



### Description

Snapshot of a sign at the site of the Truman Bridge (floating pontoon) U. S. Forces established across the Elbe River during World War II. The sign reads "Truman Bridge - Gateway to Berlin over the Elbe, Courtesy 83rd Thunderbolt Division." The bridge was completed and first used the day President Truman was sworn in, April 12, 1945. The camera and film were confiscated from a German officer who had been captured on the other side of the river. From: LTC Garland S. Dillon USAR RTD.

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