

28. Jäger-Division (28th Light Infantry Division)

47

This division (1. Welle) was formed as the 28. Infanterie-Division in 1934-35 by expansion of Grenadier-Regiment 7 (Schweidnitz) of the old Reichswehr. In September 1939 it participated in the campaign against Poland and in May 1940 in the western campaign. In May 1941 it was sent to East Prussia where it advanced into Russia in June and took part in the capture of Smolensk. In November 1941 the division was transferred to France and was reorganized as the 28. leichte Infanterie-Division on December 1, 1941, when it gave up Grenadier-Regiment 7 to the 252. Infanterie-Division. In February 1942 it returned to the eastern front and took part in the capture of Kerch and Sevastopol. On July 1, 1942, the division was redesignated the 28. Jäger-Division and moved

to the northern sector, where it fought in the area south of Lake Ladoga until June 1943. Although no records of this division dated later than June 30, 1943, are available, situation maps of Lage Ost show that it defended the Mga and Novgorod areas from July 1943 to January 1944, the area west of Lake Ilmen and the Pustoshka and OPOCHKA areas from February to May, and the Vladimirets area in the central sector in June 1944. The division fought in the Gorodishche, Volkovysk, Lomza, and Goldap areas from July 1944 to January 1945 and in the Orneta (Wormditt) and Braniewo (Braunsberg) areas in February and March. Refitted early in April, it defended the Pillau area of East Prussia until its capture.

| <u>Item</u> | <u>Dates</u> | <u>Item No.</u> | <u>Roll</u> | <u>1st Frame</u> |
|---|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 1, Operationsakten, eingegangene und ausgegangene Befehle. Orders, reports, and a tactical study pertaining to preparations for Operation "Gelb" (invasion of Holland, Belgium, and Luxembourg). Also, an appraisal of the enemy military situation in Belgium and Holland and special directives concerning reconnaissance, signal communications, supply, rear area services, and traffic control. The division was subordinate to the VIII. A.K. under the command of Gen.Lt. Hans von Obstfelder. | Oct 4, 1939 - Apr 23, 1940 | W 1018/4-5* 832 | | 1 |
| Ia, Kriegstagebuch 2. Division operations in the clearing of the fortified zone of Maubeuge; the crossing of the l'Escaut Canal; and the advance via Valenciennes, Somain, Denain, and Douai to Arras. The division was subordinate to the VIII. A.K. under the command of Gen.Maj. Hans Sinnhuber. | May 21 - Jun 5, 1940 | W 1018/10 832 | | 343 |
| Ia, Anlagenheft Bl z. KTB 2, Operationsakten, eingegangene and ausgegangene Befehle. | May 21 - Jun 4, 1940 | W 1018/12 832 | | 396 |
| Ia, Kriegstagebuch 3. Division operations during engagements in the Arras area; the crossing of the Somme River in the Amiens area and the Oise River at Creil; the capture of St.Denis, a suburb of Paris; the march through Paris; the crossing of the Loire River at Amboise and the Cher River near Civray; and the advance to Châtellerault. | Jun 4 - 25, 1940 | W 1018/15 832 | | 522 |
| Ia, Anlagenheft Bl z. KTB 1, Eingegangene und ausgegebene Befehle. | Jun 1 - 23, 1940 | W 1018/17-17a 832 | | 644 |

* Item damaged by fire.

28. Jäger-Division

| <u>Item</u> | <u>Dates</u> | <u>Item No.</u> | <u>Roll</u> | <u>1st Frame</u> |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------|
| Ic, Tätigkeitsberichte. Enemy operations and unit identification during the western campaign and troop indoctrination and entertainment. | Feb 12 - Jun 24, 1940 | W 1018/23 | 832 | 884 |
| IIa, Tätigkeitsberichte. Activity reports and orders relating to commanders and subordinate commanders in the reserve. | May 10 - Jun 25, 1940 | W 1018/25 | 832 | 931 |
| Ia, Kriegstagebuch 1 u. 2. Transfer of the division from Rouen and Le Havre in May 1941 and its arrival in East Prussia in June; its preparations for Operation "Barbarossa" (the invasion of Russia); the security of the German-Russian border; combat engagements during the advance into Russia via Grodno, Mosty, Lida, Volozhin, Molodechno, Liozno, Rudnya, Lepel, and Senno to Smolensk and the capture of that city, Aug 5; rehabilitation in the Gorodok area, and, finally, operations in the area northeast of Smolensk, | May 24 - Oct 14, 1941 | 14423/1-2 | 832 | 945 |
| Ia, Akte 1 z. KTB 1, Ostfeldzug. Division orders and reports concerning the transfer of the division from France to East Prussia and preparations for the invasion of Russia. | Apr 21 - Jun 20, 1941 | 14423/3 | 833 | 1 |
| Ia, Akte 2-3 z. KTB 1. Corps and division orders, situation and activity reports, radio messages, and directives pertaining to antipartisan warfare. | Jun 22 - Oct 1, 1941 | 14423/4-5 | 833 | 296 |
| Ia, Akte 4 z. KTB 1. Corps and division orders relating to defensive action in the Dukhovshchina area; transfer to the northern part of the 5. Inf.Div. sector and offensives in the Vop River area; release from the encirclement at Vyazma; and transfer from Smolensk, Rudnya, and Vitebsk, Oct 25, 1941, to France, arriving Nov 2, 1941. | Sep 16 - Oct 25, 1941 | 14423/6 | 833 | 1138 |
| Ia, Akte 5 z. KTB 1. Division orders, activity reports, afteraction evaluations, and situation reports. | Apr 8 - Oct 21, 1941 | 14423/7 | 834 | 1 |
| Ia, Tätigkeitsbericht über den Aufenthalt der Division in Frankreich; Ic, IIa, Tätigkeitsberichte. Conversion of the 28. Inf.Div. to the 28. le.Div., Nov 4, 1941, by order of AOK 9; transfer from the Smolensk area via Vilna to the area between Besancon and the Swiss border; reorganization, training activity, and assignments of the division; and its return to the eastern | | | | |

28. Jäger-Division

| <u>Item</u> | <u>Dates</u> | <u>Item No.</u> | <u>Roll</u> | <u>1st Frame</u> |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------|
| front, Feb 2, 1942. Also, activity reports of the Intelligence and Personnel Branches. During the period Nov 4, 1941 to Jul 5, 1942, the division was known as the 28. le.Div. and the 28. Jäg.Div. | Nov 4, 1941 - Feb 2, 1942 | 17933 | 834 | 293 |
| Ia, Kriegstagebuch 1 u. 2, Krim - Einsatz. The division's readiness for action and transfer from France to the Kirovograd area in Russia; movements in the Ukraine and entry into the Crimea via Kherson-Armyansk and Zaporozhe-Simferopol; participation in operations on the Kerch Peninsula; preparations for the attack on Kerch; the encirclement of Sevastopol; and the capture of the fortress of Sevastopol. Also, orders relating to Operation "Störfang" (preparations for the attack against Sevastopol) and reports pertaining to the enemy tactical situation and unit identification. The division was subordinate to the XLII. and XXX. A.K. | Jan 29 - Jul 5, 1942 | 21911/1-2 | 834 | 309 |
| Ia, Akte I, Divisionsbefehle und Befehle höherer Dienststellen. Verlegung der Division vom Westen nach Osten, Abwehrschlacht Kertsch. | Dec 25, 1941 - Apr 14, 1942 | 21911/3 | 834 | 524 |
| Ia, Akte Ia, Anlagenheft z. Akte I, Meldungen der Division an höheren Dienststellen. | Feb 22 - Apr 16, 1942 | 21911/4 | 834 | 786 |
| Ia, Akte II, Divisionsbefehle und Befehle höherer Dienststellen. Vorbereitung Angriffsoperation Kertsch. | Apr 4 - May 7, 1942 | 21911/5 | 834 | 945 |
| Ia, Akte III, Divisionsbefehle und Befehle höherer Dienststellen. | May 8 - 23, 1942 | 21911/6 | 835 | 1 |
| Ia, Akte IV, Divisionsbefehle und Befehle höherer Dienststellen. Vorbereitung Kampf um Sewastopol. | May 16 - Jun 3, 1942 | 21911/7 | 835 | 97 |
| Ia, Akte V, Divisionsbefehle und Befehle höherer Dienststellen, Kampf um Sewastopol. | Jun 7 - Jul 5, 1942 | 21911/8 | 835 | 356 |
| Ia, Akte VI, Tagesbefehle und Aufrufe an Divisionen und höherer Dienststellen. | Apr 3 - Jul 1, 1942 | 21911/9 | 835 | 581 |
| Ic, IIa/b, Tätigkeitsberichte mit Anlagen. Division and enemy operations in the Crimea, intelligence bulletins and reports, maps, and overlays pertaining to the enemy tactical situation and unit identification, and a short narrative account relating to the Crimean War of 1854-55. Also, an activity report of the Personnel Branch. | Mar 1 - Jul 1, 1942 | 21911/10 | 2334 | 1 |

28. Jäger-Division

| <u>Item</u> | <u>Dates</u> | <u>Item No.</u> | <u>Roll</u> | <u>1st Frame</u> |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Ia, Akte IIIa, Einsätze der Jäger-Division auf der Krim, Kurze Gefechtsberichte, Antransport und erster Einsatz (Abwehr Kertsch) und Angriff auf der Halbinsel Kertsch. | Feb 4 - Jul 2, 1942 | 21911/11 | 835 | 634 |
| Ia, Akte VIIIb, Zusammenstellung von Gefechtsberichten der Truppenteile der Division. | Apr 18 - Jul 6, 1942 | 21911/12 | 835 | 730 |
| Ia, Kriegstagebuch 1 u. 2. Operations during the battles south of Lake Ladoga and for the bridgehead along the Neva River in the Moskovskaya and Dubrovka areas. The division was subordinate to the XXVI. A.K. | Aug 30 - Oct 17, 1942 | 30148/1- 30148/2 | 835- 836 | 858, 1 |
| Ia, Anlage 1 z. KTB 1 u. 2. Army and corps orders relating to the detraining of the division in the Krasnogvardeysk area and its participation in the battle south of Lake Ladoga. | Aug 10 - Sep 30, 1942 | 30148/3 | 836 | 96 |
| Ia, Anlage II z. KTB 1 u. 2, Armee- und Korpsbefehle für die Wiedergewinnung des Brückenkopfes bei Moskowskaja. | Sep 30 - Oct 20, 1942 | 30148/4 | 836 | 329 |
| Ia, Anlage III z. KTB 1 u. 2, Divisionsbefehle für die Zeit während der Wiedergewinnung des Brückenkopfes bei Moskowskaja. | Aug 30 - Oct 13, 1942 | 30148/5 | 836 | 472 |
| Ia, Anlage IV z. KTB 1 u. 2, Eingegangene Funksprüche für die Zeit während der Schlacht südlich des Ladoga Sees und während der Wiedergewinnung des Brückenkopfes Moskowskaja. | Sep 2 - Oct 9, 1942 | 30148/6 | 836 | 594 |
| Ia, Anlage V z. KTB 1 u. 2, Abgesandte Funk- und Fernsprüche für die Zeit während der Schlacht südlich des Ladoga Sees und während der Wiedergewinnung des Brückenkopfes Moskowskaja. | Sep 1 - Oct 7, 1942 | 30148/7 | 836 | 979 |
| Ia, Anlage VI z. KTB 1 u. 2, Aufrufe und Tagesbefehle für die Zeit während der Schlacht südlich des Ladoga Sees und während der Wiedergewinnung des Brückenkopfes bei Moskowskaja. | Sep 6 - Oct 30, 1942 | 30148/8 | 836 | 1196 |
| Ia, Anlage VII z. KTB 1 u. 2, Einsätze der 28. Jäger-Division im Herbst 1942. Kurze Gefechtsberichte "Schlacht südlich des Ladoga Sees" und "Kampf um den Newa-Brückenkopf bei Moskowskaja-Dubrowka". | Aug 30 - Oct 9, 1942 | 30148/9 | 837 | 1 |

28. Jäger-Division

51

| <u>Item</u> | <u>Dates</u> | <u>Item No.</u> | <u>Roll</u> | <u>1st Frame</u> |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------|
| Ia, Kriegstagebuch 3. Defense of the winter positions along the Volkhov River and combat engagements in the Volkhov city (Zvanka) area. The division was subordinate Nov 1, 1942 - to the I. A.K. under the command of Gen.Lt. Hans Sinnhuber. | Nov 1, 1942 - Jan 22, 1943 | 30148/11 | 837 | 89 |
| Ia, Anlage I z. KTB 3, Korpsbefehle. | Nov 3, 1942 - Jan 14, 1943 | 30148/12 | 837 | 170 |
| Ia, Anlage II z. KTB 3, Befehle und Meldungen. | Nov 1, 1942 - Jan 2, 1943 | 30148/13 | 837 | 299 |
| Ia, Anlage III z. KTB 3, Korpsbefehle zu dem Unternehmen "Fasanenjagd". Corps orders relating to "Unternehmen Fasanenjagd" (the relief of the 28. Jäg.Div. by the 13. Luftwaffen-Felddivision and the transfer of the division to Estonia for rehabilitation). | Dec 12, 1942 - Jan 20, 1943 | 30148/14 | 837 | 499 |
| Ia, Anlage IV z. KTB 3. Orders and reports pertaining to "Unternehmen Fasanen-jagd." | Dec 15, 1942 - Jan 21, 1943 | 30148/15 | 837 | 559 |
| Ia, Anlage V z. KTB 3, Aufrufe und Tagesbefehle. | Nov 9, 1942 - Jan 17, 1943 | 30148/16 | 837 | 625 |
| Ia, Anlage VI z. KTB 3, Einsatz der 28. Jäg.Div. in der Winterstellung am Wolchow und kurze Gefechtsberichte im Kampf um Swanka. | Nov 13, 1942 - Jan 15, 1943 | 30148/17 | 837 | 650 |
| Ic, IIa/b, Tätigkeitsberichte. Transfer of the division to the area south of Gatchina, enemy operations in the area south of Lake Ladoga and along the Volkhov River front, and intelligence bulletins with overlays showing the tactical disposition of enemy forces. Also, activity reports of the Personnel Branch. | Sep 1, 1942 - Jan 22, 1943 | 30148/19 | 837 | 696 |
| IVa, Kriegstagebuch 8 u. Tätigkeitsbericht 6 des Divisionsintendanten; KTB 6 u. TB 4 der Bäckerei Komp. (mot) 28; KTB 7 der Schlächterei Komp. (mot) 28. Includes duty assignment registers. | Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1943 | 32693 | 837 | 780 |
| Ia, Kriegstagebuch für die Zeit des Einsatzes südlich des Ladoga Sees. Division operations during the winter battles and later defensive engagements in the | | | | |

28. Jäger-Division

| <u>Item</u> | <u>Dates</u> | <u>Item No.</u> | <u>Roll</u> | <u>1st Frame</u> |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------|
| area south of Lake Ladoga, the taking over of its sector by the 23. Inf.Div. and movement of the division to the Gatchina-Kipen area as army reserves and later to Estonia for rehabilitation. Also, OKH orders dated Dec 23, 1938, and Jan 30 and Feb 22, 1939, relating to the readiness for action of infantry units. The division was subordinate to the XXVI. A.K. under the command of Gen.Lt. Hans Sinnhuber, May 4, 1943, and Generalmajor Schulz. | Jan 22 - Jun 30, 1943 | 36559/1 | 837 | 834 |
| Ia, Anlage I z. KTB, Korpsbefehle während der Zeit der Winterschlacht südlich des Ladoga Sees. | Jan 22 - Mar 31, 1943 | 36559/2 | 837 | 1110 |
| Ia, Anlage II z. KTB, Korpsbefehle während der Zeit der Verteidigung südlich des Ladoga Sees. | Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1943 | 36559/3 | 838 | 1 |
| Ia, Anlage III z. KTB, Divisionsbefehle während der Zeit der Winterschlacht südlich des Ladoga Sees. | Jan 22 - Mar 31, 1943 | 36559/4 | 838 | 122 |
| Ia, Anlage IV z. KTB, Divisionsbefehle während der Zeit der Verteidigung südlich des Ladoga Sees und Stosstruppunternehmen. | Apr 1 - Jun 30, 1943 | 36559/5 | 838 | 336 |
| Ia, Anlage V z. KTB, Artilleriegliederungen während des Einsatzes südlich des Ladoga Sees. | Jan 22 - Jun 30, 1943 | 36559/6 | 838 | 512 |
| Ia, Anlage VI z. KTB, Tagesbefehle während des Einsatzes südlich des Ladoga Sees. | Jan 22 - Jun 30, 1943 | 36559/7 | 838 | 556 |
| Ia, Anlage VII z. KTB, Einsatz der 28. Jäger-Division in der Schlacht südlich des Ladoga Sees. Kurzer Gefechtsbericht. | Jan 22 - Jun 30, 1943 | 36559/8 | 838 | 598 |
| Ia, Anlage VIII z. KTB, Lageberichte der 28. Jäger-Division für die Zeit des Einsatzes südlich des Ladoga Sees. | Mar 1 - Jun 30, 1943 | 36559/9 | 838 | 656 |
| Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht. Enemy operations, unit identification, and the tactical situation south of Lake Ladoga. | Jan 23 - Jun 30, 1943 | 36559/12 | 838 | 702 |