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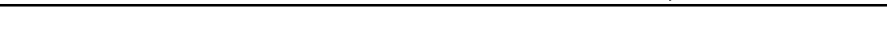
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1. Hungarian infantry divisions are known as "rifle divisions." The organization of the divisions is not absolutely identical, and differences will be indicated later. The organization given below is the usual one.
2. The divisional command has a staff, a staff company, and a security platoon. The divisional troops are:
 - a. A scouting battalion of about 600 men. It consists of an armored scout car company (12 scout cars), one armored company (15-17 old T-34s), one motorcycle company, one motorized machine-pistol company, one anti-tank platoon, one mortar platoon, one communications platoon, one motorized train column. (There are infantry divisions which replace the motorcycle and machine-pistol companies with cavalry companies).
 - b. An antiaircraft abteilung, consisting of three batteries (each with six 37 mm. antiaircraft guns), one aircraft observation platoon.
 - c. A heavy antitank abteilung, consisting of three batteries, each with four 76.2 antitank guns.
 - d. An independent motorized battery, with four 76.2 mm. motorized guns, intended as support for the scouting battalion.
 - e. A motorized engineer battalion, with two companies. (It has not been possible to motorize all these.)
 - f. A communications battalion, consisting of three companies. One is a communications construction company, one a radio company, one a telephone and telegraph company.

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- g. A transport column. Part of these are motorized, part not yet equipped. The repair units are those most lacking in equipment.
3. The troops are: one armored regiment; three infantry regiments; one field artillery regiment; one medium mortar regiment.
 4. Armored Regiment. It has one tank battalion, one tank destroyer battalion, one motorized machine pistol scouting company. The tank battalion has 33 T-34 tanks with 76.2 mm guns; it is divided into three companies. The tank destroyer battalion has three companies, with about 12 Russian SU tank destroyers with 76.2 mm guns, all together. The motorized machine pistol scouting company has one motorcycle platoon and one auto platoon.
 5. Infantry Regiments. One regiment is motorized. Each regiment consists of three battalions besides regimental troops known as the "reserve." A regiment has three rifle battalions, one antitank company (four 57 mm guns and two 45 mm guns), one machine pistol scouting company, one accompanying gun battery (four 76.2 mm guns), one mortar company (six 120 mm mortars), one antiaircraft company (six heavy machine guns, 12.7 mm), one communications company, one engineer company, one train column. (The regimental troops are motorized in most regiments, especially the accompanying gun and mortar companies. In many regiments the mortar company has 82 mm mortars.) A rifle battalion consists of three rifle companies (each with three rifle platoons, one machine gun platoon; nine light machine guns, 28 machine pistols, two maxim machine guns); one machine gun company (12 maxim machine guns); one mortar company (nine 82 mm mortars); one antitank platoon (two 45 mm guns); one antiaircraft platoon (four 12.7 antiaircraft machine guns); one communications platoon; one motor transport column. The heavy armament indicated has not yet been supplied to all Hungarian infantry regiments. It will doubtless be many months before all are fully supplied with their weapons.
 6. Field Artillery Regiment. The regiment consists of one ranging company and three artillery abteilungen. Many regiments have only two abteilungen. Each abteilung has three batteries, each battery four guns. The ranging company is motorized. Each regiment has one abteilung with 76.2 mm guns and a howitzer abteilung with twelve 122 mm howitzers.
 7. Medium Mortar Regiment. The regiment has two mortar abteilungen. Each abteilung has three batteries, each battery four mortars, 120 mm.
 8. Aside from the troops listed, all Hungarian infantry divisions have so-called training regiments, which supply the necessary reinforcement personnel, both from recruits and through refresher courses.
 9. Aside from the regular infantry divisions there are some special infantry formations. An "independent rifle division" is known of, which besides the regular troops has one rocket-projector abteilung, and a motorized howitzer abteilung with 152 mm howitzers. There is also known a "motorized rifle division", which is fully motorized. In this division the antitank company of each regiment has four 76.2 mm guns and two 57 mm guns. The field artillery regiment consists of three abteilungen, one equipped with 76.2 mm guns, two with 122 mm howitzers. The mortar regiment has 160 mm mortars. The heavy antitank abteilung has twelve 85 mm guns.

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