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20	56 B	"	"
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24	56 B	"	"
25	5 B with soldiers	Koenigsbrueck	Frankfurt/Oder
	18 B "	Frankfurt/Oder	Koenigsbrueck
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2. The following shuttle-trains passed through the Guben railroad station between 24 and 30 November:

Date in November	Number of Cars	From	To
" 24	54 B with soldiers	Cottbus	Kovel
	53 B empty	Jagodin	Cottbus
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3. Troop trains  between 21 and 25 November included:

November	Number of Cars	From	To
21	8 CB, 16 F; 564 tons	Dranse	Parchim
22	7 CB with soldiers	Goerries	Magdeburg- Brueckfeld
	6 CB with soldiers	Ludwigslust	"
25	20 CB with "	Magdeburg- Brueckfeld	Ludwigslust Schwerin

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4. On 24 November, shuttle-train  with 8 CB bound for Ludwigslust and 11 CB bound for Schwerin left Magdeburg-Brueckfeld. The cars were occupied by soldiers who wore quilted jackets and furcoats. Every third day, the train carried soldiers to Ludwigslust and Schwerin from which point the train returned empty to Magdeburg-Brueckfeld.

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6. Troop trains identified  on 1 and 4 December included:

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Date in December	Composition of Troop Trains	Tons	From	To
1	22 B, 18 F, 2 B	712	Wiederitzsch	Wildpark
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3. Comment. [redacted] It was previously reported that the troop train [redacted] has 23 boxcars with soldiers wearing blue-bordered black epaulets, 14 boxcars with billeting equipment and 4 flatcars with 6 trucks and 1 motorcycle and that this train left Potsdam at 2100 on 1 December 1954. Since no detrainings were observed at Potsdam on this day, the troop trains [redacted] must have been empty. 25X1 25X1 25X1



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