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1. [] a train composed of eight boxcars and 45 flatcars was dispatched from Sperenberg to Guesen, 12 kilometers southwest of Genthin, on 11 September.
2. On 10 and 11 September, troops, 26 amphibious vehicles, 36 amphibious tanks and one motor boat were loaded on 10 to 12 boxcars and an undetermined number of flatcars at the Sperenberg railroad station. The shipment was dispatched toward Jueterbog. ¹
3. Eight boxcars with troops and an undetermined number of flatcars loaded with pontoon-carrying trucks, two motorboats and two field kitchens were dispatched from Bernau on 13 September.
4. The following number of troops and types of material were shipped from Bernau toward Eberswalde on 13 September: About 300 soldiers with black-bordered black and red-bordered black epaulets, one motorboat, one armored scout car, two radio trucks, two field kitchens and 40 trucks. Ten of the trucks were loaded with pontoons and five with lumber. ²

[] Comments:

1. Probably the transfer of the special unit of the unidentified engineer regiment of the GSFG from Hege Lake to the training area on the Elbe River. This movement may be considered as an indication of the beginning of the fall maneuvers. The so-called amphibious tanks are presumably unarmed amphibious vehicles with caterpillar drive.

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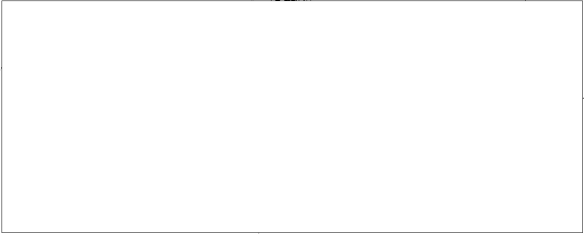
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2.  the entrained units can be identified as the engineer battalion and the 35th Guards Mechanized Regiment of the 6th Guards Mechanized Division. This movement is another possible indication of the beginning of fall maneuvers.
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