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TOPIC	Military Installations in Neuruppin and Stendal and South of Wittstock		
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Friederich Kaserne (2205)

Lieutenant Colonel Mitrofanov (fnu), successor of Lieutenant Colonel Zadoroshni (fnu) 25X1

Lieutenant Colonel Buikovski (fnu), successor of Gds Lieutenant Colonel Nikitin (fnu)

Lieutenant Colonel Kovalenko (fnu)

" " Dronov (fnu) 25X1

Captain Tokspov (fnu)

Lieutenant Colonel Zoltanov (fnu)

Lieutenant Colonel Malayev (fnu)

" " Besruchko (fnu)

Friedrich Franz-Kaserne (2201)

Lieutenant Colonel Stetsenko (fnu)

See Kaserne (2203)

Major Zemyenov (fnu)

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Gentzrode estate
(2206)




Major Khrom (fnu)

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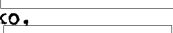
Wulkow estate
(2500)


Major Kusmenko (fnu)




2. On 14 and 16 October, the following officer names  observed in the Fridericus Kaserne in Neuruppin: 25X1

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Unit Kovalenko, 

Unit Shukov, 

Unit Fedorenkov: 

Unit Zalikov,  1

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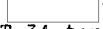
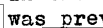


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3. On 12 October, 12 x 122-mm field howitzers towed by trucks, which were occupied by soldiers wearing full field pack, left the See Kaserne in Neuruppin. The unit apparently returned to the installation during the night of 14/15 October. 2

4. On 30 October, the Tauentzien Kaserne (5584) in Stendal was occupied to capacity by approximately 1,200 soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets including some with signal and motor transport insignia. T-34 tank  was seen in the north section of the installation. T-34 tank  was previously observed there. Approximately 120 motor vehicles and 5  amphibious vehicles were seen near the motor vehicle sheds. Some motor vehicles carried pontoons. The vehicles were being serviced by approximately 200 soldiers. 

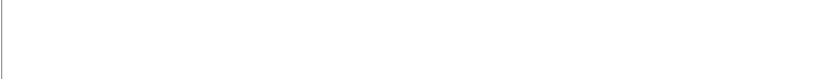
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5. It was learned that a heavy detonation was heard in the Wittstock training area between 1100 and noon on 14 October. A large barrel was driven into the ground at the peak of Scharfen Berg (hill). The charge was electrically ignited. The smoke mushroomed approximately 60 meters high. The tanks which were engaged in this exercise stopped, the crews got out and sought full cover. The detonation destroyed several window panes in Wittstock. 4

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1. Comment.  the following units of the 12th Gds Tank Div in Neuruppin, Gentzrode and Wulkow until October 1954: 25X1



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18th Gds Mtrcl Bn

48th Gds Tank Regt

Hq 12th Gds Tank Div

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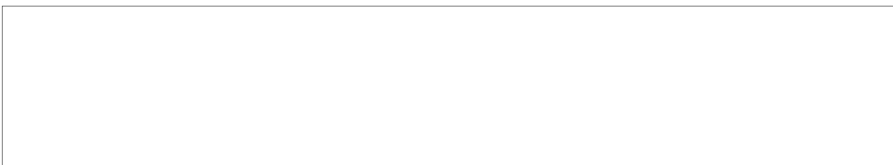
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- 226th Mort Regt



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2.  Comment. The possibility that a medium mortar battalion of the 226th Mort Regt of the 12th Gds Tank Div stationed in the See Kaserne was reequipped with 12 x 122 mm field howitzers had already been mentioned  25X1
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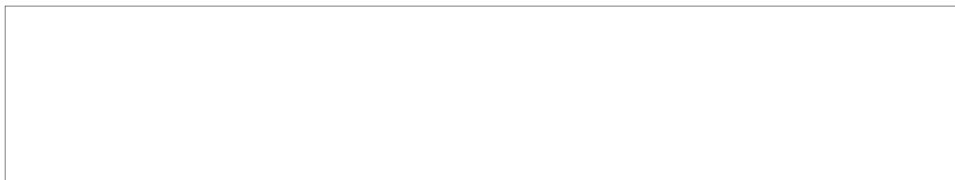
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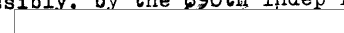


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