About Danish infantry 1932-1941, The regiment's gun company, supplement

Introduction

As a supplement to my previous article about the Gun Company at the Infantry Regiments, here are some photos from 1942 - in the summer, judging by the vegetation - and they show the 3rd Regiment's gun company, which then used motorized infantry guns, possibly as an experiment.

The pictures originate from Colonel Bjørn Scheiby, Viborg, who was second in command of the cannon company at the time, and have been kindly provided by Egon Rønning via Jens Jensen, webmaster of the Prince's Life Regiment Soldiers' Association. The information about the people in the photos has the Colonel as a source.

I saw a picture of a Tempo wagon towing a 37mm infantry cannon on the Danish Army Vehicles Homepage, which has the Prince's Life Regiment's historical collection as its source, and an inquiry to the Prince's Life Regiment's webmaster quickly brought me the series of images shown here.

Motorized infantry cannons



Speed wagons as representations for the 37 mm infantry cannon and cartridge carts respectively. In the background is an open passenger car, possibly a Chevrolet.



Motorized 37 mm infantry guns. Between the guns, a cartridge tray can be seen.



Scheiby, second-in-command of the 3rd regiment's gun company; behind him the wingman Bogulski.

The story reports nothing about any relations with the Jutland Dragoon Regiment, to which the Tempo car - judging by the license plate - should belong.

Colonel Scheiby thus states most definitely that it was a question of Tempo wagons that belonged to 3. Regiment.

Perhaps the wagons were simply loaned to the 3rd Regiment.

Additional material



81 mm morterskydning. Captain Wesenberg at the range finder, behind First Lieutenant NKI Sørensen, on the left, with binoculars, T. Lind. The range finder is probably a *Retter M.1931*.



Captain Klokhøj inspects - in the cantonment at Hevring.



Closing

Hevring Shooting Range was acquired by the defense in 1941, but in 1942 it was taken over by the German occupying power. Until then, it was used for sharpshooting, among other things by the units that were garrisoned in Randers.

The shooting range, which is still in use, is marked with a red star on the map from the Norwegian Forest and Nature Agency's website.

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