kdo. of Sachsenhausen, starting mid Apr. 44, and split into three details, viz., Sachsenhausen, Friedrich Kreis Ufer in the former Luer factory, and Berlin-Lichterfelde. The prisoners of all three details received numbers of the series 77000 - 78000.

Berlin-Lichterfelde was soon closed, the prisoners being transferred to Friedrich Kraus Ufer; in Oct. 44, this Kdo was reinforced and split into two details: Baubrigade 2a remained in its old place, and Baubrigade 2b went to Mueggelheim. A Baubrigade 2c seems to have worked in Ferch.

On 25.2.1945, 500 pris. have been gathered from the details 2a, 2b and 2c and an "Eisenbahnbaukommando" was established, which went to Nuernberg, Regensburg, Landshut and Ahrain. (Netherlands Red Cross).

BAUBRIGADE III

CC Kdo. of Buchenwald. First mentioned on 13.2.42 in Koeln-Deutz, the Kdo had an average of 300 pris. until Dec. 42, when a transport of 300 new pris. helped to establish the detail in Duisburg (Trf. lists of Baubrigade 3) - Kuhlenwald, Diakonastalt (ENWB).

After Baubrigade I left Duesseldorf, Baubrigade 3 established there the "Sprengkdo Kalkum" on 28.5.43 with 50 pris., the "Sprengkdo Dortmund" in Dortmund on 31.5.43 with 40 pris., the "Schuttverwertung Essen" in summer 1943 with 60 pris and the "Napolit Bensberg" with 10 pris. (Trf. lists of Baubrigade 3) and the total strength of the details in Koeln, Dortmund, Essen, Duisburg and Bensberg by this time had reached 1300 pris. (Netherlands Red Cross) - Abbreviations for the Duisburg Kdo: Du (Buchenwald entry register).

In May 44, the brigade began to move to the environments of Wieda, where the new headquarters were set up; the move was completed around June 44. July 20th, the brigade had the following details:

Nuexei Bahnbau	300 pris.	- sometimes misspelled into Nixei,
Osterhagen	300	"
Maackenrode	150	"
Wieda	250	"

(Baubrigade 3 Trf. books). The office address of the administration has been: "SS Baubrigade 3, Walkenried-Wolfleben, Senderinspektion II, B 13 fuer 3, SS Baubrigade Wolfleben - Harz, Gut Bischofsrode". (Buchenwald invoices, containing misspellings: Wolfleben is the wrong spelling for Woffleben, and Bischofsrode is a wrong spelling for Bischoffrode). The average strength of the Baubrigade remained 1000 pris. until 28.10.44, when it was transferred administratively to CC Dora (Buchenwald invoices, affidavit on transfer). Abbreviation: Wieda - III (Buchenwald entry register).

CC Kdo. of Dora, starting 28.10.44, the brigade kept its assignment and headquarters at Walkenried until liberation (US War Crimes Commission).

BAUBRIGADE IV

CC Kdo. of Buchenwald. Established in Aug. 43, the brigade went to Wuppertal (Netherlands Red Cross), Koenigshoerweg 7 (ENWB) and counted 500 pris.

In May 44, the brigade moved to Ellrich-Harz (Netherlands Red Cross), where the total of prisoners was raised to 800 pris. and in Sept., to 1400 pris. (Buchenwald invoices). On 28.10.44, the brigade was transferred administratively to CC Dora with 826 pris. (Affidavit on transfer).

CC Kdo. of Dora, starting 28.10.44, it had a detail working at Guenzerode (Netherlands Red Cross).

BAUBRIGADE V - West.

- CC Kdo. of Sachsenhausen, 785 men on 2.1.43 (Sachsenhausen daily strength reports).
- CC Kdo. of Neuengamme, on 5.3.44, 525 pris. were transferred from CC Neuengamme "with old and new Buchenwald numbers" (original transfer list).
- CC Kdo. of Buchenwald, address: SS Baubrigade V - West ueber Keeln (Buchenwald address book), the brigade was working in the German occupied countries of Western Europe, also near Hesdin in the Pas de Calais. Here the Baubrigade was employed on digging up unexploded bombs, cleaning up bombed towns and building fortifications. A group of 300 pris. was lent to a Pionier Bn. engaged on building an underground assembly place for bombs. In Aug. 44, this group was evacuated as the last work detail to go to Germany, via the base camp at DOUL'LENS towards Buchenwald; in Cambrai they had an air attack (former prisoner of the Baubrigade). It was not allowed to have prisoners coming from these same countries (Transfer list on 10.4.44). In May - August 44, this Baubrigade was withdrawn from the West and established under the address: "SS Baubrigade 5, W.L. Sonderst. Schmalschlaeger" with 300 pris. in June - Aug. 44. In Sept. 44, the strength was raised to 1500 pris. under the address: "SS Baubrigade 5, Sonderinspektion Halle II, Bauleitung K VI, Architekt W.Fricke, Kostenstelle B 17, Halle/Saale, SS Fuehrungsstab B 15, Halle/Saale" (Buchenwald invoices).
- On 28.10.44, it was transferred administratively to CC Dora (Affidavit on transfer).

CC Kdo. of Dora, starting 28.10.44, with 648 pris.

BAUBRIGADE VI

- CC Kdo. of Buchenwald, established in summer 44 as Eisenbahnbau- brigade I - Baubrigade VI, this brigade was transferred to CC Dora on 28.10.44 (Affidavit on transfer).
- CC Kdo. of Dora, starting 28.10.44, with 514 pris. On 3.4.45, the brigade arrived at Plattling on their way from Chemnitz, and continued railway repair work in Ittling, where it was liberated on 4.5.45 (Netherlands Red Cross).

BAUBRIGADE 7 - Eisenbahnbaubrigade 2

- CC Kdo. of Buchenwald.
- CC Kdo. of Dora, starting 28.10.44, with 498 pris. (Affidavit on transfer).

BAUBRIGADE 9

CC Kdo. of Sachsenhausen, established around the end of Nov. 44, of 500 pris., this Baubrigade was employed in railway repair work in Stuttgart until the end of Dec. Work was continued in Offenburg near Strassburg until end of Febr. 45, then the brigade moved to Darmstadt, and half an hour before the allied troops entered Darmstadt, via Frankfurt/H., Wuerzburg, Nuernberg, Regensburg, Pilsen, Salzburg, and Linz, to Ebensee (Netherlands Red Cross).

BAUBRIGADE 11 - Eisenbahnbaukommando.

CC Kdo. of Neuengamme. Established around 15.2.45, the Kdo with 500 pris. moved to Soest for repairing the railroads. After an air raid on 20.2., which cost 50 casualties and ruined their train, the prisoners were billeted in Sassendorf near Soest. Upon the approach of the allied armies, part of the Kdo was moved to Sachsenhausen, part of it to Ebensee, and part of it remained in the Sassendorf hospital (Netherlands Red Cross).

BAUBRIGADE 8 or 10 - Eisenbahnbaubrigade.

CC Kdo. of ? , established in Auschwitz in the middle of Sept. 44, this Kdo was moved to Wuerttemberg and worked in :

Stuttgart	700 pris.,	Oct.44 - Febr.45,
Karlsruhe	500 "	(former member),
Pforzheim	(BNTB)	
Neusetz	(BNTB).	

Remark: The sources are contradicting each other as regards the Eisenbahnbaubrigade in Wuerttemberg, therefore the existence of both Eisenbahnbrigaden 9, established in Sachsenhausen, and Eisenbahnbaubrigade 8 or 10 (these numbers are merely a conjecture of missing numbers), established in Auschwitz, was accepted. According to the sources, two details must have been working in Stuttgart: one of the brigade 9, until the end of Dec. 44 (Netherlands Red Cross), and one of brigade 8 or 10, until Febr. 45 (former member).

BAUBRIGADE 12 - Eisenbahnbaubrigade.

CC Kdo. of Sachsenhausen. Established towards the end of Dec. 44, this Baubrigade first worked at Kamp s. Rhein, then at Bad Kreuznach, where they buried their dead in the village of Bretzenheim; by the end of Febr. 45, in Bad Nauheim until end of March, then in Dresden and finally they arrived at Ebensee (Netherlands Red Cross).

Some prisoners of this Baubrigade, who are buried in Kamp s. Rhein, originally belonged to the CC Neuengamme (Relève au Chantiers de Fosses Communes, by the Comm. Belge au Repatriement, Bruxelles).

"NORD", Kdo. of Papenburg Norway

Established in 1942, this Kdo was then only supplied with manpower by the "Strafgefängenenlager" Papenburg and had 2000 pris., distributed over the following localities in Norway :

Alte Fjord	Alterfjord	I 17/ 4846
Badderren	Badderbotten	S 5/ 7864
Bakkeby	- -	R 5/ 3363
Djupyk	Djupoik	B 34/11/ 9638
Forsøel	- -	- -
Grennelser	- -	- -
Hennerfest	- -	U 3/ 3656
Hatten	- -	- -
Karasjøk	- -	W 6/ 1528
Mirkenes	- -	AE 5/ 8779
Kvalsund	- -	U 3/ 4839
Laxelv	- -	- -
Nordkap	- -	W 1/ 0819
Nordreisen	- -	- -
Oxelv	- -	- -
Raksevarre	- -	- -
Rotsundel	Rotsuna	R 5/ 2756
Ryppertofjord	- -	- -

Nearly 50 of the pris. perished (The Emsland case, Brit. War Crimes Group).

X. Kdo. of Papenburg France

Established towards the end of 1943, this Kdo. was supplied with manpower only from the "Strafgefängenenlager" Papenburg. Two main groups worked in France.

From Oct. 43, one group was in Calais, Lettow-Vorbeck-barracks, with Kdos in Seleux and Pihen, a total of 1000 men. In March or Apr. 1944, the Kdo was moved to Samer, then in May 44 to Arras and in Sept. 44, to Lendringsen, Germany.

From Jan. to April 44, the other group of 700 pris. worked in Berck Plage, was moved to Watten in May, and to Cambrai in June 44. In Sept. 44, this Kdo. too, returned to Lendringsen, Germany. (The Emsland Case, Brit. War Crimes Group).

Here, the prisoners stayed in Lendringsen, whereas the administration was billeted in the Sicherungsanstalt in Werl (BMB connecting Werl with Lendringsen).

