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2. Superior Command: not ascertained.

3. Quarters: in the barracks south of the road to Szeged, where the Hodmazö-vásárhely-Szentes railway line branches off. The barracks were converted, fixed up, and enlarged with new buildings in 1950 and 1951.

4. Organization:

Regimental staff	about 40 men
Staff company	" 50 "
Reconnaissance company	" 90 "
Accompanying battery	" 100 "
Antitank company	" 100 "
Light mortar company	" 80 "
Heavy mortar company	" 100 "
AA machine gun company	" 80 "
Signal company	" 90 "
1st Battalion	
Battalion staff	about 40 men
Light mortar platoon.	" 25 "
Antitank gun platoon.	" 25 "
Signal platoon.	" 25 "
4 companies, 80 men each	320 "
Aggregate	about 435 men
2nd Battalion	" 435 "
3rd Battalion	" 435 "
Regiment	about 2,035 "

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5. Armament:

- a. Regimental troops: Accompanying battery, 4 guns, 76.2 mm.
 Antitank company, 6 pieces, 57 mm.
 Light mortar company, 6 pieces, 82 mm.
 Heavy mortar company, 6 pieces, 120 mm.
 AA company, 6 machine guns, 12.7 mm.
- b. Battalions: Rifle companies, each, 4 repeating pistols, 25 machine pistols,
 45 carbines, 9 light machine guns.
- Machine gun company, 15 repeating pistols, 10 machine pistols,
 40 carbines, 12 Maxim machine guns.
- Each battalion has also three 82 mm mortars and two 47 mm
 antitank cannon.

6. Vehicle Park: 4 Skoda cross country personnel carriers; 1 Soviet model personnel
 carrier; 5 Raba trucks; 5 Csepel motorcycles. The regimental
 troops are horse-drawn.

8. Recruiting: The regiment received about 800 recruits of the class of 1931 on
 2 Oct 52; 30 percent were from Budapest and vicinity; 40 percent from West
 Hungary; 18 percent from northeast Hungary; and 12 percent from other places.
 The morale of the troops is excellent.
9. Training: Recruit training continues until the end of Feb. Training by platoons
 follows through Apr, after which company training begins. Firing practice with
 machine guns and hand grenades goes on from Nov to Mar. The level of training is
 very good.

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ENCLOSURE (A): Sketch of Barracks at Hodmezovasarhely

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SKETCH OF BARRACKS AT HODMEZOVASARHELY

← Szeged

North ↑

Railway Line

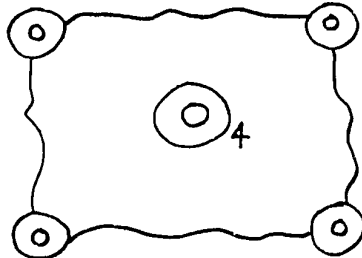
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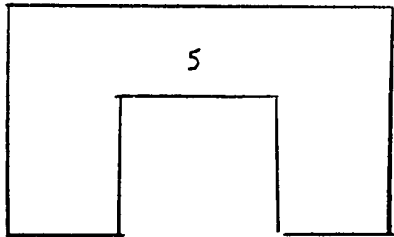
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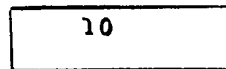
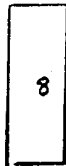
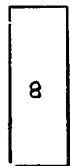
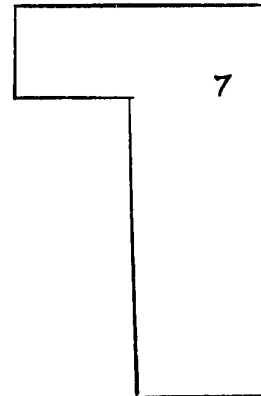
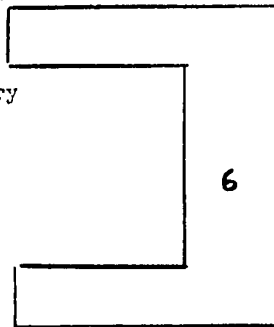


1. Entrance gate
2. Guard post and inspecting officer
3. Sheds
4. Auto park
5. Two-story main building, 70x50 m
6. Enlisted men's quarters, two story
7. " " " " " "
8. Stables
9. Depots
10. Garages
11. Exit gate
12. Night post

⊙ Day and night guard post



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