

DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	CHAIN OF COMMAND
1943/12/10	Bitche, Wehrkreis XII	Activation, formation of the 277.ID from Stab 262.ID and remnants	C.O.: Gen.Lt. Helmuth Huffmann, 1943/12/10-1944/04/04
1944/01/04	Narbonne, France Carcassonne, Beziers, Pezenas, Sigean	Transfer, formation, training, alert, regrouping, coastal defense, occupation duty	
1944/06/19	Toulouse, Bordeaux, Saumur, Tours, Le Mans, Laval, Flers, Vire	Movement	Gen.Lt. Albert Praun, 1944/04/01-1944/08/15
1944/07/01	Noyers-Bocage, Gavrus, Bougy, Vassy, Caen, Missy, Aunay-sur-Odon, Vallee, Le Plessis-Grimoult, Thury-Harcourt, Orne River	Movement, defensive engagements	
1944/08/16	Saint-Remy, Brieux, Neuvy-au- Houlme, Fourches, Merri, Argentan, Dives River	Disengagement movements	Gen.Maj. Wilhelm Viebig, mFb, 1944/08/10-1945/01/01
1944/08/20 1944/08/22	Villedieu-les-Bailleul	Encirclement, remnants breakthrough	
1944/08/25	Elbeuf	Assembly	
1944/08/30	Lille, France, to Komarno, Czech-Hungarian border	Transfer of remnants of the 277.ID	
1944/09/14	Komarno	Reorganization as 277.VGrD (source: OKH/GenStdH/Org.Abt., H 1/38 (T78, roll 398, p. 34, 136, and 145))	
1944/09/28	Nove Zamky (Ersekujvar), Czechoslovakia	Movement, training, formation	
1944/10/20	Nove Zamky	Operational readiness	

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1944/10/30	Daun-Gemuenden, Germany	Transfer		
1944/11/10	Daun-Gemuenden, Birresborn	Relief of the 347.ID		
1944/11/14	Udenbreth, Rohren, Schleiden, Reifferscheid, Hollerath, Sistig	Movement, defense of the Westwall		
1944/12/16	Hollerath, Ramscheid, Germany, Krinkelt, Rocherath, Belgium	Movement, offensive engagements (Ardennes offensive)		
1944/12/20	Krinkelt, Rocherath, Holzwarche River, Muerringen	Defensive operations		
1945/01/21	Hellenthal, Germany	Withdrawal		
1945/02/03	Hellenthal, Sistig, Hollerath	Defensive operations		
1945/03/05	Schleiden, Gemuend, Remagen, Lake Laacher, Nettersheim	Defensive operations		
1945/03/09	Niederluetzingen	Probably captured or destroyed		

Only one record item of the 277.ID (VGrD) was available in the National Archives; it is reproduced on roll 1867 of Microfilm Publication T315 and is described following the unit history. The Potsdam catalog, the general officer personnel files, and situation maps of Lage West and Ost were also used for the unit history.

Manuscripts in the Foreign Military Studies series, prepared by former German officers for the Historical Division, Headquarters U.S. Army, Europe, between 1945 and 1959, contain references to the 277.ID as follows:

Ardennes, Rhineland: MS B-273 ("Commitment of the 277.VGrD, November and December 1944 during the Ardennes Offensive") by Gen.Maj. Wilhelm Viebig.

Eifel: MS B-754 ("The 277.VGrD, 26 Jan-9 Mar 1945") by Obstlt. Horst von Wangenheim.

Lorraine: MS C-010 ("Report on the commitment of the 347.ID from 15 Nov 1944 until 24 Mar 1945") by Gen.Lt. Wolf Trierenberg.

Normandy: MS B-630 ("Assignment and employment of the 277.ID during the period 6 Jun-24 Jul 1944") by Obstlt. Horst von Wangenheim,

MS B-009 ("277.ID participation in the Normandy campaign during July 1944") and

MS B-056 ("Participation of the 277.ID in the campaign of northern France, 25 Jul-10 Aug 1944") by Gen.Lt. Albert Praun,

MS B-679 ("277.ID, 25 Jul-26 Aug 1944") by Obstlt. Horst von Wangenheim, and

MS B-610 ("Commitment and battles of the 277.ID in the time from 13 Aug to 1 Sep 1944") by Gen.Maj. Wilhelm Viebig.

CONTENTS	DATES	ITEM NO.	ROLL	1ST FRAME
Ia, KTB. War journal concerning the release of units in Bitche by Wehrkreis XII to the 277.ID, 11 Jan; movement to Toulouse and Narbonne, France, 19 Jan; quartering, coastal defense, occupation duty, training, and regrouping in the Narbonne, Carcassonne, Beziers, Pezenas, and Sigean areas, 25 Jan-16 Jun; alert and movement to the Vire and Flers areas via Toulouse, Bordeaux, Saumur, Tours, Laval, and Le Mans, 16-30 Jun; and movement and defensive engagements and counterattacks in the Noyers-Bocage, Gavrus, Bougy, and Vassy areas southwest of Caen, 1-25 Jul 1944.	1944/01/11-1944/07/25	277.ID 77623/2	1867	1