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1. Three thousand men wearing black-red epaulets were estimated to have been stationed in the Luftnachrichten Kaserne in Bernau between 6 and 18 August.
2. The following number of vehicles and weapons were observed in the installation:
 - 40 T-34/85 tanks
 - 12 BA 64's
 - 12 x 122 mm model 38 field howitzers
 - 24 x 76.2 mm model 42 AT guns
 - 24 x 120 mm mortars
 - 24 x 82 mm mortars
 - 40 motorcycles with sidecars
 - 250 trucks
3. Infantry, tank, artillery and signals training took place day and night both inside and outside the barracks area. In addition, troops also left for two to three day exercises which were held in the wooded area west of the Bernau-Finowfurt autobahn.

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