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APPROX ACTION REPORT

745th Tank Bn

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HEADQUARTERS 745TH TANK BATTALION
A.F.O. 250, U. S. ARMY

: Auth: CG 1st US Inf Div

: Date: 20 July 1944

: Initials: *JG*

20 July 1944

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SUBJECT: Report after Action Against Enemy.

TO : The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington, 25, D.C.
(Thru Channels)

1. As prescribed by Par 10, (CS) AR 345-105 the following report after action against enemy during the month of June, 1944, is submitted:
2. This Battalion was attached to First United States Infantry Division 21 April 1944. Pursuant to Field Order No. 55, First United States Infantry Division, this Battalion moved from marshalling area vicinity Weymouth, England to landing ships 31 May 1944 to 2 June 1944. As a member of assault echelon of Force "G", this Battalion assaulted Beach Omaha, France, in operation Neptune, one tank company landing 6 June 1944 and two tank companies landing 7 June 1944. Residue of Battalion remained with residue of First Infantry Division. Immediately after landing assault echelon tank companies were attached to regimental combat teams of First Infantry Division. First Infantry Division advanced to vicinity of Caumont 15 June 1944, and established a defensive position. In the advance the regimental combat teams usually attached one tank platoon to each infantry battalion, the mission of the tanks being to furnish machine gun and 75mm gun fire as requested by the infantry. In the defensive position the medium tank companies were each in direct support of an infantry regiment. The tank companies were assigned positions in reserve for employment to repel possible enemy counter attacks. While in such position one platoon from each company was at times withdrawn to positions for indirect fire supplementing First Infantry Division Artillery units. Tank Platoons were placed in position by artillery units, and their fire directed by artillery units. While in the defensive position residue joined this Battalion 27 June 1944. Immediately after arrival, Mortar Platoon took position and placed fire on enemy positions in direct support of 18th Infantry Regiment. Assault Gun Platoon drew new Tanks M4 105mm Howitzer and with Tanks M4 105mm Howitzer of each of the medium tank companies attached went into position to fire indirect fire supplementary to and under direction of 52nd Field Artillery Battalion.
3. Both during the advance and while in defensive position almost all information of enemy was provided by First Infantry Division.
4. S-4 of this Battalion requisitioned and delivered to companies all classes of supplies. The exception was Class I supplies. When in the defensive position it was more practical for personnel of tank platoons to be rationed with infantry units supported in order to make hot meals available to personnel of tank platoons. S-4 established his position in vicinity of Regimental Supply Officer of 18th Infantry Regiment. Transportation platoon remained with S-4. It was found practical to attach to each tank company one 2 1/2 ton truck loaded with gasoline with armored trailer loaded with ammunition attached.
5. Communication was by FM radio and telephone. Telephones of elements of this Battalion were connected to wire net of First Infantry Division.
6. The action of this Battalion both when attached to and when in direct

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support of units of First Infantry Division was successful and exemplified smooth coordination of the tank infantry team.

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HEADQUARTERS 745TH TANK BATTALION
A.P.O. 230, U. S. ARMY

Auth: CG 1st US Int
Date: 9 August 1944
Initials:

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9 August 1944

SUBJECT: Report after Action Against Enemy.

TO : The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington, 25, D.C.
(Thru Channels)

1. As prescribed by Par 10, (C3) AR 545-105 the following report after action against enemy during the month of July, 1944, is submitted:
2. Attachment of this Battalion to First United States Infantry Division continued during the month of July 1944.
3. 1 July 1944 elements of this Battalion were in direct support of elements of First Infantry Division in defensive position in vicinity of Caumont, France. One medium tank company was in direct support of each regiment of First Infantry Division. Mortar Platoon of Headquarters Company was in direct support of 18th Infantry Regiment. Assault Gun Platoon with 105mm tanks of medium tank companies was in position to fire indirect fire supplementary to and under direction of 32nd Field Artillery Battalion. This disposition of elements of this Battalion continued to 15 July 1944.
4. 15 July 1944 this Battalion was relieved in Caumont area by 735th Tank Battalion, and moved to vicinity of Mastry for period of rest, maintenance, and refitting. Under Field Order Number 38, First Infantry Division, dated 19 July 1944, Company "B" of this Battalion was attached to 18th Infantry Regiment, Company "C" was attached to 28th Infantry Regiment, and remainder of Battalion was attached to 16th Infantry Regiment for participation in Operation COBRA. The attachments continued until the end of the month. All elements of the Battalion moved to vicinity of Les Cordiers 20 July 1944 in assembly position in preparation for operation COBRA. 27 July 1944 elements of this Battalion moved south through the break through which had been made north of Marigny. At Marigny all elements of this Battalion moved west toward Coutances in an effort to close the enemy escape route. 28 July 1944 advance elements of this Battalion were stopped by enemy artillery fire, tank, and anti-tank defenses just before reaching Cambarnac. Enemy artillery and mortar fire on elements of Company "A" at this point was the most intense received by any element of this Battalion since D-Day. 29-31 July 1944 elements of the Battalion moved south in pursuit of the enemy.
5. Through the practice of attaching each company of this Battalion to one infantry regiment continuously, a more thorough understanding and closer cooperation has developed between infantry and tank personnel. The practice of mounting infantry on the outside of tanks for movement has been very successful.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Sallen, France
010001 July 1944
020001 July 1944

Weather: Intermittent rain.
Visibility: Poor.

1st Bn 16th Inf reld 3rd Bn 16th, no change in Co "A" positions.
0900-1200 Bn Comdr visited Co "C", Reg CP 26th Inf, CPs 1st and 3rd Bns 26th Inf.
1800 Co Comdrs reported CP.
Mortar plat continued harassing fire during the night and day; exact results unknown.
2 tankdozers reld from 526th Ord (1 Co A, 1 Co B).
2400 No change in positions or location.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Sallen, France
020001 July 1944
030001 July 1944

Weather: Intermittent rain.
Visibility: Poor.

0900 Maj HEARD visited Co "B".
1000 COL McLAUGHLIN, MAJ DEN OUDIN arrvd CP, discussed Tk-Inf operations.
MAJ HEARD inspected loading Co "D" tanks.
1400 Bn Comdr visited Co "A".
1615 MAJ HEARD visited Co "C".
1830 Co Comdrs arrvd CP.
2400 Mort Plat continued harrassing fire during day and night, results not determined.
No change in position or situation.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Sallen, France
030001 July 1944
040001 July 1944

Weather: Intermittent rain.
Visibility: Poor.

0055 Message from CG 1st US Inf Div, locations adj units.
0322 Message from CG FUSA, TO & E tanks and bulldozers.
1030 MAJ HEARD visited Cos "A", "B", 1st Plat Co "D".
MAJ PATTERSON visited Cos "A", "B", "C" contacted G-3 1st US Inf Div.
1400 CAPT BURT contacted G-2 1st US Inf Div, Aerial photos.
1330 Bn Comdr visited Co "C", 1400 - 1st Bn 26th Inf; 1600 - 18th Reg CP; also 2000.
1800 Co Comdrs reported CP.
2000 Tel Report - 105 How (6) ready to be picked up.
2200 Co "D", 1st plat, moved sec of tks to vic S OP 32nd FA, 668600.
2400 Message CG 1st Inf Div, No change, locations of adj units.
Mort Plat continued to fire harrassing fire night and day.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Sallen, France
040001 July 1944
050001 July 1944

Weather: Bright sunny day with light showers in late evening.
Visibility: Good.

- 0630 1st Plat Co "D" vic 668600 with 2 tks vic 665625.
2nd Plat Co "D" vic 679629 fired on enemy infantry vic 678626 then withdrew vic Bn CP.
1st Plat Co "B" took positions vic 692620 for indirect fire.
- 0900 Bn Comdr visited Cos.
- 1200 2nd Plat Co "A" fired indirect fire from positions vic 658637, results not fully determined.
- 1225 Message from CG 1st Inf Div, no change, patrols active, contact with 2nd Armd on left flank, 2nd Inf on right flank.
- 1930 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
- 2000-2130 MAJ HEARD visited 2nd Plat Co "B", Co "C", Bn Maint.
- 2100 2nd Plat Co "A" fired on enemy positions.
6 tanks, 105 How, arrived Bn Maint.
- 2400 No change in positions of elements of Bn other than listed above.
Mortar plat continued firing harrassing fire on enemy positions.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Sallen, France
050001 July 1944
060001 July 1944

Weather: Warm and sunny most of day with exception of a few sporadic showers.
Visibility: Good.

- 0600 2nd Plat Co "D" moved into position vic 689636; no firing done.
- 0945 MAJ HEARD visited 1st Plat Co "A"; 1115 - 1st Plat Co "B"; 1130 - Co "B" CP; 1430 - Bn Maint.
- 1130 CAPT BEST, 3rd Arm Gp, visited CP, discussed awards and decorations.
- 1300 LT WELCH, 5th FA Bn visited CP.
- 1400 COL McLAUGHLIN, COL HUNT visited CP, inspected lt tk positions and 105 How.
- 1430 LT COL BECKDAHL, 52nd FA visited CP; discussed ind fire using tks.
- 1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
- 2000 CAPT KING, ASST G-3, 1st Inf Div arrd CP; inspected 105 How, discussed tk tactics. 1st Plat Co "A" moved to positions vic 657637 for ind fire mission at 629617; houses hit, full extent damage unknown.
Mort Plat continued firing harrassing fire during day and night.
- 2100 3rd Plat Co "A" fired 82 rnds ind fire at 657637 fr vic 65737; results not determined.
During day Bn Comdr visited Mort Plat, 2nd Plat Co "B", 1st Plat Co "D", Hq 18th, 1st Bn 18th, COL SKELLY, V Corps.
- 2400 1st Plat Co "B" fired harrassing ind fire fr vic 692620 during day.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Sallen, France
060001 July 1944
070001 July 1944

Weather: Warm clear day.
Visibility: Good.

- 0830 MAJ PATTERSON visited Cos "B", "C".
0950-1045 MAJ HEARD visited S-4, 1st Plat Co "B", 32nd FA.
Bn Comdr visited units of Bn and Reg CPs of Infantry units.
1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
2000 2nd Plat Co "D" moved from vic 680589 and 675589 supporting 2nd Bn 18th, attacked enemy positions at 677586 and 682587 also shelled house at 683586. Lt tk overturned, no casualties. Nine PWs taken. Enemy arty prevented immed rec of veh.
2200 2 tank dozers det Bn sent to 741st Tk Bn per order Corps Comdr.
2230 Enemy counter attacked and drove Inf back to orig positions leaving tk in enemy territory.
2245 T2 Bn Maint, sent vic 2nd Plat Co "D" to recover tk.
2400 Mort Plat continued harrassing fire during day and night.
88's landed vic Mort Plat, no casualties.
2nd Bn 16th reld 1st Bn 16th. No change in Co "A" position.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn,
Vic Sallen, France
070001 July 1944
080001 July 1944

Weather: Early part of day cloudy and threatening rain changing to warm bright day.
Visibility: Good.

- 0330 2nd Plat Co "D" less one tk, moved vic 677588; moved again at 0530 vic 689588.
0430 Co "D" tk abandoned in enemy territory burned by enemy. Rcn shows turret blown off, and tank partially burned.
0830 2nd Plat Co "D" less one tk moved vic 689598.
0930 MAJ HEARD visited Co "D" CP; 1330 - Co "A" CP; 1600 - AG lat; 1400 - 32nd FA; 1630 - Co "B"; 1700 - 2nd Plat Co "B"; 1730 - 1st Plat Co "D".
0830-1145 MAJ PATTERSON visited Mort Plat, 3rd Plat Co "B", 2nd Plat Co "D", Co "C".
0900 Bn Comdr visited Mort Plat,; 0915 - 2nd Plat Co "B", 1st Bn 18th, 2nd Bn, 1st Inf Div, outposts and OPs 1st Bn 18th Inf and 18th CP.
1300 1st Plat Co "C" took positions vic 704616 for ind fire.
1400 COL McLAUGHLIN AND MAJ DEN OUDIN visited CP.
6 105 How moved fr vic Bn CP took positions for ind fire vic 684626.
1830 Co Comdrs arrived CP.
During day CAPT BURF visited Co "A", 1st Bn CO, Mort Plat and 2nd Plat Co "D".
2200 Co "A" moved 3rd Plat to position of 1st Plat as outpost and withdrew 1st Plat.
2400 Mort Plat continued harrassing fire during day and night.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Sallen, France
080001 July 1944
090001 July 1944

Weather: Warm bright day with intermittent rain.
Visibility: Good;

0400 2nd Plat Co "B" moved vic 665588.
 2nd Plat Co "D" changed positions with 3rd Plat Co "B".

0800 AG Plat 744th Tk Bn (3 75mm How) arrvd Bn CP and atch this orgn; took positions for ind fire vic 692620.

0930 MAJ HEARD visited Mort Plat; 1330 - AG Plat; 1400- 1st Bn 18th Inf.

1500 Message CO 3rd Armd Gp to include Dozers under "A" as well as "G" in tk status report.

1700 LT COL HUNT, 744th Tank Bn, MAJ TREADWELL, 3rd Armd GP, LT COL BETHARME WD 6 SC visited CP.

1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
 1st Plat Co "C" fired 76 rounds ind fire on enemy positions S of Caumont.
 Six 105 How fired Ind fire on enemy positions from 684627.
 AG Plat reconnoitered positions to support possible attack 16th, 18th Inf.
 Co "A" reconnoitered routes to support attack 16th Inf.
 Mort Plat continued harrassing fire on enemy positions.
 Bn Comdr visited 18th CP, Co "D" CP, AG positions both 744th and 745th, reconnoitered AG positions with AG Plat for direct fire.
 MAJ PATTERSON visited "A" Co; reconnoitered routes to support inf attack with CO Co "A".

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
 Vic Sallen, France
 090001 July 1944
 100001 July 1944

Weather: Intermittent Rain.
 Visibility: Poor.

0545 MAJ HEARD visited Co "D"; 0600 - Co "B"; 0620 - Co "C"; 0645 - AG Plat 744th tk Bn; 1100 - AG Plat 745th Tk Bn; 1130 Co "A".

0930-1230 Bn Comdr visited AG Plat 744th Tk Bn, CP 26th Inf Reg; 1st Plat Co "C", 1st Inf Div Hq 1030.

1030 Message from CG 1st Inf Div stating front line of all units.

1100 Message from CO 3rd Armd GP re marking of planes.

1100 Message from CO 3rd Armd Gp re sighting diagram M4 for 105 How.
 LT COL HUNT, 744th Tank Bn arrvd CP.

1300 AG Plat 745th Tank fired one mission, 30 rnds HE, target 2 40mm AA btry and 2 20mm AA Btry vic 699545. Mission accomplished.
 CO Co "A" reconnoitered routes for possible attack on VIDOUVILLE
 1st Plat Co "C" fired one mission ind fire from vic 705615. Observers report not received.
 Mortar plat continued harrassing fire.
 CAPT BURT visited CP 18th Reg, Mort Plat, CP Co "B".
 1500-1700 2nd Bn 18th Inf, 3rd Plat Co "B", 3rd Plat Co "D" visited by Bn CO.

1715 Message from CG 1st Inf Div noting changes in markings.
 4 M4 Tanks ret'd 526th Ordnance.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Sallen, France
100001 July 1944
110001 July 1944

Weather: Cloudy, intermittent rain.
Visibility: Poor.

0530 MAJ HEARD visited Co "D"; 0545 - Bn Maint; 1400 - AG Plat; 1425 - AG Plat 744th
Tk Bn; 1500 - 1st Plat Co "C"; 1530 - CP Co "C".
1000 Message from CG 1st US Inf Div, no change in 1st Div line, stated coordinates
for entire front line.
1603 AG Plat fired counter battery mission 12 rds. Mission accomplished.
1608 AG Plat fired counter battery mission 12 rds. Mission accomplished.
1st Plat Co "C" fired 3 ind fire missions, results unknown.
Mort Plat continued harrassing fire.
AG Plat 744th Tk Bn fired one indirect fire mission, results unknown.
Bn Comdr visited Co "A", AG Plat, CP 16th Inf, AG Plat 744th Tk Bn, CP 16th Inf.
MAJ PATTERSON visited 1st, 2nd, 3rd Plats Co "B", 1st Plat Co "D", Mort Plat.
1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
2400 No further change, nor messages received.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Sallen, France
110001 July 1944
120001 July 1944

Weather: Cloudy with intermittent rain.
Visibility: Poor.

0500 Bn Comdr visited OP Co "A" watched ind fire; 1430 - Co "C" watched problem with
tks and Inf; 1630 - 3rd Plat Co "C" watched ind fire; 1645 - AG Plat 744th Tk Bn.
0600 AG Plat fired 12 rds harrassing fire during night.
1st Plat Co "A" fired Ind fire missions vic Le Hayes. Hvy concentration on
target. 1st Plat Co "C" fired 8 ind fire missions from 706615.
1030 Message fr G-2 1st Inf Div re picking up microphones for sound ranging.
MAJ HEARD visited 3rd Armd Gp, 1115 - S-4; 1430 - Co "C"; 1645 - 3rd Plat Co "C";
1715 AG Plat, 744th Tk Bn.
1200 3rd Plat Co "C" reld 1st Plat Co "C" at 705615.
1500-1700 MAJ PATTERSON visited Co "C".
1420 2nd Plat Co "C" conducted problem with Inf, working out signals and coordination
1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
Sit Rep fr CG, 1st Inf Div, no change in front lines, patrols active, contact
maintained with adj divisions.
Mort Plat cont harrassing fire.
AG Plat fired 2 missions. Hvy concentration laid on obj. Plat now tied on
one normal and two contingent barrages.
AG Plat, 744th Tank Bn fired ind fire missions during day.
2400 No change in situation or position.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Sallen, France
120001 July 1944
130001 July 1944

Weather: Cool, intermittent rain.
Visibility: Fair.

0930 MAJ HEARD visited AG Plat 744th Tk Bn, 1000 - 3rd Plat Co "C"; 1030 - CP Co "C";

1045 - 3rd Plat Co "D"; 1100 - 3rd Plat Co "D".
 1000-1200 MAJ PATTERSON visited Co "A".
 1400 CAPT BURT visited Mort Plat, 1st Plat Co "B".
 1730 Sit Rep - CG 1st Inf Div; no change, front line; patrols active front and flanks, contact kept adj divisions.
 Bn Comdr visited CP 18th Inf.
 1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
 1900 AG Plat Co "C" fired 4 ind fire missions fr vic 705615. Targets well covered.
 3rd Plat Co "C" fired 4 ind fire missions fr vic 705615. Targets well covered.
 AG Plat cont to fire ind fire missions from 684627. Targets well covered.
 Mort Plat cont harrassing fire.
 2040 AG Plat fired 30 rds ind fire; target enemy vehicles; mission accomplished.
 2400 No change in situation or positions.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
 Vic Sallen, France
 130001 July 1944
 140001 July 1944

Weather: Cool, cloudy, intermittent rain.
 Visibility: Fair.

0525 2nd Plat Co "C" fired 80 rds direct fire at enemy positions from 724597 in coord 26th Inf. No enemy fire returned; enemy sent up orange flare.
 0930 Bn Comdr visited Co "A", AG Plat; 1500 - 1st Bn 18th, 1st Plat Co "D", 1st and 2nd Plats Co "B", CP 18th Inf.
 1000 CAPT BURT visited CP 16th Reg, 3rd Bn 18th.
 1400 2 tk dozers ret'd fr 741st Tk Bn. Co "B" dozer at 526th Ord. Tk hit mine blowing off rear bogie wheel and damaging idler.
 1530 MAJ HEARD visited AG Plat; 1600 - Co "A".
 1800 Enemy arty landed vic Bn CP, no casualties.
 1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
 3rd Plat Co "C" fired six missions, ind fire from 705615. Target well covered.
 AG Plat fired 4 missions ind fire from 684627. Targets well covered; cont to fire harrassing fire during night.
 Mort Plat cont'd to fire harrassing fire during night.
 Sit Rep: CG, 1st US Inf Div, no change, patrols active.
 2400 No change in sit or position.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
 Vic Sallen, France
 140001 July 1944
 150001 July 1944

Weather: Warm, sunny day.
 Visibility: Fair.

1030 Sit Rep fr CG 1st US Inf Div, Div reld by 5th Inf Div and also listed elements of 5th Div, replacing 1st Div.
 1033 AG Plat fired 12 rds ind fire on enemy AA vid 658552.
 1100 LT JIROUSEK, Lsn Off, 735th Tk Bn arrived CP, established contact for his Bn.
 1200 1st US Inf Div reld by 5th Inf Div.
 1300 AG Plat fired 12 rds ind fire on enemy inf vic 693548.
 1330 AG Plat fired 12 rds ind fire on enemy CP vic 678549.
 AG Plat fired 30 rds ind fire on enemy AA vic 707534.

1500 Staff Officers, Co Comdrs, 755th Tk Bn reported CP and were oriented on situation prior to relieving this Bn.
1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
2nd Plat Co "C" fired eight ind fire missions fr vic 705615. Targets well covered.
2400 No other changes in situation or in positions.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Sallen, France
150001 July 1944
160001 July 1944

Weather: Warm and cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

0700 Co "D" closed in area, vic Bn CP.
0730 105 How of "A", "B", "C" left positions at 684627 and joined respective Cos.
MAJ HEARD with Rcn Plat left Bn CP to rcn new area.
1030 Mort Plat left positions vic 680603 returned to Bn area.
1200 Bn Comdr left CP for new area.
1250 Hq Co left vic Sallen, enroute to rear area.
1300 Hq Co crossed IP - Planquery.
1309 Co "D" crossed IP.
1317 Co "C" crossed IP.
1330 Co "A" crossed IP.
1338 Co "B" crossed IP.
1335 Sv Co crossed IP, joined column enroute behind Co "B".
1500 Hq Co closed in new area vic 568809. CP established, distance traveled 28.9 mi.
1515 Co "D" closed in new area.
1600 Co "C" closed in new area.
1615 Co "A" closed in new area.
1630 MAJ HEARD visited CP 1st Inf Div.
Bn Comdr visited CP 1st Inf Div, 26th CP, 16th CP.
1645 Co "B" closed in new area.
1700 Sv Co closed in new area.
Entire Bn assembled in one area for first time since D-day. Biv area West of Bernesq, vic Mestry.
1930 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
2400 No change in situation.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn,
Vic Mestry, France
160001 July 1944
170001 July 1944

Weather: Warm, sunny day.
Visibility: Good.

0800-1500 Bn spent the time cleaning vehicles and equipment prior to inspection.
0945 Message fr CG 1st Army: Bn being issued four extra SCR 509 for tk-inf comm. on loan basis to be replaced by 300 series tk set.
1030 Bn Comdr visited CP 16th Reg, 1st US Inf Div.
1500-1700 Inspection of vehicles and arms.
1530 Orders fr CG 1st US Army: Bn Rold fr attachment V Corps and attached 1st US Inf Div and VII Corps, off upon relief by 755th Tk Bn.
1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
Day was spent in preparation of vehicles, equipment & weapons for inspection.
2400 No change in situation.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mestry, France
170001 July 1944
180001 July 1944

Weather: Warm, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

- 0800 MAJ PATTERSON with LT THOMPSON rcn new area vic Le Mesnil Veneron, 450756.
0900 Bn Comdr visited CP 16th Reg.
1500 2nd Plat Co "A" conducted problem with 1st Bn 16th Inf on inf-tk tactics, use of tk dozer, proving efficiency of dozer in clearing way through hedgerow.
1600 Bn Comdr reported CP 16th Reg and 1st US Inf Div.
1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
2400 Day was spent in cleaning and inspection of individual equipment. No change in situation.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mestry, France
180001 July 1944
190001 July 1944

Weather: Sunny, warm with occasional overcast.
Visibility: Fair.

- 0930 Teams from 526th Ord Co arrvd Bn Area started installing Rhinoceros on tks.
1000 MAJ HEARD 634th TD Bn and CAPT ANDERSON, Co "A", 634th TD Bn arrvd CP and discussed attachment of Co "A" of 634th TD Bn.
1345. MAJ GEN HUEBNER, CG 1st US Inf Div, BRIG GEN WYMAN, Asst Comdr, 1st Div arrvd Bn CP to witness demonstration of tks equipped with rhinoceros.
1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
2400 No change in situation or positions.
Units of Bn spent day in maint of vehicles and equip and installation and use of rhinoceros on tks.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mestry, France
190001 July 1944
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Weather: Cool, cloudy, changing warm and cool alternately during day.
Visibility: Poor.

- During day 526th Ord Co continued installation of rhinoceros. Further experimentation with rhinoceros, results not entirely satisfactory, need strengthening.
- 1700 MAJ PATTERSON visited 16th In CP re future operations.
Bn Comdr in tel conversation with Asst CG 1st In Div re extra steel for reinforcing rhinoceros received permission to call CO Armd Sec, 1st Army.
- 1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
CAPT BEST, 3rd Armd Gp visited CP re after action reports and matter for historical record.
- 1900 Bn Comdr called CP Armd Sec 1st A requesting extra steel. Lsn Off to be sent to Bn to check modifications.
- 2030 Message from CG 1st Inf Div, MO/15 tentative. No movement until further orders. Co "A" preparing to move to assy area vic Le Mesnil Angot, 430755 at 0130. Billiting parties to be sent to new area.

Message fr Hq 1st Army - Rhinoceros attachment for tanks will not be employed tactically until D-Day, for operation COBRA. Security status will be carefully guarded.

Message from Armd Sec, 1st Army - Cerise Red Luminous panels will be shown on horizontal surface of rear deck, all tanks for air-ground identification commencing D-Day, COBRA. Substitute yellow panel in lieu of Cerise. Panels will be in addition to White Star Marking.

- 2330 MO #4, Hq CT 16, recd. Order Bn to move from 568809 to vic St Jean De Days 470759.
- 2400 FO #38, Hq 1st Inf Div recd, stated composition, mission for operation COBRA. No enemy action. No combat vehicles deadlined.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
200001 July 44
210001 July 44
Vic Mestry

Weather: Cool, intermittent rain.
Visability: Fair.

- 0130 Co "B" left Bn Area, vic 568809, joined CT 18, moved to assembly area vic 426759.
- 0400 Co "B" closed in new area.
- 0830 MAJ HEARD met COL HILL, 82nd Ord Gp, witnessed demonstration of rhinoceros.
- 1100 Tel msg fr Hq, 1st US Inf Div, MO #15 in effect.
- 1330 MAJ Plat left Bn Area, vic 568809 to rcn and outpost assy area vic 435775.
- 1400 MAJ PATTERSON, with Co Comdrs rcn new assy area vic 435775.
Bn Comdr reported CP 16th CT.
Co Comdrs reported CP. MO #2, this Hq, overlay and details of march announced.
- 1730 FO #6, Hq 16th CT read.
- 1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
- 1915 Message fr CG, 1st Inf Div: All traffic on roads in VII Corps zone restricted to urgent and tactical moves.
- 2100 526 Ord Co completed installation of rhinoceros.
- 2230 Hq Co left Bn area vic Mestry, 568809.
- 2240 Hq Co crossed IP, Vouilly, 555824.
- 2250 Co "D" " " " " .
- 2300 Co "A" " " " " .
- 2310 Sv Co " " " " " .
- 2315 Co "C" left Bn area vic 568809.
- 2348 Co "C" crossed IP, 595798.
- 2400 1 tank Co "D" overturned. 1 EM KIA, 1 EM WIA, 515803.
- 2400 All units of Bn less Co "B" enroute to assy area vic 435775.
1 combat vehicle out of operation.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Les Cordiers
210001 July 44
220001 July 44

Weather: Cool, rainy, cloudy.
Visability: Bad.

- 0100 Mortar Plat H?T overturned. 1 EM WIA, 475792.
- 0130 Hq Co & Mortar Plat closed in assy area vic Les Cordiers, 435755. CP established. Distance traveled 15.8 miles.
- 0215 Co "D" closed in area, less one tank and Maint.
- 0300 Co "C" closed in area.
- 0530 Bn Comdr reported CP 16th CT. Mainlements of Bn closed in area.

- 0530 Co "A" closed in new area vic 435755.
 0600 Sv Co closed in new area vic 435755
 CAPT ANDERSON, CO, Co "A", 634th TD Bn, reported to CP that Co closed in vic 427760.
 0800 Lsn Off, 634th TD Bn arrived Bn CP.
 0900 Lsn Off, 6th Armd Gp, arrived Bn CP.
 1300 Telephone, radio communications established with 16th CT, Co "A" 634th TD Bn, 1st Div.
 MAJ HEARD visited CP, 746th Tk Bn.
 1400 Overlay recd from 1st US Inf Div, showing air bombing strips.
 1600 CAPT DENSLOW reported 16th CT as Lsn Off.
 Bn Comdr visited Co "B", rcn area west of CP.
 1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
 1900 LT COL HORNER, CO 3rd Bn 16th Inf, Exec Off 3/16, visited CP, discussed plans for forthcoming operation.
 1930 CAPT BECK, camouflage officer, 1st US. Army, arrived CP, discussed plans for camouflage painting of the tomorrow.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
 Vic Les Cordiers
 220001 July 44
 230001 July 44

Weather: Cold, rainy.
 Visibility: Poor.

- 1300-1700 Co "A" practiced riding infantry on tanks with elements 16th Regt, definite crews assigned tanks for transportation. Results very satisfactory.
 1500 Bn Comdr visited Co "C".
 1800 Message fr CG, 1st US Inf Div: Pup tents need not be struck at daybreak but must be camouflaged.
 1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
 Capt ANDERSON, CO Co "A", 634th TD Bn, visited CP.
 Field Order #4 this Hq issued to Co Comdrs; plans for forthcoming operation discussed in detail.
 1900 Lsn Off, 6th Armd Gp, visited Bn CP.
 2030 Bn Comdr visited CP 16th CT.
 2200 Co "B" moved from 426759 vic 415755.
 Due to weather, impossible to camouflage paint tanks.
 2300-2400 3 gas alerts and all clear sounded, Impossible to determine source of alarm. No gas detected.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
 Vic Les Cordiers
 230001 July 44
 240001 July 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy with threatening rain all day.
 Visibility: Poor.

- 0900 Bn Comdr visited CP, 16th CT.
 1100 Co Comdrs, 5rd Bn 16th Inf visited CP. Checked loading of men on tanks & M10's.
 1200 Received light tank to replace Co "D" tank overturned.
 1300 CAPT BECK, CAMOUFLAGE section 1st Army arrived CP to start camouflage painting of tanks.
 1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
 1930 Bn Comdr visited CP 16th CT. Went over final plans.

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240001 July 1944
250001 July 1944
Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Les Cordiers

Weather: Warm, sunny day.
Visibility: Good.

- 0930 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP; change in situation discussed.
- 1000 Lsn Off, 6th Armd Gp, checked in CP. Reported H-hour to be 1300.
- 1045 Engineer team arrived - started camouflage painting of Co "A" tanks.
- 1100 Bn Comdr and Maj HEARD visited VII Corps, Armd Section.
MAJ PATTERSON visited CP 16th CT.
- 1400 MAJ PATTERSON visited Co "C".
- 1500 Bn Comdr visited 16th CP, reported word received on change of plan in action COBRA.
- 1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
- 1900 MAJOR PATTERSON visited G-3, 1st Div.
- 2400 No change in positions. All Co "A" tanks camouflage painted. No combat vehicles deadlined.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Les Cordiers
250001 July 1944
260001 July 1944

Weather: Warm, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

- 0001 D-Day for operation COBRA.
- 0915 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
- 1100 H-hour.
- 1600 MAJOR PATTERSON visited CP 16th CT.
- 1630 1 KM WIA 23 July by 20mm AA shell evacuated.
Engineer team finished painting of Co "D" tanks and Hq Tank Section.
- 1830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
- 2015 3rd Plat Co "B" moved with 2nd Bn 18th Inf.
- 1900 MAJOR PATTERSON visited CP 1st Inf Div.
- 2230 Bn Comdr reported CP 16th CT. Received notice of new plan of attack. H-hour set at 0700 tomorrow morning.
- 2400 No combat vehicles deadlined.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Les Cordiers
260001 July 44
270001 July 44

Weather: Warm, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

- 0830 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP.
Co "B" supporting 18th Inf moved south along east side of road towards Marigny.
- 1300 Situation report from 16th CT: Co "A" 18th Inf vic 405635; Co "B" vic 400635; Cos "A" and "B" moving slowly, no arty and light enemy resistance. Unit on left flank of 18th encountering heavy opposition in woods at 413639.
- 1400 Bn Comdr visited CP 16th CT, secured information on progress of front line positions.
- 1415 Lsn Off, 6th Armd Gp reported CP with information of front line.
- 1830 Co Comdrs reported CP. Orig plan still in effect. Bn ready to move on 1 hour's notice.

- 2230 Bn Comdr reported CP 16th CT.
 2400 Co "B" spent most of night on move to the South, objective Marigny. No casualties men or vehicles. No combat vehicles deadlined.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
 Vic Les Herouard
 270001 July 1944
 280001 July 1944

Weather: Intermittent rain.
 Visibility: Fair.

- 0230 Co "B", w/18th Inf reached outskirts of Marigny. 1st and 2nd Plats w/5/18, 3rd Plat w/1/18th.
 0430 Rcn Plat left Bn Area vic 434757 to rcn route to and new assy area.
 0530 Bn Comdr left Bn Area to rcn route and new assy area.
 0545 S-2 H/T, S-3 Air w/1/4ton left Bn Area vic 434757 to join CP 16th CT for Lsn.
 0635 Co "D" left Bn area vic 434757 as advance element of Bn to new assy area and to carry out assigned mission.
 0645 Co "A" (1 Plat) left Bn Area vic 434757 enroute to new assy area, followed by Hq Tk Sec, AG plat, Mortar Plat, 2nd & 3rd Plat Co "A".
 0700 Co "B" 2/3/18 assaulted Marigny. 1 EM Co "B" WIA, evacuated.
 0715 S-3 H/T, Bn CP, left Bn Area vic 434757 for new assy area.
 0800 Radio message from Co "B" gave location 386617. Assaulting town of Marigny. Fought all day long previous day and moved all night. No casualties either tanks or personnel.
 0815 Column made to leave road, vic 388637 approx 2 miles North of Marigny, due to enemy action in Marigny and vicinity.
 0845 Alternate assy area established, elements of 745th Tk Bn attached CT 16. Closed in area vic 386637.
 0945 Bn Comdr reported CP 16th CT.
 1100 CO, Co "B" reported Bn CP, requested gas and ammo, gave locations of plats and current information of front lines and action taking place.
 1215 10 trucks Sv Co, 2 H/T, 1/4ton Med Det, 1 truck Co "A" 634th TD, left Bn area.
 1315 Sv Co trucks, Med Det closed in new assy area; gas taken to Co "B" and vehicles in assy area gassed up.
 1707 Co "A" left assy area vic 386637, I Co 16th Inf riding back of tanks. Tank Sec, AG Plat, TD Co, S-3 H/T, Rcn following. Column marched towards objective having many halts due to pockets of enemy resistance and heavy traffic.
 2300 1 EM Hq Co WIA by shrapnel from anti-personnel bomb dropped vic Marigny.
 2400 Co "B" supporting 18th Inf moved west. All tanks running.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
 Vic La Chapelle
 280001 July 44
 290001 July 44

Weather: Intermittent rain.
 Visibility: Fair.

- 0030 Units of Bn attached CT 16 closed in alternate assy area vic 305599, distance traveled 8 miles.
 0545 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP, oral orders given. During night enemy arty and anti-personnel bombs landed vic Bn.
 0810 Message fr Co "C": located vic 397645 w/26th Inf. No enemy action.

- 0815 Co "A", Tk Sec, AG plat, Mort Plat left assy area vic 305599 supporting 3rd Bn 16th Inf in advance to objective vic Monthuelon. Stiff enemy resistance (elements 2nd Pz Div, 3 Mk 5, 1 Mk 4 SP) met just east of Campernon 283603. Enemy occupied high ground strongly fortified. All units of Bn subjected to heavy arty and mortar fire. 2 Mk 5 tanks destroyed. 4 tanks (incl Tk Dozer) Co "A" knocked out, 2 Officers, LT MOODY, LT BREEN, WIA, 6 EM WIA, 3 EM KIA. 2 tanks Co "D" lost, 1 Off, CAPT WILDS, WIA, 3 EM WIA, 1 EM KIA. 2 M-10 TD's (634th TD Bn) lost, 2 EM WIA, 3 EM KIA, 1 EM MIA. Co "D" w/1st Bn 16th Inf followed 3rd Bn 16th coming up on left flank. 2 tanks knocked out by AT guns at 299592. Co WIA. Co withdrew down road and doubled back along Co "A" route deployed on left flank of Co "A". LT CHIRIGOTIS assumed Comd Co "D".
- 1800 Infantry withdrawn, heavy artillery concentration laid on area to knock out enemy concentration.
- 2030 Bn less "B" Co and "C" Co moved across road. All units Bn attached CT 16 assembled together for night.
- 2400 No change in situation. 4 Med tanks, 2 Lt tanks destroyed.

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290001 July 1944
300001 July 1944
Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic La Chapelle

Weather: Intermittent rain.
Visibility: Fair.

- 0630 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP for orders.
- 0800 Alerted for move.
- 0900 Co Comdrs reported Bn CP received oral orders for new plan of attack.
- 1000 Bn (less "B" & "C" Cos) started to move w/16th CT according to new plan of attack. 3rd Plat Co "A", 1st Plat Co "D", 3rd Plat TD's attached 3rd Bn 16th Inf; 1st Plat Co "A", 2nd Plat Co "D", 2nd Plat TD, attached 1st Bn 16th; 3rd Plat Co "D", 1st Plat TD's w/rein plat TD's attached 2nd Bn 16th. Bn CP Tk Sec, AG and Mort Plats w/1/16th Inf.
- 1100 Bn pulled off road.
- 1230 Units of Bn w/1/16th moved to vic 225588.
- 1400 " " " " arrived " " .
- 1500 S-1 Sect joined Bn CP vic 225588 .
- 1615 Units w/1/16th moved forward.
- 1700 " " closed in new assy area vic 278564.
- 2000 Units of Bn attached 16th CT released until 301200 for maint and rest. Orders issued to Co Comdrs to close in plats in Bn Area in morning.
- 2230 MAJ DRISCOLL, 1st Bn 16th Inf, arrived CP.
- 2400 No action by any units of Bn.
Co "C" supporting 26th Inf moved to vic Savigny, 314565, making contact with enemy. 1 tank knocked out. 2 EM KIA.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Coursy
300001 July 1944
310001 July 44

Weather: Fair.
Visibility: Good.

- 0730 Co "A" closed in Bn Area vic 278564.
- 0815 Co "D" " " " " " " " " .
- 0900 Med Det " " " " " " " " .
- 1100 Co "C" in support 26th Inf 2/4th Inf Div moved fr vic Savigny 314564 proceeding

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south to vic Hambye, 36145x to proceed ~~out~~ to objective north of Le Mesnil Bonant 335405.

- 1430 CAPT RALPH, S-3 16th Inf, called by telephone: initiate rcn to point 290555 tentative IP.
- 1445 Bn Comdr, Exec Off rcn route.
- 1855 Orders given to pack up and be ready to move on short notice.
- 1905 Rcn plat left Bn area v.c 278564 to rcn route and new assy area.
- 1945 S-3 reported CP 16th CT.
- 2130 Rcn Plat left Bn Area to rcn route and new assy area.
- 2200 LT BREEN RETURNED TO Organization.
- 2400 Units of CT 16 alerted to move.
Co "A" recd 2 tanks Ord, 1 tank Hq Tk Sec. 2nd Plat reorganized w/2 new tks, and 1 fr Hq, (staff tank).

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745th Tank Bn
c La Chapelle
0001 July 44
~~0001 July 44~~

Weather: Bright, warm, sunny day.
Visibility: Good.

- 0915 Units of Bn attached left area vic Courcy in order of Hq, "A", TD's following 1st Bn 16th Inf. IP - La Chapelle.
- 0930 Closed in new assy area v.c 295444. Orders issued for reorg, maint, and trains to join forward elements of Bn.
- 1200 Plans received fr CT 16 for move South of Gavray.
- 1609 Order for movement.
- 1700 Co Comdrs reported CP, received orders.
- 1800 ~~Ready to move.~~ Moving south with 1st Div (Bn less Co "C" and "B" leaving Bn area vic 295444). Rear CP, Sv Co trains remaining 295444.
- 1900 Leaving area; order of march: Rcn Plat, Co "D", S-3, S-2 H/Ts, Hq Tk Sec, Mort Plat, Mort Plat, "A" Co, TD Co.
- 1915 1st Plat Co "D" passed PL #1.
- 1925 PL #1 - 4.0 miles.
- 1945 Rcn $\frac{1}{2}$ mi W of PL#2 at crossroads. Column held up by tail end of preceding tank force.
- 2015 Unofficial report column held up by a couple pockets of enemy resistance.
- 2145 Column beginning to move.
- 2245 PL #2 - 8.3 miles.
- 2330 PL #3 - 11.6 miles.

For the Battalion Commander:

Miles R. Patterson
MILES R. PATTERSON,
Major, 745th Tank Bn,
S-5.

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:Date: 9 Sept 1944

HEADQUARTERS 745TH TANK BATTALION
A.P.O. 230, U. S. ARMY

9 Sept 1944

SUBJECT: Report after Action Against Enemy.

TO : The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington 25, D.C.
(Thru Channels)

1. As prescribed by Par 10, (C3) AR 345-105 the following report after action against enemy during the month of August, 1944, is submitted:
2. Attachment of this Battalion to First United States Infantry Division continued through the month of August 1944. Except for period 18-27 August 1944, Company "B" was attached to 18th US Infantry Regiment, and Company "C" to 26th US Infantry Regiment, and the remainder of this Battalion to 16th US Infantry Regiment. Companies were released from attachment and this Battalion operated as a unit 18-27 August 1944.
3. At the beginning of the month elements of this Battalion were moving southeast from the vicinity of Gavray in exploitation of the break through which had been made in the vicinity of Marigny. On reaching Mayenne positions were taken 6-12 August 1944 to hold a sector against enemy elements which might attempt to break out of the Falaise-Argentan pocket which was being created. 12-17 August elements of this Battalion moved northeast closing in on the enemy elements in the Falaise-Argentan pocket. 18-24 August companies were released from attachment to infantry regiments and assembled for maintenance of vehicles. 24-25 August this Battalion made a road march as a unit from La Sauvagere to Chanarande. 27 August the companies were again attached to regiments, and through successive moves proceeded to the vicinity of Soissons behind Third Armored Division.
4. Tank companies have been attached to the same infantry regiments continuously. In turn, infantry regiments have attached each tank platoon to the same infantry battalion continuously. This has developed a more thorough understanding and closer cooperation between tank and infantry personnel. The practice of mounting infantry on the outside of tanks for movement has been very successful.

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WALLACE J. NICHOLS,
Lt Col, 745th Tank Bn,
Commanding.

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For period
from: 01 0001 Aug 44
to : 01 0001 Sep 44

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Bourquenolles, France
010001 Aug 44
020001 Aug 44

Weather: Warm and sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Attachments: Bn (less B and C Cos attached 16th Inf Reg; Co B attached 18th Inf Reg;
Co C attached 22nd Inf Reg.
Bn (less B and C Cos) attached 31st Co en route to La Petelliere, 332286. Bombers
over column dropped bombs to front and rear of column.
Co B assembled via Bourrebus, bombed; 1 Off 7 KIA.
0330 Closed in area 332286, vic Bourquenolles, distance travelled 14.8 miles.
0800 Co C w/26th Inf moved fr vic Gavray meeting no opposition and returned to
assy area. No opposition.
1500 Co C moved again w/26th Inf to vic Manrager, no opposition.
1615 Bn (less B and C Cos) moved fr vic Bourquenolles 332286. Closed in new area
1835, vic 366203 La Petelliere; distance travelled 7.2 miles.
2400 No change in situation or positions.
4 Red ks deadlined.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic La Petellier, France
020001 Aug 44
030001 Aug 44

Weather: Warm, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

0330 1st Plat Co C moved w/26th Inf to Pont Clignon.
1200 1st Plat Co C moved w/26th Inf to vic Brecey.
1400 Sv Co closed in area, vic La Petellier.
2400 Cos performed maint and care and cleaning of equipment during day.
No change in position or situation.
4 Red ks deadlined.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Les Mesnil Rainfray
030001 Aug 44
040001 Aug 44

Weather: Showers during day, warm, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

0600 2nd Plat Co A, 1st Plat Co D w/1st Bn 16th Inf moved fr 402206 to vic 420165
(Hill 202).
0730 Bn Comdr w/sec 1st Plat left Bn Area vic 366203 to recon route to and new
area for Bn CP, maint and trains.

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Bn CP left area vic 866208, moved S vic La Petit Cellanc, 404183 at 0800.
1000 Bn CP established 404183, distance travelled 6.7 miles.
1100 Message from Co C located 428427, need 11 men.
1130 3rd Plat Co B fired on town of Juvigny le Fortre 529140.
1300 Sv Co closed in new area vic Bn CP 404185.
1500 2nd Plat Co A, 1st plat Co D w/1st Bn 16th Inf moved fr 420186 to vic 462152 (hill 2-2).
1900 Bn Comdr w/rtn sec left Bn area to recon route and new area for Bn CP.
2045 Bn Comdr issued orders for Bn CP to move out.
2100 Bn CP left Bn area.
2230 CP closed in new area, 485130, Le Mesnil Rainfray, distance traveled 11.5 miles.
Bn Comdr reported CP 16th Inf.
4 Med tanks deadlined.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Les Mesnil Rainfray
040001 Aug 44
050001 Aug 44

Weather: Warm, sunny.

0830 Order issued to move Sv Co, maint and trains.
0945 Capt ~~unintelligible~~, Len Off w/16th Inf arrived Bn CP bringing information on sit. Change No. 10, Adm O No 8, Hq 1st US Inf Div rec'd.
1400 Bn Comdr reported 16th Inf CP received plans for forthcoming operations.
1500 Co A less 1st plat closed in area vic 480136.
1600 Co A less 1st plat closed in area vic 500132.
Co D less 2nd plat closed in area vic 480137.
1200 Co A 634th TD Bn, attached to Bn.
1600 Co A 634th TD Bn, closed in area vic 480135.
1800 S-3 reported CP 3rd Bn 16th Inf, discussed forthcoming operation.
2nd Plat Co B took defensive positions in Mertain.
2230 2nd Plat Co D closed in area vic 480137.
2400 Cos located as follows: Co A CP (less 1st plat) vic 480137, 1st plat Co A vic 527156, Co B CP 515127, 1st and 3rd plats vic 555105, 2nd plat Mertain, Co C CP and 3rd plat 550136, 1st and 2nd plats 567146, Co D CP 1st and 3rd plats 480137, Sv Co 461141.
6 Med tanks deadlined.

For the Battalion Commander:


MILES R. PATTERSON,
Major, 745th Tank Bn,
S-3.

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- 1445 Bn Comdr ordered CO Co A to move Co CP to vic Bn CP.
CO C w/26th Inf moved fr vic St Barthelmy to vic Oisseau. No enemy
resistance encountered.
- 1830 Cn No. 12 to Adm O No. 6 recd listing locations of gas, water, rations DPs.
Bn Comdr, S-3 visited all elements of Bn.
- 1900 Lt DAVIS arrived CP, gave Co Bs locations as follows: 1st Plat w/ 3rd Bn 18th
Inf 798813, 2nd plat w/1st Bn 18th Inf 797836, 3rd plat w/2nd Bn 18th, 1
section 817827 and 1 section 822831.
- 1915 Lt Col 6th Armd Up arrived. Telephoned Corps Ord requesting Ord be moved
closer.
Message from CO CT 16: Smoke generating Co in Reg Area may smoke bridge in
Mayenne just before dark and at dawn in event of an air attack.
2 Med tanks deadlined.
- Eq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mayenne, France
070001 Aug 44
080001 Aug 44
- Weather: Cool, cloudy early part of day changing to warm sunny day.
Visibility: Fair.
- Locations and attachments: Bn CP 791721; AG Plat w/Cn Co 16th Inf at 813721; Co D
in reserve at 821701, Mert plat attached Co A, 1st Plat Co A w/2nd Bn 16th Inf
remainder of Co w/Mert plat located 835725, Co C w/26th Inf at 765766, Sv Co
located 769819.
- 0930 Bn Comdr, S-3 visited CP 16th CT discussed plans for further operations to
S and E.
- 1100 Maj LAUGHTON, S-2 16th Inf stated FO No 9, 16th CT dated 061800B Aug 44 was
erraneous in listing only 1 plat Co A attached 1st Bn 16th in that Co A (less
1 plat) is attached 1st Bn 16th Inf. Maj LAUGHTON to notify CO 1st Bn 16th
Inf of this fact.
- 1130 CO Co C arrived Bn CP gave locations of CO: CP with 1st plat vic 767766,
2nd plat vic 775775, 3rd plat 800773.
CO 16th Inf ordered 1 plat Co A attached each Bn. CO Co A attached 1st plat
to 3rd Bn, 2nd plat to 2nd Bn, 3rd plat to 1st Bn.
3rd Plat Co B moved out of assy area E Ambrieres Le Grand; immediate contact
w/ey - 5 PWs taken, 6 ey killed, moved back to assy area.
- 1515 AG plat reported to CO Cn Co 16th Inf closed in vic 812723. 1 Plat Co A
attached 2nd Bn 16th Inf. 1 plat Co A 634th TD Bn attached 1st Bn 16th Inf.
- 1615 1st Plat Co A rptd CO 2nd Bn 16th Inf closed in position 812703.
Co A 634th TD Bn rptd 1 ey track veh (tk or SP gun) destroyed vic 836706.
- 1630 1 sec TDs (2 guns) withdrawn fr posn 840712 to vic 830707.
CO 2nd Bn 16th Inf ordered 1 sec (2 MIOs) TDs moved fr 830707 to vic 820600
to cover bridge at 832697 when Reg AT Off approves.
- 1930 CO 16th Inf ordered Co A 634th TDs attached Reg AT Off for disposition.
- 1930 Reg AT Off consulted with CO Co A, 634th TD Bn at Bn CP at 1940, decided to
leave all guns in place with exception 1 sec (2 MIOs) to be moved immed fr
826700 to 832697.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Buis, France
060001 Aug 44
060001 Aug 44

Weather: Warm, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

1000 S-3 visited CP 3rd Bn 16th Inf, plans discussed for movement.
Bn less B, C Cos to adv S to Buis in 2 columns.
Column A - Col HORNBER, CP 3rd Bn 16th Inf
1 plat Co D
2 plats Co A 634th TD
Co D
AG plat
2 Cos 16th Inf (on tks)
Co M, MG Plat
Hq 745th
3rd Bn Med
Btry C, 7th FA Bn
1 Amb
AT Plat
Column B - Maj WHITE, Exec Off,
3rd Bn, 16th Inf Bn.
Co A - 745th Tk Bn
Co A 634th TD (less 2 plats)
Co I, 16th Inf (on tks)
Mortar Platoon
Engr Platoon
Bn CP (3rd Bn)
Co K, 16th Inf
Plat MG
Cannon Co
Med, 745th
Amb, 1st Medical
I & R Plat

1300 Hq Co left area vic W Les Mesnil Rainfray proceeded to assy area joined
Co A and 3rd Bn 16th, Inf. Plans changed, all units moved as one column.

1400 Column moved out.

1615 Bn less Cos B, C, closed in area 569978, 1 1/2 miles W Buis. Distance
travelled 17.5 miles. Cos A, D, A 634th TD Bn, located 570968, 1 mile E Buis.
Maj PATTERSON appointed Exec Off vic Maj HEARD reld. Maj HEARD appointed
S-3 in lieu of Maj PATTERSON per Memo #32, Hq 745th Tk Bn, 5 Aug 44.
4 tks deadlined, all med.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mayenne, France
060001 Aug 44
070001 Aug 44

Weather: Foggy, cool during morning, turning warm and sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Locations: Bn CP 485130, vic Buis, Co A 571966, vic Buis, Co B vic Mortain,
Co C vic Remagny, Co D vic Buis, 572969, Co A 634th TD Bn 569968, vic Buis, Sv Co
461141, vic La Roche.

0530 Ron plat left Bn area vic Buis to ron route of adv to S and E.

0600 Bn (less B and C Cos) moving vic Mayenne w/CT 16.

1115 CP closed in area, vic Mayenne, 768819, distance travelled 32.3 miles.
Co A assembled vic 835725. Mort Plat took up firing positions vic Co A.
Co D assembled vic 820171. AG Plat took up positions for firing vic 831733.

1300 Orders issued to bring Sv Co, Maint, trains to vic Mayenne.
AG plat closed in Hq Co area.

1445 CO 16th Inf ordered AG Plat attached Cn Co, 16th Inf, move to vic 813721.
Co D to go in assy position vic their present area and remain in Regimental
reserve. Attack made by K Co, 16th Inf, attachments continue as stated.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Buis, France
050001 Aug 44
060001 Aug 44

Weather: Warm, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

1000 S-3 visited CP 3rd Bn 16th Inf, plans discussed for movement.
Bn less B, C Cos to adv S to Buis in 2 columns.
Column A - Col WORMER, CP 3rd Bn 16th Inf
1 plat Co D
2 plato Co A 634th TDs
Co D
AG plat
2 Cos 16th Inf (on tks)
Co M, MG Plat
Hq 745th
3rd Bn Med
Btry C, 7th FA Bn
1 Amb
AT Plat
Column B - Maj WHITE, Exec Off,
3rd Bn, 16th Inf Bn.
Co A - 745th Tk Bn
Co A 634th TD (less 2 plato)
Co I, 16th Inf (on tks)
Mortar Platoon
Engr Platoon
Bn CP (3rd Bn)
Co K, 16th Inf
Plat MG
Cannon Co
Med, 745th
Amb, 1st Medical
I & R Plat

1300 Hq Co left area vic W Les Mesnil Painfray proceeded to assy area joined
Co A and 3rd Bn 16th, Inf. Plans changed, all units moved as one column.
1400 Column moved out.
1615 Bn less Cos B, C, closed in area 569978, 1 1/2 miles W Buis. Distance
travelled 17.5 miles. Cos A, D, A 634th TD Bn, located 570968, 1 mile E Buis.
Maj PATTERSON appointed Exec Off vic Maj HEARD hold. Maj HEARD appointed
S-3 in lieu of Maj PATTERSON per Memo #32, Hq 745th Tk Bn, 5 Aug 44.
4 tks deadlined, all med.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mayenne, France
060001 Aug 44
070001 Aug 44

Weather: Foggy, cool during morning, turning warm and sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Locations: Bn CP 485130, vic Buis, Co A 571966, vic Buis, Co B vic Mortain,
Co C vic Remagny, Co D vic Buis, 572969, Co A 634th TD Bn 569968, vic Buis, Sv Co
461141, vic La Roche.
0530 Ron plat left Bn area vic Buis to ron route of adv to S and K.
0600 Bn (less B and C Cos) moving vic Mayenne w/CT 16.
1115 CP closed in area, vic Mayenne, 768819, distance travelled 32.3 miles.
Co A assembled vic 835725. Mort Plat took up firing positions vic Co A.
Co D assembled vic 820171. AG Plat took up positions for firing vic 831733.
1300 Orders issued to bring Sv Co, Maint, trains to vic Mayenne.
AG plat closed in Hq Co area.
1445 CO 16th Inf ordered AG Plat attached Cn Co, 16th Inf, move to vic 813721.
Co D to go in assy position vic their present area and remain in Regimental
reserve. A track made by K Co, 16th Inf, attachments continue as stated.

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1945 Mort Plat attached Co "A".
2200 Co "B" w/18th Inf closed in areas vic Ambrières Le Grand.
2400 No change in situation or position. During night enemy arty, nebelwerfers, harrassed elements of Bn.
Co B 1st plat w/2nd Bn, 18th Inf, 2nd plat w/1st Bn 18th Inf, 3rd Plat w/2nd Bn 18th Inf.
Co C, 1st plat moved from Oisseau to Las Riveries 825767. Enemy with 2 Mk 5, 1 Mk 6 broke through vic St Barthelmy and entered field where disabled tankd was left with crew, shelled and demelished tank, no casualties. Crew aided TD gun, 2 Mk Vs knocked out.
2nd plat Co C moved fr Oisseau to Garren.
3rd Plat Co C moved fr area to vic 802775 to secure bridgehead.
Capt DENSLow, S-3 Air, Len Off w/16th Inf dy to sick in hesp.
Capt BURT, S-2, replaced Capt DENSLow as Len Off w/16th Inf.
2 Med tks deadlined.

Hq 745th Tk Bn

080001 Aug 44

090001 Aug 44

Vic Mayenne, France

Weather: Harm, sunny.

Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Locations and attachments: Bn CP with 16th CT, 791721 vic Mayenne. Co A CP w/ Bn CP, 1st plat w/3rd Bn 16th Inf vic 827743, 2nd plat w/2nd Bn 16th Inf vic 801701, 3rd plat w/1st Bn 16th Inf vic 837728, Mort plat attached Co A vic 835725. AF plat attach Co C 16th vic 813721. Co B 1st plat w/2nd Bn 13th Inf, 1 sec 817827, 1 sec 822831, 2nd plat w/1st 18th Inf vic 797836, 3rd plat w/2nd Bn 823839. Co C w/26th Inf, 1st plat w/1st Bn vic 825767, 2nd Plat w/2nd Bn vic Garren, 3rd Plat vic 802775. Co D in mobile reserve vic 821701. Sv Co 769819.

Mort plat fired on enemy troop concentrations to their immediate front in support Co C, 1st Bn 16th Inf, also hit an enemy ammo dump.

1100 2 tanks 3rd plat Co B advanced with infantry shelling town of Cigny. Captured 10-12 PWs. Were informed 3 Mk Ivs & 12 Mk Vs plus 200 Germans were in town and had withdrawn. No casualties.
1200 Operations Inst #5, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 0724005 Aug 44 received with overlay of positions vic Mayenne.
1515 Exec Off brought in changes in positions: 1st Plat Co B - 1 sec vic 823838, 1 sec vic 819918; 2nd plat Co B 797836; 3rd plat Co B vic 823839. 1st plat Co C vic 822768, 2nd plat w/2nd Bn 26th vic Garren, 3rd plat vic 840764.
1430 S-2 reports enemy patrol reported by 16th CT to be approaching vic Sv Co from the SW.
1445 Bn Comdr ordered 1 plat Co D moved vic Sv Co to repel suspected attack. 1st plat Co D took positions vic Sv Co.
2000 Co B positions changed: 1st plat w/3rd Bn moved back to original position vic 798812, 2nd plat w/1st Bn same place, 3rd plat w/2nd Bn same place.
2400 No further changes in positions or situation.
2 M4 tanks deadlined. 1 medium tank short.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mayenne, France
090001 Aug 44
100001 Aug 44

Weather: Warm, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Locations and attachments: Bn CP w/16th CT, 791721, vic Mayenne. Co A CP w/Bn CP
plats east of Mayenne- 1st w/3rd Bn 16th Inf vic 827743, 2nd plat w/2nd Bn 16th Inf
vic 801701, 3rd plat w/1st Bn 16th Inf vic 837728, Co A 105mm How attached Mortar plat.
Mort plat attach Co A vic 835725 NE Mayenne. AG plat attached Cn Co, 16th Inf vic
813721. Co B 1st plat w/3rd Bn 18th Inf 798812, 2nd plat w/1st Bn 18th Inf vic
797836, 3rd plat w/2nd Bn 18th Inf 823839. Co C 1st plat w/1st Bn 26th Inf vic
827767, 2nd plat w/2nd Bn 26th Inf vic Garren, 3rd plat vic 802775. Co D less
1st plat in mobile reserve vic 821701, 1st plat Co D w/Sv Co. Sv Co vic 769819.

1100 Lt DAVIS reported Bn CP giving locations and data on Co B activities. 1st
P plat Co B supporting I Co in attack on St Leup De Gast. 1st plat supported
I Co, shelled and took town of St Leup de Gast. Returned to position vic
798812 at 081500H Aug.

1500 2nd plat Co B supported Co B 18th Inf in attack on Chantrigne. Met stiff
enemy resistance vic La Coudrai.

1830 Co C CP moved fr 754776 to vic 832773, 1 mile N Fraimbault de Peire.
German counterattack returned to position by 2200.

2100 2nd Plat Co B withdrew to original position vic 797836.

2115 Enemy artillery shells landed to E and SE of Bn CP.

2130 2nd Plat Co B attached 2nd Bn 18th Inf and moved to vic La Bruyere, 809831.
one man MIA.

2400 No further changes in positions or situation.
3 Med Tks deadlined.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mayenne, France
090001 Aug 44
110001 Aug 44

Weather: Warm, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Locations and attachments: Bn CP w/16th Inf CT 791721. Co CP w/Bn CP. Co A plats
E & NE of Mayenne. 1st plat w/3rd Bn 16th Inf vic 827743, 2nd plat w/2nd Bn 16th Inf
vic 801701, 3rd plat w/1st Bn 16th Inf vic 837728. Mort plat attached Co A vic
835725. AG plat attached Cn Co 16th Inf vic 837728. Mort plat attached Co A vic
835725. AG plat attached Cn Co 16th Inf vic 813721. Co B 1st plat w/3rd Bn 18th Inf
vic 798812, 2nd plat with 1st Bn 18th Inf vic 797836, 3rd plat w/2nd Bn, 18th Inf
823839. Co C: 1st plat w/1st 26th Inf vic 827767, 2nd Plat w/2nd Bn 26th Inf vic
Garren, 3rd plat vic 802775. Co D less 1st plat in mobile reserve vic 821701, 1st plat C.
Co D w/ Sv Co. Sv Co vic 769819.

1100 Bn Comdr reported CP 16th CT.

1300 Lt DAVIS, Co B, reported Bn CP giving account of previous day's action and
movements of plats Co B.

1330 CO Co C reported Bn CP. No change in positions or situation vic C Co.

1930 Message received from 16th Inf: 2 squadrons bombing mission on enemy concentra-
tion of vehicles enroad NE Mayenne 844738 -891760. Display red panels.

2400 No further changes in situation or positions. 3 Med Tks deadlined.

7th Tk Bn
Vic Mayenne, France
110001 Aug 44
120001 Aug 44

Weather: Warm sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Locations and attachments: Bn CP 1 mile W Mayenne. Co A - E Mayenne. Mort Plat attached Co A, 105mm How Co A attached Co A. AG Plat attached Co 16th Inf N Mayenne. Co B vic Ambrieres Le Grand. Co C vic Fraimbault de Prieres, 1 plat vic Garren. Co D less 1 plat E Mayenne. Sv Co 2 miles W Mayenne with 1 plat Co D.

1800 CO Co C reported Bn MP.

2400 No further changes in situation or positions. AG Plat and Mort Plat continued firing in support of 16th Inf.
3 Med tks, 1 lt tk deadlined.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mayenne, France
120001 Aug 44
130001 Aug 44

Weather: Very warm, and sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Locations and attachments: Bn CP vic W Mayenne. Co A attached 16th Inf E Mayenne. Mort Plat attached Co A. AG Plat attached Co 16th Inf N of Mayenne. Co B attached 18th Inf vic Ambrieres Le Grand. Co C attached 26th Inf vic Fraimbault de Prieres, 1 plat Co C w/2nd Bn 26th Inf vic Garren. Co D less 1 plat in mobile reserve E Mayenne. Sv Co with 1 plat Co D west Mayenne.

0900 Over 800 American heavy bombers observed heading SE.

0530 1st Plat, supporting 3rd Bn, moved and retook town of St Leup de Gast.
1st Plat Co B withdrew to original position.

1830 S-3 reported CP 16th CT discussed movement of Bn and location of areas.

2100 FO No. 43, Hq 1st Inf Div 1219008 Aug 44 received giving plans for new operation.
Orders issued bringing in Co A, D, Mort Plat to Bn Area.

2200 Bn ready to move, waiting for road clearance.

2345 Column left Bn area, W Mayenne proceeding to asy area SW Ambrieres Le Grand.
4 Med tks, 1 lt tk deadlined.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Ambrieres Le Grand
130001 Aug 44
140001 Aug 44

Weather: Warm, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

130001 A g 1944
140001 Aug 1944
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Weather: Warm, sunny/
Visibility: Good.

Location and attachments: Bn (less Cos B and C attached 16th Inf. CP and Hq Co at 771809, Cos A, D, Sv, vic Bn CP. Co B w/18th Inf, Co C w/26th Inf. AG Plat attached Cn Co. 16th Inf, located vic 967883.

0345 Head of column arrived assy area 771809 via Ambrieres Le Grand distance travelled 9.2 miles.

0730 Sv Co, rear of column, closed in assy area 771809.

1000 Bn Comdr, S-3, visited CP 16th Inf, discussed plans, read div plan for attack and plan of 16th Inf for disposition and FO No 10 16th Inf. Co C, 634th TD Bn attached Bn. Discussed plan for movement in support 18th Inf, 26th Inf.

1400 Bn Comdr, S-3, visited 3rd Bn 16th Inf and read plans for movement fwd to assy area. S-2, Ltn Off reported Bn CP with information on situation.

1700 S-3 reported CP 16th Inf received order for Bn to move out at 1830

174 Bn closed in assy area vic 960882, Co A vic 965897, Co C 965903.

1830 Bn started moving with 16th Inf, Co D leading, C1 L riding Co D tanks.

Co I riding Co "A" tanks and M 10s. Order of march as follows.

Rem (16th Inf and 745 Tk Bn
Co D, 745th (-2 plats)
Co C, 634th TD (1 plat)
Co D 745th Tk
Co L riding tks and TDs
Co L (organic 2 1/2 ton trks)
Co M (MG Plat)
AG Plat 3rd Bn

Rem (634th TD Bn
Co A 745th (-2 plats)
Hq 745th (-2 H/T)
Co A 74th Tk Bn
Co A 745th TkBn
Co C 634th TD Bn
Co I (on tks and TDs)
Co I Organic trks
Co M (MG Plat)
Hq 3rd Bn (A Co CP)
1st Plat Co A Eng
Adv Rem parties (7 1/2 tons)

Co N (Remainder)

Co K trucks

Co K organic

Hq Co 3rd Bn

Hq 745th Tk Bn

AT Co 16th Inf Eng

Cn Co 16th Inf and 745th AG Plat

3rd Bn Medics

745th Medics

Adv Rem parties

IP - Ambrieres

15 MPH rate of march

2100 Bn closed in assy area vic 960882, vic La Barouche Gondouin, Co A vic 965897, Co D 965903.

2200 S-2 reported CP with information on situation. Bn on 2 hr alert status until 0530, then 1 hr alert

2400 No change in position or situation. During elements of Bn w/16th inf had no physical contact with enemy.

45th Tk Bn
Vic La Baroche Genouin
140001 Aug 44
150001 Aug 44

Weather: Warm, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Location and attachments: In less than 1000 Cos attached 16th Inf. CP located 960632, Hq Co w/in CP; Co A vic 965887, Co D vic 965903.

- 1000 Bn Co closed in vic 966386.
Lt FITZPATRICK Co C reported in CP gave locations of Co C CP - 965902; 1st plat - 975961; 2nd plat - 000954; 3rd plat 967941.
S-4 reported CP; gave location of 1 plat Co B - 920960.
- 1045 Message No 1, recd fr 3rd Bn, 16th Inf, giving CP location and current front line.
- 1115 Message No 2, recd from Lan O gave location of CPs and front line positions.
- 1300 Message No 3 fr S-2; Locations of CPs and units. No movement imminent.
- 1350 Lt FITZGERALD, Co C, reported Bn CP giving locations of plats; 1st vic 005018 w/ 1st Bn 26th Inf, 2nd plat vic 012012 w/2nd Bn 26th Inf, 3rd plat enroute fwd w/3rd Bn 26th Inf. CP now 964952 to move in an hour.
- 1430 Tel message fr 3rd Bn 16th Inf; be ready to move at 1550.
S-3 reported CP, 3rd Bn 16th Inf, then to Reg CP, recd general movement plan and alert order. Co Comdrs ordered to CP.
- 1440 Tel Message from 16th Inf; CO to report 26th Inf.
- 1540 Co C 634th TDS reported Cos A & D (2 plat Co D - 1 Plat Co A) w/16th Inf.
- 1545 Bn Comdr returned to CP with plans for advance of Bn through La Ferte Mace with La Sauvagere as objective. Order of march; Co D w/2 plats TDS w/mort plat and Co L, 16th Inf riding tks and TDS, to move north to 00719 turn left and move to St Michel-Les-Andaines; Co A w/1 plat TDS, Cannon Co & AG Plat w/Co I 16th Inf on tks and TDS to move through La Ferte Mace to La Sauvagere. Bn to be ready to move at 1600 on orders.
- 1620 Bn started moving with 3rd Bn 16th Inf to objective.
- 1950 Co D reached objective, contacted 16th Inf, dropped 2 smoke shells in town.
- 1958 Co A captured 1 Mk VI tank intact enroute to objective, moving into town. Co deployed, setting up road blocks. Shelled town La Sauvagere. Enemy tanks reported in vicinity.
- 2050 Bn CP closed in area vic 000059. 1 mile NW La Ferte Mace.
Co A encountered enemy tank in cemetery vic 970960.
- 2015 Order from 3rd Bn, 16th Inf, to move 2 plats light tks from St Michel Les Andaines to rendezvous pt 000019 to meet 2nd Bn 16th Inf and proceed w/2nd Bn 16th Inf to La Sauvagere along secondary route approx 1000 yds south of main road; 1 plat med tks Co A to meet 2nd Bn 16th Inf at La Sauvagere at 2130 hrs; and when 1 plat med tks Co A reported to 2nd Bn 16th Inf at La Sauvagere, Co A less 1 plat report to 1st Bn 16th Inf at 002044.
- 2045 2 plats Co D ordered to vic 007019.
- 2115 Message to Co A; 2nd Bn 16th Inf will pick up one plat at 908064 at 2130 hrs for disposition.
- 2145 Co D contacted 2nd Bn 16th Inf and moving.
2nd Plat Co A firing HE into village. Enemy tks reported there.
- 2500 3rd Bn 16th Inf w/Co A supporting occupied objective - La Sauvagere. 2nd Plat Co A reported to 2nd Bn. Guide fr 1st Bn went to La Sauvagere to guide Co A less 1 plat to positions w/1st Bn vic 984079.
2-5 Plat Co D took up defensive positions vic 967058.
- 2400 Co A CP at 970062, 1st plat 981065, 2nd & 3rd plats 980051, 4th plat to go to 1st Bn 16th Inf at 0430.
2 Med Tks deadlined.

Hq 45th Tk Bn
Vic La Ferte Mace
150001 Aug 44
160001 Aug 44

Weather: Warm, sunny.
Visibility: Good

Bn in contact w/oy. CP located 000039, Mort Plat 970015, AG Plat 985053, Co A CP 970063, 1 plat vic 981055, 2nd & 3rd plats 980051. Co D: CP 970063, 1st Plat 981055, 2nd & 3rd plats 980051.

- 0230 CO Co A, arrangements been made w/1st Bn 16th Inf to move 2 plats at 0430 to 984079.
- 0915 CO Co A reported Bn CP. Sv Co closed in area vic 991005. CO Co D reported Bn CP with location of his plats.
- 0930 Sv Co trucks arrived Bn area.
S-3 reported 2nd Plat Co A 962069, 3rd Plat Co D 968056.
- 1000 Orders issued 1 plat lt tks, 1 plat med tks w/ea Bn. Plats to be redistributed among Bns 1st US Inf Div.
- 1100-1230 S-3 contacted CP 1st, 2nd, 3rd Bn 16th Inf and arranged to move 2nd plat Co D from 962056 to vic 981079, to be relieved from attachment 2nd Bn and attached to 1st Bn and move 3rd plat Co A from 981079 to 993015, to be reld attachment 1st Bn 16th and attached 3rd Bn 16th.
- 1130 1st Plat Co D w/elements Co L and arty and mort observers patrolled road west from St Michel Les Andaines (960014) to 915025 then NE along road to 983050 and return along same route. Patrol to made every hour.
- 1400 Moves of 2nd Plat D Co, 3rd plat Co A accomplished.
- 1600 3rd Plat Co D and 2nd Plat Co A established screen for detrucking 18th Inf at 942088, moved to La Feirere, 897119 and returned without opposition. German blew up ammo dump at La Ferriere, 987119, on seeing tanks.
1st Plat Co A attached 1 Bn 16th Inf vic 987078, 2nd Plat Co A with 2nd Bn 16th Inf vic 861067, 3rd Plat Co A w/3rd Bn 16th Inf vic 993015. 1st Plat Co C moved N to vic 013058. 1st Plat Co D w/3rd Bn 16th Inf vic 970015; 2nd plat Co D w/1st Bn 16th Inf vic 971077, 3rd plat Co D w/2nd Bn 16th vic 933082.
- 1900 Mort Plat withdrawn from positions 970015 to bis Bn CP, 1st Plat Co D withdrawn fr 960014 to 995035.
- 2230 Mort Plat attached 1st Bn 16th Inf, guide reported to lead plat to assy area.
- 2400 No further changes in positions or locations.
2 Med Tks deadlined.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic La Ferte Mace, France
160001 Aug 44
170001 Aug 44

Weather: Warm.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/oy.

Locations and attachments: Bn CP w/3rd Bn 16th at 000039, Vic La Ferte Mace; Co A: CP w/ Bn CP, 1st Plat w/ 1st Bn 16th Inf vic 987078, 2nd Plat w/ 2nd Bn 16th Inf 987076, 3rd Plat w/3rd Bn 16th Inf vic 995046. Co B - CP w/ 2nd Plat vic Sv Co 991005, 3rd Plat - 965999; Co D 1st Plat 995 035. AG Plat moved vic 986073.

1000 2nd Plat Co C reported at 006015.

1100 3rd Plat Co B w/2nd Bn 18th vic 925102. 1st Plat Co B w/3rd Bn 18th Inf (1 Co) vic 946093.

2nd Plat Co A w/2nd Bn 16th Inf vic 995105 captured 35 PWs, 2 H/As.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic La Sauvagere, France.
180001 Aug 44
190001 Aug 44

Weather: Foggy, damp, changing about noon to sunny and warm.
Visibility: Poor in morning, good in afternoon.

Bn less Co C, withdrawn from front line positions for purpose of maintenance.
Bn CP located 982068, vic La Sauvagere; Co A - 995072, N of La Rachee; Co B -
935080, W of La Lande; Co D 995067, N of La Rachee; Co C CP 980065, vic La
Sauvagere; Sv Co 983058, vic St Maurice du Desert; AG Plat 990112, vic La Chenet;
Mort Plat, 974105, vic Les Reussieres.

- 0900 3rd Plat Co C with 3rd Bn 47th Inf Reg, 9th Div took objective NE Les
Auges, 07176. No opposition.
- 1000 Lt FITZPATRICK, reports 2nd Plat Co C 058159, vic St Hilaire de Crouangere.
3rd Plat Co C, 068164, vic Les Auges.
Co C reld attachment 47th Reg, 9th Div, returning to Co area vic La
Sauvagere.
- 1100 Mort Plat released from attachment 1st Bn 16th Inf.
AG Plat closed in vic Bn CP, vic La Sauvagere.
- 1400 2 Plats Co C returned to Co area vic La Sauvagere.
- 1500 Col PAINTER, CO 6th Armd GP visited GP, discussed status of Bn.
- 2400 No change in positions or situation. All Cos continued maintenance of veh-
icles and armament and care and cleaning of equipment.

12 Med Tks, 1 Lt Tk deadlined.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic La Sauvagere, France
190001 Aug 44
200001 Aug 44

Weather: Cloudy, damp with intermittent rain.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn assembled by Cos in reserve area for maintenance. No contact with enemy.
Bn CP located 982068, vic La Sauvagere, Hq Co with Bn CP; Co A, 995072, vic
La Rachee, Co B 935080, vic La Lande, Co C 980065, vic La Sauvagere; Co D
995067, vic La Rachee, Sv Co, 983058, vic St Maurice du Desert.

- 2400 No change in position or situation. Cos performed maint and care and
cleaning of equipment.

11 Med Tks, 1 Lt Tk deadlined.

Hq 74 th Tank Bn
Vic La Sauvagere,
200001 Aug 44
210001 Aug 44

Weather: Cloudy, damp with intermittent rain.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn assembled by Cos in reserve area for maintenance, care and cleaning of equipment. No contact w/ey.

Bn CP located 981068, vic La Sauvagere, Hq Co w/Bn CP. Co A 995072, vic La Rachee. Co B 935080, vic La Lande, Co C 980065, vic La Sauvagere, Co D 995067, vic La Rachee. Sv Co 983058, vic St Maurice du Desert.

- 1115 Opns Memo # 71, Hq VII Corps, 19 Aug 44 read relieving Co C fr 9th Inf Div and reattaching Co C to 1st Inf Div.
1400 Bn Comdr visited CP 16th Reg.
2030 Bn Comdr visited CP 16th Reg.
2400 No change in positions of situation. Cos performed maint of vehicles and arms
1 Med Tk, 1 Lt tk deadlined.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic La Sauvagere
210001 Aug 44
220001 Aug 44

Weather: Damp, rainy
Visibility: Poor.

Bn assembled by Cos in reserve areas for maint, care and cleaning of equipment. No contact w/ey.

Bn CP located 981068, vic La Sauvagere. Hq Co with Bn CP. Co A, 995072, vic La Rachee. Co B 935080, vic La Lande. Co C 980065, vic La Sauvagere. Co D 995067, vic La Rachee, Sv Co 983058, vic St Maurice du Desert.

- 1200 Warning order, Hq CP 16, 21 Aug 44 read giving order of march for forthcoming movement.
1400 Bn Comdr reported CP 16th CP discussed order of march for forthcoming movement and subsequent changes were made in march order.
1545 Message sent to Cos A, D, & Sv notifying them they will not move today and for Co Comdrs to report to Bn CP prior to 220000 B for details of movement.
2400 No change in positions of situation. Cos performed maint of vehicles and arms
1 Med Tk 1 Lt Tk deadlined.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic La Sauvagere.
220001 Aug 44
230001 Aug 44

Weather: Cloudy, raining till noon, changing to warm and sunny.
Visibility: Poor in morning, fair after noon.

Bn assembled in reserve areas for maint, care and cleaning of equipment. No contact w/ey.

Bn CP located 981068, vic La Sauvagere; Hq Co w/Bn CP. Co A 995072, vic La Rachee. Co B 935080 vic La Lande. Co C 980065, vic La Sauvagere, Co D 995067, vic La Rachee.

Hq 74th Tank Bn
Vic La Sauvagere,
200001 Aug 44
210001 Aug 44

Weather: Cloudy, damp with intermittent rain.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn assembled by Cos in reserve area for maintenance, care and cleaning of equipment. No contact w/ey.

Bn CP located 981068, vic La Sauvagere, Hq Co w/Bn CP. Co A 995072, vic La Rachee. Co B 935080, vic La Lance, Co C 980065, vic La Sauvagere, Co D 995067, vic La Rachee. Sv Co 983058, vic St Maurice du Desert.

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- 1400 Bn Comdr visited CP 16th Reg.
- 2030 Bn Comdr visited CP 16th Reg.
- 2400 No change in positions of situation. Cos performed maint of vehicles and arms
1 Med Tk, 1 Lt Tk deadlined.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic La Sauvagere
210001 Aug 44
220001 Aug 44

Weather: Damp, rainy
Visibility: Poor.

Bn assembled by Cos in reserve areas for maint, care and cleaning of equipment. No contact w/ey.

Bn CP located 981068, vic La Sauvagere. Hq Co with Bn CP. Co A, 995072, vic La Rachee. Co B 935080, vic La Lance. Co C 980065, vic La Sauvagere. Co D 995067, vic La Rachee, Sv Co 983058, vic St Maurice du Desert.

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- 2400 No change in positions of situation. Cos performed maint of vehicles and arms
1 Med Tk 1 Lt Tk deadlined.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic La Sauvagere.
220001 Aug 44
230001 Aug 44

Weather: Cloudy, raining till noon, changing to warm and sunny.
Visibility: Poor in morning, fair after noon.

Bn assembled in reserve areas for maint, care and cleaning of equipment. No contact w/ey.

Bn CP located 981068, vic La Sauvagere; Hq Co w/Bn CP. Co A 995072, vic La Rachee. Co B 935080, vic La Lance. Co C 980065, vic La Sauvagere, Co D 995067, vic La Rachee. Sv Co 983058, vic St Maurice du Desert.

- 1345 S 3, 16th GI, called for billeting party, 2 platoons to report to CP 16th GI at 1430. Personnel of 1 platoon to be used to locate assembly area for Bn CP and Sv Co. Personnel of the other platoon to be used to locate assembly area for elements of 745th Tk Bn marching 2/3rd Bn 16th Inf.
- 1405 Message recd fr 1st Bn 16th Inf requesting adv detail and 1 platoon from platoon attached to 1st Bn 16th Inf to report to Maj SMITH at 1st Bn 16th Inf CP.
- 1407 Dispatched 3 platoons w/personnel fr Recon Platoon to report to CP 1st Bn 16th Inf.
- 1630 G-3, 1st Inf Div called CP relating previous order of march, would not apply. Entire Bn to assemble as Bn and march to new assembly area as a Bn.
- 1730 1 platoon dispatched recon platoon leader to contact Recon platoon leader at new assembly area and deliver a message to him to select area for Bn in area of 16th reg.
- 1930 CO Co B ordered to move Co B to vic Bn CP closing before 1100 23 Aug 44.
- 2400 No change in position or situation.
2 Med Pks deadlined.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic La Sauvagere, France.
2300001 Aug 44
2400001 Aug 44

Weather: Intermittent rain.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn assembled by Cos in reserve area for maintenance, care and cleaning of equip. No contact w/ey.
Bn CP located 981068, vic La Sauvagere. Hq Co w/Bn CP. Co A 995072, vic La Rachee. Co C 980065, vic La Sauvagere. Co D 995067, vic La Rachee. Sv Co 983058, vic St Maurice du Desert.

- 0830 Co B moved to vic La Lande, 935080 closing in area vic Bn CP, La Sauvagere, 981068.
- 1930 Message from CG 1st Inf Div, Earliest possible move 240700 B Aug 44
- 2000 Recd HQ 16, Hq 1st Inf Div, 231900 B Aug 44 giving makeup of serials and route from vic La Ferté Macé to vic Courville, and situation overlay showing locations of elements of 1st Inf Div.
- 2100 Movement Order, this Hq, published giving route and destination for movement of Bn.
- 2400 No further changes in position or situation. Cos ordered maint of vehicles and arms, care and cleaning of equipment.
No vehicle deadlined. Bn up to strength.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic La Sauvagere
2400001 Aug 44
2500001 Aug 44

Weather: Clear, sunny
Visibility: Good.

Bn assembled in reserve area for maint, and care, cleaning of equipment. No contact w/ey. Bn CP located 981068, vic La Sauvagere. Hq Co w/Bn CP. Co A 995072, vic La Rachee. Co B 981078, vic La Sauvagere; Co C 980065, vic La Sauvagere, Co D 995067, vic La Rachee; Sv Co 983058, vic St Maurice du Desert.

- 1145 Message recd from CG 1st US Inf Div - H - hour 1300. Overlay showing changing in route of march.

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- 1830 Co A left Co area vic La Rochee as advance element of Bn for Bn march to vic Fraize (near Chartres).
1900 Bn C left area vic La Sauvagnere.
1 30 Co B crossed L, La Ferte sec.
2400 Bn enroute vic La Ferte sur Sarthe.
No tks deadlined.

Hq 7 5th Tk Bn
Vic Fraize, France
250001 Aug 44
260001 Aug 44

Weather: Warm sunny

Visibility: Good.

Bn enroute from Sauvagnere to vic Fraize (near Chartres), no contact w/ey.

- 0900 Bn closed in new area vic Fraize - distance traveled 95.0 miles.
1000 S-2 brought information Bn to move to Stampes, between 1200-1300. MO #17
Hq 1st Inf Div, 242300 Aug 44 recd giving route and order of march of bridge to Stampes.
1355 Bn ready to move
1410 Co D, forward element of Bn, left Bn area vic Fraize enroute to assy area vic Stampes. Order of March: Co D, Hq, A, B, C, Sv Co.
2100 Bn, less Maint plat, closed in area vic Chamarande, 931055, distance travelled 58.9 miles.
2400 No further change in positions of situation.
1 Med Tk deadlined.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Chamarande, France
260001 Aug 44
270001 Aug 44

Weather: Warm, sunny

Visibility: Good

Bn assembled in area vic Chamarande. No contact w/ey.

- 0830 Local police contacted Bn Comdr requesting weapons on pretext of Germans hiding in surrounding woods.
1130 Situation overlay received from Hq 1st Inf Div, showing position of Regt's and attached units.
1430 Tel call fr 16th Inf for billeting party. 3 platoons w/personnel of ren plat dispatched under ren off.
1530 Billeting party returned. 16th Inf had not used it.
2000 Orders recd fr CO 1st US Inf Div effective 270500B Aug 44. Co B attached 18th Inf. Co C attached 26th Inf. Order of march: D, A, Mortar, AG, 634th TD, Bn Hq, Sv Co to move to assy area. Breakdown of plats at 0800, of 1 plat lights mediums, TDs. Destination 050125. Co B ordered by CO 18th Inf vic 009013 at 270830B Aug 44.
2230 Sit overlay recd fr Hq 1st US Inf Div showing positions of 1st Div and attached units.
2400 No change in positions or situation
4 Med, 1 Lt tks deadlined.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Chamarande, France
270001 Aug 44
280001 Aug 44

Weather: Warm, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey. Bn assembled for maint vic 931055, near Chamarande.

- 0130 Tel message fr 1st Div to pick up maps.
0715 Co D left area as advance element of Bn, less B & C Cos, moving with CP 16 across Seine River.
0845 Bn closed in areas. CP O 0125, vic Vert-le-Grand. Co A, D, Sv 035140 vic Vert Le Grand. Distance travelled - 11.8 mi. Waiting road clearance to cross Seine River. Recd FO # 12, Hq CP 16, 27 Aug 44 for operations from vic N of Corbiel along Seine to march objective SE of Paris.
Recd FO # 44, Hq 1st US Inf Div. 262400B Aug 44 giving CP's and zones of action for movement of objectives.
AG Plat attached On Co 16th Inf met by guide to be led to new area.
Mort Plat attached to 3rd Bn 16th Inf, met by guide to be led to new area.
Plats of Cos A and D attached and joined to elements of 16th Inf as follows:
1st Plat D w/ 3rd Bn 1st Plat A w/1st Bn
2nd Plat D w/1st Bn 2nd Plat A w/2nd Bn
3rd Plat D w/2nd Bn 3rd Plat A w/3rd Bn
1200 Bn CP moved from 050125 to 043141 vic Vert Le Grand joining Sv Co and CPs of A and D Cos.
1800 Bn Hq, Co A, D, CPs Sv Co left area 043141 vic Vert Le Grand moved to 233320 vic Pontault Combault arriving 2015, distance traveled 22.3 miles.
CO Co A reported locations of plats as follows: 1st plat w/ 1st Bn 16th Inf 243380, vic Emerainville. 2nd Plat Co A w/2nd Bn 16th Inf 225335, vic Le Flessis Trevice. 3rd Plat Co A w/3rd Bn 16th Inf 254360 vic Emerainville. 1st Plat Co D, Mort Plat located 2/3rd Bn 16th Inf vic 254360. AG Plat located 255343 vic Les Berecheres en Bie. CP 16th CP 245336, vic Pontault Combault.
2400 No further changes in positions or situation.
3 Med tks, 1 Lt tk deadlined.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Pontault Combault,
280001 Aug 44
290001 Aug 44

Weather: Warm, sunny
Visibility: Fair.

- Bn in contact w/ey. Bn less B and C Cos attached 16th Inf. Co B with 18th Inf, Co w/26th Inf.
CP located 233320, vic Pontault Combault. 1st Plat A with 1st Bn 16th Inf vic Emerainville, 243380. 2nd Plat Co A w/2nd Bn 16th vic Le Flessis Trevice 225355. 3rd Plat Co A w/3rd Bn vic Emerainville 24360. 1st Plat Co D, Mort Plat located w/3rd Bn vic Emerainville. AG plat 255343, vic Les Berecheres en Bie. Co C 275331 vic Les Friches.
0815 S-2 reported CP with plan of CP 1 to move Monthyan crossing Seine River vic Brilbardon. Co C located 275331 on the move, objective: Meaux.
1800 Bn CP, Co D CP, Co A CP, Sv Co less Bn Maint left area 233320, vic Pontault-Combault
2000 Bn CP and CPs Co A & D, Sv Co less Bn Maint, closed in vic 424 87 vic Meaux.
2130 Recd Oper Inst # 12, Hq 1st US Inf Div 282000 B Aug 44, objectives, zones of

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actions for operation for 20 Aug 44.

Co E, 16th Inf, trapped by enemy kunay sur barne, freed by 1 plat ed, 2 plat at
T.S. Reported 50 Infantry sent one soldier to the front line. Bombardment
by Germans to surrender, but fought on till relief came.
1 Med tank, 1 Lt tank deadlined.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Meaux, France
290001 Aug 44
300001 Aug 44

Weather: Cold, rainy.
Visibility: Bad.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Bn CP 44487, vic Meaux. CPs A and D Cos w/Bn CP. Bn (less B & C Cos) attached
16th Inf. B Co attached 18th Inf. C Co attached 26th Inf. Mort plat attached
3rd Bn 16th Inf w/3rd plat Co A, 1st plat Co D. AG plat attached Cn Co 16th Inf.
1st plat Co A, 2nd plat Co D attached 1st Bn 16th Inf, 2nd plat Co A, 3rd plat Co
D attached 2nd Bn 16th Inf.

0800 Oper Inst #2, Hq CT 16, 28 Aug 44 read - zones of action, objectives stated.
Operations to start at 0800 w/16th Inf on right flank, 18th in the center,
and 16th Inf on the left flank to act as flank protection.
Ren plat read 19 PWs turned over to them by FFI.

1400 Ren plat released from attachment 3rd Bn 16th Inf, reverts to Bn control.

1550 Bn CP, C Ps A and D, Sv Co left vic 42487 vic Meaux.

1700 Bn CP arrived 545656 vic Rosay en Multien.

2400 No further changes in positions or situation.

1st Plat Co A, 2nd plat Co D w/1st Bn 16th Inf vic Aey en Multien.

2nd Plat Co A, 3rd plat Co D w/2nd Bn 16th Inf vic Forfry.

3rd Plat Co A, 1st plat Co D w/3rd Bn 16th Inf vic Betz.

Co B vic Brunets.

Co G; 1st plat Villers Cotterets, 2nd plat Co C vic La Villeneuve. 3rd plat
Mareuil-sur-Ourse.

Sv Co vic Rosay-en-Multien.

2 Med Tks, 1 Lt Tk deadlined.

Hq 745th Tank Bn,
Vic Rosay-en-Multien, France
500001 Aug 44
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Weather: Cool, overcast.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Bn, less B & C Cos, 16th Inf. AG plat attached Cn Co 16th Inf. Mort
Plat attached 3rd Bn 16th Inf. 1st Plat Co A, 2nd Plat Co D attached 1st Bn 16th Inf.
2nd Plat Co A, 3rd Plat Co D attached 2nd Bn 16th Inf. 3rd Plat Co A, 1st Plat Co
attached 3rd Bn 16th Inf. Co B attached 18th Inf. Co C attached 26th Inf.

Locations: Bn CP 545656, vic Rosay-en-Multien. Sv Co - Rosay-en-Multien. 1st Plat
Co A, 2nd Plat Co D, Aey-en-Multien. 2nd Plat A, 3rd Plat D, Forfry. 3rd Plat Betz.
Co B, Brunets. 1st Plat Co C - Villers Cotterets. 2nd Plat Co C - La Villeneuve.
3rd Plat Co C - Mareuil-sur-Ourse.

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- 0730 Oper Inst #3 H, CP 16, 20 Aug 44, received giving zones of action and objectives for movement of 16th.
- 1130 French brought word to CP 5 enemy w/car N of Asy-en-Multien. Group of 15 men sent to capture them. Could not find enemy, retrieved abandoned car and maps and documents. Documents no maps turned over to S-2, 16th Inf.
- 1400 Bn CP left area Asy-en-Multien moved forward to vic 691371 St Pierre Aigle 22 miles, closed in area by 1530.
- 1900 LT FITZGERALD, LT KRAMER, reported CP w/Co B locations: CP w/1st & 3rd Plat vic Jury, 875927. 2nd Plat vic Acy 857922.
- 2000 LT MURKIN, Co C reported Co C locations, Arcin et Vaux 770952. CP vic Vauxuis 782941.
- CAPT GARLAND reported CP with location of plats of A, Co: 1st plat vic St Pierre Aigle, 885906. 2nd Plat, Villers Cotterets 825832. 3rd Plat, Saconin-et-Breuil, 745935.
- Lt CHIFFOTIS reported CP locations: 1st Plat vic Saconin et Breuil. 2nd Plat St Pierre Aigle, 3rd Plat, Villers Cotterets.
- AG plat located vic Cotterets. Mort plat vic Saconin-et-Breuil.
- 2130 Oper Inst #11, H; 1st US Inf Div 301080B Aug 44 recd ordering units to hold positions and prepare for further advance to N.
- Co Comdrs, H, A, D, Sv reported CP received orders to do maint 31 Aug provided movement not ordered by 1st Div.
- 2400 No further change in positions or situation.
2 med Tks, 1 Lt Tk deadlined.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic St Pierre Aigle, France
81001 Aug 44
01001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, clear, sunny.

Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Bn less B & C Cos, 16th Inf. AG plat w/Cn Co, Mort plat w/3rd Bn 16th Inf. 1st Plat Co A, 2nd Plat Co D attached 1st Bn 16th Inf. 2nd Plat Co A, 3rd Plat Co B attached 2nd Bn 16th Inf. 3rd Plat Co A, 1st Plat Co D attached 3rd Bn 16th Inf. Co B attached 18th Inf. Co C attached 16th Inf.

Locations: Bn CP with CPs A and D vic St Pierre Aigle. Sv Co vic Rosay en Multien. 1st A, 2nd D - St Pierre Aigle. 2nd A, 3rd D - Villers Cotterets. 3rd A, 1st D Saconin-et-Breuil. Co B 1st and 3rd plats vic Jury, 2nd Plat vic Asy. CP w/1st & 3rd plats. Co C CP - Vauxuis, plats vic Messin-et-Vaux. Section of Bn Maint Plat 741902 vic Chaudun.

- 0800 Oper Inst #15, H, 1st US Inf Div 310260B Aug 44 recd changed plans to continue forward movements of division to vic Laon. Same attachment in effect.
- 0930 Sv Co less maint closed in area 872851 south of St Pierre Aigle.
- 1145 LT FITZPATRICK, Co C, reported CP giving new locations Co C. CP at Vauxuis, 1st plat vic Leryny Comy - 886026, 2nd plat vic Cuffies 808889. 3rd Plat Arcin et Vaux 771049.
- 1430 Maint, Sv Co closed in area vic Bn CP 694371 S of St Pierre Aigle.
- 15 0 Bn CP, CPs Co A and B moved from vic St Pierre Aigle to 996094 vic Etonvelles, closed in area 1600, distance travelled 25.5 miles.
Co B CP w/1st and 3rd plats located vic 051135, SW Laon.
Co C CP located 861989 vic Vregny.

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1830 CO Co A reported 1st Inf Co 986000 vic Bailby. 2nd Plat 965154 vic Ft de Tani
Court.
2400 No further changes in positions or situation.
4 Med tanks, 1 Lt tank destroyed.

For the Battalion Commander:

Howell H. Heard
HOWELL H. HEARD,
Major, 745th Tank Bn,
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S-2 JOURNAL

FROM: 110 01 AUGUST 1944
TO : 010001 AUGUST 1944

Hq 745th Tank Bn
010001 Aug 44
020001 Aug 44
vic B.T. 110110

Weather: Clear and Warm.

- 0025 Ey bombers over column, estimated strength 7 to 10. Dropped bombs 2 miles to rear and 3 anti-aircraft bombs dropped within 1/3 mile of lead vehicle. Other bombs were dropped to our rear. 1 PW captured, 10 GIs, 11 Austrians, and one German was killed while resisting capture.
- 0350 Arrived assembly area, vic 582286. 14.5 mi.
- 1615 Column moved from vic 582286.
- 1855 Closed in assembly area on obj, vic 582285. 7.2 miles travelled. Civilians reported about 80 Germans in area, but report proved to be unfounded. 2 of the 16th Inf Reg captured. They reported 50 or 60 of their to be in our general area, and said they had not eaten in 3 days.
- 1930 One PW captured, a member of 353 Artillery Reg. He had nothing to say, and was sent with the two above PWs to 16th Inf Reg.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
120001 Aug 44
150001 Aug 44
vic B.T. 110110

Weather: Clear and warm.

- 1 00 One PW from 163rd Inf Reg captured. He reported having come from captivity recently with his Reg to relieve one of the destroyed 16th Inf Div. He was a lance corporal, an officer candidate, and 19 years old.
- 1230 Took PW to 16th Inf Reg.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
160001 Aug 44
180001 Aug 44
vic B.T. 110110

Weather: Rain at 0500, becoming clear in afternoon.

- 0130 Ey bombers, estimated strength 50, over Bn area. Later reports from 16th Inf Reg stated that the main target was B.T. 110110. No bombs were reported over our area.
- 1130 2 ey bombs, probably 1000, dropped in vic B.T. 110110, 1/2 mile from our area.
- 1900 Approximately 40 ey planes (P-51s) strafed and fired rockets at our area of Bn area. No action took place in immediate area.
- 2100 Left Bn area in convoy for new position.
- 2430 Arrived vic 42213, about 1.5 miles from B.T. 110110. (AINFRAN, 010001 110110)

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
040001 Aug 44
060001 Aug 44
vic LES MESSIL RAINFRAY

Weather: Warm and sunny.

- 0200 4 cy artillery estimated at 4 guns of 15mm shelled area about 5/4 miles W of Bn area. No shells in immediate area.
1300 S-2 to 16th Inf Reg to check on maps.
2345 About 20 cy planes over Bn area. Bombs and flares were dropped 3 miles E of Bn area. No action in immediate area.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
080001 Aug 44
080001 Aug 44
vic BUAIS

Weather: Warm and sunny.

- 0945 S-2 to 1st Inf Div Engr for maps.
1300 S-2 H/T left area LES MESSIL RAINFRAY and proceeded to assay area for move.
1400 Column moved out.
1615 Closed in assay area 569978, 1 1/2 miles NE BUAIS. Distance traveled 17.5 miles.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
080001 Aug 44
070001 Aug 44
vic MAYENNE

Weather: Foggy and cool until 1000, becoming sunny and warm.

- 0100 4 cy planes, est strength of 40, bombed and strafed area about 3 miles W of Bn area. No action in immediate area.
0645 Left Bn area in convoy.
1115 Closed in area 789819, 3 miles W of MAYENNE. 30.5 mileage.
1400 18-20 FW 190s strafed column 26th Inf Reg. No action in our area.
1630 Moved CP to 791721, 1 1/2 miles W of MAYENNE.
1700 Cy forces, strength unknown, resisting advance in area E of MAYENNE about 3 miles.
2350 Cy small arms, artillery, and Nebelwerfer fire directed at Inf positions E of Bn area.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
070001 Aug 44
080001 Aug 44
vic MAYENNE

Weather: Foggy and cool until 0830, becoming clear and warm.

- 0200 2 cy planes over Bn area, but were driven off by intense 90mm AA fire before dropping any bombs.
1000 S-2 to Div Engr for maps.
1400 Cy troops concentrated in area about 8 miles E of MAYENNE according to civilian reports. These report could not be verified.
2230 Single cy plane over general area. One bomb dropped SE of MAYENNE, but plane was driven off by intense AA fire.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
040001 Aug 44
010001 Aug 44
vic LES MENIL RAINFRAY

Weather: Warm and sunny.

- 0200 Artillery contacted at 4 guns of 150mm shelled area about 5/4 miles W of Bn area. No shells in immediate area.
1500 S-2 to 16th Inf Reg to check on maps.
0645 About 20 cy planes over Bn area. Bombs and flares were dropped 5 miles W of Bn area. No action in immediate area.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
050001 Aug 44
060001 Aug 44
vic BUAIS

Weather: Warm and sunny.

- 0645 S-2 to 1st Inf Div Engr for maps.
1300 S-2 H/T left area LES MENIL RAINFRAY and proceeded to assay area for move.
1400 Column moved out.
1515 Closed in assay area 369678, 1 1/2 miles NE BUAIS. Distance traveled 17.5 miles.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
060001 Aug 44
070001 Aug 44
vic MAYENNE

Weather: Foggy and cool until 1000, becoming sunny and warm.

- 0200 Cy planes, est strength of 40, bombed and strafed area about 5 miles W of Bn area. No action in immediate area.
0645 Left Bn area in convoy.
1115 Closed in area 788019, 5 miles W of MAYENNE. 32.5 mileage.
1400 18-20 PW 180s strafed column 26th Inf Reg. No action in our area.
1630 Moved CP to 791721, 1 1/2 miles W of MAYENNE.
1700 Cy forces, strength unknown, resisting advance in area E of MAYENNE about 3 mi.
2230 Ex small arms, artillery, and Nebelwerfer fire directed at Inf positions E of Bn area.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
070001 Aug 44
080001 Aug 44
vic MAYENNE

Weather: Foggy and cool until 0930, becoming clear and warm.

- 0200 2 cy planes over Bn area, but were driven off by intense 90mm AA fire before dropping any bombs.
1000 S-2 to Div Engr for maps.
1400 Cy troops concentrated in area about 5 miles E of MAYENNE according to civilian reports. These reports could not be verified.
2230 Single cy plane over general area. One bomb dropped SE of MAYENNE, but plane was driven off by intense AA fire.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
080001 Aug 44
080001 Aug 44
vic MAYENNE

Weather: Sunny and warm until 2000, becoming cloudy.

- 0830 S-2 to 16th Inf Reg for ey information.
- 1300 About 700-800 Germans, with some artillery batteries, reported by Reg S-2 to be in area about 5 miles NE of MAYENNE.
- 1500 S-2 to 16th Inf Reg CP.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
080001 Aug 44
100001 Aug 44
vic MAYENNE

Weather: Warm and sunny.

- 0245 One PW taken by road guard at gate to Bn CP. This PW was an unassigned Inf man, attempting to return to his own lines after being ordered to secure crossroads in area SE of MAYENNE. He carried one hand grenade, but offered no resistance when captured. He was extremely frightened, believing he was to be shot when captured.
- 0410 PW taken to 16th Inf Reg.
- 1300 S-2 to 1st Inf Div Regr to draw maps.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
100001 Aug 44
110001 Aug 44
vic MAYENNE

Weather: Warm and sunny.

- 0900 Distributed maps to Cos.
- 1600 Report from 16th Inf Reg stated that about 200 ey vehicles were parked on side of road running SE of MAYENNE. Air mission to be called on obj.
- 1930 F-17 fighter-bombers attacked above obj. Results reported good.
- 2300 2 ey planes driven off by our intense AA fire. No bombs dropped.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
110001 Aug 44
120001 Aug 44
vic MAYENNE

Weather: Warm and sunny.

- 1100 S-2 returned maps from 1st Inf Div Regr.
- 1300 PW in area SE of MAYENNE REPORTED to be retreating to the NE.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
120001 Aug 44
130001 Aug 44
via MAYENNE

Weather: Warm and sunny.

0930 Distributed maps to Cos.
2345 Column left Bn area W of MAYENNE, to assy area SW of ALGIERES LE GRAND.

Hq 746th Tank Bn
130001 Aug 44
140001 Aug 44

Weather: Warm and sunny.

0345 Arrived assy area 771806. Distance travelled 9.2 miles.
1400 S-2 reported scattered enemy pockets of resistance, but no contact was made.
1830 Bn moved in column from assy area 771806.
2100 Closed in assy area via 960882.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
140001 Aug 44
150001 Aug 44
via LA FERTE MACÉ

Weather: Warm and sunny.

1115 Message from S-2 gave current front line positions. No contact with cy.
1620 Bn moved to assy area via LA FERTE MACÉ.
1930 One M4 VI cy tank captured intact by Co "A". Crew had apparently abandoned vehicle when all fuel had been exhausted. Cy tanks reported by 16th Inf Reg in via LA SAUVAGÈRE.
2050 Bn CP closed in area via 000659, 1 mile NW of LA FERTE MACÉ.
2145 Cy tank located by Co "G" in cemetery via 970950.
Co "D" reported cy tanks via ST MICHEL-LES-ANDAINES.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
150001 Aug 44
160001 Aug 44
via LA FERTE MACÉ

Weather: Warm and sunny.

1600 Germans blew up their ammo dump at LA FERMIÈRE, 967119, on seeing our tanks approach.
1900 1st Inf Div reported approximately 20 cy planes via BACHOLES. No planes over Bn area.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
180001 Aug 44
170001 Aug 44
via LA VERTE MARE

Weather: Warm and sunny.

1100 G.I. reported 25 PWs and 2 of N/T captured via 996105. All prisoners from Inf units.

1200 Small groups of PWs being encountered; no organized resistance is being met.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
170001 Aug 44
180001 Aug 44
via LA SA UVAGERS

Weather: Warm and sunny.

1345 GP moved from area 000059.

1345 GP closed in area via 991055, distance travelled 4 miles.

1300 S-2 reports possibility of German units in area as a result of the British pressure being exerted from the North.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
180001 Aug 44
190001 Aug 44
via LA SAUVAGERE

Weather: Warm and sunny.

No contact with enemy. No enemy action observed.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
190001 Aug 44
200001 Aug 44
via LA SAUVAGERE

Weather: Foggy and cool until 1100, becoming clear and warm.

0800 S-2 reports from 16th Inf Reg that American armor is rapidly approaching Paris. My resistance is apparently scattered and disorganized as a result of the loss of communications and material in the PALAISE pocket.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
200001 Aug 44
210001 Aug 44
via LA SAUVAGERE

Weather: Cloudy with intermittent rain.

No contact with enemy. BBC reports Allied columns in CHARTRES, and but scattered or resistance.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
210001 Aug 44
220001 Aug 44
via LA SAUVAGERE

Weather: Damp, rainy.

No contact with enemy. Radio reports the FALAISE pocket to be closed. The enemy was said to have suffered tremendous losses of vehicles in trying to escape the trap.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
220001 Aug 44
230001 Aug 44
via LA SAUVAGERE

Weather: Cloudy, raining until 1200, becoming clear.

No contact with enemy.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
230001 Aug 44
240001 Aug 44
via LA SAUVAGERE

Weather: Intermittent rain.

1200 Paris entered by Allied troops. Members of the FFI are said to have brought about a 24 hour armistice in the city, during which time the Germans were to evacuate.

0500 BBC reports the cessation of hostilities between RUSSIA and ROMANIA. ROMANIAN troops are reported to be fighting the Germans.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
240001 Aug 44
250001 Aug 44
via LA SAUVAGERE

Weather: Warm and sunny.

1900 Bn CP left area via LA SAUVAGERE,
2000 Column en route via LA HELL-SUR-SARTRE.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
250001 Aug 44
260001 Aug 44
via LA SAUVAGERE

Weather: Warm and sunny.

0800 Bn closed in area via FRAISE. Distance 28.0 miles.
1000 S-3 brought information from 1st Inf Bn en route to STANPES.
1410 Bn left area via FRAISE en route to STANPES.

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2100 Bn closed in area vic CHAMARANDE, 831085, distance 58.9 miles. Area and chateau formerly occupied by Luftwaffe, members having pulled out a day and a half prior to our arrival. No documents of importance were reported, but evidence pointed to a very quick evacuation by the enemy.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
280001 Aug 44
270001 Aug 44
vic CHAMARANDE

Weather: Warm and sunny.

0630 Local police contacted Bn CP requesting weapons on the pretense of Germans hiding in surrounding woods. Request not granted and the report was not verified.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
270001 Aug 44
280001 Aug 44
vic CHAMARANDE

Weather: Warm and sunny.

0800 Distributed maps to Cos for future operations.
0715 CP left area vic CHAMARANDE for move across SEINE RIVER.
0845 Closed in area vic VERT-LE-GRAND, 050125. 11.8 miles travelled.
1200 CP moved to 043141, vic VERT-LE-GRAND.
1800 CP left area, 043141.
2015 CP arrived area 238520, vic FONTAULT-COMBAULT.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
280001 Aug 44
290001 Aug 44
vic FONTAULT-COMBAULT

Weather: Warm and sunny.

0815 S-2 reported to CP with plan to move vic MONTMYS, crossing MARNE river vic TALPAGO N.
1800 Bn CP left area vic 238520.
2000 Bn CP closed in area 424487, vic MEAUX. Distance 14 miles.
2100 Co "A" of 16th Inf Reg trapped by enemy in vic ABNY-SUR-MARNE but freed by tank platoons. Our doughboys were asked by the enemy to surrender but they fought on until relieved.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
290001 Aug 44
300001 Aug 44
vic MEAUX

Weather: Cold and rainy.

0900 Ten Platoon received 18 Pz from the NFI in area about 10 miles E of MEAUX.
1100 Distributed maps for future operations.
1530 Bn CP left area 424487, vic MEAUX.
1700 Bn CP arrived 545656, vic ROUAY-EN-VALTIEN. Distance 9.1 miles.
2345 About 12 enemy planes over Bn area. No action in immediate area and no action was observed near area.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
200001 Aug 44
010001 Aug 44
vic ROPAY-EN-MULTIEN

Weather: Cool overcast.


- 1130 French civilians reported they with vehicle B of ASY. Group of our men found no key, but retrieved one German car, in which were several maps and documents. This material was delivered to 18th Inf Reg.
- 1440 Bn C left area vic ROPAY-EN-MULTIEN.
- 1550 Closed in area 541871, vic ST. PIERRE AIGLE. Distance 13 miles.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
310001 Aug 44
010001 Sept 4
vic ST PIERRE AIGLE

Weather: Sunny and cool.

- 1030 Distributed maps for future operations.
- 1500 Left area vic ST PIERRE AIGLE.
- 1800 Closed in area 296094, vic ETONUELLES. Distance 25.5 miles.

For the Battalion Commander:


WILLIAM S. BURT,
Capt., 745th Tank Bn,
S-2.

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For Period
From: 01 0001 Aug 44
To : 01 0001 Sept 44

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Bourguenolles, France
010001 Aug 44
020001 Aug 44

Orders; Transfer of M.

Decrease in Strength; 2nd Lt ROBERT C. KRUEGER, 01017075, Co "B", (LWA) BC to Hosp.
Wounded; 2nd Lt ROBERT C. KRUEGER, 01017075, LWA (BC) Co "B" to Hosp; Pvt George E. Baker, 20157515, Co "B", LWA to Hosp, shrapnel cuts 1" below each eye dropped from asgt; Capt DONALD E. HENDERAN, 0456140, Co "B", LWA (BC) to Hosp, shrapnel in both legs; Cpl Stanley Urbanaki, 36810107, LWA (BC) to Hosp, shrapnel in both legs, dropped from asgt; Pvt Leo Kisler, 37460530, Co "B" LWA (BC) to Hosp, shrapnel in both legs, dropped from asgt; Pfc Clarence P. Hanks, 16128280, Co "B", LWA (BC) to Hosp shrapnel in left leg, dropped from asgt; Cpl Joseph Lipka, 36374836, Co "B", LWA (BC) to Hosp, shrapnel in middle right finger; Pfc John Corey, 20157547, Co "B", LWA (BC) to Hosp, shrapnel in left arm and leg, dropped from asgt; Cpl Frank M. Brang, 36374918, Co "C", LWA (BC) to Hosp; Pvt Samuel F. Mobley, 36783029, Co "C", LIA (BC) to Hosp; Tec 5 Melvin C. Lewis, 36253109, Co "C", LWA (BC) to Hosp; Sgt Ivan Fleenor, 35252607, Co "C", LIA (BC) to Hosp.
1st Lt ROGER L. MEDIGO, 0366569, assumed. comd of Co "B".

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic La Focellier, France
020001 Aug 44
030001 Aug 44

Decrease in Strength; Tec 4 Frank . Barbour, 36431171, Co "A" injured (NBC) to Hosp; Pfc James Smith, 36333365, Co "B", LWA (BC) to Hosp.
Wounded; Tec 4 Frank . Barbour, 36431171, Co "A", injured (NBC) to Hosp; Pfc James Smith, 36333365, Co "B", LWA (BC) to Hosp, as of 1 Aug 44.
Killed; Pvt John E. McFarland, 36375260, Co "C", KIA, 25 Jul 44; Cpl Harry A. Berg, Jr., 36374889, Co "C", on 25 Jul 44, KIA.
Reports; Unit Record to CO, 6th Tk Gp.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Les Mesnil Mainfray
030001 Aug 44
040001 Aug 44

Decrease in Strength; Cpl Frank M. Brang, 36374918, Co "C", hospitalized LWA (BC) to dropped from asgt, eff 1 Aug 44; Sgt Ivan Fleenor, 35252607, Co "C", hospitalized LIA (BC) to dropped from asgt, eff 2 Aug 44.

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Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Les E-mail airway
040001 Aug 44
050001 Aug 44

Increase in strength: Cpl Eugene F. Swenson, 56862827, Co "A", from dropped to Hosp to dy (BC) off 31 Jul 44; Tec 5 Thomas Matrocki, 56876404, Co "A", (BC), from dropped to Hosp to dy, off 31 Jul 44; 2nd Lt JOSEPH I. BRACH, 01010648, Co "A", from dropped to Hosp to dy (BC), off 31 Jul 44.
Co "C", 745th Tk Bn commended for outstanding cy in action by 2d Inf Reg.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Buais, France
050001 Aug 44
060001 Aug 44

Orders: Change in asgmt and dy of Off and EM within the Bn, asgmt of replacements, and promotion of EM.

Increase in Strength: Received two Off and ten EM from 86th Replacement Bn.

Reports: Submitted S-1 Periodic Report.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Bayennes, France
060001 Aug 44
070001 Aug 44

Decrease in Strength: See wounded.

Wounded: Pvt Jay S. Grexler, 56375123, Co "D", LWA (BC) to Hosp.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Bayennes, France
070001 Aug 44
080001 Aug 44

Orders: Change of asgmt and dy of EM within the Bn and award of Purple Hearts to Off and EM.

Decrease in Strength: See wounded.

Wounded: Tec 4 Frank N. Barbour, 55451171, Co "A", (NBC) sk in Hosp to dropped from asgmt, off 1 Aug 44; Capt DONALD E. HONERMAN, 0456140, Co "B", (BC) Hosp to dropped from asgmt, off 1 Aug 44; Cpl Stanley J. Urbanski, 56610107, Co "B", Pfc John Corey, 20157347, Co "B", Pfc Clarence P. Hanks, 16123260, Co "B", Pvt Leo Kessler, 57460530, Co "B", Hosp to dropped from asgmt (BC), off 1 Aug 44; Cpl Joseph E. Lipka, 36374836, Co "B", LWA (BC) to Hosp off 1 Aug 44, dropped from asgmt (BC), off 4 Aug 44; Change in status - Pvt Samuel F. Nobley, 56763029, Co "C", from LIA, 1 Aug 44 (BC) to MIA, 1 Aug 44; Tec 5 Melvin C. Lewis, 56628108, Co "C", from LWA, 1 Aug 44 (BC) to MIA, 1 Aug 44 (BC); 2nd Lt ROBERT C. YUNGER, 0101075, Co "D", Hosp LWA to dropped from asgmt (BC), off 1 Aug 44; WOJG ROBERT E. WELCH, W229098, Sv Co, dy to sk in Hosp (LD) (NBC).

Awards or Decorations: Award of Purple Heart to one Off and four EM.

S E C R E T

SECRET

AF Ltr 1st US Inf Div, 17 May

INT: WIS

Date: 3 August 1944

S-1 PERIODIC REPORT

From: 0001, 29 July 1944

To: 2400, 4 August 1944

Unit: 745th Tank Battalion

at: 5 August 1944

MAPS: OSGS 4250 SCALE: 1/50,000 461188

1. STATION LIST: La Roche, France, 461188

2. ADMINISTRATIVE INSTALLATIONS: None

3. <u>STRENGTH OF COMMAND:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. Total Strength:	39	3	679	721
b. Present for Duty:	39	3	674	716
c. I/O & E 17-25:	39	3	687	729

4. <u>CASUALTIES:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. Killed:				NONE
b. Sick, eased & wounded:				
(1) Evacuated:	2		15	17
(2) Not Evacuated:			3	3
c. Captured:				NONE
d. Missing:				NONE
TOTAL:	2	NONE	18	20

5. GRAVE REGISTRATIONS: 1 EM buried St Mere Eglise, 42 on 22 July 1944

6. <u>REPLACEMENTS RECEIVED:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. New Personnel:	2		10	12
b. Returned from Hospitals:	1		3	4
c. Rotated Personnel:				NONE
TOTAL:	3		13	16

7. PRISONERS OF WAR: Captured None Evacuated None On Hand None

8. STRAGGLERS: None

9. Morale: Excellent

10. CIVILIAN POPULATION: None

WILFORD R. GREENMAN,
1st Lt., 745th Tank Bn,
Adjutant.

S E C R E T

Hq 74th Tk Bn
 Vic Bayonne, France
 100001 Aug 44
 080001 Aug 44

Orders: Promotions and promotion of B and C in asgmt and dy of Off.
 Awards and decorations: 1st Lt JAMES A. HARRIS, 01015127, awarded the Silver Star for heroic achievement on the fields of France on 6 Jun 44 against the enemy.

Hq 74th Tk Bn
 Vic Bayonne, France
 080001 Aug 44
 100001 Aug 44

Orders: C in asgmt and dy of Off.
 Increase in strength: Pfc John Corey, 20157347, dropped from asgmt to dy.
 Decrease in strength: See wounded.
 Wounded: Sgt Lawrence A. Landstrom, 36573242, Co "B", LIA (BC), right hand index cracked remained for dy; Pvt Nicholas V. Lyons, 32741481, slightly sk in Hosp (LD) to dropped from asgmt (NBC), off 3 Aug 44.
 1st Lt WALTER A. WAGG, 01011308, Sv Co, promoted Capt, date of rank, 3 Aug 44, principal dy - Sv Co Comdr.

Hq 74th Tk Bn
 Vic Bayonne, France
 110001 Aug 44
 110001 Aug 44

Increase in strength: See wounded.
 Wounded or sick: Pvt John M. Crocco, 36573435, Co "B", LD (NBC) dy to slightly sk in Hosp; Pvt Nicholas K. Morawicz, 36611066, Co "B", LD (NBC) dy to slightly sk in Hosp; Pvt Jay S. Drexler, 36573123, Co "B", Hosp LIA (BC) to dropped from asgmt. Church Sv held for Off and M. at 1500 hrs.

Hq 74th Tk Bn
 Vic Bayonne, France
 110001 Aug 44
 120001 Aug 44

Orders: Asmt of Soldiers' Voting Pf and in Pf off, C in asgmt and dy of Off, and promotion of SM.
 Increase in strength: S Sgt Warren A. Daniels, 36608781, Hq Co, dropped from asgmt to dy.
 Decrease in strength: See wounded.
 Wounded or sick: Pfc Burton E. Law, 36433461, Co "B", dy to slightly sk in Hosp (LD) (NBC).
 Awards, decorations, and Commendations: Bn commendation of four SM and award of Silver Star to 1st Lt WALTER G. MOODY, 01015045, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 13 Jun 44, in France.
 Reports: Submitted 3rd Periodic Report.

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S-1 PERIODIC REPORT

• SECRET
 • AUTH: 1st US Inf Div, 17 May 44
 • INIT: JBG
 • DATE: 1000, 12 August 1944

From: 0001, 5 August 1944
 To: 2400, 11 August 1944
 Unit: 745th Tank Battalion
 Date: 1000, 12 August 1944

MAPS: GSCS 4250 SCALE: 1/50,000

1. STATION LIST: 1/2 Mile West of Mayenne, France 791721
2. ADMINISTRATIVE INSTALLATIONS: None
3. STRENGTH OF COMMAND:

	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. Total Strength:	39	2	680	721
b. Present for Duty:	39	2	671	712
c. T/O & E 17-SS:	39	3	687	729
4. CASUALTIES:

	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. Killed:				<i>None</i>
b. Sick, gassed & wounded:				
(1) Evacuated:	1	1	9	11
(2) Not Evacuated:			1	1
c. Captured:				<i>None</i>
d. Missing:			2	2
TOTAL:	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>14</u>
5. GRAVE REGISTRATION: 1 EM buried at U.S. Mil Cem #1, St Laurent Sur Mer, France, 1 Aug 44. 1 KM buried at U.S. Mil Cem No. 1, St Laurent Sur Mer, France, 3 Aug 44.
6. REPLACEMENTS RECEIVED:

	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. New Personnel:				<i>None</i>
b. Returned from Hospitals:	1		8	9
c. Retained Personnel:				<i>None</i>
TOTAL:	<u>1</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>
7. PRISONERS OF WAR: Captured 3 Evacuated 3 On Hand 0
8. STRAGGLERS: None
9. MORALE: EXCELLENT
10. CIVILIAN POPULATIONS: None

WILFORD D. CREWMAN,
 1st Lt., 745th Tank Bn,
 Adjutant.

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Hq 74th Tk Bn
Vic Bayonne, France
140001 Aug 44
140001 Aug 44

Increase in strength: Pfc Robert A. Smith, 3458757, Sv Co, dropped from asgt to dy, off 11 Aug 44; Sgt Robert Kelley, 3182211, Co "A", from asgt to dy (dy), off 10 Aug 44; Pfc Robert L. Smith, 3458757, Sv Co, dropped from asgt to dy (dy) in connection of Co "A", off 11 Aug 44; Pfc John Smith, 3458757, Sv Co, from asgt to dy, off 11 Aug 44 (B); Pfc James A. Smith, 3458757, Co "A", dropped from asgt to dy, off 11 Aug 44; Pvt Charles G. Smith, 3458757, Co "A", dropped from asgt to dy, off 11 Aug 44; S Sgt Marvin L. Coleman, 3458757, Co "A", dropped from asgt to dy, off 11 Aug 44; Pvt John B. Smith, 3458757, Co "A", dropped from asgt to dy, off 11 Aug 44.

Decrease in strength: One wounded
Wounded: none.

Hq 74th Tk Bn
Vic Aubrieux, France
140001 Aug 44
140001 Aug 44

Decrease in strength: SSG Robert A. Welch, 3211663, Sv Co, LD (MHC) slightly sk in hosp, dropped from asgt, off 7 Aug 44; Capt William C. Smith, 3458757, Sv Co, LD (MHC) slightly sk in hosp, dropped from asgt, off 7 Aug 44.

Hq 74th Tk Bn
Vic La Baraque, France
140001 Aug 44
140001 Aug 44

Increase in strength: Capt Robert V. Janis, 3458757, Sv Co, dropped from asgt to dy off 11 Aug 44; Pvt Richard V. Smith, 3458757, Sv Co, dropped from asgt to dy.
Awards and decorations: 2nd Lt Joseph I. Smith, 3458757, and S Sgt Joseph H. Kelly, 3458757, awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action in Germany, France. Pfc Lydon Price, 3458757, awarded the Bronze Star for heroic achievement in connection with all operations against the enemy in Germany, France.
Promotions of 1st Lt Edward A. Waage, 3458757, to Capt and 2nd Lt Walter A. Carter, 3458757, to 1st Lt.

Hq 74th Tk Bn
Vic La Forta-lace, France
150001 Aug 44
140001 Aug 44

Orders: C in asgt and dy of off.

Awards and decorations: Pvt James V. French, 3458757, Co "B", awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action against the enemy on 28 Jul 44, in France.

Hq 745th Td Bn
 Vie La Porte-Meuse, France
 180001 Aug 44
 170001 Aug 44

Decrease in Strength: See wounded.

Wounded: Sgt Alfonso De Avires, 28200738, Co "B", dy to Hosp LIA (BC), off 15 Aug 44; Pfc Alan L. Ostromski, 58375082, Co "B", dy to Hosp LIA (BC), off 15 Aug 44; Tech 5 Paul F. Houston, 35015040, Co "B", LVA (BC) shrapnel wound right shoulder, remained for dy, off 15 Aug 44; Pvt Bright E. Davis, 31520008, Co "B", LVA (BC) shrapnel wound in right elbow, remained for dy, off 15 Aug 44; S Sgt Thomas J. Bayler, 58610071, Co "C", dy to Hosp LIA (BC), off 15 Aug 44; Cpl Herbert E. LeBachter, 58301000, Co "C", dy to Hosp LIA (BC), off 15 Aug 44; Pvt Romantic F. Mahoney, 58376552, Co "C", dy to Hosp LIA (BC), off Aug 15, 44.

Prisoners Taken: Co "D" took 12 pris, 6 Jul 44 at Salen, France; 24 pris, 14 Aug 44 at La Voeruy, France; 14 pris, 14 Aug 44 at St Michel Les Amalines, France; 100 pris, at Le Mont, J Hero, France on 15 Aug 44; and 10 pris, 15 Aug 44 at Le Hockill de Breusse, France. Co "B" took 12 pris, 1 Aug 44 at Bourgoignelles, France. Co "B" 5 pris taken.

Hq 745th Td Bn
 Vie La Porte-Meuse, France
 170001 Aug 44
 180001 Aug 44

Decrease in Strength: See wounded and MIA.

Missing in Action: 1st Lt JEFFERSON F. DAVIS, JR., 01015028, Co "B", dy to MIA (BC) off 15 Aug 44; Cpl John F. Harris, 58770002, Co "B", dy to MIA (BC), off 15 Aug 44.

Wounded: Cpl Edward Komaracki, 58010112, Co "B", slightly sk in Hosp (LD) to dropped from asgt.

Prisoners Taken: Co "B" captured six (6) pris on 15 Aug 44.

Capt FRANCIS F. McCALL, 01012073, Co "B", assumed comd of Co, off 14 Aug 44.

Hq 745th Td Bn
 Vie La Messagere, France
 180001 Aug 44
 190001 Aug 44

No changes.

Hq 745th Td Bn
 Vie La Messagere, France
 190001 Aug 44
 200001 Aug 44

Orders: Award of Purple Hearts to EM, asgt of EM Str C and CHD, and promotion of EM, asgt of Off, am. C in asgt and dy of Off.

Awards and Decorations: Award of Purple Hearts to three (3) EM.

S E C R E T

SECRET

AUTH: 1st US Inf Div, 17 May 44

INIT: WWD

S-1 PERIODIC REPORT

DATE: 26 August 1944

From: 0001, 19 August 1944

To: 2400, 25 August 1944

Unit: 745th Tank Battalion

Date: 1000, 26 August 1944

MAPS: GSGS 4250, Paris - Fontainebleau 10 G, 1/100,000.

1. STATION LIST: Chambrando, France R581055

2. ADMINISTRATIVE INSTALLATIONS: None

3. <u>STRENGTH OF COMMAND:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. Total Strength	30	3	696	729
b. Present for duty	30	3	695	728
c. T/O & E 17-25	30	3	694	726

4. <u>CASUALTIES:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. Killed:				0
b. Wounded and injured				0
(1) Evacuated:				0
(2) Non Evacuated:				0
c. Sick and gassed				1
(1) Evacuated:				1
(2) Non Evacuated:				0
d. Captured:				0
e. Missing:				0
TOTAL:	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

5. GRAVES REGISTRATION: None

6. <u>REPLACEMENTS RECEIVED:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. New Personnel:				0
b. Returned from Hospitals:			4	4
c. Retained Personnel:				0
TOTAL:	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>

7. PRISONERS OF WAR: Captured: 0 Evacuated: 0 On Hand: 0.

8. STRAGGLERS: None

9. MORALE: Excellent

10. CIVILIAN POPULATION: Friendly and cooperative.

For the Battalion Commander:

WILLIAM W. DYCK Jr.,
WJDN USA,
Adj't Adjutant,

S E C R E T

Hq 745th Tk Bn
 Vie La Sauvagerie, France
 230001 Aug 44
 230001 Aug 44

Orders: Republished orders received from HQ, First Inf Div.
 Increase in Strength: Cpl Frank L. Brown, 2037420, Co "G", dro post from sergeant to dy (DC), off 18 Aug 44.
 Increase in Strength: See wounded.
 Killed: 1st Lt Daniel P. Griffin, 2041000, Co "G", dy to KIA (DC), off 18 Aug 44.
 Wounded: 1st Sgt Alfred L. Stauden, 2037427, Co "G", Hosp LVA (DC) to dropped from sergeant, off 18 Aug 44; 1st Sgt Harold L. Walker, 2038000, Co "G", Hosp LVA (DC) to dropped from sergeant, off 17 Aug 44; Pvt James L. Haigney, 2043000, Co "G", (MDC) slightly sk in Hosp to dropped from sergeant, off 18 Aug 44; Pvt Harold A. Jones, 2037420, Co "G", (MDC) slightly sk in Hosp to dropped from sergeant, off 18 Aug 44; Pvt James L. Brown, 2037420, Co "G", slightly sk in Hosp to dropped from sergeant, off 18 Aug 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
 Vie La Sauvagerie, France
 230001 Aug 44
 230001 Aug 44

Increase in Strength: 1st Sgt Harold L. Walker, 2038000, Co "G", dropped from sergeant to dy (DC), off 20 Aug 44.
 Increase in Strength: See wounded and sick.
 Wounded and Sick: Pvt Harold L. Haigney, 2043000, Co "G", slightly sk in Hosp (LD) to dropped from sergeant (MDC), off 20 Aug 44; 1st Sgt Harold L. Walker, 2038000, Co "G", slightly sk in Hosp (LD) to dropped from sergeant, off 20 Aug 44 (MDC); Pvt John Haigney, 2037420, Co "G", slightly sk in Hosp (LD) to dropped from sergeant (MDC) off 20 Aug 44; Pvt James L. Brown, 2037420, Co "A", dy to slightly sk in Hosp (LD) (MDC), off 19 Aug 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
 Vie La Sauvagerie, France
 230001 Aug 44
 230001 Aug 44

Orders: C in sergeant and dy of M and sergeant of M within the camp.
 Decrease in Strength: Constantine Haigney, 1612700, Co "G", slightly sk in Hosp (LD) to dropped from sergeant, off 21 Aug 44 (MDC).
 Prisoners Taken: 5th Co took 5 pris, 21 Jul 44 at 1 mile NW of Dards le Gast, France.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
 Vie La Sauvagerie, France
 230001 Aug 44
 240001 Aug 44

Increase in Strength: Pvt Robert L. Blodgett, 1400070, sergeant from Hq, 1st Replacement Bn, 19 Aug 44; Pvt James Y. Kough, 1612700, sergeant from Hq, 1st Replacement Bn, 19 Aug 44.
 Increase in Strength: See wounded.

Wounded; S Sgt Alfonso R. De Andrea, 20200760, Hosp LIA to dropped from asgmt (BC); Pfc Juan R. Ostrowski, 56575062, Hosp LVA to dropped from asgmt (BC); S Sgt Thomas J. Mayer, 56410071, Hosp to dropped from asgmt (SWA) (BC); Cpl Herbert H. Iribacher, 56381830, Hosp L A to dropped from asgmt (BC); Pvt Benjamin E. Maravan, 56378552, Hosp LVA to drop ed from asgmt (BC).

Hq 745th Tn Bn
Via La Sauvage, France
240001 Aug 44
250001 Aug 44

Orders: Disch of MI to accept temp asmt as WJFE, promotion of MI, asmt of Asst Adj, asmt of WJFE, and C in asgmt and cy of MI.

Increase in Strength: Cpl Paul Finer, 16128184, asmt from Hq 41st Replacement Bn, 19 Aug 44.

Wounded; Sgt Harry L. Sandridge, 26000001, LVA shrapnel wound in left leg, remained for cy (BC), 31 Jul 44; Pfc Robert J. ..., 56574577, shrapnel wound on left knee, remained for cy (BC), 31 Jul 44.

H Sgt William E. Nick, Jr., 20200000, asmt WJFE.

Hq 745th Tn Bn
Via Fraise, France
250001 Aug 44
260001 Aug 44

No changes.

Hq 745th Tn Bn
Via Chamarende, France
260001 Aug 44
270001 Aug 44

Reports: Submitted S-1 Periodic Report 25 Aug 44.

Hq 745th Tn Bn
Via Chamarende, France
270001 Aug 44
280001 Aug 44

Increase in Strength: H Sgt William E. Nick, Jr., 20200000, cy to disch comm of Govt to accept asmt as WJFE, off 25 Aug 44.

Hq 745th Tn Bn
Via Fontaine Gaudault, France

Increase in Strength: Pfc Clifford E. Ashley, 56504006, dropped from asgmt to cy (BC), off 27 Aug 44.

1 enemy straggler killed by ambush in area 1/4 mile SE La Pompe, France, 280001 at 0300 hrs.

-1 PERIODIC REPORT

AUTH: 1st US Inf Div, 17 May 44

INITIALS

DATE: 19 Aug 44

From: 0001, 12 August 1944

To: 2400, 15 August 1944

Unit: 745th Tank Battalion

Date: 1000, 19 August 1944

MAPS: GSGS 4250 SCALE: 1/50,000.

1. STATION LIST: 1 Mile North East of La Sauvagere, France 981088

2. ADMINISTRATIVE INSTALLATIONS: None

<u>STRENGTH OF COMMAND:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. Total Strength	39	2	698	739
b. Present for Duty	39	2	698	739
c. T/O & E 17-25	39	3	687	729

<u>CASUALTIES:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. Killed:	1			1
b. Sick, gassed & wounded:				
(1) Evacuated:			6	6
(2) Not Evacuated:			2	2
c. Captured:				0
d. Missing	1		1	2
TOTAL:	<u>1</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>11</u>

3. GRAVE REGISTRATION: 1 EM buried at St Laurent Sur Mer, U.S. Mil Cem #1, 31 July 1944.

<u>REPLACEMENTS RECEIVED:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. New Personnel:	1		16	17
b. Returned from Hospital:	1		2	3
c. Retated Personnel:				0
TOTAL:	<u>2</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>20</u>

4. PRISONERS OF WAR: Captured: 52 Evacuated 52 On Hand 0

5. STRAGGLERS: None

6. MORALE: Excellent

7. CIVILIAN POPULATION: Friendly and cooperative.

WILFORD B. GIBBONS,
1st Lt., 745th Tank Bn,
Adjutant.

SECRET

Hq 745th Tk Bn
 Vic Meaux, France
 290001 Aug 44
 500001 Aug 44

Wounded; Cpl Edward J. Saider, 36582275, LIA, remained for Dy LIA (BC), finger tip severed.
 Prisoners Taken: 21 pris captured by Hq Co.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
 Rosny-en-Multien, France
 500001 Aug 44
 510001 Aug 44

Orders: C in asgmt and dy of Hq.
 Decrease in Strength: See wounded.
 Wounded; Pvt William Smith, 36582124, dy to Hosp (LD) slightly sk (NBC); Pvt Allen L. Lamar, 35811954, dy to Hosp (LD) LIA (BC).
 Prisoners Taken: 2 pris taken by Co "C"; 27 Aug 44; 2 pris taken by Co "D", 29 Aug 44.
 Promotions of 2nd Lt JOSEPH I. SABOL, 01014789, 2nd Lt JOSEPH I. BREKE, 01018646, and 2nd Lt EARL E. McCAIN, 01015440, received, date of rank eff 25 Aug 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
 Vic St Pierre Aigle, France
 510001 Aug 44
 10001 Sep 44

No changes.

For the Battalion Commander:

Wilford B. Sherman
 WILFORD B. SHERMAN,
 1st Lt., 745th Tank Bn,
 Adjutant.

Auth: CG, 1st US Inf Div

Initials: *gfn*

Date: 8 Oct 1944

8 October 1944.

745-2742

SUBJECT: Report After Action Against Enemy.

TO : The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington, 25, D.C.
(Thru Channels)

1. As prescribed by Par 10, C3, AR 345-105 the following report after action against enemy during the month of September, 1944, is submitted:

2. Attachment of the Battalion to First U.S. Infantry Division continued through the month of September, 1944. During the entire month Company "B" was attached to 16th U.S. Infantry Regiment, and Company "C" to 26th US Infantry Regiment, and the remainder of this Battalion to 16th U.S. Infantry Regiment. Within the regiments tank companies were usually employed by attaching a tank platoon to each of the infantry battalions composing the regiment. Assault Gun Platoon of Headquarters Company was attached to Cannon Company of 16th US Infantry Regiment, and Mortar Platoon of Headquarters Company was attached to one of the battalions of 16th U.S. Infantry Regiment.

3. At the beginning of the month elements of this Battalion were in positions in the vicinity of Laon, France, after successive moves from Champande, near Paris. 1-3 September all elements continued advance to the north to the vicinity of Mons. A large number of enemy were encountered in the area between Laubege, Bavai, and Mons, Belgium. 3-6 September elements of this Battalion assisted units of First U.S. Infantry Division in mopping up the pocket of enemy in the vicinity of Mons. 7-10 September elements of this Battalion moved east toward the German Border near Aachen, Germany, along the route Mons, Namur, Charleroi, Aachen, to positions in the vicinity of Herve. 11-19 September elements of this Battalion assisted units of First U.S. Infantry Division in attack on Siegfried Line positions, and penetrated to positions in vicinity of Aachen. 20-30 September all elements remained in defensive positions vicinity Aachen.

4. a. The attachment of tank platoons to the same Infantry battalion continuously has proved very beneficial in the development of teamwork and mutual understanding, confidence, and cooperation.

b. The continuous movement of tanks in the first part of the month demonstrated the necessity of calculating an increase in deadlined tanks as a result of such continuous use and the necessity of withdrawing tanks from front line positions for maintenance when the tactical situation permits. During such movement it is necessary that first echelon maintenance be performed by tank crews at every opportunity. The small percentage of deadlined tanks during this period of continuous movement reflects the highest credit on the tank crews as individuals for the manner in which they sought every opportunity to care for their tanks.

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Overlay of Operations.

Wallace J. Nichols
WALLACE J. NICHOLS,
LT COL., 745th Tank Bn,
Commanding.

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For Period
From: 01 0001 Sep 44
To : 01 0001 Oct 44

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Etouvelles, France
010001 Sep 44
020001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Bn (less B & C Cos) w/16th Inf, AG Plat w/Cn Co, 16th Inf; Mort Plat w/3rd Bn 16th Inf; 1st Plat Co A, 2nd Plat Co D w/1st Bn 16th Inf; 2nd plat Co A, 3rd plat Co D w/2nd Bn 16th Inf; 3rd Plat Co A, 1st Plat Co D w/3rd Bn 16th Inf; Co B w/18th Inf; Co C w/26th Inf.

Locations: Bn CP w/CPs Co A & D 996094, vic Etouvelles; 1st Plat Co A, 2nd Plat Co D vic 986098, Mailby. 2nd Plat Co A, 3rd Plat Co D vic 965134, vic Ft de Lanis Court. 3rd Plat Co A, 1st plat Co D 998097 vic Mailby. Sv Co 694871, vic St Pierre Aigle.

- 0930 Sv Co moved fr vic St Pierre Aigle closed in area 991094 vic Mailby.
- 1300 1st Plat Co A & 2nd Plat Co D moved w/1st Bn 16th Inf fr vic Mailby to vic Laon, 015160.
- 1530 Oper Inst #16, Hq 1st Inf Div, 011300B Sep 44 recd; objs, boundaries, routes for fwd adv N of Laon stated. CO Co C reptd Co C moving w/26th Inf objvie Bosmont. Co C w/26th Inf moved fr vic Vregny taking positions vic N Bosmont. 1st Plat 223367, 2nd Plat 201345, 3rd Plat 224343. Co B w/18th Inf moved fr vic SW Laon to vic S Marle-et-Behaine 150315, knocked out 4 AT guns, killed 80 ey, captured 80 ey vic Vovenne 115327; no personnel casualties, 1 tk disabled and rendered serviceable after 4 hrs maint.
- 2400 Reports from Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st plat - moved fr posns S of Laon to defensive positions W of Laon, no action. 2nd Plat - held high ground Fort de Lannis Court, no contact w/ey. 3rd Plat - no change in position.
Co B: 2nd Plat - attached 1st Bn 18th Inf left vic Laon at 1300, arrived vic Loulis et Atteneaut, 115298, 1500. Encountered ey resistance at Dercy. Shelled town while 3rd plat moved into posn to take town. 3rd Plat - attached 1st Bn 18th Inf left vic Laon, France, 1300 to vic Loulis at Attencourt 115298 at 1500. Met ey resistance at Dercy. 1 tk disabled, crew remained to help clean out town. 2 EM WIA, 95 PWs taken.
Co C: 1st plat - moved at 0810, uneventful road march, attached Co B 26th Inf, closed in area at 1400 vic 860394. 2nd Plat attached to G Co 26th Inf moved fr vic 802898 at 1400 to vic 235333, closed in 2030. No ey contact. 3rd Plat-- left vic A llemant 1730 moved 63 miles vic Vervins (2544), closed into assy area at 2300. No ey contact.
Co D: 1st Plat - remained in defensive posns $\frac{1}{2}$ mi N Laval, 004088. 2nd Plat - attached B Co 16th Inf moved 7 mi to Laon and reld Co A, 18th Inf. 3rd Plat - remained in posn, vic 951125, Bawguignon.
AG Plat reported no change in posns.
Mort Plat remained in posn vic 007082.
No further changes in posns or situation.
Short 1 Lt, 3 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Etouvelles, France
020001 Sep 44
030001 Sep 44

Weather: Cloudy, intermittent rain.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Bn (less B & C Cos) w/16th Inf; AG Plat w/Cn Co 16th Inf; Mort Plat w/3rd Bn 16th Inf. 1st Plat Co A, 2nd Plat Co D w/1st Bn 16th Inf; 2nd Plat Co A, 3rd Plat Co D w/2nd Bn 16th Inf; 3rd Plat Co A, 1st Plat Co D w/3rd Bn 16th Inf; Co B w/18th Inf; Co C w/26th Inf.

Locations: Bn C P w/CPS Cos A & D 996094 vic Etouvelles; 1st Plat Co A, 2nd Plat Co D vic 015160 W of Laon; 2nd plat Co A, 3rd Plat Co D vic 965134 vic Ft de Lanix Court; 3rd Plat Co A, 1st Plat Co D 998097 vic Mailby; Co B vic 150315 S Marle-et-Behaine; Co C vic 223367 N Bosmont; Sv Co 991094 vic Mailby.

0530 8 Flying bombs passed overhead going W.

0830 Oper Inst #17, Hq 1st Inf Div, 012200B Sep 44 recd giving objs, routes, phase lines, for movement fr Laon to Avesnes and Le Nouvian.

Oper Inst #4, Hq CT 16, 1 Sep 44, recd stating obj, routes, phase lines for fwd movement of Bn.

1700 Bn CP, CPs A & D, moved fr vic Etouvelles to new location 189583 vic Buironfosse at 2200.

2115 Sv Co moved fr vic Mailby closing in vic 213587.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:

Co A: 1st Plat - moved fr posn vic Laon to defensive posn vic Saines, no ey contact. 2nd Plat - left area vic Fort de Lannis Court riding G Co 16th Inf on tks. Proceeded N thru Laon, Marle, NW to Romery. Patrolled woods, no resistance. 3rd Plat - left Laval 1030 w/Inf riding tks and moved to obj, Rue Herpenne, then moved W to crossroads at La Malcarce, established roadblock. Killed 1 ey and captured 8 PWs.

Co B: 2nd Plat - attached 2nd Bn 18th Inf left town of Loulis et Attencourt arrvd vic Level at 1600. No ey encountered. 3rd Plat - left vic Loulis et Attencourt 0800 arrvd Beaurepaire, 183698, at 1530. Encountered ey at Leme, 148452, 1 ey 75mm gun knocked out. 3 ey 20mm AA guns destroyed. 37 PWs taken. Encountered ey at Marly 165525, 60 PWs taken.

Co C: 1st plat - attached Co A, 1st Bn 26th Inf, moved at 0700, contacted ey 1000 vic 992325. 1 tk lost due to AF fire. Assisted in capture of 1100 PWs, unknown number ey killed. Closed in area vic 535225 at 2200. 2nd Plat - attached E Co 26th Inf moved fr 235333 at 0830, closed in vic 316778 at 1500, no ey action. 3rd Plat - moved fr vic Vervins at 0800, met slight ey resistance. Reached obj Avesnes 328376 at 1300.

Co D: 1st Plat - left $\frac{1}{2}$ mi N Laval 004088, 1330, arrived 1 mi SW Rue Herpenne, 016257 at 1730, 42 mi. 2 tks patrolled to Villers les Guise, 083549 and Guise 055526; 3 tks patrolled to Le Plantin 122583, Dorengt 097609, Jion 077587, Lavaqueresse, 111575, and betd to area setting up defensive posns. 7 PWs taken, 1 ey H/T destroyed. 2nd Plat - attached B Co 16th Inf moved 25 miles to vic 099442. Plat patrolled to Chatillion and Sons where ey were reported to be shooting civilians. No resistance. 3rd Plat - left pos NW Ballrquly, 951125, riding G Co 16th Inf on tks to Ramey, 118518.

Mort Plat: moved fr 007082 at 0800; carried 25 Em Co M 16th Inf. Closed in area vic 149572 at 1830.

Co A Locations: 1st plat and 2nd Plat Co D 103471, vic Sains; 2nd plat and 3rd plat Co D 122517, Proisy; 3rd Plat and 1st plat Co D 150570, vic Leschelle.

Co B located N Le Nouvion vic 175665.

Co C located Avesnes, 1st plat 283782, 2nd plat 303780, 3rd plat 274756.

Short 1 Lt, 2 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

745th Tk Bn
Vic Buironfosse, France
030001 Sep 44
040001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D, 189583, vic Buironfosse; 1st plat Co A, 2nd Plat Co D, 103471, vic Sains; 2nd Plat Co A, 3rd Plat Co D 122517, vic Proisy; 3rd plat Co A, 1st plat Co D, 150570, vic Leschelle; Co B: 175665, 2nd plat vic Le Nouvion, Co C: vic Avesnes, 1st plat 283782, 2nd plat 303780, 3rd plat 274756, Sv Co 213587, vic Mailby.

0800 Oper Inst #5, Hq CT 16, 022330B Aug 44 recd giving obj, phaselines, routes, etc, obj 16th CT - Mons, 18th CT - Bavai, 26th CT - Quaregnon.
1335 Bn CP; CPs Co A & D, Sv Co left vic Buironfosse, 189583, closing in new area 1715, short of obj, vic 308892, vic Louvroil. Distance travelled 23 mi.
1645 S-3 recd order fr Bn CComdr to put CP in assy area S Maubege.
1800 Sv Co closed in area vic 302842 vic Beaufort.
2400 Exec Off rptd Co B w/18th Inf on objective vic Bavai.

Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st plat - attached Co A, 1st Bn 16th Inf, at 1000 moved fr vic Sains to vic Mons, engaged ey in fortifications at 348986; plat knocked out 2 concrete embrasures and assisted in capture of 500 PWs, 200 ey killed.
2nd Plat - left vic Romary moved NE through Maubege, column halted while AAF dive bombed ey column of 800 vehicles. Column proceeded NW to RR on France-Belgium border; infantry dismounted and scouted woods, capturing 27 PWs; proceeded E w/dozer clearing road while Inf scouted woods; in 35 minutes combined forces took 114 PWs. 3rd Plat - left Rue Herpenne 0930, with obj Mons. Ey contacted vic Maubege and w/3rd Bn 16th Inf, 500-600 PWs taken. After skirmish and clearing ey pockets, proceeded to obj at Mons; reconnoitered road W of Mons as far as Jemppes, set up road block and took final positions NW of Mons.
Co B: 2nd plat - remained in posn w/2nd Bn 16th Inf. 3rd plat - left Beurepa is 0800 arrived S Bavai 195360. Encountered ey convoy in Bavai; shelled town fr outskirts. Town taken 1600. 1 EM SWA.
Co C: 1st plat - attached Co C, 26th Inf 0630 hrs; tks used to guard PWs. Un-
eventful day; retd to area 1600. 2nd plat - attached F Co, 26th Inf, moved fr vic 316778, closed in vic 267093 at 2330. Contacted ey, small arms fire.
3rd plat - moved fr Avesnes (328376) at 0830 going about 9 mi before meeting resistance. 2 MG nests wiped out. Ren reported ey column moving down road to right and with plat deployed in line formation, caught the ey column unaware. Approx 20 PWs taken. Tks bombed and strafed by our Air Corps because attack was made on center of column. A Mk V tk at crossroads fired at Sgt Dill's tk setting off ammo. 3 EM KIA, 2 WIA. Sgt Meyers' tk hit by arty five times. 1 EM KIA, 2 WIA. Plat continued on to obj meeting and overcoming pockets of resistance. Aided in taking 300 PWs. Obj, Frameries, 327408, reached at 2130.
Co D: 1st plat - left vic Rue Herpenne 162578 at 0930 arrived Maubeuge 325938; patrolled to N of city; killed 6 ey and aided in capture of 400 PWs. Left Maubeuge, 1700, crossed France-Belgium border at 1735 arrived N Mons 307154 at 2230. Set up road blocks, held by TDs then went into defensive positions for night. 2nd Plat - attached A Co 16th Inf travelled fr position to Maubeuge; attacked NE to Villers sur Misole, crossed France-Belgium border and proceeded to Mons; took posns 2 mi E Mons, travelled 56 mi. 3rd Plat - left Ramey, 951125 and encountered pockets of ey resistance. One tk left at crossroads as roadblock and remainder of plat skirted woods driving some 200 ey into hands of G Co 16th Inf. All action occurred E Maubeuge, 305002.

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Mort Plat: moved fr 149572 at 0900 carrying 25 pers Co M 16th Inf. Crossed France-Belgium border at 1857, halted for 1 1/2 hours vic 315138. Moved alone fr 308154 to join I Co 16th Inf vic 308154 at 2330.

AG Plat: left area 0930 picking up infantry and took up a position vic Maubeuge and met resistance. Inf dismounted and AG assisted in attack. 50 PWs taken. 2 men fr plat on outpost assisted FFI in mopping up ey. For 4 mi N Maubeuge AG had column flushing ey out of woods. About 300 PWs taken by column, many small arms, and 2 trucks. Arrived at Mons at 2130 and set up for firing in field in middle of town.

Lt FITZPATRICK, Co C, reported CP. 3 tks knocked out vic E Bavai, 3 EM KIA, 5 EM WIA, 1 tk retrieved.

No further changes in positions or situation.

Short 1 Lt, 2 Med Tkd (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Louvroil, France
040001 Sep 44
050001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.

Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP w/CPs Cos A & D 308892 vic Louvroil. Co B attached 18th Inf vic Bavai. Sv Co vic Beaufort. 2nd plat Co A 305002, 3rd plat Co A 306152 N Mons. 1st plat Co A 350138, N-Mons, Sv Co 302842 vic Beaufort.

- 1030 LT HERNANDEZ rptd with orders to move Bn CP to vic S of Mons. Orders issued to all elements to move at 1100.
- 1045 Trans Off rptd Bn CP, no gas available in Div, Corps, or Army. Sv Co to remain in present area until gas is available.
Lt McCAIN reported location of AG Plat, 315139, N of Mons, captured 300 PWs during previous day's operations.
- 1055 Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D left area vic Louvroil.
- 1215 Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D closed in vic 315091, Mons. Column crossed France-Belgium border 1150.
- 1300 Message fr S-2: CO Co C reports 1 tk lost, 4 EM KIA, 4 EM WIA, replacements needed.
1st plat Co A located 317106. Mort plat located 273154.
- 1900 Message fr S-2 to CO: Lt Col EYMER, Div G-4 desires to see Bn Comdr at Div CP, 328115, this evening.
- 2400 Reports from Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st plat - moved fr posns NE Mons to new defensive posns S of Mons w/A Co 16th Inf at 1700, no ey contact. 2nd plat - made patrols w/Inf capturing 318 PWs, very little resistance. 3rd plat - 2 med tks and 3 lt tks and plat of Inf ordered to proceed approx 6 mi N Mons to rescue 4 aircorps men who had bailed out 23 June, moved to Lens without opposition. 1 Lt, 1 Med tk assigned to block roads to W of town while 2 lt tks, 1 med tk and Inf moved NE to Guese du Merais to pick up flyers. Reformed in Lens and ran into ey column coming toward them on same road; deployed and fought way to and thru town of Jurbise. (Killed and wounded approximately 25-30 ey, 1 man wounded, 40 PWs taken, 70-80

PWs taken in days operation.

Co B: 2nd plat - left via Level arrived vic Sars, NB Bavai. Encountered ey convoy. 700 PWs taken. Plat Ldr, Lt DAY, LWA. Lt TOWENSTINE assumed command of plat. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Bavai.

Co C: 1st plat - at 2100 attached B Co 26th Inf reaching obj 2500, acted as road block w/2 tks attached to A Co to act as road block. 2nd plat - attached G Co 26th Inf left vic 267093 at 0730, retd to rear to clean out ey and bring up rear echelon, retd at 1300 w/rear echelon. 3rd plat - at 0930 1st Sec with a plat of Inf removed rd block at Bauvere 259080 and also recovered 5 Sv Co veh 26th Inf. At 1400 moved to Quaregnon 251115 to rcn for possible bivouac area, retd to vic Frameries. At 1800 w/plat L Co 26th Inf and aid of Belgium underground captured 258 PWs.

Mort Plat: moved fr vic 308154 at 1500 fr I Co to K Co 16th Inf, took fire positions at 284147, established OP at 276145.

Co D: 1st plat - tks with 2nd plat I Co, 16th Inf, riding tks patrolled to Lens, 284244 and Montignies les Lens, 315249, aided in rescuing 4 Air Corps men who had been in hiding. Met opposition on return. 2nd plat - attached Co C 16th Inf patrolled to Marmignies, vic St Symphorien, captured 21 PWs, wounded 5. 4 PWs taken in Co area. Section patrols also to St Symphorien and Splennes. 3rd Plat - at request of 16th Inf used 3 tks to escort 1100 PWs to stockade vic Mons.

AG Plat: remained vic N Mons.

No further changes in positions or situation.

Short 2 Lt, 4 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mons, Belgium
050001 Sep 44
060001 Sep 44

Weather: Warm, clear, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 315091, S Mons. 1st Plat A S Mons, 2nd plat D 315108, 2nd plat A 3rd plat D vic Colgnies Chaussie 305002; 3rd plat A, 1st plat D S Mons 306154; Co B vic Bavai; Co C vic Frameries; Sv Co 302842, vic Beaufort. Mort Plat 273153 vic Ghlin.

1200 Oper Inst #19, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 051300B Sep 44 recd giving details for Regts and Bn to hold position and clean up areas.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
A Co: 1st plat - located 336106, two tks as roadblock, no action. 2nd plat - patrolled woods and roads, took 160 PWs; moved NE 2 miles formed road block vic 2105 no resistance. 1 EM LWA. 3rd plat - at 1220 2 med, 5 lt tks and plat Inf left position NW Mons and proceeded N to intercept German column moving E. Contacted ey, took 160 PWs, many ey shot as they ran away.
Co B: 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Sars. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Bavai.

Co C: 1st plat - detached fr 1st Bn 26th Inf and attached I Co, 3rd Bn, 26th Inf crossed IP 1245 hrs. Reached objective 1600, went into bivouac 2130, 985415. 2nd Plat - attached G Co left vic 267093 at 1330 hunting snipers. Mission completed and retd by 1700. 27 PWs taken. 3rd Plat Co C - at 0930 section of tks

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w/plat K Co, 26th Inf, moved to contact 18th Inf at Blaugiss, 213049, contacted 18th Inf. At 1500 patrolled S of Blaugiss betd to vic Frameries.
Co D: 1st plat - 3 tks w/2 med tks 3rd plat Co A patrolled to Jurbise. Entire plat patrolled to SW Jurbise 272204 aided in capturing 217 PWs; also patrolled NE St Denis 388179 capturing 237 PWs with several more killed or sounded, ret'd to area setting up defensive posns for night N Mons. 2nd plat - 1st Sec patrolled to St Symphorien, 17 PWs taken. 2nd section patrolled to Bois de Havrea and 3 mi E, no ey contact. 1st sec patrolled to Aldegonde, 2 Kms S Morlanwelz, 25 Kms E of position, 32 PWs brought back on tanks. 3rd Plat - 2 tks made 2 trips to pick up ey from FFI. At 1000 hrs both tks made assault on woods E of Marbauque, 305002, took 51 PWs. 1600, 2nd sec of plat swept woods, took 3 PWs.
Mort Plat: Continued in fire position at 284147.
AG Plat: remained vic Mons.
Short 2 Lt, 7 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mons, Belgium
060001 Sep 44
070001 Sep 44

Weather: Warm, clear, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Co A & D 315001 S of Mons. 1st Plat A, 2nd Plat D, S of Mons; 2nd Plat A, 3rd Plat D 304002, vic Coegnies Chauser; 3rd Plat A, 1st Plat D 306154 S of Mons; Co B vic Bavai; Co C vic Frameries; Sv Co 323075, vic Nouvelles; Mort Plat 273153 vic Ghlin, AG Plat 315139 N Mons.

0800 Oper Inst # 20, Hq 1st US Inf Div 051700B Sep 44, recd, giving obj, routes, phaselined for adv of div E to vic Charleroi. 18th Inf and 26th Inf to move to vic Charleroi, 16th Inf to continue mopping up process vic Mons.
1100 Co Co A rept'd 2nd Plat Co A moved to crossroads at 323028.
2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st plat - went on mop-up patrols, no action. 2nd plat - 3 med tks & plat of Inf, 3 lt tks patrolled. 2 ey laborers surrendered, no ey resistance. 3rd Plat - w/1 plat Inf left 0930 moving NW beyond Baubor, no ey contact, ret'd to area.
Co B: 2nd plat - left vic Bavai, arrvd vic Charleroi, Belgium 672007 at 2000. no ey contact. 3rd Plat - left vic Bavai, at 1530, arrvd Charleroi, Belgium, 672007 at 2000. No ey encountered.
Co C: 1st plat - detached fr 3rd Bn 26th Inf, at 0700 and attached G Co 2nd Bn 26th Inf. Crossed IP 0900, reached obj 1230 hrs. Road march uneventful, closed in area 657309, Gemblorex. 2nd Plat - attached F Co 26th Inf moved fr vic 267093. At 1630 closed in vic 643123, no ey contact. 3rd Plat - moved fr Frameries at 1500 to vic Gosselies 657128 at 1800. No ey contact.
Co D: 1st plat - remained in area, vic Mons, 307154 cleaning equipment. 2nd Plat - 1st sec patrolled to pick up lost inf patrol 1630. 2nd sec patrolled 16 mi E Andalusia w/Bn CO; took 200 PWs. 3rd Plat - placed tks in defensive posns around CP, 320049, vic Mons. 3 tks made rcn 10 mi on roads W of CP and destroyed 1 ey SPAT gun 155mm, 2 PWs taken.
Mort Plat: moved fr 284147 to 315138 rejoining Co M 16th Inf at 1600. 1 rcn $\frac{1}{4}$ ton and driver attached to plat.
AG Plat: remained vic Mons.
No further changes in positions or situation. Short 2 Lt, 9 Med Tks (deadlined & batt.

Hq 5th Tk Bn
Vic Mons, Belgium
070001 Sep 44
080001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, rainy.
Visibility: Poor.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: 1st Flat Co A moved. Mort Plat closed in w/AG Plat, no further change.

- 0900 Oper Inst #21, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 070100E Sep 44 recd giving routes for 16th Inf, 18th Inf, 26th Inf and obj and phaselines for movement to vic Huy.
- 1000 Oper Inst #6, Hq CT 16, 7 Sep 44, recd giving route and obj for movement to vic Huy.
- 1350 Bn CP, CPs, Cos A & D, Sv Co left area S Mons enroute to Huy.
- 2045 Bn CP, CPs Cos A & D, Sv Co closed in area 229183 vic Huy, distance travelled 70 mi. Sv Co closed in area 146203 vic Lavoir.
Co C w/26th Inf located 990238 vic Longchamps.
Co B w/18th Inf located 964154 vic Vedrin.
Co A locations: 1st plat 223178 vic Leumont; 2nd plat 221209 vic Vinalmom; 3rd plat 255195 vic Sartiere.
Co D locations: 1st plat 253193 vic Sartiere; 2nd plat 224167 vic Huy, 3rd Plat 219198 vic Anthair.
Mort Plat & AG plat 243199, vic Gestry.
- 2200 Reports from Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st plat - assigned Co C, 1st Bn 16th Inf, at 0800 moved fr Mons to Huy. Co C riding tks, objective bridgehead N of Meuse River. 2nd Plat - left area 4 mi S Mons at 1200, proceeded N to Mons then E 70 mi to Huy, no resistance.
Co B: 2nd Plat - left Charleroi arrvd vic Vedrin 976158, no ey contact.
3rd plat - left Charleroi arrvd vic Vedrin 976158, no ey contact.
Co C: 2nd plat - attached G Co 26th Inf, moved fr 643123 at 0800 to 399426, closing in 1630, no ey resistance. 3rd plat - moved fr Gosselies (657128) at 0800 to vic Echezee (995251). One pocket of resistance met, no casualties.
Co D: 1st plat - left vic N Mons 1000, arrived 2½ mi NE Huy 255196 at 1630, distance travelled 74 mi, set up defensive posns, no ey contact. 2nd plat - moved fr vic Mons to Huy, 65 mi, took defensive positions in cemetery w/Co C 16th Inf, no ey contact, no patrols. Low on gas. 3rd plat - left vic Mons 320049 and moved to Huy, 228204, no ey contact.
Mort Plat: with M Co 16th Inf and carrying 25 pers M Co, moved at 1000 fr 315138 to 244204 closing in area 1730.
AG Plat: moved fr vic Mons to vic Huy.
No further changes in situation. Bn out of gas, no supply available.
Short 1 Lt, 20 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Huy, Belgium
080001 Sep 44
090001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, clear, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Locations: Bn CP, CPs Cos A & D 229183, vic Huy. Co A: 1st Plat 223178, vic Leumont; 2nd plat 221209 vic Vinalmom; 3rd Plat 255195 vic Sartiere. Co B: 964154 vic Vedrin. Co C 990238 vic Longchamps. Co D: 1st Plat 253193, vic Sartiere; 2nd Plat 224167 vic Huy; 3rd plat 219198 vic Anthair. Sv Co 146203 vic Lavoir. AG Plat & Mort Plat 243199 vic Gestry. 08

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- 0000 Oper Inst #22, Hq 1st US Inf Div 072400B Sep 44 recd giving orders, routes, phaselines, objectives for movement of 18th Inf & 26th Inf for advance.
- 1640 Hq 16th CT ordered rcn plat to report to CP.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st, 2nd, & 3rd plats remained vic Huy, no action.
Co B: 2nd Plat - left vic Vedrin arrvd St Georges 318253, no ey encountered.
3rd plat - left vic Vedrin arrvd vic St Georges 318253, no ey encountered.
Co C: 2nd plat attached Co F 26th Inf moved fr 399426 at 0930 closing in vic 319314 at 1230. No ey action. 3rd Plat - 1 sec tks attached 2nd Bn 26th Inf moved at 0900 fr 995251 to vic Noville, 335315 set up defensive positions 1330. Drew back with rest of Co for maint.
Co D: 1st plat - remained in defensive positions NE Huy, 225196. 2nd Plat - No change. 3rd plat - remained in positions SE Huy, 228204, maintenance performed.
Mort Plat: remained in position vic 244204.
AG Plat: remained Huy for lack of gasoline.
- 2400 No further changes in situation or positions.
Short 1 Lt, 20 Med tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Huy, Belgium
090001 Sep 44
100001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, clear, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP, CPs Cos A & D 229183, vic Huy. Co A: 1st plat 223178, vic Loumont; 2nd plat 221209 vic Vinalmon; 3rd plat 255195 vic Sartiere. Co D; 1st plat 253193, vic Sartiere; 2nd plat 224167, vic Huy; 3rd plat 219198, vic Anthert. Sv Co 169178, vic Couthuin. Mort Plat and AG Plat 243199 vic Gestry. Co B vic St Georges 318254. Co C vic Jeneffe 317307.

- 1600 Message recd fr G-3, 1st US Inf Div: Tks & MIOs will not exceed 12 MPH at the head of a column, and at no time will exceed 15 MPH. This policy will be followed except in a tactical emergency.
- 2100 FO #45, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 091900B Sep 44 recd, giving objectives, routes, phaselines, regimental zones of adv of div fr vic Huy to vic Nerve.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st, 2nd, 3rd plats remained vic Huy, no action.
Co B: 2nd & 3rd plats remained in positions vic St Georges.
Co C: 2nd plat - remained in position vic 319314. 3rd plat - remained in position at at Noville 335315, 2 tks sent to maint.
Co D: 1st Plat - remained in defensive positions NE Huy 25196. 2nd Plat - no change. 3rd plat - remained in position 228204.
Mort Plat: remained in positions vic 244204.
AG Plat: moved to new position in Huy.
- 2400 No further change in positions or situation.
Short 1 Lt, 18 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

45th Tk Bn
Vic Huy, Belgium
100001 Sep 44
110001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, damp, foggy, changing to clear and sunny 1000.
Visibility: Good after 1000.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP, CPs Cos A & D 229183, vic Huy. Co A 1st plat 223178, vic Leumont, 2nd plat 221209, vic Vinalmon, 3rd plat 255195, vic Sartiere. Co D: 1st plat 253193, vic Sartiere; 2nd plat 224167, vic Huy; 3rd plat 219198, vic Antheit. Sv Co 169178 vic Couthain. Mort plat, AG plat 243199 vic Gstry. Co B assembled vic 318254, St Georges. Co C assembled vic Jeneffe, 317307.

- 0830 FO #13, Hq CT 16, 092200B Sep 44 recd, giving objectives, route of march, phase lines, and zones of regiments for movement of CT 16 fr vic Huy to vic S Herve, TFs to start moving 0730.
- 1225 Bn CPs, CPs Cos A & D, moved fr 229183, vic Huy, closing in area 607274, vic Herve at 1515.
- 1615 CO Co B reported CP giving locations of plats: CP at 602289, 1st plat 646294, vic Herve, moved fr Domartin 323270 at 0800 w/Co B 18th Inf mounted on tks arriving at destination 1400, no ey contact. 2nd plat vic 655293 vic Herve, left vic Loneux, 559265 at 0800 w/I Co 18th Inf mounted on tks, arrived destination 1400; ey encountered at 655293 in pillbox, 35 PWS taken. 3rd plat vic 655293 vic Herve, left vic Sus-les-Bois at 0800 w/L Co, 18th Inf mounted on tks, arrived dest 1400. Encountered ey at 655293 in pillbox, 35 PWS taken.
- 1700 CO Co A reported positions of plats: 1st plat - 645285, 2nd plat 643267, 3rd plat 626278, all vic S Herve.
- 1730 CO Co D reported positions of plats: 1st plat w/2nd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/3rd plat Co A, 3rd plat w/1st plat Co A.
- 1900 CO Hq Co reported AG plat located 636269 vic Herve, Mort plat 641272 vic Herve.
- 2200 Lsn Off reported CP with orders for rcn plat to report to 16th CP.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st plat - moved fr vic Huy to position E Herve, 645285, 1 tk threw track, 2 tks ran out of gas. Tks came under ey arty. 2nd plat - moved fr vic Huy E to vic 1 mi SE Herve. No ey contact. 3rd plat - moved fr vic Huy to vic Herve 626278.
Co B: 2nd plat - left vic St Georges arrived vic Herve. Encountered hvy ey arty & mortar fire. No casualties. 3rd plat - left vic St Georges arrived vic Herve; encountered hvy ey arty and mortar fire.
Co C: 1st plat - attached 2 tks 2nd plat, 1 tk 3rd plat at 0700 due to plats having tks in maint. 2nd plat - attached F Co 26th Inf left vic 319314 and arrived objective vic 559309, 1115. Crossed Meuse River at 0930. 3rd plat - attached F Co 26th Inf moved fr Noville 332314 at 0830, crossed Meuse River at Liege, set up defensive positions vic Erumby, 565306, no ey contact.
Co D: 1st plat moved fr vic 255196, vic Huy, at 0945, arrived vic Herve 627278 at 1400. 2nd plat - moved to vic Herve 646284. 3rd plat - moved fr positions vic Huy at 0800 to 644266 vic Herve at 1300.
Mort Plat: with M Co, 16th Inf, moved fr 244204 at 1000, closed in area 638272 at 1400.
AG Plat: moved fr vic Huy to vic S of Herve and fired at unknown targets.
- 2400 No further changes in positions or situation.
Short 1 Lt, 14 Med tks (deadlined and battle losses.)

Hq 15th Tk Bn
Vic Herve, Belgium
110001 Sep 44
120001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, sunny, clear.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP 607274, vic Herve, CPs Cos A & D 604275, vic Herve. 1st plat Co A, 2nd plat Co D, 645285 S Herve. 2nd plat Co A, 3rd plat Co D 643267 S Herve; 5rd plat Co A, 1st plat Co D 626278 S Herve. Co B CP 602289, W Herve, 1st plat 649294, 2nd plat 655295, 3rd plat 655295, all vic Herve. Sv Co 169178, vic Couthuin. Mort Plat 641272 vic Herve, AG plat 656269 vic Herve.

- 0645 Rcn plat consisting of 1 H/T, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ tons and crews reported CP 1st Bn 16th Inf, picked up 17 Infantrymen.
- 0650 Rcn plat started on rcn mission to rcn obj 1st Bn 16th Inf and report disposition of enemy. Rcn party contacted 4 2y tks and Inf vic Hockelbach 714510. PWs were taken and asserted ey to be in area in force and as vehicles started to withdraw tks and small arms opened fire. Plat ordered withdrawn by CO 1st Bn 16th Inf at 1101, and reported to Bn CP. 9 EM missing, 2 wounded, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ tons lost. Later rcn found 2 wounded who had been treated by 3rd Armd Div medics. 3 EM KIA, 1 veh recovered, hit by shrapnel. Final report 2 EM MIA, 3 EM KIA, 6 EM MIA.
- 1100 FO #46, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 110900B Sep 44 recd giving obj, phaselines, zones for positions prior to attack on Siegfried line and Aachen.
- 1400 Sv Co moved fr 169178, vic Couthuin to 602276, vic Herve.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st plat— remained in position E of Herve 645285 w/B Co 16th Inf.
2nd plat - no change in positions.
Co B: 1st plat - detached fr 1st Bn 16th Inf and attached 2nd Bn 18th Inf. Moved fr vic Herve w/F Co at 1500 through Aubel to Hazelstien. N of Charneux 1st section fired HE at pillbox and monument at 656285, pill box destroyed. 2nd section hit hvy ey resistance in Charneux. 1 tk temporarily disabled by hand grenade and bazooka. Plat fought its way to Aubel firing HE and MG at houses where ey were in position. Knocked out pillbox vic 651346 with 5 rounds AP. Arrived objective 2100. Expended 64 rds 75mm, 4000 rds Cal..30.
2nd plat - remained in posn vic Herve. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Herve.
Co C: 1st plat - Tks detached fr 2nd & 3rd plats and plat attached G Co 26th Inf vic 563505. 2nd plat - attached F Co 26th Inf remained vic 559509. 3rd plat - reld fr 2nd Bn 26th Inf, attached 3rd Bn 26th Inf and moved fr vic Frumby, 563505 at 1600. Reached obj 615326 at 1800. No ey contact.
Co D: 1st plat - 3 tks made rcn patrol fr 0800-1200 to road junction 693281. Returned to defensive posns vic Herve 627278, carrying 5 PWs taken by Bn Rcn.
2nd plat - attached C Co 16th Inf, attacked E to Henri Chapelle, 725525, took over German barracks, captured 7 PWs and 6 150mm How dismantled in barracks.
3rd plat - remained in posn 644266 S of Herve, alerted to move on $\frac{1}{2}$ hr notice at 1050.
Mort Plat: remained in position W/Co M vic 638274.
AG Plat: Left position at Herve enroute vic Rachen, stopped in Chainerex and on moving fwd came under arty bursts. Took hasty positions and fired 130 rds at ey arty, tks, and Inf. Had to dig tks in to give added range.
2400 No further changes in positions or situation.
1 Lt, 11 Med tks short (acquired and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Herve, Belgium
120001 Sep 44
130001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, clear, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP 607274, vic Herve, CPs C, A & D 604275, vic Herve.

- 0730 FO #47, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 112130B Sep 44 recd giving objectives, plans for rcn to Siegfried line to develop enemy situation.
- 0900 2 EM fr rcn plat MIA returned to Bn after treatment by 3rd Armd Div medics. Reported 1 EM in hospital. 3 EM still MIA - all reports indicate 3 EM taken PW by ey, 2 of them wounded. Ey captured 2 1/4 ton trucks with SCR 510.
- 1825 Bn CP left 607274 vic Herve, moved to 679282, 3 mi NW Limbourg.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st plat - moved w/A Co 16th Inf fr vic 779359 snelling town and aiding Inf. Moved to objective vic 825387, knocked out ey AT gun. Plat ldr LWG, evacuated at 2300. Under heavy ey artillery fire that night. 2nd plat - moved to Welkenraedt, 778343, arriving at 2230. 3rd plat - moved fr vic Herve at 0830 to cross Siegfried Line; flushed Forest Domaniale; moved to Eyenatten under ey tk and hvy arty fire at 2300.
Co B: 1st plat - 0930 attached F Co 18th Inf joined at Haggelstein at 1030 and moved to RJ at 775419. 1300 moved fr 775419 to vic 699404 at 1500. At 1630 joined 2nd Bn 18th Inf at Aubel and moved to 771375. Dozer cleared concrete off road from destroyed railroad bridge. 2nd plat - left vic Herve, arrived vic Aubel 675345. Encountered ey in town. 3rd plat - left vic Herve arrived vic Aubel 675345. Ey driven fr town.
Co C: 1st plat - moved fr 559309 at 1500, attached G Co, 26th Inf, reached objective 355670 at 1800, no ey contact. 2nd plat - attached F Co moved fr 559309 at 1530 to 665354 reaching objective at 1900, no ey action. 3rd plat - attached K Co, 26th Inf, moved fr vic 613326, 1800, closed in area vic Haggelstein, 680370, 1800, set up defensive positions; no ey contact.
Co D: 1st plat - left vic Herve 627278 at 0815 patrolled through forest Domaniale de Grunhault and set up road blocks 724292. Left at 1330 to Welkenraedt, 784339, arrived Eyenatten 833339 at 2100, subject to arty fire fr 3rd Armored Division; withdrew to Eyenatten 825342 at 2250. 2nd plat - attached C Co 16th Inf moved to 825386; entered outer defenses of Siegfried line; took 7 PWs and 2 trucks, secured for AA. Subjected to ey artillery. 3rd plat - left position SE Herve at 0830 and moved to 711331 at 1200. Moved to 791341 at 1930.
Mort Plat: left posn vic 338272 at 0830 w/M Co 16th Inf, closed in vic 715290 at 0930. Moved at 1500 to 764327 closing in 1530. At 1600 moved to vic 776343. At 1830 joined I Co and incurred heavy arty fire at 833338, no casualties in plat, took position at 2230 vic 829339.
AG Plat: moved along road to Aachen and tks took positions next to Op for emergency fire. Set up pen for civilians crossing front. Moved under fire to position near German border.
- 2400 No further change in position or situation.
2 Lt, 11 Med tks short (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 5th Tk Bn
Vic Limbourg, Belgium
130001 Sep 44
140001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, clear, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP, CPs Co A & D 699282 vic Limbourg, Co C CP 681353 vic Aubel. Sv Co 602276, vic Herve.

During night ey arty fell on 1st plat Co A: 1 Off, 8 EM WIA, 1 EM KIA.

0800 EO #48, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 122200B Sep 44 recd, giving objectives, zones for development of Siegfried line and advance vic Aachen.

1715 Sv Co, less Bn Maint Plat, moved fr vic 602276, vic Herve, to 759349 vic Schmalgraf.

1830 Bn CP, CPs Cos A & D, moved fr 699282, vic Limbourg. Closed in 783335, vic Lontzen 1915.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:

Co A: 1st plat - shelled by ey, 9 EM WIA, 1 EM KIA, moving to 797358 w/Co A 16th Inf. 2nd plat - moved w/F Co, 16th Inf to 817307. No ey contact.

3rd plat - moved at 0910 to position on road S of Eyenattenheide. Hvy ey arty in area. At 1400 met stiff ey resistance in first element of Siegfried Line. Destroyed 3 pillboxes. Took 22 PWs. 1 tk, 2 norsesdrawn 88s destroyed. Set up strong points along road. Pltn Ldr knocked out for 3 hrs by muzzleblast. No casualties.

Co B: 1st plat - attached Co C 18th Inf moved at 0700. At 805401 encountered AT gun and pillbox and tks, TDs fired at it. Pvt Baker distinguished himself by showing courage in manning Cal .50 gun. He was injured by German surrendering from pillbox. Found road blocked by crisscrossed trees and ey counter attacked. At dark pulled back to position 805402. 2nd plat - Left Aubel arrvd vic Aachen, Germany 825388. Encountered hvy ey arty and mortar fire. 3rd plat - Left Aubel, arrvd vic Aachen, Germany under hvy ey arty and mortar fire.

Co C: 1st plat - detached fr G Co, 26th Inf, attached F Co 26th Inf. Left vic 353673 at 0830 reached area vic 826267 at 1930. No ey contact. 2nd plat - attached G Co 26th Inf moved fr 665354 at 0830 to 828367 at 1730. No ey contact. 3rd plat - attached 3rd Bn 26th Inf, moved fr vic 6887 at 0900 entering Germany, set up defensive positions vic 825388 by 1800, subjected to ey arty, no casualties.

Co D: 1st plat - left vic Eyenatten, 825342, at 1000. Arrived N Eyenatten 85760, 1045. Left at 1600 crossing into Germany. Knocked out ey pillbox and took 17 PWs at 846381. 2nd plat - 2nd sec moved to OP L Co to repel counter attack. Using cannister and MG fire at close range, 25-30 yds. Held by 3rd Bn 26th Inf. Moved to Hergenrath, 798361. 3rd plat - left Lontzen, Belgium, 644266 at 0900, arrived Preston, Belgium, 817348, at 0945.

Mort Plat: Moved fr 629339 with I Co at 1000 at 838359, took firing positions, fired at ey installations in Germany. 13 Co M men unofficially attached and assigned squads.

AG Plat: remained in position outside Aachen under occasional ey fire. Fired counter-battery fire, aided 2 French soldiers who had escaped fr German prison camp.

2400 No further changes in positions or situation.
Short 2 Lt, 12 led tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 45th Tk Bn
Vic Lontzen, Belgium
140001 Sep 44
150001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, rainy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP, CPs Cos A & D 783335, vic Lontzen. Co A 1st plat 804356, vic Jomassengide; 2nd plat 817348 vic Gostert. Co B CP 776384, vic Eyksken, 1st Plat 798398, 2nd plat 794405, 3rd plat 794417. Co C CP 788327, vic Lontzen, 1st and 2nd plat 833365, vic Freport, 3rd plat 806368 vic Ginster. Sv Co less Bn Maint 759349, vic Schmalgraf. Bn Maint 602276 vic Herve.

- 0900 FO #49, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 140600B Sep 44 recd giving zones of action, obj for advance through Siegfried line to positions SE of Aachen.
- 1000 CO Co A reported above locations of plats.
- 1030 CO Co C reported above locations of plats and also that 2nd & 3rd plats anticipated move.
- 1400 CO Co D reported positions: 1st plat 847377, 2nd plat vic 846356.
CO Hq Co reported positions AG Plat 320360 vic Stock, Mort Plat 842363, vic Eyenattengeide.
- 2100 CO Co A rptd positions 3rd plat 845382.
CO Co D rptd plats locations: 1st 851371, 2nd 846349.
CO Hq Co rptd plats locations: AG 848360, Mort 347375.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st plat - moved fr 848354 to 868388. Sehled by 88's, 1 EM WIA.
2nd plat - moved w/F Co, 16th Inf to 858357, 1 mi W German border.
3rd Plat - moved forward to high ground in woods.
Co B: 1st plat - w/B Co 18th Inf at 805402, moved to RJ 809425 for road block. Tks blocked several intersections and with plat of Inf contacted G Co. Pulled back to 805402 for night and had occasional ey arty fire.
2nd plat - remained in posn w/2nd Bn 18th Inf vic Aachen. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Aachen under hvy arty and mortar fire.
Co C: 1st plat - moved fr area 827367 met small amount ey infantry, closed in area 1630 under hvy arty fire. 2 EM WIA. 2nd plat - attached G Co 26th Inf moved fr 828367 at 0830, crossed German border at 0930. Destroyed 3 road blocks, 4 MG nests, and knocked out a Mk IV tk reaching obj 838394 at 1500. Subject to hvy arty fire. 1 tk hit, 5 EM WIA. 3rd plat - at 1000 sent a sec of tks with a plat of infantry fr K Co on patrol to vic 825396. Ambushed by German infantry, killed 8 ey. Later moved 1000 yds w/3rd Bn 26th Inf vic 828398.
- Sec of tks with K Co used for defensive position, 1 sec remained Bn Hq. No casualties.
Co D: 1st plat - left posn 846351 at 1100 moved to 847386. 2nd plat - attached to C Co, 16th Inf, at 0730 moved to Midfield, SE Aachen, Germany, 866390. Underwent hvy arty barrage enroute. Crossed 1st tk barrier of Siegfried line. 3rd plat - left Prester, 817384, at 0800, moved to Chy, Germany, 857400, at 1000. Mort Plat: fired 55 rds at ey vic 838374, destroyed ey ammo dumps at 1100. At 1630 moved to 845376 crossing German border, took firingpositions at 850387. Fired at mortars and arty. 1930 moved to position at 847375 in former ey pill-box.
AG Plat: supported attack of 1st Bn 16th Inf.
- 2400 No further change in positions or situation.
Short 3 Lt, 11 Med tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Dontzen, Belgium
150001 Sep 44
160001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy, threatening rain, changing to warm and sunny.
Visibility: Poor, becoming fair after noon.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP, CPs Cos A & D 785335 vic Lontzen. Co A 3rd plat 845382. Co D 1st plat 851371, 2nd plat 846349. AG Plat 848360, Mort Plat 847375. Sv Co less Bn Maint 759349, vic Schmalgraf, Bn Maint 602276 vic Herve.

- 0830 Oper Inst #25, Hq 1st US Inf Div 143100B Sep 44 recd giving obj, plan of action, zones of action for adv through Siegfried line to posns on high ground S & SE of Aachen.
- 1000 Bn Maint plat closed in area w/Sv Co 759349, vic Schmalgraf.
- 1400 Lsn Off rptd fr 16th CT w/allotment of 3000 gals gas which he carried to Trans Off who drew gas and rptd to CP at 1900 for distribution basis: 2/3 to Co A, 1/3 to Co D.
- 1535 Bn CP, CPs Cos A & D, left vic 785395, Lontzen, closed in new area 847375, vic Eichenbusch 1630. CP crossed Belgium-German border approx 1600.
- 1830 1st Sgt Co A reported 1 Co A tk lost by ey fire, 142100B Sep. 1 EM KIA, 3 EM WIA.
- 1810 Lsn Off rptd CP with information that 16th CT CP at 1830 will move fr present location 880410.
- 1830 Lsn Off rptd route to be taken and posted w/16th CT markers. Allotment of 350 gals gas for Hq & Sv Co.
- 1815 S-5 submitted and discussed combat efficiency report as of 142400B with S-3, CT 16.
- 1430 CO Co B rptd CP and 1st plat withdrawn to Co C P for maint and rest; 2nd plat vic 779401; 3rd plat no change. CO Co C rptd CP and rptd positions of plats 3rd plat moving to vic 855404, 1st and 2nd plats moving to vic 874414.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 2nd plat - 1st sec moved w/E Co, 2nd sec w/F Co 16th Inf to border. Fired on pillboxes. 5 PWs taken. Destroyed German house, ey strongpoint. After engineers destroyed dragon's teeth, advanced into Germany at 2000. 1 tk hit and burned. 3 EM WIA, 1 EM KIA, took posn under hvy arty and small arms fire. 3rd plat - moved back 1000 yds.
Co B: 1st plat - at CP 1st Bn 16th Inf vic 805402. Alerted for ey counter attack at 0600. Nothing developed. 0900 plat withdrawn to Co Maint vic 775384, 1 tk ret'd to vic 805402, no ey action. 2nd plat and 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Aachen.
Co D: 1st plat - left posn 847586 at 1630 hrs moved to 853378 for maint. 2nd plat - attached B Co 16th Inf, moved to Eilendorf, 885435, into main part of Siegfried Line. Fired on pillboxes, took 35 PWs. 3rd plat - left Chy, 857400 at 0700 arrived vic Aachen 896448 at 0830.
Co C: 1st plat - left area at 1630, closed in area SW Aachen 1900. No ey contact. 2nd plat - attached F Co 16th Inf moved fr 838394 at 1630 and reached obj 873415 at 1830. No ey contact. Ey shelling at 2030, no casualties.
Mort Plat: moved at 1800 fr 847375 to 886409 closing in 2100.
AG Plat: Crossed German border and fired 199 rds at SP guns, Inf, and Arty often using Charge 1. Subjected to frequent ey Arty.
- 2400 No further changes in positions or situation.
2 Lt, 14 Med tks short (deadlined or battle losses).

1 45thTk Bn
Vic Litchenbush, Germany
160001 Sep 44
170001 Sep 44

Weather: Cloudy, rainy, changing to warm and sunny.
Visibility: Poor, changing to fair after noon.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP, CPs Cos A & D, 847574, vic Litchenbush, Germany. Co A: 1st plat 903427, vic Eilendorf; 2nd plat 881437, vic Eilendorf; 3rd plat 851380, vic Litchenbush. Co D: 1st plat 853377, vic Litchenbush, 2nd plat 902424, vic Eilendorf; 3rd plat 881435, vic Eilendorf. Co B: CP 775384, 1st plat w/Co CP, 2nd plat 779401, 3rd plat 784417. Co C CP 809358, vic Hauset, 1st and 2nd plat 874414, 3rd plat 855404. Sv Co 759349 vic Schmalgraf.

0900 CO Co A, CO Co D rptd CP with locations of plats as listed above.

1015 Lsn Off rptd CP stating no movement of Div today with exception patrols fr 26th Inf to Aachen.

11 00 Bn CP, CPs, Cos A & D moved fr 847374, vic Litchenbusch.

1130 Closed in vic 879384, vic Nieder Forstbach.

1200 CO Co C rptd CP that Co CP moved to 867393 vic Hidfield. 1st plat moved to 871419 vic Schonforst.

1715 Ey airbusts vic Bn CP caused CP to move fr 879384 vic Nieder Forstbach to 872387, vic Rich.

1830 Bn CP moved fr 872387, vic Rich to 883370, 2 mi S Nieder Forstbach.

1400 CO Hq Co rptd AG plat location 893401, vic Brand. Mort plat 896428 vic Eilendorf detached fr 3rd Bn 16th Inf, attached 1st Bn 16th Inf.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:

Co A: 1st plat - moved to vic 916424 at 1300 to shell ey pillboxes. Met hvy ey mortar fire; destroyed 15 ey pillboxes with direct fire. Assisted in taking 140 PWs, 1 map w/gun positions. Relieved trapped US Inf squad fr pillbox by direct fire at 100 yds. Made hazardous crossing of dragon teeth and blown bridge to assist Inf squad. 2nd plat - moved fr Brand to Eilendorf to S of Verlantendeide. Hvy ey resistance. 2 counterattacks repulsed. Withstood hvy ey snelling. 3rd plat - at 1930 left posn and proceeded to vic SE Brand.

Co B: 1st plat - 3 tks at Co CP 775384, one tk 805402, one tk in maint.

1015 3 tks returned to 805430. At 1700 took curve at 811405 under ey observation. 4 rds arty fell next to tks. No casualties. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Aachen. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Aachen.

Co C: 2nd plat - attached 2nd Bn 26th Inf remained posn 823415. 3rd plat - remained vic 856397, reconnoitered Inf Co's area for possible counterattack. Ey mortar and arty fire fell in area. No casualties.

Co D: 1st plat - remained in area 853378, doing maint. At 1900 moved to 886414, SE Aachen. 2nd plat - moved to defensive position 1000 yds E, 6 Km fr Aachen. 3rd plat - remained in defensive posns, subject to hvy arty.

2400 No further change in positions or situation.

Short 2 Lt, 12 Med tks (deadlined or battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
170001 Sep 44
180001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, rainy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP, CP Co D 881371 S Nieder Forstbach. Co A: 1st plat 903427 vic Eilendorf, 2nd plat 881438 vic Eilendorf, 3rd plat 851380 vic Litchenbush. Co B: CP 775384, 1st plat w/Co CP, 2nd plat 779401, 3rd plat 784417. Co C: CP 809358 vic Hauset, 1st and 2nd plats 873344, 3rd plat 855409. Co D: 1st plat 853377, vic Litchenbush, 2nd plat 702424 vic Eilendorf, 3rd plat 881435 vic Eilendorf. Sv Co 759349 vic Schmalgraf. Maint Sec 887390 vic Brand.

- 1100 S-3 submitted and discussed combat efficiency report as of 162400B with S-3, CT 16.
- 1500 CO Co A rptd posns of Co A plats: CP located 879384, vic Eich, 1st plat 918424 vic Munsterbusch; 2nd plat 882438 vic Eilendorf, 3rd plat 867428 vic Eilendorf.
3rd plat Co B in Holland, 1st and 2nd plat Co B in Belgium, Co C in Belgium, Cos A & D in Germany, Bn mail orderly in France: a four-country campaign by the Bn all in one day.
- 2200 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st plat - plat leader went on foot to a forest ridge to retrieve a part from a knocked out tk to fix one of his guns, under ey arty fire.
2nd plat - No change in position. Heavy ey artillery, ey counterattack launched but successfully repulsed.
Co B: 1st plat - remained position 805402. Heavy ey arty fire all night. Bulldozer used to fill shell craters in road. No action. Germans gave them last chance to surrender. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Aachen. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Aachen.
Co C: 1st plat - remained in area vic 870420 w/E Co 26th Inf. No ey contact.
2nd plat - attached G Co, 26th Inf, moved up to 3rd Bn 16th Inf to stop a counter attack but attack failed to develop. Retd to vic 873415 at 1600.
3rd plat - remained vic 856397 SW Aachen. Ey arty shelled area heavily. No casualties.
Co D: 1st plat - remained in posns SE Aachen 886414. 2nd plat - under heavy arty fire. Ey counter attack in nearby sector was repelled. 3rd plat - remained in positions under heavy arty fire.
AG Plat: remained in posn in Brand and fired 323 rds on ey arty, AA, tks attacking OP.
- 2400 No further change in posns or situation.
Short 2 Lt, 13 med tks (deadlined or battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
180001 Sep 44
190001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, rainy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP, and CP Co D 881371 S Nieder Forstbach. CP Co A 879384 vic Eich, 1st plat 918424 vic Munsterbusch, 2nd plat 882438 vic Eilendorf, 3rd plat 867428 vic Brand. Co D 1st plat w/2nd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/3rd plat Co A, 3rd plat w/1st plat

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Co A. Co B: CP 832367 vic Freport, 2nd plat 825388. Co C: CP 809358 vic
Midfield, 1st and 2nd plats 874441 vic Schonforst, 3rd plat 855404 vic Midfield.
Sv Co less Maint plat 759359. Maint plat 887390 vic Brand.

1100 Sv Co closed in new area 377374 vic Ober Forstbach.

1415 CO Co A rptd 1st plat A and 2nd plat D engaged w/ey. Moving into town of Stol-
berg, 3rd plat Co A preparing to do indirect fire.

1500 Bn Comdr rptd locations of B Co plats: 1st plat 834388 and 2nd plat 837386
vic Stadt Forest, 3rd plat 790412 vic Wolfshaag.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:

Co A: 1st plat - at 0900 w/A Co 16th Inf attacked town of Stolberg. Entered
town shooting up strongpoints, ey H/Ts and AT guns. Withdrew at 1200 from far
edge of town. Was fired on by Ey AT guns. 2nd plat - no change in positions.
Hvy arty shelling. 1 tk hit by mortar. No casualties or damage. 3rd plat -
at 1240 moved to Brand to support mortar fire. Destroyed ey position covering
roadblock. Retd to posn NE Brand at 1830.

Co B: Attached 1st Bn 18th Inf. Hvy arty shelling. 1 EM WIA ret'd to duty.

Co C: 1st plat - attached E Co 26th Inf remained in posn 870420. No ey contact.

3rd plat - remained in posn 856397 SW Aachen. Ey arty and mortar fire falling
in area. Ey patrols probed front, but our arty shelled and scattered them.

Co D: 1st plat - remained in defensive posns SE Aachen 886414. 2nd plat - at
0700 attacked E to Stolberg supporting B Co 16th Inf. Met heavy resistance.

Held off for night in ey pillboxes. 3rd plat - remained in defensive posns.
Repelled ey counter attack 1000 yds N of position killing many of ey.

Mort Plat: continued firing at ey, 126 rounds. Hvy ey shelling of positions
and OPs all day. 3 men commended for liaison and wire patrol under fire.

AG Plat: fired 135 rds fr position in Brand at attacking tks and Inf. Moved
to front line, 1st Bn 16th Inf, and fired at counterattacking foot troops.

Held a Mk V tk in check.

2400 No further change in positions or situation.

Short 1 Lt, 14 Med tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn

Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

190001 Sep 44

200001 Sep 44

Weather: Warm, sunny.

Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Co D 881371 S Nieder Forstbach. CP Co A 879584 vic Rich,
1st plat Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 vic Eilendorf, 3rd plat 887428 vic Brand. Co D:

1st plat w/2nd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/3rd plat Co A, 3rd plat w/1st plat Co A.

Co B: CP 832367 vic Freport, 1st plat 824388 and 2nd plat 825388 both in Stadt

Forest, 3rd plat 790412 vic Wolfshaag. Co C: CP 809358 vic Midfield, 1st and 2nd

plats 874441, vic Schonforst, 3rd plat 855404 vic Midfield. Sv Co less Maint plat

877374 vic Ober Forstbach. Maint plat 887390 vic Brand. AG plat 895401, vic Brand.

Mort plat 909420 vic Munsterbach.

1100 S-3 submitted and discussed combat efficiency report as of 182400A with S-3,
CT 16.

1330 CO Co A rptd 2 tks lost last night. Casualties unknown as plat virtually cut
off; reported new posns: 3rd plat 857438.

- 1840 1st Sgt Co A rptd locations of plats; 1st plat 923428 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 vic Eilendorf, 3rd plat 857428 vic Eilendorf.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st plat - at 0700 ey tks and Inf attacked. 1 Med tk knocked out, no casualties. Sgt Russell pulled tk from cover to fire at ey tk and then withdrew. Tk dozer knocked out, no casualties. Ey mortar shell wounded plat ldr and 3 EM. With plat sgt observing fr window, Sgt Russell guided tk into posn and fired 6 rds knocking out 2 ey tks, tk then took cover again. At 1000 Mk VI started to attack. Using same tactics 4 hits were observed and ey tk withdrew. At 1030 another Mk V tk knocked out using same tactics. Under hvy arty and small arms fire crews of tk carried ey ammunition from knocked out tks to replace amount used in other tk. Cpl Becker after knocking out 3 ey tks with tank gun, shot 3 snipers with borrowed M1 rifle. 2nd plat - no change in posns. Hvy ey arty & mortar fire. No casualties. 3rd plat - at 1020 moved to indirect fire missions. Fired 6 missions, destroyed 1 ey ammo dump, 2 strong points and disrupted flow of ey traffic between Aachen & Haaren.
- Co B: 1st plat moved back to 797398 at nightfall. Drew no arty fire. 2nd and 3rd plats remained in posn vic Aachen.
- Co C: 1st plat - remained posn 870420 w/E Co 26th Inf. Hvy ey shelling, no further action. 2nd plat - attached 2nd Bn, remained in posn 873415. Ey shelling at regular intervals, no casualties. 3rd plat - remained 856397 SW of Aachen, hvy ey arty fire and ey patrols. No casualties.
- Co D: 1st plat - remained posn 873415. Intermittent shelling all day. 2nd plat - repulsed ey counter attack at 0600. Reinforced by elements 3rd Armd Div at 1600. 1 EM WIA by shrapnel. 3rd plat - remained in posn 896448 E Aachen.
- Mort Plat: remained posn 911423, vic 1st Bn 16th Inf CP, firing on ey. Sgt Williamson fwd observer w/Co B, 16th Inf. Fired 143 rds.
- AG Plat: Fired most of combat load into Stolberg knocking out ey observation post in a chimney; stopped ey flank attack with .50 cal. Hit one ey tk, possibly another. Knocked out 2 ey pill boxes, fired effective air burst which pinned down ey inf as our inf advanced. Stopped left flank attack with 105 How. 6 ey killed, 9 PWs. Hvy ey arty during night. One EM WIA.
- 2400 No further change in situation or positions.
1 Lt, 16 Med Tks Short (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
200001 Sep 44
210001 Sep 44

Weather: Rainy, cool.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Co D 881371 S Nieder Forstbach. CP Co A 879384 vic Eich, 1st plat 923428 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 vic Eilendorf, 3rd plat 857428, Brand.
Co D: 1st plat w/2nd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/3rd plat Co A, 3rd plat 2/1st plat Co A.
Co B: CP 832367 vic Freport, 1st plat 824388 and 2nd plat 825388 both in Stadt Forest.
3rd plat 790412 vic Wolfshaag. Co C: CP 809358 vic Midfield, 1st and 2nd plats 874441 vic Schonforst, 3rd plat 855404 vic Midfield. Sv Co less Maint plat 877374 vic Ober Forstbach, Maint plat 887390 vic Brand. AG Plat 923425 vic Munsterbach. Mort Plat 909420 vic Munsterbach.

1000 Sit Overlay Hq 1st US Inf Div 192000A Sep 44 recd.
1400 CO Co A rptd no chang in sit. Unable to evacuate 2 tks knocked out day previous.

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- 1400 CO Co D rptd no change in sit.
2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st plat - remained in posns under heavy ey arty and sniper fire.
2nd & 3rd plats - no change in posns.
Co B: 1st plat - no change in posns. 2nd & 3rd plats - remained in posn vic Aachen.
Co C: 1st plat - remained in posn vic 870420. Hvy arty fire. No other action. 2nd plat - remained posn 877415. Intermittently shelled by ey. No casualties. 3rd plat - remained posn vic 856397 WS Aachen. Hvy ey arty fire. No casualties.
Co D: 1st plat - remained in posn SE Aachen 886414. Hvy ey arty fire. 2nd plat - attacking w/elements 36th Armd Rcn and 32nd Armd Regt. Much sniper and AT fire. Night's shelling by ey 150mm worst since D-Day. 3rd plat - remained in posn E Aachen 896448.
Mort Plat: Remained in firing posns 911423 shelling ey OP at 913426. Ey shelled OP and gun posns. Squads alerted during night in expectation of counterattack.
AG Plat: Remained in posns at Brand, fired at snipers. At night moved into Stolberg.
2400 No further changes in posns or situation.
Short 1 Lt, 12 Med tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn

Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany.

210001 Sep 44

220001 Sep 44

Weather: Clear, warm, sunny.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CF Co D 881371 S Nieder Forstbach. CF Co A 879384 vic Eich, 1st plat 923428, Stolberg; 2nd plat 882438 vic Kilendorf, 3rd plat 857438, Brand.
Co D: 1st plat w/2nd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/3rd plat Co A, 3rd plat w/1st plat Co A.
Co B: CF 832367, vic Freport; 1st plat 824388, 2nd plat 825388 both in Stadt Forest; 3rd plat 790412 vic Wolfshaag. Co C: CF 809358 vic Hidfield, 1st and 2nd plat 874441 vic Schonforts, 3rd plat 855404 vic Hidfield. Sv Co less Maint plat 877374 vic Ober Forstbach, Maint plat 887390 vic Brand. AG Plat 826425 vic Munsterbach, Mort Plat 909420 vic Munsterbach.

- 1100 S-3 submitted and discussed combat efficiency report as of 202400A with S-3, CT 16.
1430 CO Co C rptd 2 EM KIA by arty fire. CO Hq Co rptd AG and Mort plat located in Stolberg vic 928425.
1700 Esn Off rptd CF w/sit report and rptd his 1/2 ton driver killed in afternoon by ey arty shell falling vic CF, 16th Inf.
2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st plat - at 0300 plat Sgt awakened by guard. Ey tk moving front of plat, also noises indicated retrieving of knocked out ey tk. Mortars illuminated area but AT crew failed to fire at ey. Ey successfully retrieved tank. 100 rds fired fr knocked out dozer neutralized ey strong points. Hvy arty and sniper fire continued all day. 2nd plat - no change in posn. 1 EM WIA by ey arty. 3rd plat - took posns for ind fire, destroyed 1 ey supply truck and

forced by traffic fr road and woods.

Co B; 1st plat - no change in posns. 2nd & 3rd plats - remained in posn vic Aachen.

Co D; 1st plat - 2 EM KIA by arty fire. Detached fr E Co to Bn control at 1600. Fired on 4 arty OPs at 1830. 1900 moved to area vic 866404. 2nd plat - remained in posn 896448 SW Aachen. Hvy arty shelling, no casualties.

3rd plat - remained posn 856397 SW Aachen. Hvy arty shelling, no casualties.
Co D; 1st plat - remained posn SE Aachen 886414. 2nd plat - continued attack w/3rd Armd Div to center of Stolberg. 3rd plat - remained in posn E Aachen, 896448.

Mort Plat; moved fr 911424 at 0700 to firing posn 926424. OP est at 931423. Fired at arty at 500 yd range. OP and gun posn under hvy arty fire & sniper fire. At 1700 moved to 927423 for night.

AG Plat; remained in firing position in Stolberg under arty & sniper fire.

2400 No further change in sit or posn.

Short 1 Lt, 11 Med tks (deadlined or battle losses).

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Hq 745th Tk Bn

Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

Weather: Clear, warm, sunny.

Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/arty.

A tta chments; Same.

Locations; Bn CP and CP Co D 881371 S Nieder Forstbach. CP Co A 879384 vic Eich, 1st plat 923428 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 vic Eilendorf, 3rd plat 857428 vic Brand. Co D; 1st plat w/2nd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/3rd plat Co A, 3rd plat w/1st plat Co A. Co B; CP 852367 vic Freport, 1st plat 797398, 2nd plat 825388, vic Stadt Forest, 3rd plat 790412 vic Wolfshaag. Co C; CP 809358 vic Midfield, 1st and 2nd plats 874441 vic Schonforst, 3rd plat 855404 vic Midfield. Sv Co less Maint plat 873574 vic Ober Forstbach, Maint plat 887390 vic Brand. AG Plat 927425, Stolberg. Mort plat 928425 Stolberg.

1045 Message recd fr Lsn Off - crossroads at 917427 under arty observation. Vehicles passing this point should do so rapidly.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows :

Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Stolberg. 2nd & 3rd plats - remained in posn vic Eilendorf.

Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn. Hvy arty shelling during night, no casualties. 2nd & 3rd plats - remained in posn vic Aachen.

Co C: 1st plat - remained in posn vic 866404. 1 tk fired on dugout at 1400. No other action. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic 873415, attached 2nd Bn, 26th Inf. Intermittent arty. 2 EM WIA. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic 856397 SW Aachen. Arty and mortar falling in area. Posn strengthened with barbed wire.

Co D; 1st plat - remained posn SE Aachen 886414. 2nd plat - continued attack in Stolberg cleaning out town and pushing to E side of Stolberg. 3rd plat - remained defensive posn E Aachen 896448.

Mort Plat; remained in firing posns 927423, Stolberg. Established new OP at 932428. OP under arty shell fire.

AG Plat; returned to 895401, vic Brand. 1 tk went to Bn Maint.

2400 No further changes in posns or sit. 2 Lt, 10 Med Tks short (deadlined or battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
230001 Sep 44
240001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy, intermittent rain.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Co D 881371 S Nieder Forstbach. CP Co A 879384 vic Eich, 1st plat 923488 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882459 vic Eilendorf, 3rd plat 857428, Brand. Co D: 1st plat w/2nd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/3rd plat Co A, 3rd plat w/1st Plat Co A. Co B: CP 832367 vic Freport, 1st plat 797598, 2nd plat 825388 vic Stadt Forest, 3rd plat 790412 vic Wolfshaag. Co C: CP 809358 vic Hidfield, 1st and 2nd plats 874441 vic Schanforst, 3rd plat 855404 vic Hidfield. Sv Co less Maint Plat 875374 vic Ober Forstbach, Maint plat 887390 vic Brand. AG Flat 895401 vic Brand, Mort Flat 928425 vic Stolberg.

1100 S-3 submitted and discussed combat efficiency report as of 222400A with S-3 CT 1 6.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st plat remained in posn vic Stolberg, attached Co C, 16th Inf. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Eilendorf. 1 tk moved to fire at ey OP. Destroyed same with 1 round. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Brand.
Co B: 1st plat - no change in posn, no ey contact, very little ey arty. 2nd & 3rd plats - remained in posn vic Aachen.
Co C: 1st plat remained in posn, no ey contact. 2nd plat - remained in posn 875415, shelled by ey, no casualties. 3rd plat - remained posn 856397 SW Aachen. Ey arty and mortar fire fell in area. No casualties.
Co D: 1st plat - remained in posn SE Aachen 886414. 2nd plat - remained in posn in Stolberg, under ey arty fire. 3rd plat - remained in posn E Aachen 896448.

Mort Flat: continued firing fr 927425. Took 2 FMs fr nearby cellar.

AG Flat: Fired 50 rds fr 750145 and moved to 659140 after arty had caused casualties to Cannon Co.

2400 No further changes in positions or situations.
Short 2 Lt, 10 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
240001 Sep 44
250001 Sep 44

Weather: Cold, cloudy, threatening rain.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Co D 881371 S Nieder Forstbach. CP Co A 879384 vic Eich. 1st plat 923429 Stolberg, 2nd plat 882458 vic Eilendorf, 3rd plat 857428 Brand. Co D: 1st plat w/2nd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/3rd plat Co A, 3rd plat w/1st plat Co A. Co B: CP 832367 vic Freport, 1st plat 797598, 2nd plat 825388 vic Stadt Forest. 3rd plat 790412 vic Wolfshaag. Co C: CP 809358, vic Hidfield, 1st and 2nd plats 874441 vic Schanforst, 3rd plat 855404 vic Hidfield. Sv Co less Bn Maint Plat 875374 vic Ober Forstbach. Maint plat 887390 vic Brand. AG Flat 894401 vic Brand Mort Flat 928425 vic Stolberg.

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- 1000 FO #50, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 251800A Sep 44 recd giving new shift in posns for regiments and preparation for seizing high ground E of Aachen.
- 1400 Co B, 5rd plat, withdrawn fr 790412 vic Wolfshaag to vic Co CP vic 832367 vic Freport.
- 2000 S-2, Lsn Off WIA by ey arty vic 16th CT CP.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st plat - remained posn vic Stolberg. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Eilendorf. 3rd plat - 0700, 5 tks attached I Co 18th Inf repelled an ey counterattack which had retaken 8 pillboxes and 3 houses. Netook pillboxes and destroyed houses. Returned to posn vic Brand at 1830.
Co B: 1st plat - no change in posn, very little ey arty. Dozer used to clear mud under RR underpass. 2nd and 3rd plats - remained in posn vic Aachen.
Co C: 1st plat - remained in posn w/2nd Bn 26th Inf. 2nd plat - remained in posn 873415. Ey arty fell intermittently. 1 EM WIA.
Co D: 1st plat - remained in posn SE Aachen 886414. 2nd plat - remained in posn, Stolberg, under ey arty fire. 3rd plat - remained in posn E Aachen, 896448.
Mort Plat: continued firing fr 927425. Established new OP at 929487.
AG Plat: Fired 86 rds fr 639140.
- 2400 No further changes in positions or situation.
Short 1 Lt, 9 Med tks (deadlined or battle losses).

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Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

Weather: Cold, cloudy, intermittent rain.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Co D 882371 S Nieder Forstbach. CP Co A 879384 vic Eich, 1st plat 923429 Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 vic Eilendorf, 3rd plat 857428 Brand.
Co D: 1st plat w/ 2nd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/3rd plat Co A, 3rd plat w/1st plat Co A. Co B: CP 832367 vic Freport, 1st plat 797398, 2nd plat 825388 vic Stadt Forest, 3rd plat vic Co CP. Co C: CP 809358 vic Hidfield, 1st and 2nd plat 874441 vic Schonforst, 3rd plat 855404 vic Hidfield. Sv Co less Maint plat 873374 vic Ober Forstbach. Maint plat 887390 vic Brand. AG Plat vic Brand, 895401. Mort Plat 928425 vic Stolberg.

- 0800 S-4 rptd CP that CO Co C injured by shrapnel. S-4 also injured slightly. 1 EM Co C KIA by shrapnel. 1st and 2nd plats Co C withdrawn to vic 886406 vic Grauenhoff.
- 1100 S-3 submitted and discussed combat efficiency report as of 242400A with S-3 CT 16.
- 1600 Maint plat moved fr 887390 vic Brand, joining Sv Co 873374 vic Ober Forstbach.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Stolberg. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Eilendorf. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Brand.
Co B: 1st plat - no change in posn or sit. 2nd & 3rd plats - remained in posn vic Aachen.

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Co C: 1st plat - attached 2nd Bn 26th Inf. 2 tks covered inf demolition squad as they blew pillboxes. No other action. 2nd plat - attached 2nd Bn 26th Inf. Hvy sy arty barrage. 1 EM KIA. Moved fr 873415 to 863405 at 1730.
Co D: 1st plat - SE Aachen 886414, moved to posn 1 mi E Brand 903404, at 1945 hrs. 2nd plat - remained in posn, Stolberg, under sy arty fire. 120mm mortar landed on front of tk damaging all guns. No casualties. 3rd plat - remained in posn E Aachen 896448.

Mort Plat: Continued in firing posn at 927425, patrols reported mortar fire inflicting hvy sy casualties.

AG Plat: Fired at unknown targets from same position.

2400 No further changes in situa tion or positions.

Short 1 Lt, 9 Med tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn

Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

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270001 Sep 44

Weather: Cold, cloudy, raining.

Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/sy.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Co D 881371 S Nieder Forstbach. CP Co A 879584 vic Rich. 1st plat 923429, Stolberg; 2nd plat 882438 vic Ellendorf, 3rd plat 857458, Brand.
Co D: 1st plat w/2nd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/3rd plat Co A, 3rd plat w/1st plat Co A.
Co B: CP 837347, vic Freport; 1st plat 797398; 2nd plat 825388, vic Stadt Forest; 3rd plat vic Co CP. Co C: CP 809358, vic Hidfield; 1st and 2nd plats 866408 vic Gramshoff, 3rd plat 855404 vic Hidfield. Sv Co 873374 vic Ober Forstbach. AG plat 895401 vic Brand. Mort plat 928425 vic Stolberg.

1200 Reed Oper Inst #7, Hq CT 16, 26th Sep 44 giving plan for counterattack and Sit Rep, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 252000 sep 44.

2400 Cos reports show operations of platoons for this day as follows:

Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Stolberg. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Ellendorf. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Brand.

Co B: 1st plat - no action, slight sy arty, 1 tk joined plat. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Aachen. 3rd Plat - remained in posn vic Aachen.

Co C: 2nd plat - attached 2nd Bn 26th Inf at 863405. Hvy arty landed in area. 3rd plat - remained in posn. Hvy sy arty. 2 EM KIA by shrapnel.

Co D: 1st plat - remained in posn E Brand 903404. 2nd plat - no change in posn. Tk damaged by sy mortar shell, evacuated. 3rd plat - remained in posn E Aachen 896448.

Mort Plat: Remained posn 927425.

AG Plat: fired 255 rds at sy pillboxes and strongpoints and mortars which have been firing on our positions.

2400 No further changes in situation or positions.

Short 2 Lt, 9 Med Tk (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 74th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
270001 Sep 44
280001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, clear in morning, changing to cloudy, threatening rain.
Visibility: Good in morning.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Co D 881371 S Nieder Forstbach. Co A: 1st plat 923429, Stolberg; 2nd plat 882438 vic Eilendorf; 3rd plat 857428 Eilendorf. Co D: 1st Plat w/2nd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/3rd plat Co A; 3rd plat w/1st plat Co A. Co B CP 832367 Vic Freport, 1st plat 797398; 2nd plat 825388, vic Stadt Forest. Co C: CP 809358 vic Midfield, 1st and 2nd plat 866406, vic Graenhoff, 3rd plat 855404 vic Midfield. Sv Co 873374 vic Ober Forstbach. AG Plat 895401 vic Brand. Mort plat 928425 vic Stolberg.

0900 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 262000 Sep 44.

1100 S-3 submitted and discussed combat efficiency reports as of 262400A with S-3 CT 16.

2400. Reports fr Cos show operation of platoons for this day as follows:

Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Stolberg. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Eilendorf. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Brand.

Co B: 1st plat - very little ey activity. Remained posn 798398. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Aachen. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Aachen.

Co D: 1st plat - remained in posn 866404. No ey action. 2nd plat - remained in posn 865405. Arty shelling less. 3rd plat - remained in posn 856397. Hvy ey arty shelling. Ey patrols probed outposts, but driven back.

Co D: 1st plat - remained in posn E Brand 905404. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Stolberg. 3rd plat - remained in posn E Aachen 896448.

Mort Plat: Continued in firing posn 927423. Lt WARDNER left platoon to take posn as S-3. S Sgt Raddatz acting plat ldr.

AG Plat: Fired 121 rds at unknown targets.

2400 No further changes in positions or situation.
Short 2 Lt, 9 Med Tks (deadlined or battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
280001 Sep 44
290001 Sep 44

Weather: Cool, clear, sunny.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP, CP Co D 881371 S Nieder Forstbach. CP Co A vic Bn CP, 1st plat 923429, Stolberg; 2nd plat 882438 vic Eilendorf; 3rd plat 857428 Brand. Co D: 1st plat w/2nd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/3rd plat Co A, 3rd plat w/1st plat Co A. Co B: CP 832367 vic Freport; 1st plat 797398; 2nd plat 825388 vic Stadt Forest; 3rd plat vic Co CP. Co C: CP 809358 vic Midfield; 1st and 2nd plat 866406, vic Graenhoff; 3rd plat 855404 vic Midfield. Sv Co 873374 vic Ober Forstbach. AG Plat 895401 vic Brand. Mort Plat 928425 vic Stolberg.

1300 CO Co A rptd 2 tks 1st plat withdrawn fr 923429, Stolberg, to vic Co CP.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoon for this day as follows:

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2400 Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Stolberg. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Eilendorf. 3rd plat remained in posn vic Brand. 105mm sent to Ord.
Co B: 2nd plat and 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Aachen.
Co C: 1st plat - remained in posn, no ey action. 2nd plat - remained in posn, 863405, no action.
Co D: 1st plat - remained in posn E Brand, 903404. 2nd plat remained in posn Stolberg, 2 tk withdrawn to maint. 3rd plat - remained in posn E Aachen, 896448.
Mort Plat; remained in firing posn vic 927423.
AG Plat; fired 84 rds fr posn vic Brand.
2400 No further change in position or situation.
Short 2 Lt, 10 Med tks (deadlined and battle losses.).

Hq 745th Tk Bn

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300001 Sep 44

Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany.

Weather: Cool, clear, sunny.

Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP, CP Co D 861571 S Nieder Forstbach. CP Co A vic Bn CP, 1st plat 925429, Stolberg; 2nd plat 882438 vic Eilendorf; 3rd plat 857428, Brand. Co D: 1st plat w/2nd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/3rd plat Co A, 3rd plat w/1st plat Co A. Co B: CP 852367 vic Freport; 1st plat 797398; 2nd plat 825388 vic Stadt Forest; 3rd plat 814400, vic ~~Stadthof~~ Midfield; 1st and 2nd plat 866406, vic Garuenhoff; 3rd plat 855404 vic Midfield. Sv Co 873374 vic Ober Forstbach. AG Plat 895401 vic Brand. Mort Plat 928425 vic Stolberg.

1100 S-5 submitted and discussed combat efficiency report as of 282400 with S-5 CT 16.

1400 Bn Maint retrieved 1 Co A tk knocked out Stolberg.

2400 Cos reported day's actions and platoon operations for this day as follows:

Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Stolberg. Plat Ldr retd w/5tks fr Maint. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Eilendorf. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Brand.

Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn 798398. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Aachen. 3rd Plat left vic Aachen to join 3rd Bn 18th Inf at Eilendorf, 885435. No ey contact.

Co C: 1st plat - remained in posn 866404, no contact w/ey. 2nd plat - attached G Co 26th Inf moved fr 863405 to 858418 where they attacked a German strongpoint. 3rd plat - remained in posn 865397.

Co D: 1st plat - remained in posn E Brand 903404. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Stolberg 958415. 3rd plat - remained E Aachen 896448.

Mort Plat; remained in firing posn at 927423.

AG Plat; Fired 95 rds fr same posn, more than half of them at ey mortar posns.

2400 No further change in situation or positions.

Short 2 Lt, 9 Med tks (deadlined or battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
300001 Sep 44
010001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, rainy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP, CP Cos A & D 881371, S Nieder Forstbach. Co A: 1st plat vic Co CP, 2nd plat 882438 vic Eilendorf, 3rd plat 857428, Brand. Co D: 1st plat w/2nd plat Co A; 2nd plat w/3rd plat Co A; 3rd plat s/1st plat Co A. Co B: CP 832367, vic Freport, 1st plat 797398, 2nd plat 825388 vic Stadt Forest; 3rd plat vic Co CP. Co C: CP 809558 vic Midfield, 1st and 2nd plat 866406 vic Grauenhoff; 3rd plat 855404 vic Midfield. Sv Co 873374 vic Ober Forstbach. AG Plat: 895401 vic Brand. Mort plat 928425 vic Stolberg.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Stolberg. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Eilendorf. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Brand.
Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn 798398. 2nd plat remained in posn vic Aachen. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Eilendorf.
Co C: 1st plat remained in posn vic 866404. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic 863405. 3rd plat remained in posn vic 863397.
Co D: 1st plat - remained in posn vic E Brand, 903404. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Stolberg, 938415. 3rd plat - remained in posn E Aachen 896448.
Mort Plat: remained in firing posn 927423, no firing.
AG Plat: fired 31 rounds at unknown target from same posn.
2400 No further changes in posn or situation.
Short 2 Lt, 9 Med Tks (deadlined or battle losses).

For the Battalion Commander:


HOWELL H. HEARD,
MAJOR, 745th Tk Bn,
S-3.

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050001 Sep 44
 060001 Sep 44
 Vic Mons, Belgium

Weather: Intermittent rain.

1000 Ey PWs totalling 7000 in cage adjacent to Bn CP.
 1100 Ey surrendering in complete groups.
 2230 Small arms fire SW of Bn CP.

Personal
 Observation.
 S-2 16th Inf. Confirmed by
 Observation.
 Personal
 Observation.

060001 Sep 44
 070001 Sep 44
 Vic Mons, Belgium

Weather: Rainy, blustery, and very cool.

0900 5 ey divisions destroyed in Mons pocket.
 1000 Ey continuing to surrender in groups up to regt
 size.
 1400 Germany capitulated and Hitler hanged himself.

G-2, 1st Inf Div. Confirmed by
 Official
 Statements.
 Personal
 Observation.
 Belgian civilians Unconfirmed.
 by Brussels radio.

070001 Sep 44
 080001 Sep 44
 Vic Mons, Belgium

Weather: Rainy and unsettled.

1000 Ey casualties in Mons pocket over 17,000.
 1345 Bn CP left 313090.
 1530 Column warned to be alert for ey troops infil-
 trating fr S vic Charleroi.
 2045 Bn CP arrived 229183, 1 mi N of Huy. Distance
 70 miles.

G-2, 1st Inf Div. Confirmed .
 Belgian Patriots. Unconfirmed.

080001 Sep 44
 090001 Sep 44
 Vic Huy, Belgium

Weather: Rainy & unsettled.

1400 2 ey aircraft (ME 109) over Bn CP. AA fire drove
 them off.
 2200 Bulgaria, Germany at war.

Personal
 Observation.
 BEC Algeria. Confirmed by
 Official Statement

090001 Sep 44
 100001 Sep 44
 Vic Huy, Belgium

Weather: Sunny & cool.

2400 No contact w/ey.

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100001 Sep 44
 110001 Sep 44
 Vic Huy, Belgium

Weather: Cold, damp, becoming sunny at 1000.

1325 Bn CP moved fr vic Huy.
 1515 Bn CP arrived 607274, vic Herve.
 1600 Pillboxes and small arms fire at 655295. 35 PWs. Co B

110001 Sep 44
 120001 Sep 44
 Vic Herve, Belgium

0930 4 ey Mk IV tanks and small arms fire in vic 714310. Bn Rcn. Platoon.
 16 PWs unaccounted for after engaging ey.

1100 S-2 distributed maps to Cos for assault on Siegfried Line.

1400 Dog fights between single P-47 and FW 190 E of Bn CP. Results unobserved. Personal

2200 2 ey aircraft over Bn CP. One bomb dropped 3 mi to SW. Personal

2350 Single ey plane over Bn CP. Personal

120001 Sep 44
 150001 Sep 44
 Vic Herve, Belgium

Weather: Sunny & cool.

0500 Single ey plane dropped bomb about 6 mi E of Bn CP. Personal

0900 One PW taken in vic 714310. No information as to name, unit, etc. Taken to 16th Inf. Capture was made possible by information given by Belgian civilian. Bn Rcn Plat.

1825 Bn CP left area vic Herve.

1910 Bn CP arrived 699282, 3 mi NW of Limbourg. Distance 6 mi.

2300 Hvy ey artillery fire vic 825387. Co A.

130001 Sep 44
 140001 Sep 44
 Vic Limbourg, Belgium

Weather: Cool and sunny.

0230 Hvy ey artillery fire, 150mm, in area 6 mi W of Aachen. Co A.

1835 Bn CP moved fr 699282.

1915 Bn CP closed in vic 785355, near Lontzen.

2000 German civilians' morale very low; American troops would be welcomed, and a prolonged struggle could not be made by the ey. Civilian, vic 785355. Unconfirmed.

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140001 Sep 44
 150001 Sep 44
 Vic Lontzen, Belgium

0900 Weather: Cool, intermittent rain.
 Ey resisting along Siegfried Line SW of Aachen with tanks, 2 or 3 Bns of artillery, and at pill-boxes and strongpoints. Dragon teeth defenses overcome.

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150001 Sep 44
 160001 Sep 44
 Vic Lontzen, Belgium

Weather: Cool, cloudy, becoming sunny at 1100.

1535 Bn CP left area near Lontzen.
 1600 Column crossed Belgian-German border.
 1630 Bn CP arrived 847375, vic Fitchenbusch, Germany. Distance 6 miles.
 1900 S-2 distributed maps to Cos.
 1930 5 ey aircraft over Bn CP. No damage.

Personal Observation.

160001 Sep 44
 170001 Sep 44
 Vic Fitchenbusch, Germany

Weather: Cool, clear.

1100 Bn CP moved fr 847375.
 1130 Bn CP closed in vic 879384, vic Nieder Forstbach.
 1700 8 ey shells (air bursts) in Bn CP area. Ey SP 88mm gun located in area about 1 mi W of Brand.
 1715 Bn CP moved fr 879384.
 1735 Bn CP arrived 872387, distance 4 mi.
 1740 15 ey aircraft vic Aachen. One P-38 & one ME 109 destroyed.
 1859 Bn CP moved fr 872387.
 1900 Bn CP arrived 883370, vic Nieder Forstbach.

Personal Observation.

170001 Sep 44
 180001 Sep 44
 Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

Weather: Cool and rainy.

0900 Allied airborne operation in Holland aimed to force the Lower Rhine and outflank the German border defenses. BFC London. Confirmed.
 2200 Cos report ey counterattacks and artillery fire failed to regain lost ground. All positions secure. Co reports.

180001 Sep 44
 190001 Sep 44
 Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

Weather: Cool and rainy.

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- 0900 Attack to the N of Stolberg, engaging ey pillboxes and anti-tank defenses. Opposition fierce in sector but ey counterattacks failed to dislodge us fr positions.
- 1130 Ey artillery, 150mm How, heard shelling area 1 mi N of Bn area.
- 1600 Two ey aircraft seen over Bn area but were driven away by intense AA fire.

Cos A & D.

Personal Observation.

Personal Observation.

190001 Sep 44
200001 Sep 44
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

Weather: Warm and sunny.

- 2200 Hvy fighting in Stolberg. 4 Mk IV tanks and 2 Mk VI tks were observed in area. Ey artillery and mortar fire continued hvy in the entire sector.

Co. reports.

200001 Sep 44
210001 Sep 44
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

Weather: Rainy, cool.

- 2200 No change in situation. Ey artillery fire continued to be heavy all along the front.

Co reports.

210001 Sep 44
220001 Sep 44
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

Weather: Warm and sunny.

- 1000 German 12th Inf Div withdrawn fr Russian front now in sector of operations. 27th Reg of this Div positively identified. Main ey opposition is being given by remnants of the 116th Pz Div and various local defense troops manning pillboxes and strongpoints.
- 2200 Hvy ey artillery fire continues.

G-2, 1st Inf Div.

Co reports.

220001 Sep 44
230001 Sep 44
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

Weather: Warm and sunny.

- 2200 Little change in ey situation. Ey artillery observed but to a lesser degree than previous days.

Co reports.

230001 Sep 44

240001 Sep 44

Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

Weather: Cool and cloudy with Intermittent rain.

2200 Ey still defended all positions strongly.
Little change in situation.

Co reports.

240001 Sep 44

250001 Sep 44

Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

Weather: Cool and cloudy, threatening rain.

2000 Bn S-2 SWA by ey heavy mortar vic 16th Inf CP.

2200 Little change in situation. Ey artillery was
experienced slightly during period.

Co reports.

250001 Sep 44

260001 Sep 44

Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

Weather: Cool, cloudy with intermittent rain.

2200 Little change in situation. Ey artillery still
active, an estimated 30 guns firing with a
fairly equitable distribution of shells over the
front.

Co reports.

260001 Sep 44

270001 Sep 44

Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

Weather: Cool, cloudy.

2200 No change in situation.

280001 Sep 44

290001 Sep 44

Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany.

Weather: Cool and clear, becoming cloudy at 1700.

1845 3 ey shells, probably 150mm How, came into area of
Bn CP. Guns apparently firing fr high ground NE
of Aachen, aimed either at road adjacent to Bn CP
or at artillery located in vicinity. No damage.
No further activity.

Personal observation.

2200 No change in situation.

Co reports.

280001 Sep 44

290001 Sep 44

Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

Weather: Cool, cloudy with intermittent rain.

2200. No change in situation. Ey artillery and mortar
fire heavy throughout period, but evenly distrib-
uted over front.

Co reports.

<u>TIME</u>	<u>INFORMATION</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>RELIABILITY</u>
		290001 Sep 44	
		300001 Sep 44	
		Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany	

Weather: Cool, broken clouds.

1500	Ey concentration vic Atsch, 6 mi W of Aachen, presumably massing for counterattack. Air mission called on target and at 1530 approximately 30 P-47s strafed and divebombed target. Results reported to be good.	Lsn Officer	Confirmed.
2200	No change reported. Ey artillery unusually quiet throughout the period.	Co reports.	

300001 Sep 44
 010001 Oct 44
 Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

Weather: Cool, cloudy with intermittent showers.

2200 No change in situation. Ey artillery very sparse. Co reports.

By Order of LT COL NICHOLS:

Wallace C. Wardner
 WALLACE C. WARDNER,
 1st Lt., 745th Tank Bn,
 S-2.

S - 1 JOURNAL

For Period
From: 01 0001 Sept 44
To : 01 0001 Oct 44

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Etonvelles, France
010001 Sept 44
020001 Sept 44

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Pvt Joseph A. Zazzaro, 32861652, Co "A", slightly sk in Hosp (LD) to dropped from asgmt (NBC).

Awards and Decorations: Capt ALWYN L. WASHBURN, 01014286, Co "C", and 1st Sgt William E. Wagner, 20200805, Co "B", awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action in Normandy, France. Tec 4 Thomas Scoleri, 36374867, Sv Co, Tec 4 Oscar C. Patrick, 34035916, Sv Co, and Tec 5 John M. Zimmerman, 36375170, Sv Co, awarded the Bronze Star for heroic achievement in connection with mil operations against the enemy in Normandy, France.

Church Sv were held for Off and EM at 1100 hrs.

S-1 Periodic Report submitted this date.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Buiron Fosse, France
020001 Sept 44
030001 Sept 44

No changes.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Louvroil, France
030001 Sept 44
040001 Sept 44

Decrease in Strength: See Killed and Wounded.

Killed: Tec 5 Warren J. Kawell, 36375461 Co "C", Pfc Meyer Sokol, 36375010, Co "C"; Pfc Palmer M. Hofdahl, 57311043, Co "C"; Pvt Harry F. Himstadt, 37004516, Co "C", all KIA.

Wounded: Sgt Earl R. Jackson, 36061570, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LIA, dropped fr asgmt; Sgt Glenn J. Dill, 16128044, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA, dropped fr asgmt; Cpl Jospeh P. Avelis, 36375619, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA, dropped fr asgmt; Tec 5 Ernest Cairo, 36375064, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA, dropped fr asgmt; Tec 5 Elvin V. Phelps, 36382104, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA, dropped fr asgmt; Sgt Edward Morris, 20157339, Co "B", and Pfc Guy I. Hale, 36375235, Co "B", minor face wounds, remained for dy.

Prisoners: 13 enemy captured by Rcn; 243 captured by Assault Platoon - 2 Sept 44. Co "B" captured 95 pris and killed 100 enemy - 1 Sept 44; captured 37 pris - 2 Sept 44 and aided in the capture of 463 pris on 3 Sept 44.

A WOL: Pvt Leslie L. Hopper, 35693663, dy to AWOL at 1000 hrs.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mons, Belgium
040001 Sept 44
050001 Sept 44

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Pvt Allen F. Lamar, 35811934, Co "B", Hosp (LD) LIA to dropped fr asgmt; Pvt William Smith, 36382124, Co "B", Hosp (LD) alightly sk to dropped ff asgmt; Pvt John W. Ochs, 11105246, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA dropped fr asgmt.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mons, Belgium
050001 Sept 44
060001 Sept 44

Orders: Change of asgmt of EM within the Bn,

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: 1st Lt JOSPEH S. SABOL, 01014760, dy to Hosp (LD) slightly sk, Co "B",

Prisoners: Co "A" assisted in the capture of 550 pris - 3 Sept 44, and captured 40 pris - 4 Sept 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mons, Belgium
060001 Sept 44
070001 Sept 44

Orders: Changes in asgmt and dy of Off and EM within the Bn and promotion of EM.

Prisoners: Sv Co captured one pris.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Huy, Belgium
070001 Sept 44
080001 Sept 44

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Pvt Joseph J. Formiglia, 32863615, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LIA, dropped fr asgmt, eff 5 Sept 44.

Prisoners: Co "A" captured 160 pris - 5 Sept 44; Co "A" captured 2 pris - 6 Sept 44; Co "D" captured 7 pris - 2 Sept 44; Co "D" captured 33 pris - 4 Sept 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Huy, Belgium
080001 Sept 44
090001 Sept 44

Decrease in Strength: See MIA and Wounded.

MIA: Pvt Dwight E. Davis, 31328208, dy to MIA (BC), eff 3 Sept 44.

Wounded: 1st Lt JOSEPH S. SABOL, 01014760, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) slightly sk,

dropped fr asgmt, eff 6 Sept 44; 2nd Lt JOHN J. DAY, 01011449, dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC), eff 8 Sept 44; Sgt Charles Karkut, 31029632, dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC), eff 6 Sept 44.
 Prisoners: Co "C" captured 375 pris - 5 Sept 44. Co "D" captured 717 pris - 5 Sept 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
 Vic Huy, Belgium
 090001 Sept 44
 100001 Sept 44

Orders: Amendment of previous orders.
 Awards and Decorations: Pvt Dwight E. Davis, 31328208, Co "B", and Pvt Burl R. Innis, 35000912, Co "C", awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in France.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
 Vic Herve, Belgium
 100001 S ept 44
 110001 Sept 44

No changes.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
 Vic Herve, Belgium
 110001 Sept 44
 120001 Sept 44

Decrease in Strength: See Killed and Wounded.
 Killed: Pfc Raymond T. Dirks, 38105410, Hq Co, dy to KIA; Pvt Francis W. Clifford, 36374731, Hq Co, dy to KIA; Pvt George M. Hamner, 36374895, Hq Co, dy to KIA.
 Wounded: Sgt Irvin H. Steve, 36374975, Hq Co, dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); S. Sgt Stanley Gowgiel, 36375506, Hq Co, LWA remained for dy; Tec 5 Mike Zielecki, 33030025, Co "D", dy to slightly sk (LD) (NBC), eff 9 Sept 44; Pfc Edwin A. Moll, 36375050, Hq Co LWA remained for dy.
 Prisoners: Co "D" captured 202 prisoners On 6 Sept 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
 Vic Limberg, Belgium
 120001 Sept 44
 150001 Sept 44

Orders: Promotions of EM.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: 2nd Lt JOHN J. DAY, JR., 01011449, Co "B", abs sk (LD) to dropped fr asgmt, eff 11 Sept 44; Sgt Charles Karkut, 31039632, Co "B", abs sk (LD) to dropped fr asgmt (BC), eff 11 Sept 44; Tec 5 Karl J. Binder, 16128253, Co "B", (LD) LIA (BC) dropped fr asgmt; Pvt Guion H. Willis, 33853314, Co "B", minor burns around eye, remained for dy (BC); 1st Lt JAMES A. KELLER, 01015127, Co "B", LWA, shrapnel wounds in left elbow, remained for dy (BC); Pvt Philip F. Keane, 33342481, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) slightly sk (NBC).
 Prisoners: Hq Co captured one prisoner.

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S-1 PERIODIC REPORT

From: 0001, 2 September 1944
To : 2400, 9 September 1944
Unit: 745th TANK BATTALION
Date: 0900, 2 September 1944

MAPS: GSGS 2364, Liege 9, 1/100,000, K-229133

1. STATION LIST: 2 Mile North Huy, Belgium, K-229133

2. ADMINISTRATIVE INSTALLATIONS: None

<u>3. STRENGTH:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. Total Strength:	38	3	672	713
b. Present for Duty:	37	3	670	710
c. T/O & E 17 - 25:	39	3	684	726

<u>4. CASUALTIES:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. Killed:			4	4
b. Wounded and Injured				
(1) Evacuated:	1		8	9
(2) Non Evacuated:			2	2
c. Sick and Gassed				
(1) Evacuated:	1			1
(2) Non Evacuated:				0
d. Captured:				0
e. Missing:			$\frac{1}{15}$	$\frac{1}{17}$
TOTAL:	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>$\frac{1}{15}$</u>	<u>$\frac{1}{17}$</u>

5. GRAVES REGISTRATION: None

<u>6. REPLACEMENTS RECEIVED:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. New Personnel:				0
b. Returned from Hospital:				0
c. Rotated Personnel:				0
TOTAL:	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

7. PRISONERS CAPTURED: Captured: 495 Evacuated: 495 On Hand: 0

8. STRAGGLERS: None

9. MORALE: Excellent

10. CIVILIAN POPULATION: Friendly and cooperative.

For the Battalion Commander:

WILLIAM W. DICK, Jr.
WOJG USA
Asst. Adjutant.

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Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Lontzen, Belgium
130001 Sept 44
140001 Sept 44

Orders: Reduction of EM, asgmt of replacements, and C in asgmt and dy of Off.

Increase in Strength: Thirteen replacements asgd to Bn.

Decrease in Strength: See MIA and Wounded.

MIA: Cpl John W. Narducy, 36378881, Hq Co, dy to MIA; 11 Sept 44; Tec 5 Mario Vangelisti, 36375683, Hq Co, dy to MIA, eff 11 Sept 44; Pvt William L. Gatlin, 34829003, Hq Co, dy to MIA, 11 Sept 44.

Wounded: Sgt Irvin H. Steve, 36374975, Hq Co, abs sk (LD) to dropped fr asgmt (BC); S Sgt Stanley Gowgiel, 36375506, Hq Co, dy to Hosp slightly injured in vehicle accident (LD).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Lontzen, Belgium
140001 Sept 44
150001 Sept 44

Decrease in Strength: See Killed and Wounded.

Killed: Tec 4 Ned E. Witzig, 36375792, Co "A", KIA, 15 Sept 44.

Wounded: Tec 5 Roman S. Bieganski, 36608917, Hq, dy to Hosp (LD) slightly sk (NBC); 1st Lt ROY P. SIMMONS, 01015102, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC), dropped fr asgmt, 15 Sept 44; Sgt Charles J. Ballaerd, 32086417, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC), dropped fr asgmt, 14 Sept 44; Cpl Harold J. Bloomquist, 36375054, Co "A", dy to Hosp, LD (LWA) (BC), dropped fr asgmt, 13 Sept 44; Tec 5 Elmer O. Ganger, 36375316, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC) dropped fr asgmt 15 Sept 44; Pvt Salvatore Lombino, 32868348, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC) dropped fr asgmt, 15 Sept 44; Pvt Howard D. Lovell, 35853390, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC) dropped fr asgmt, 15 Sept 44; Pvt Raymond E. Hagley, 35451876, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC) dropped fr asgmt, 15 Sept 44; Pvt James W. Smith, 36637113, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC) dropped fr asgmt, 15 Sept 44; Pvt Bruno R. Tassione, 36581722, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC) dropped fr asgmt, 15 Sept 44; Cpl William E. Schubert, 35558443, Co "A", LWA, shell fragment wd on right side of forehead, remained for dy, 15 Sept 44; Pvt George E. Baker, 20157375, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC) dropped fr asgmt, 15 Sept 44.

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Vic Lichtenbusch, Germany
150001 Sept 44
160001 Sept 44

Decrease in Strength: See KIA and Wounded.

Killed: Pvt Wayne O. Copenhaver, 35855473, Co "A", KIA.

Wounded: Tec 5 Lawrence Winner, 36375059, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC), 14 Sept 44; S Sgt Joseph G. Kelly, 20200716, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Cpl Joe S. Kriska Jr., 36375519, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Pfc Herma n C. Blesinger, 18097261, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); S Sgt Michael J. Tirone, 31047261, Sv Co, dy to Hosp (LD) (NBC) slightly injured as tk track fell on leg.
Pfc Leslie L. Hopper, 35695663, Sv Co, AWOL to dy, 2200 hrs.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
160001 Sept 44
170001 Sept 44

Orders: Awarding of Purple Hearts to EM.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Pfc Robert A. Kelley, 36375138, Hq Co, dy to Hosp (LD) slightly sk, 15 Sept 44; S Sgt John Lefeber, 36382291, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC), 14 Sept 44; Sgt Edward B. Mitchell, 20380297, Co "C", (LD) LIA (BC), dy to Hosp, 14 Sept 44; Cpl Francis H. Giguere, 37272276, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC), 14 Sept 44; Cpl Louis Foresta, 36380519, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC), 14 Sept 44; Pvt Walter J. Siwek, 36382150, Co "C", dy to Hosp, slightly sk (LD)(NBC), 15 Sept 44.

Awards and Decorations: S Sgt Stanley Gowgiel, 36375506, Hq Co, Cpl Bruno J. Gavron, Co "C", Pfc Edwin A. Moll, 36375030, Hq Co, George T. Jones (Pvt), 39267204, Co "B", Pvt Stanley R. Sumsak, 36375624, Hq Co, awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action against the enemy.

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Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
170001 Sept 44
180001 Sept 44

Orders: Asgmt of Replacements, C in asgmt and dy of EM, and promotion and reductions of EM.

Increase in Strength: 1st Lt SAMUEL O. HERNANDEZ, 0413755, fr dropped fr rolls to dy (NBC); Tec 5 Mike Zielecki, 33020023, Co "D", sl sk in Hosp to dy, 11 Sept 44; 2nd Lt ARTHUR J. MORGANROTH, 0546407, MAC asgd to Med Det as of 9 Sept 44; joined this date. 14 EM joined Bn as of 15 Sept 44, 3 EM joined Bn as of 16 Sept 44; Sgt Earl R. Jacobson, 38061570, Co "B", dropped fr rolls to dy (BC).

Wounded: 1st Lt DONALD M. ENGLISH, 01012546, Co "A", SFA in left thigh, remained for dy.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
180001 Sept 44
190001 Sept 44

Orders: in asgmt of EM within the Bn and asgmt of Off to Med Det.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: 1st Lt GLENNIS W. THOMPSON, 01016054, Hq Co, dy to sl sk in Hosp (LD) NBC; Pfc Robert J. Rossman, 36374877, Co "B", shrapnel wounds in left chest and right leg, remained for dy (BC); Pvt John A. Tabbert, 36608879, Co "C", dy to Hosp slightly sk (NBC), 17 Sept 44; Sgt Edward B. Mitchell, 20380237, Co "C", Hosp (LD) NBC, dropped fr asgmt; Pvt Philip F. Keane, 33342481, Co "C", Hosp (LD) NBC, dropped fr asgmt; Cpl Francis H. Giguere, 37272276, Co "C", Hosp (LD) BC, dropped fr asgmt; Cpl Louis Foresta, 36380519, Co "C", Hosp (LD) BC, dropped fr asgmt; Pvt Walter J. Siwek, 36382150, Co "C", Hosp (LD) NBC, dropped fr asgmt; S Sgt Michael J. Tirone, 31047261, Sv Co, (NBC), dropped fr asgmt.

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S - 1 PERIODIC REPORT

From: 0001, 9 September 1944
To : 2400, 15 September 1944
Unit: 745TH TANK BATTALION
Date: 1000, 16 September 1944

MAPS: GSGS 4040, Verviers, Sheet 70, 1/50,000.

1. STATION LIST: Lichtenbusch, Germany, 3 Miles NW, K-847375

Attached to 1st U.S. Infantry Division

2. ADMINISTRATIVE INSTALLATIONS: None

3. STRENGTH OF COMMAND:

	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. Total Strength:	26	5	665	704
b. Present for Duty:	56	5	652	691
c. T/O & E 17 - 25:	39	5	684	726

4. CASUALTIES:

	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a.. Killed:			5	5
b. Wounded and injured:				
(1) Evacuated:	1		19	20
(2) Non Evacuated:				0
c. Sick and gassed:				
(1) Evacuated:			5	5
(2) Non Evacuated:				0
d. Captured:				0
e. Missing:				0
TOTAL	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>33</u>

5. GRAVES REGISTRATION: None

6. REPLACEMENTS RECEIVED:

	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. New Personnel:			12	12
b. Returned from Hospitals:			1	1
c. Rotated Personnel:				0
TOTAL	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>13</u>

7. PRISONERS CAPTURED: Captured: 1 Evacuated: 1 On Hand: 0

8. STRAGGLERS: None

9. MORALE: Excellent

10. CIVILIAN POPULATION: Friendly and cooperative

For the Battalion Commander:

WILLIAM W. DICK, Jr.
WOJG USA
Asst. Adjutant.

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Hq 745th Tk Bn
 Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
 190001 Sept 44
 200001 Sept 44

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Tec 5 Roman S. Bieganski, 36608917, Hq, absent sk (LD) to dropped fr asgmt (NBC); S Sgt Stanley Gowgiel, 36375506, Hq Co, absent sk (LD) (NBC) to dropped fr asgmt, 18 Sept 44; S Sgt Robert E. Mathes, Jr., 20580912, Co "B", shrapnel wds, left ankle and right heel (BC) remained for dy; Pfc Robert A. Kelley, 36375158, Hq Co, absent sk (LD) BC, to dropped fr asgmt, 18 Sept 44; Pvt Guion H. Willis, 33853514, Co "B", shrapnel wd forehead (BC), remained for dy.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
 Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
 200001 Sept 44
 210001 Sept 44

Decrease in Strength: S Sgt Joseph G. Kelly, 20200716, Co "A", Hosp (LD) (BC) dropped fr asgmt, 18 Sept 44; Cpl Joe S. Kudra, Jr., 36375519, Co "A", Hosp (LD) BC, dropped fr asgmt, 18 Sept 44; Tec 5 Lawrence Winner, 36375059, Co "A", Hosp (LD) BC, dropped fr asgmt, 18 Sept 44; Pfc Herman C. Blezinger, 18097251, Co "A", Hosp (LD) BC, dropped fr asgmt, 18 Sept 44; 1st Lt ANTONE B. GORENC, 01011641, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC), dropped fr asgmt, 19 Sept 44; Tec 5 Alphonse Alensynowicz, 11071878, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC) dropped fr asgmt, 19 Sept 44; Tec 5 Theodore A. Perkins, 37610410, Co "A", dropped fr asgmt, 19 Sept 44, dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Pfc Thomas D. Murrey, 16128046, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC) dropped fr asgmt, 19 Sept 44; Pvt John H. Bittner, 36375312, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC) dropped fr asgmt, 19 Sept 44; Sgt Francis K. Farricy, 31132478, Co "A", LWA (BC) ruptured right ear drum, remained for dy, 19 Sept 44; Tec 4 Francis L. Fish, 36375520, Co "A", cut over mouth (BC), remained for dy; Pvt John A. Tabbart, 36608879, Co "C", Hosp (LD) NBC, dropped fr asgmt.

Awards and Decorations: Capt DONALD E. HONEMAN, 2456140, awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action in Normandy, France. Tec 4 Hayden F. Weiss, 16128259, Co "C", Pfc John B. Swern, 36375603, Co "C", and Pvt Homer W. Wilson, 36375182, Co "C", awarded Bronze Stars for heroic achievement in connection with mil operations against the enemy in Normandy, France. Tec 4 Martin E. Miller, 36374951, Co "C", awarded the Bronze Star for heroic achievement in connection with mil operations against the enemy in Normandy, France.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
 Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
 210001 Sept 44
 220001 Sept 44

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Sgt Shirley B. Marshall, 20380222, Co "D", dy to abs sk (LD) SWA, dropped fr asgmt, 15 Sept 44.

Prisoners: 7 pris captured by Co "D" - 12 Sept 44; 17 pris captured by Co "D" - 13 Sept 44; 35 pris captured by Co "D" - 15 Sept 44.

AWOL: Pfc Dominic M. Pizzimenti, 36757101, dy to AWOL, 1000 hrs, 13 Sept 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
220001 Sept 44
230001 Sept 44

Orders: Promotions and reductions of EM, asgmt of Off to Co's, awarding of Purple Hearts to EM.

Increase in Strength: 2nd Lt LESTER H. HOOVER, 01017147, 2nd Lt DAVID C. HOUCK, 0522762, and 2nd Lt JOSEPH M. PAXTON, 01013665, asgd to Bn fr 92nd Repl Bn, APO 153, U. S. Army.

Decrease in Strength: See Killed and Wounded.

Killed: Pfc Henry J. Rath, 36375210, Hq, KIA.

Wounded: 1st Lt GLENNIS W. THOMPSON, 01016054, Hq Co, abs sk (LD) NBC, to dropped fr asgmt.

Awards and Decorations: Sgt Edward Morris, 20157339, Co "B", Cpl James W. Smith, 35633365, Co "B", Cpl Edward J. Snider, 36382273, Co "A", Pfc Guy L. Hale, 36375235, Co "B", S Sgt James E. Mathes, 20380912, Co "B", Sgt Francis K. Farricy, 31132478, Co "B", Pfc Richard P. Kaucich, 36374909, Co "A", Pvt George E. Baker, 20157375, Co "B", Tec 5 Mike Zielecki, 33020023, Co "D", Pvt John Kozik, 6136925, Co "D", and Pvt Morris Zekser, 32694253, Co "D", awarded Purple Hearts for wounds received in action against the enemy. Pfc Robert J. Rossman, 36374877, Co "B", awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart for wounds received in action against the enemy.

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Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
230001 Sept 44
240001 Sept 44

No changes.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
240001 Sept 44
250001 Sept 44

Increase in Strength: Pvt John W. Ochs, 11105246, Co "C", dropped fr asgmt to dy (BC), 23 Sept 44.

Decrease in Strength: See Killed and Wounded.

Killed: Sgt Joseph J. Kasprak, 36373855, KIA; Cpl Bruno J. Gawron, 36374485, KIA; and Pfc Clarence F. Gubcke, 36375789, KIA; above mentioned are from Co "C", eff 21 Sept 44.

Wounded: Pvt Joseph E. Resnick, 42063155, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC), dropped fr asgmt, 21 Sept 44; Tec 5 Theodore W. Nelson, 36375121, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC) dropped fr asgmt, 21 Sept 44; Tec 4 Fred Arnold, 36375237, Co "C", dy to Hosp (Sl Sk) (LD) NBC, 23 Sept 44; Sgt Robert D. Martin, 36375783, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC), 22 Sept 44; Pvt Howard W. Brouse, 35154288, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC), dropped fr asgmt, 19 Sept 44; Pvt Mike Zielecki, 33020023, Co "D", LWA, SFW, in left shoulder, remained for dy, 19 Sept 44; Pvt Morris Zekser, 32694253, Co "D", LWA, SFW right hand, remained for dy, 19 Sept 44; Cpl Hubert E. Harris, 36382132, Co "C", wd in hand, remained for dy, 23 Sept 44; Tec 5 Richard E. Saldana, 36374549, Co "C", wd in arm, remained for dy, 23 Sept 44; Pfc Henry E. Mulbauer, 33688502, Co "C", wd in back, remained for dy, 22 Sept 44; Capt ALWYN L. WASHBURN, 01014286, Co "C", wd in thigh, remained for dy; Capt JOHN H. GARLAND, 01011095, Hq wd in hand, remained for dy; Capt,

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S - 1 PERIODIC REPORT

:From: 0001, 16 September 1944
:To : 2400, 22 September 1944
:Unit: 745TH TANK BATTALION
:Date: 1000, 23 September 1944
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No. MAPS: GSGS 4040, Verviers Sheet 70, 1/50,000 K-885370

1. STATION LIST: Nieder Forstbach, Germany, 2 Miles South

Attached to 1st U.S. Infantry Division,

2. ADMINISTRATIVE INSTALLATIONS: None

5. <u>STRENGTH OF COMMAND:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. Total Authorized Strength;	39	3	682	724
b. Present for Duty;	39	3	657	699

4. <u>CASUALTIES:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. Killed in Action;			3	3
b. Wounded, Battle Injured and Gassed;	1		9	10
c. Non-battle (including sick, injured, & deceased);	1		2	3
d. Captured;				0
e. Missing;				0
TOTAL	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>16</u>

5. GRAVES REGISTRATION: None

6. <u>REPLACEMENT RECEIVED:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. New Personnel;	3		18	21
b. Returned from Hospitals;				0
c. Rotated Personnel;				0
TOTAL	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>21</u>

7. PRISONERS OF WAR: Captured: 24 Evacuated: 24 On Hand: 0

8. STRAGGLERS: None

9. MORALE: Excellent

10. CIVILIAN POPULATION: None

For the Battalion Commander;

WILLIAM W. DICK, Jr.
WOJG USA
Asst. Adjutant

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RALPH B. BURT, 0310903, Hq, dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Pvt John Kozik, 6136928, Co "D", LWA, SFW in left shoulder, remained for dy, 19 Sept 44.
Prisoners: Co "D", captured 2 pris - 16 Sept 44.
AWOL: Pfc Dominic M. Pizzimenti, 36737101, Co "B", AWOL to dy 0930 hrs.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
250001 Sept 44
260001 Sept 44

Orders: Atchmt of Off and the C in asgmt and dy of Off and EM within the Bn.
Increase in Strength: 2nd Lt WELDON B. BENSON, 01017516, Cav, placed on temp dy fr Hq VII Corps - atchd to Co "C".
Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: Tec 5 Francis E. Steurer, 36375043, Sv Co, dy to Hosp (LD) Sl Sk (NBC), 19 Sept 44; Tec 4 William O. Hart, 36375486, Co "D", dy to Sl Sk (LD) (NBC), 23 Sept 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
260001 Sept 44
270001 Sept 44

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: Tec 5 Peter A. Tremonte, 36374605, Sv Co, dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC), 25 Sept 44.
AWOL: Pfc Walter S. Lenik, 16128092, Co "B", AWOL, 23 Sept 44, 1600 hrs.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
270001 Sept 44
280001 Sept 44

Increase in Strength: Tec 5 Elmer O. Gauger, 36375316, Co "A", Hosp to dy, 26 Sept 44;
Pvt Dwight E. Davis, 51328208, Co "B", MIA to dy.
Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: Sgt Charles L. Carroll, 36375070, Co "A", LWA (BC) remained for dy, SFW in left arm; Sgt Stanley C. Erickson, 36375070, Co "D", dy to sl sk in Hosp (LD) (NBC).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
280001 Sept 44
290001 Sept 44

Orders: C in asgmt and dy of EM, asgmt of EM, and promotions of EM.
Increase in Strength: Sgt Charles W. Lewis, 51047577, Hq Co, Hosp to dy.

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Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
290001 Sept 44.
300001 Sept 44.


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Increase in Strength: Pvt Edward X. Norkiewicz, 36610069, Co "D", dropped fr asgmt to dy, 28 Sept 44.
AWOL: Pvt Frank R. Biron, 36374466, Co "C", dy to AWOL 2000 hrs, 28 Sept 44; Pfc James D. Nagel, 36374825, Co "C", dy to AWOL 2000 hrs, 28 Sept 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic. Nieder Forstbach, Germany
30 Sept 44
1 Oct 44

Orders: C in asgmt and dy of EM.
Increase in Strength: Tec 4 Lynn A. Pfaffenberger, 35252577, Co "A", dropped fr asgmt to dy, 27 Sept 44.
Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: Tec 5 Francis E. Steuer, 36375043, Sv Co, Hosp (LD) NBC to dropped fr asgmt; Pvt Andrew M. McDermott, 32977002, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) sl sk (NBC).
Awards and Decorations: Sgt Charles W. Lewis, 31047377, Hq Co, awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in France, 6 Jun 44 - GO, Par 22, 81st Gen Hosp, APO 574, 11 Jul 44.
S-1 Periodic Report submitted this date.

For the Battalion Commander:


WILFORD B. GREEMANN,
1st Lt., 745th Tank Bn
Adjutant.

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S - 1 PERIODIC REPORT

:From: 0001, 23 September 1944
:To : 2400, 29 September 1944
:Unit: 745TH TANK BATTALION
:Date: 1000, 30 September 1944
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No. MAPS: GSGS 4040, Verviers Sheet 70, 1/50,000 K-881370

1. STATIONS LISTS: Nieder Forstbach, Germa ny, 2 Miles South

Attached to 1st U.S. Infantry Division

2. ADMINISTRATIVE INSTALLATIONS: None

<u>STRENGTH OF COMMAND:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
A. Total Authorized Strength:	39	3	682	724
b. Present for Duty:	38	4	657	699

<u>CASUALTIES:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a. Killed in Action:			1	1
b. Wounded, Battle Injured and Gassed:	1		4	5
c. Non-battle (including sick injured, & deceased)			7	7
d.. Captured:				0
e. Missing:				0
TOTAL	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>

5. GRAVES REGISTRATION: 3 EM buried at Fosses Cem # 1, 9 September 1944.

<u>REPLACEMENTS RECEIVED:</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
a..New Personnel:				0
b. Returned from Hospital:		1	6	7
c. Rotated Personnel:				0
	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>

7. PRISONERS OF WAR: Captured: 0 Evacuated: 0 On Hand: 0

8. STRAGGLERS None

9. MORALE: Excellent

10. CIVILIAN POPULATION: None

For the Battalion Commander:

WILLFORD B. GREEMANN,
1st Lt., 745th Tank Bn,
Adjutant.

HEADQUARTERS 745TH TANK BATTALION
A.S.U. 230, U. S. ARMY

TO: CG 1st Inf Div
Date: 1 Nov 44
Initials: *WJN*

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1 November 1944

SUBJECT: Report after action against enemy.

TO : The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington 25, D. C.
(Thru Channels).

1. As prescribed by Par 10, CG, AR 345-105 the following report after action against enemy during the month of October, 1944, is submitted:

2. Attachment of this Battalion to First U.S. Infantry Division continued through the month of October, 1944. During the entire month Company "B" was attached to 18th U.S. Infantry Regiment and Company "C" to 26th Infantry Regiment, and the remainder of the Battalion to 16th U.S. Infantry Regiment. (One exception existed when the Assault Gun Platoon of Headquarters Company was attached to 26th Infantry Regiment 10-22 October 1944.) Except for the period 10-22 October Assault Gun Platoon of Headquarters Company was attached to Cannon Company of 16th Infantry Regiment. Mortar Platoon of Headquarters Company was attached to one of the battalions of the 16th Infantry Regiment. Tanks and personnel of Tank Section of Battalion Headquarters were assigned to the three medium tank companies.

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3. At the beginning of the month all elements of the battalion were holding positions in the vicinity of Aachen, Germany. 7 October 1944, platoons of Company "B" moved to assembly areas in Eilendorf and 8 October 1944 began supporting an attack of 18th Infantry Regiment to take positions in Verlautenheide and Haaren. After the positions were taken platoons of Company "B" occupied positions in Verlautenheide and Haaren and supported 18th Infantry Regiment in repelling enemy counterattacks which continued until the surrender of remaining German garrisons of Aachen to First U.S. Infantry Division 21 October 1944. After the surrender of Aachen platoons of Company "B" occupied positions in vicinity of Haaren in readiness to support Battalions of 18th Infantry Regiment in repelling counterattacks. 12 October 1944 Platoons of Company "C" and Assault Gun Platoon of Headquarters Company began supporting battalions of 26th Infantry Regiment in an attack on the city of Aachen. This attack continued until 21 October 1944 when remaining enemy in Aachen surrendered. After surrender of Aachen platoons of Company "C" were assembled at Company CP for maintenance. Platoons of Companies "A" and "D" were attached to Battalions of 16th Infantry Regiment and held in positions in readiness to repel counterattacks during the month. At some times platoons of Company "A" took positions to fire indirect fire

4. a. The use of tanks in support of infantry in street fighting in Aachen proved very effective.

b. Indirect fire by medium tanks was very accurate and effective.

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Wallace J. Nichols
WALLACE J. NICHOLS,
Lt Col, 745th Tank Bn,
Commanding

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Auth: [redacted] 1st Inf Div
Date: 1 Nov 44
Initials: [redacted]

From: 010001 Oct 44
To: 010001 Nov 44

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
010001 Oct 44
020001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, rainy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Bn, less Cos B & C, attached 16th Inf; AG Plat attached
Cannon Co, 16th Inf; Mort Plat attached 1st Bn, 16th Inf. Co B attached
18th Inf. Co C attached 26th Inf.
Locations: Bn CP w/CPs Cos A and D, vic 881371 S Nieder Forstbach.
Co A: 1st plat 927423, vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 vic Milendorf,
3rd plat vic Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A 962404, 2nd plat
w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co C: CP 832367 vic Freport,
1st plat 797398, 2nd plat 825388 vic Stadt forest, 3rd plat vic Milendorf.
Co C: CP 809358 vic Midfield, 1st and 2nd plats 863405 vic Grauenhoff,
3rd plat 856397 vic Midfield. Bv Co 873374 vic Ober Forstbach. AG 1st
895401 vic Brand. Mort Plat 927423 vic Stolberg.

1100 S-3 submitted to and discussed with S-3, 16th Inf, Combat Efficiency
report for period ending 282400A - 302400A Sep 44.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: Contd in firing posn at 927423 vic Stolberg; fired 50
rds at bldg used as ey OP. Bldg partially destroyed, personnel
routed.

AG Plat: fired 78 rds fr posns vic Brand.

Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Stolberg, under periodic ey
arty fire. 2nd plat: - remained in posn vic Milendorf under periodic
ey arty fire. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Brand, under periodic
ey arty fire.

Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn 797398 in Stadt forest. 2nd plat -
attached 2nd Bn 18th Inf in Bn reserve vic 824387, [redacted] Lachen. 3rd
plat - remained in posn vic Milendorf, no action.
Co C: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Grauenhoff. 2nd plat - re-
mained in posn vic Grauenhoff. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic
Midfield under hvy ey mortar and arty fire.

Co D: 1st plat - remained in posn 903404, vic Brand. 2nd plat -
remained in posn 938415, vic Stolberg. 3rd plat - remained in posn
896448, vic Milendorf.
2400 No further change in posn or sit.
Short 2 Lt, 5 med lks (deadlined and battle losses). (Based on
authorization of 50 med lks 75mm).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
020001 Oct 44
030001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP w/CPs Cos A and D via 881371 S Nieder Forstbach.
Co A: 1st plat 927423 via Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 via Kilendorf, 3rd plat 902404 via Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co C: CP 832367 via report, 1st plat 797398, 2nd plat 825388, via Stadt Forest, 3rd plat via Kilendorf. Co D: CP 809358 via Midfield, 1st and 2nd plats 868405 via Grauenhoff, 3rd plat 856397 via Midfield. Sv Co 873374 via Ober Forstbach. AG Plat 895401 via Brand. Mort Plat 927423 via Stolberg.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: Contd in firing posn at 927423, Stolberg, fired 151 rds at ey personnel and bligs.

AG Plat: Fired 148 rds fr posn via Brand on ey counterattacking K Co, 16th Inf. A Co 105 now ret'd fr Crd.

Co A: All plats remained in posns under periodic ey fire, no ey contact.

Co B: 1st plat - moved fr via 797398 to 796376 via Preubisch. At 1000 assembly area for adv by 18th Inf. 2nd plat - at 1700 moved fr via 824387 to via 843380, 3 mi S Aachen in assembly area, in Bn reserve. 3rd plat - remained in posn via Kilendorf, no action.

Co C: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.

Co D: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.

2400 No further changes in sit or posns.
Short 2 Lt, 4 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
030001 Oct 44
040001 Oct 44

Weather: Cold, damp, intermittent rain.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A and D via 881371 S Nieder Forstbach;
Co A: 1st plat 927423 via Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 via Kilendorf, 3rd plat 902404 via Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co C: CP 832367 via report, 1st plat 796376 via Preubisch, 2nd plat 825388 via Stadt Forest, 3rd plat via Kilendorf. Co D: CP 809358 via Midfield, 1st and 2nd plats 868405 via Grauenhoff, 3rd plat 856397 via Midfield. Sv Co 873374 via Ober Forstbach. AG Plat 895401 via Brand. Mort plat 927423 via Stolberg.

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1100 S-3 submitted to and discussed with S-3, 16th CT, Combat Efficiency
report for period 302400 - 022400 Oct 44.
2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: contd in firing posn at 927423, Stolberg, no firing.
cy counterattack in sector but repelled by arty and inf.
Mort Plat: fired 157 rds at cy arty, inf, and road junctions.
Co A: 1st and 2nd plats remained in posns, no cy contact.
3rd plat - at 0130 moved to rd of Eilendorf-Stolberg road. Arty
fire caused cy to withdraw. 1 sec withdrawn at 0900, other 2 tks
withdrawn at 1730.
Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn 796376, Preubisch, no cy contact.
2nd plat - remained in assy area 843380, S Wachen. 3rd plat - re-
mained in posn vic Eilendorf, no action.
Co C: All plats remained in posns. No cy Contact.
Co D: All plats remained in posns. No cy contact.
2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 3 Med tks (deadlined or battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
040001 Oct 44
050001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, sunny.
Visibility: Fair.

no in contact w/cy.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A and D vic 881371 S Nieder Forstbach.
Co A: 1st plat 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 vic Eilendorf, 3rd
plat 902404 vic Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st
plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co C: CP 832367 vic Preport, 1st
plat 796376 vic Preubisen, 2nd plat 843380, 3rd plat vic Eilendorf.
Co D: CP 809358 vic Midfield, 1st and 2nd plats 863405 vic Grauenhoff,
3rd plat 855494 vic Midfield. Sv Co 873374 vic Ober Forstbach. Mort Plat
895481 vic Brand. Mort plat 927423 vic Stolberg.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat - remained in firing posn at 927423, Stolberg.
Mort Plat - fired 240 rds fr posn vic Brand at cy arty and mortar
posns and roads used by cy.
Co A: All plats remained in posns, no cy contact.
Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn 796376 vic Preubisch. Tk dozer
replaced by tk. 2nd plat - remained in assy area 843380 S Wachen.
tks and men briefed on operation Crucifix. 3rd plat - remained
in posn vic Eilendorf, no cy contact.
Co C: All plats remained in posn, no cy contact.
Co D: All plats remained in posn, no cy contact.
2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 3 Med tks (deadlined and battle losses).

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Ln 745th Tank Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
050001 Oct 44
060001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Poor.

Ln in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and D Cos A and B 881371 S Nieder Forstbach.
Co A: 1st plat 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 vic Eilendorf,
3rd plat 902404 vic Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat
w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 832367 vic Freport,
1st plat 796376 vic Preubisch, 3rd plat 843380 vic Eilendorf. Co C:
CP 809358 vic Midfield, 1st and 2nd plats 863405 vic Grauenhoff, 3rd
plat 855404 vic Midfield. Ev Co 873374 vic Ober Forstbach. AG Plat
895401 vic Brand. Mort plat 928423 vic Stolberg.

1100 Report submitted and discussed with giving Chab, Lambert and Stobbeny Aachen
report for period 022400-042400. Oct 44.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations for plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in firing posn 927423, Stolberg, firing 57
rds at ey personnel.
AG Plat: remained in firing posn, 895401, Brand, fired 120 rds at
ey mortar posn and HJs.
Co A: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn vic 796376 vic Preubisch.
2nd plat - remained in assy area at 843380 S Aachen. 3rd plat -
remained in posn vic Eilendorf, no action.
Co C: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
Co L: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 2 Lt, 3 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Ln 745th Tank Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
060001 Oct 44
070001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, clear, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Ln in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Cos A and B 881371 S Nieder Forstbach.
Co A: 1st plat 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 vic Eilendorf,
3rd plat 902404 vic Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat
w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 832367 vic Freport,
1st plat 796376 vic Preubisch, 2nd plat 843380, 3rd plat vic Eilendorf.
Co C: CP 809358 vic Midfield, 1st and 2nd plat 863405 vic Grauenhoff,
3rd plat 855404 vic Midfield. Ev Co: 873374 vic Ober Forstbach. AG
Plat 895401 vic Brand. Mort Plat 927423 vic Stolberg.

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- 1800 Message fr 8-3 CT 16: Submitting of Combat Efficiency report suspended.
- 2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: Remained in firing posn 927423 vic Stolberg. Fired 43 rds at ey installations.
AG Plat: Fired 283 rds at ey CP and Inf concentrations.
Co A: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn, no action. 2nd plat - remained in assy area 843380 S Wachen. 3rd plat - fired direct fire mission on bldg occupied by ey.
Co C: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
Co D: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
- 2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 2 Lt, 4 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 7456h Tank Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
070001 Oct 44
080001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, clear, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: None.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Cos A & B 881371 S Nieder Forstbach.

Co A: 1st plat 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 vic Milendorf, 3rd plat 902404 vic Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A; Co B: CP 832367 vic Wreport, 1st plat 796376 vic Treubisch, 2nd plat 843380, 3rd plat vic Milendorf. Co C: CP 809358 vic Midfield, 1st and 2nd plats 863405 vic Grauenhoff, 3rd plat 856397 vic Midfield. Sv Co 873374 vic Ober Forstbach. AG Plat 895401 vic Brand. Mort Plat 927423 vic Stolberg.

2100 Message recd vis Tel fr CG 1st US Inf Div: Time of attack for adv of 18th CT to vic N Milendorf 080400 Oct 1944.

- 2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: Remained in firing posn 927423, Stolberg. No firing.
AG Plat: Fired 52 rds fr posn vic Brand.
Co A: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn vic 796376 vic Treubisch. Alerted at 1800. Left area at 2000, arrived 2330. 2 tks disabled by mechanical failure. 2nd plat - remained in posn 843380. At 2030 moved to LD in Milendorf. Arrived Milendorf 2030 w/4 tks, 1 tk stuck in ditch, attached to Co, 18th Inf. 3rd plat - fired into factory used by ey. Building fired, mission accomplished.
Co C: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
Co D: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
- 2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 2 Lt, 3 Med tks (deadlined and battle losses).

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Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
080001 Oct 44
090001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, clear, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and Co Cos A & D 881371 S Nieder Forstbach.
Co A: 1st plat 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 vic Eilendorf, 3rd
plat 902404 vic Brand. Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st
plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 832367 vic Freport, 1st
plat 796376 vic Preubisch, 2nd plat 843380, 3rd plat vic Eilendorf. Co
C: CP 809358 vic Midfield, 1st and 2nd plats 863405 vic Grauenhoff,
3rd plat 855403 vic Midfield. Sv Co 873374 vic Ober Forstbach. MG
Plat 895401 vic Brand, Mort Plat 927423 vic Stolberg.

2400 Reports of Cos show operation of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in firing posn, vic Stolberg. Fired 153 rds
at 0400 in support of 18th Inf neg attack.
MG Plat: Fired 360 rds in support of 18th Inf neg attack. At one
time fired 3rds per gun per minute for 15 minutes.
Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Stolberg. At 0400 advanced
and fired 17 rds 75mm at pillbox. 16 PWs taken. 2nd & 3rd plats -
remained in posns, no ey contact.
Co B: 1st plat - arrived in Eilendorf at 0300. Left Eilendorf at
1330, joined 1st Bn 18th Inf at Verlautenheide at 1400. Stopped
by shell crater in road. Went into posn at 885454. 1 tk knocked
out by HK. No casualties. 2nd plat - left Eilendorf at 0430 to
PL A and await daybreak. Subjected to hvy arty fire. 1 tk hit,
2 KM WIA. At 0630 remaining 3 tks proceeded to obj - Verlauten-
heide. At edge of town 1 tk hit mine and another hit by bazooka,
1 KM WIA. Crews took cover in house. 4 PWs taken. Area sub-
jected to hvy arty fire. Inf contacted at 0830. One tk went
back to Eilendorf for ammo for Inf. 2 more tks joined plat at
1430. Tk hit by bazooka returned to running condition. 3rd Plat -
started attack at 0400 under hvy ey arty and mortar fire. 1 tk
disabled by ey mines, 1 tk disable by ey arty fire. No casualties.
Co C: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Grauenhoff. 2nd plat - same.
3rd plat - attached L Co 26th Inf moved fr vic 855403 at 0600.
Objective houses vic 855415. Destroyed 3 fortified houses, took
11 PWs.
Co D: Remained in posns, no ey contact.
2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 3 Lt, 10 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
090001 Oct 44
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Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

Weather: Cool, hazy, threatening rain.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

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in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CI and CIs Cos A & B 881371 & Nieder Forstbach.
Co A: 1st plat 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 vic Lilendorf,
3rd plat 902424 vic Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat
w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co C: CI 809358 vic Mid-
field, 1st and 2nd plats 863405 vic Grauenhoff, 3rd plat 855415 vic
Branderhoff. Sv Co 873374 vic Ober Forstbach. AC Plat 895401 vic
Brand. Mort Plat 927423 vic Stolberg.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in firing posn vic Stolberg, no firing.
AC Plat: fired 70 rds HE at Inf concentration fr posn vic Brand.
Co A: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn in Verlautenheide under hvy
ey arty fire. Aided B Co in cleaning up enemy concentration at
NJ at 887483. 1 MIA. 2nd plat - hvy ey arty fire at 0,00y
1 MIA. ey counterattacked 2nd Bn 18th Inf in Verlautenheide.
Inf suffered hvy casualties and were driven back to vic Inf Bn
C. We surrounded on 3 sides. At 0630 plat moved to vic Bn
shooting up everything and supported plat of Inf mopping up
houses. Action of tks averted capture of Inf Bn CI. Another
counter attack launched, tks returned to posn vic Bn CI and ey
withdrew. Subjected to hvy ey arty and mortar. Tk dozer and 1
tk aided assault team in demolition of pillboxes. About 30 tks
taken. 3rd plat - under hvy ey arty and mortar fire. 2 ey
counterattacks beaten off. 2 tks cleaned out 9 pillboxes. 40
tks taken.
Co C: 1st plat - 2 tks cleared area of tank tracks w/Co. Retd
to area. 1 MIA. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Grauenhoff.
3rd plat - remained in posn 855415 w/L Co 26th Inf under hvy
ey mortar and arty fire.

Co D: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.

2400 No further change in posns or sit.

Short 2 Lt, 8 Med tks (deadlined and battle losses).

By 745th Tank Bn
Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany
100001 Oct 44
110001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy, rainy.

Visibility: Poor

in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CI and CIs Cos A & B 881371 & Nieder Forstbach.
Co A: 1st plat 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 vic Lilendorf,
3rd plat 902404 vic Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat
w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co C: CI 894400 vic Brand.

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Co B: CP 809353 via Midfield, 1st and 2nd plats 863405 via Grauenhoff, 3rd plat 855415 via Brandernhoff. Sv Co 873374 via Ober Forstbach. AG Plat 895401 via Brand. Mort plat 927423 via Stolberg.

1130 AG Plat detached Cnco 16th Inf Reg, attached 26th Inf Reg. Reported Co C 745thak Bn C.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort plat: remained in firing posn via Stolberg, no firing.
AG Plat: moved fr posn via Brand to CP Co C 809353 via Midfield. Guns 1 & 2 went with 3rd plat Co C.

Co A: All plats remained in posns, no ey ey contact.

Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn until alerted to aid A Co clean up 3 ey pillboxes, but SP 155 guns had cleaned up obj.

2nd plat - Ey counterattacked at 0100. 1 M WIA. Counterattack repulsed. Hvy ey arty and mortar fire all day. 1 M WIA.

3rd plat - 1 ey counterattack repulsed. Hvy ey arty and mortar fire continued.

Co C: 1st plat - remained in posn via Grauenhoff. 3 tks attached to 3rd plat. 2nd plat - remained in posn via Grauenhoff. 3rd plat - 3 tks attached fr 1st plat and plat attached K & I Cos 26th Inf. Moved fr 855415 at 1300, reached obj 862442 at 2000 under hvy ey arty fire.

Co D: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.

2400 No further change in sit or posns.
Short 2 Lt, 1 Med Tk (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn

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Vic Nieder Forstbach, Germany

Weather: Cool, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Bn less Cos B and C and AG Plat Hq Co attached 16th Inf. Co B attached 18th Inf. Co C and AG Plat Hq Co attached 26th Inf.

Locations: Bn CP, CPs Cos A & D 881371 via S Nieder Forstbach.

Co A: 1st plat 927423 via Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 via Hilendorf, 3rd plat 902404 via Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 894400 via Brand, 1st and 3rd plat via Maaren, 2nd plat Verlautenheide. Co C: CP 809353 via Midfield, 1 sec 1st plat attached 2nd plat and 1 sec attached 3rd plat, 2nd plat 863405 via Grauenhoff, 3rd plat 862442 via Aachen. Sv Co less Bn Maint 873374 via Ober Forstbach, Maint plat 888408 via Brand. AG Plat less 2 tks via Co C CP 809353. Mort Plat 927423 via Stolberg.

1015 Bn CP and CP Cos A & D moved fr via 881371 to 887409 via Brand, by infiltration.

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2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: Remained in firing posn 927423 Stolberg. Fired 110 rds at ey pers and blags.
AG Plat: Remained in posn vic Midfield, 809353.
Co A: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.
Co B: 1st plat @ opened rd fr Verlautenheide to Maaren, encountered little ey resistance. 2nd plat - remained in posn in Verlautenheide. Hvy ey arty fire all day. 2 casualties. 3rd plat - remained in posn under hvy ey arty and mort fire.
Co C: 2nd plat - 2 tks attached & Co moved fr 863405 at 1300 to RK at 863427. Took obj and held it for 24 hrs. 3rd plat - remained in posn 862442 vic Aachen waiting for attack on factory district of Aachen. Subjected to hvy ey arty fire.
CoD: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Mort 0 Lt, 0 Med tks.

Reg 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
120001 Oct 44
130001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Reg in contact w/ey.
Locations: Mort Plat, Cos A & B 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 vic Ellendorf, 3rd plat 902404 vic Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co C: 809353 vic Midfield, 1st and 2nd plats 863405 vic Crauenhoff, 1 sec 2nd plat 863427, 3rd plat 862442 vic Aachen. An Maint 288408 vic Brand. Mort Plat 927423 vic Stolberg. Ev Co, less An Maint, 871371 vic Ober Forstbach.

1000 Ev Co moved fr 873374 vic Ober Forstbach to 888408 vic Brand.
2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat - remained in posn 927423, Stolberg. No firing.
AG Plat - remained in posn 809353 vic Midfield. 2 tks w/3rd plat Co C.
Co A: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.
Co B: 1st plat - located in Maaren. No report to Co 18th Inf on main road to Maaren. 1 tk got direct hit by arty. No serious damage. 2 tks sent to support 1 Co 18th Inf. Received 2 new tks with Ford engine. 2nd plat - remained in posn in Verlautenheide under hvy ey arty fire. Recd 3 new tks. At 1030 moved 2 tks to front line to fire on houses and pillboxes, drew direct fire fr AT gun 1000 yds down road. 3rd plat - reported to 3rd An 18th Inf. An assault team was made up of tks and Inf and took 6 pillboxes.
Co C: 1st plat - remained in posn 863405 vic Crauenhoff. 2nd plat - moved fr 863405 w/ Co at 0930 to vic 863427 vic Aachen. Encountered mines and small fire. 3rd plat - moved fr 862442 in

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attack on factory district of Aachen at 1100. enroute to obj subjected to hvy arty fire. Destroyed 2 pillboxes, three AT guns, 4 MG nests and aided in taking about 50 tks. 1 sec rescued 2 plato K Co pinned down by arty and destroyed 2 more MG nests.

Co D: All plato remained in posn, no ey contact.

2400 no further change in posns or sit.

short 0 Lt, 4 med tks (deadlined and battle losses).

no 745th Tank in
Vic Brand, Germany
130001 Oct 44
140001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, sunny.

Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat - 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 vic Eilendorf, 3rd plat 902404 vic Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 890433 vic Eilendorf, 1st plat 867454 vic Haaren, 2nd plat Verlautenheide, 3rd plat vic Haaren. Co C: CP 809353 vic Midfield, 1st and 2nd plats Aachen, 3rd plat 855445 vic Aachen. MG Plat less 2 tks 809353 vic Midfield, 2 tks w/3rd plat Co C. Mort Plat 927423 vic Stolberg. Sv Co 888408.

2145 Ey plane dropped bomb vic Bn CP shattering windows. Anti-personnel bombs dropped in Sv Co area.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in firing posn 927423 Stolberg. Fired 41 rds at ey mortar posns.

AG Plat: Tks #3 & 4 went into attack w/2nd plat Co C. #3 knocked out by bazooka. 1 MG KIA.

Co A: All plato remained in posn, no contact w/ey.

Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Haaren. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Verlautenheide. Periodic ey arty and mortar fire.

During night ey planes bombed and strafed, in vicinity. 3rd plat - continued with assault team and took 3 more pillboxes. Tks fired on 3 more pillboxes, 1 camouflaged as a house. 10 tks taken. Tks remained in AT gun positions.

Co C: 1st. plat - moved fr vic Grauenhoff at 0700. Fired on bldgs in support of G Co. Moved into Aachen and went into posn at 856424. 2nd plat - attached 2nd Bn 26th Inf and moved into Aachen reached obj, line fr 852430 to 853423, encountered bazooka and small arms fire. 3rd plat - moved fr factory district of Aachen 855445 attacking E into Aachen w/K & I Cos 26th Inf. stiff opposition met and fighting was house to house. 1 sec of tks knocked out 2 pill boxes, a bazooka team, and numerous ey strong points.

The other sec attacking towards Observatory Hill knocked out 2 ey MG nests and 2 bazooka teams and held the hill until sufficient inf arrived. 2 tks knocked out by bazookas. 4 MG KIA. All operations carried on under hvy ey mortar fire.

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attack on factory district of Aachen at 1100. Enroute to obj subjected to hvy arty fire. Destroyed 2 pillboxes, three MG guns, 4 MG nests and aided in taking about 50 tks. 1 sec rescued 2 plats & Co pinned down by arty fire and destroyed 2 more MG nests.

2400 Co D: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact. No further change in posns or sit. Short 0 Lt, 4 Med tks (deadlined and battle losses).

at 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
130001 Oct 44
140001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, sunny.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat - 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 vic Milendorf, 3rd plat 902404 vic Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 890433 vic Milendorf, 1st plat 867454 vic Haaren, 2nd plat Verlautenheide, 3rd plat vic Haaren. Co C: CP 809353 vic Midfield, 1st and 2nd plats Aachen, 3rd plat 855445 vic Aachen. Mort Plat less 2 tks 809353 vic Midfield, 2 tks w/3rd plat Co C. Mort Plat 927423 vic Stolberg. Ev Co 888408.

2145 Ey plane dropped bomb vic Bn CP shattering windows. Anti-personnel bombs dropped in Sv Co area.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in firing posn 927423 Stolberg. Fired 41 rds at ey mortar posns.

AG Plat: Tks #3 & 4 went into attack w/2nd plat Co C. #3 knocked out by bazooka. 1 AM WIA.
Co A: All plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey.
Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Haaren. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Verlautenheide. Periodic ey arty and mortar fire.

During night ey planes bombed and strafed, in vicinity. 3rd plat - continued with assault team and took 3 more pillboxes. Tks fired on 3 more pillboxes, 1 camouflaged as a house. 10 tks taken. Tks remained in AT gun positions.

Co C: 1st. plat - moved fr vic Grauenhoff at 0700. Fired on bldgs in support of G Co. Moved into Aachen and went into posn at 856424. 2nd plat - attached 2nd Bn 26th Inf and moved into Aachen reached obj, line fr 852430 to 853423, encountered bazooka and small arms fire. 3rd plat - moved fr factory district of Aachen 855445 attacking E into Aachen w/K & I Cos 26th Inf. stiff opposition met and fighting was house to house. 1 sec of tks knocked out 2 pill boxes, a bazooka team, and numerous ey strong points.

The other sec attacking towards Observatory Hill knocked out 2 ey MG nests and 2 bazooka teams and held the hill until sufficient inf arrived. 2 tks knocked out by bazookas. 4 AM WIA. All operations carried on under hvy ey mortar fire.

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Co D: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.
2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 0 Lt, 0 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Via Brand, Germany
140001 Oct 44
150001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

En in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Cos A & D 887409 via Brand. Co A: 1st plat 9274 3 via Stolberg, 2nd plat via 882438 via Kilendorf, 3rd plat 902404 via Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co C: CP 809433 via Kilendorf, 1st plat 867454 via Maaren, 2nd plat via Verlautenheide, 3rd plat via Maaren. Co G: CP 809353 via Midfield, 1st plat 863405 via Aachen, 2nd plat via Aachen, 3rd plat via Aachen. MG Plat: 2 tks w/2nd plat Co C, 3 tks w/3rd plat Co C, CP at Co C CP. Short plat 927423 via Stolberg. Bv Co 888408 via Brand.

1030 Bv Co, less bn maint, moved fr via Brand to 881371 via Ober Forst-
bach. During the night ey planes dropped flares and anti-personnel
bombs via Bn CP. No casualties.

2400 Reports of vos show operation of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: Fired 77 rds fr posn 927423, Stolberg. Noticed increase
in ey personnel in sector.
MG Plat: 2 EM KIA by mortar fire. Tk knocked out by bazooka
evacuated.

Co A: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.

Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn via Maaren. 1 tk returned.
2nd plat - remained in posn via Maaren. Periodic ey arty fire.
3rd plat - received orders to report to 3rd Bn 18th Inf.

Co C: 1st plat - attacked Aachen w/G Co at 0630, moved to 849422.
2nd plat - continued the assault on Aachen w/2nd Bn 26th Inf, moving
fr 852430 to 849421, encountered bazooka and small arms fir. 3rd
plat - continued attack on Aachen w/K Co. Knocked out AT gun. Ey
counterattacked to take hill but after hard fighting in close quart-
ers attack beaten off. Remained in posn 845438 despite ey mortar
fire. 2 EM KIA.

Co D: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
2400 No further change in sit or posns.
Short 0 Lt, 1 Med Tk (deadlined and battle losses).

Mo 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
150001 Oct 44
160001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: None.

Locations: Bn CP and C/S Cos A & D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat vic 882438 vic Lilendorf, 3rd plat 902404 vic Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 809433 vic Lilendorf, 1st and 3rd plats vic Haaren, 2nd plat vic Verlautenheide. Co C: CP 809353 vic Hildfeld, 1st plat 849421 vic Aachen, 2nd plat 849435 vic Verlautenheide, 3rd plat 845438 vic Aachen. AG Plat: CP w/CP Co C, 2 tks w/2nd plat Co C, 2 tks w/3rd plat Co C. Mort Plat 927423 Stolberg. Sv Co, less Bn Maint, 881371 vic Ober Forstbach, Bn Maint vic Bn CP.

2400 During the night ey planes dropped flares and anti-personnel bombs vic Bn CP. No casualties.
Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: Remained in firing posn 927423 Stolberg. Fired 52 rds at ey pers.
AG Plat: 1 tk withdrawn for maint. 1 tk had suspension system disabled but left in posn for firing.
Co A: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
Co B: 1st plat - alerted at 0800 with B Co 18th Inf for any ey counterattack. At 1500 moved to Lilendorf and went on recon to Verlautenheide. Reported to 3rd Bn 18th Inf. ktd vic Haaren and put one sec at 864456 and one sec at 862453. No ey contact.
2nd plat - remained in posn vic Verlautenheide. Plat Ldr LIA but not evacuated. 3rd plat - moved to 3rd Bn 18th Inf. Assault team of tks and Inf formed to clean out pillboxes. 18 PWs taken.
Co C: 1st plat - attacked w/O Co at 1530. 2 tks in posn 845423. 2 tks in Bn Maint. 2nd plat - continued assault on Aachen w/2nd Bn 26th Inf moving fr 849435 to 845423, encountered small arms and bazooka fire and AT guns. 3rd plat - 2 tks evacuated to Ord. At 1530 ey counterattacked with Bn of Inf and 4 tks. TD's knocked out 1 tk and others fled. Inf remained posns. 2 tks knocked out by 120mm mortar. 1 MIA. Remained in posn 845438.
Co D: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
2400 No change in posns or sit.
Short 0 Lt, 4 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Mo 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
160001 Oct 44
170001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, raining.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

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Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 887409 via Brand. Co A: 1st Plat 927423 via Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 via Hilendorf, 3rd plat 902404 via Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 809433 via Hilendorf, 1st and 3rd plats Maaren, 2nd plat via Hilendorf. Co C: CP 809353 via Midfield, 1st plat 845423, 2nd plat 845435 via Aachen, 3rd plat 845438 via Aachen. Mort plat 927423 via Stolberg. Sv Co, less Bn Maint 881371 via Ober Forstbach, Bn Maint via Bn CP, Brand. AG Plat Aachen.

- 2030 CO Co B reported 1 tk need btry. 1 tk knocked out. Plat Ldr, 3rd Plat Co D, rptd 1 tk knocked out, 2 Bn WIA.
- 2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn 927423, Stolberg. Fired 18 rds at ey pers.
AG Plat: remained in posn in Aachen. 1 tk returned for maint at 1500 and 1 tk evacuated to Bn maint.
Co A: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn, no action. 2nd plat - remained in posn via Verlautenheide under ey arty fire. 2 M WIA. My counterattacked with inf and tks. Overran Bn posn. 2 M WIA, 1 1 tk damaged slightly. 3rd plat - assault team of tanks and inf continued clearing pillboxes taking 3 along with 37 PWS. 3 more pillboxes fired on causing hvy ey casualties.
Co C: 1st plat - continued attack on Aachen w/2nd & 3rd plats. 2nd plat - moved fr 845435 to 842424 in attack on Aachen. 3rd plat - ey counter attacked twice but was driven back by direct tk and inf fire. Remained in same posn 845438.
Co D: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
- 2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 0 Lt, 5 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

AG 745th Tank Bn
170001 Oct 44
180001 Oct 44
Via Brand, Germany

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 887409 via Brand. Co A: 1st plat 927423 via Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 via Hilendorf, 3rd plat 902404 via Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 809433 via Hilendorf, 1st and 3rd plats Maaren, 2nd plat via Verlautenheide. Co C: CP 809353 via Midfield, 1st plat 838442 Aachen, 2nd plat 842424 Aachen, 3rd plat 845438 via Aachen. Sv Co less Bn Maint 881371 via Ober Forstbach. Bn Maint via Bn CP, Brand. Mort plat 927423 via Stolberg. AG Plat Aachen.

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1000 Sv Co C/4 car driver sniped at in town of Brand. Slightly injured by glass splinters.

2400 No further change in posn or sit. Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in firing posn 927423, Stolberg. Fired 75 rds at ey personnel.
AG Plat: which had been put out of action by ey bazooka retake to plat. Fired one rd and turret froze. Tk ret'd to mn Maint. No actl Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn vie Stolberg. 2nd plat - moved up fr posn in Kilendorf to aid I Co, 16th Inf, retake pillboxes. 3rd plat - took posn 884391 vie Brand for ind fire on ey gun installations. Results favorable.
Co B: 1st plat - reported to 3rd Bn 18th Inf and knocked out 6 ey pillboxes at 858462. 41 PWS taken. 2nd plat - remained in posn vie Verlautenheide under ey arty fire. 1 tk recovered under cover of darkness. (Lt BENSON assumed comd of plat). 3rd plat - continued assaulting pillboxes. 3 pillboxes taken and 120 PWS. 2 ey tks destroyed. 1 tk disabled by ey fire. No casualties.
Co C: 1st plat - attached 3rd Bn 26th Inf 838442, no ey contact. 2nd plat - moved fr 843435 to 841424 in attack on Aachen. 3rd plat - held posn N of Observatory Hill, Aachen, under nvy ey mortar fire. No ey contact.
Co D: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.

2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 12 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vie Brand, Germany
180001 Oct 44
190001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, sunny.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 887409 vie Brand. Co A: 1st plat 927423 vie Stolberg, 2nd plat 882438 vie Kilendorf, 3rd plat 902404 vie Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co C: CP 809433 vie Kilendorf, 1st and 3rd plats Haaren, 2nd plat Verlautenheide. Co D: CP 809353 vie Midfield, 1st plat 838442 Aachen, 2nd plat 841429 vie Aachen. Sv Co less Bn Maint 881371 vie Ober Jorstbach, Bn Maint vie Bn CP Brand. AG Plat - Aachen. Mort Plat 927423 vie Stolberg.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn 927423, Stolberg. Fired 8 rds at ey
AG Plat: Continued attack on Aachen w/3rd Bn 26th Inf. Shot up several houses.

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Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Stolberg. Fired 80 rds ind fire. 2nd plat - remained in posn in Kilendorf. 3rd plat - fired 333 rds ind fire fr posn vic Brand. 9 direct hits on ey CP; 1 CP destroyed in 1 hit, flushed out Mk IV tk supporting ey mortar posn, routed ey supply train.

Co B: 1st plat - helped plat ldr, 3rd plat Co B, knock out 2 ey MG. Retd to Maaren. 2nd plat - remained in posn. Recover tk under cover of darkness. 3rd plat - ey launched counter attack pushing Inf back. Tks helped regain posn. 1 ey SP gun and 1 Mk IV tk destroyed.

Co C: 1st plat - moved fr 838442 to 836442 in attack on Aachen. FMs taken. 2nd plat - moved fr 842435 to 839422. Encountered bazookas, AT guns, and small arms fire. 3rd plat - Continued attack on Aachen at 0645 w/K,I,L Cos 26th Inf, securing Observatory Hill and Kardinal ~~area~~. Fired on by 2 ey tks and mortars. 25 ~~was~~ taken.

Co D: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.

2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 12 med tks, (deadlined or battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
190001 Oct 44
200001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy, intermittent rain.
Visibility: poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and Cos A & B 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882439 vic Kilendorf, 3rd plat 902404 vic Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd Plat Co A. Co C: CP 809423 vic Kilendorf, 1st and 3rd plats vic Maaren, 2nd plat Verlautenneide. Co D: CP 809353 vic Midfield, 1st plat 836442 Aachen, 2nd plat 839435 vic Aachen. Ey Co less Bn Maint, 881371 vic Ober Forstbach. Bn Maint vic Bn CP. MG Plat: Aachen. Mort plat 927423 vic Stolberg.

1300 CC Co B rpta 2 tks knocked out. 1 tk dozer burned, other tk hit e mine. 2 M KDA, 1 MKA. 1 tk knocked out by ey yesterday hit again burned.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn 927423, Stolberg. No firing.
MG Plat: advanced w/3rd Bn 26th Inf to take high ground in Aachen
Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn in Stolberg. Fired 150 rds ind fire mission. 1 tk overturned in ditch. 2nd plat - remained in posn in Kilendorf to repel any ey counter attack. 3rd plat - fired 392 rd rr ind fir posn vic Brand, causing long ey inf column to suffer hvy casualties, disrupted supply trains and laid hvy

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concentrations on ey tk posns.

Co A: 1st plat - attached I Co, 18th Inf, 1 tk knocked out. 2 M KIA, 1 M KIA. At 1500 rptd to I Co with 1 sec of tanks.

Deflected to evy ey and arty fire. 2nd plat - remained in posn via Maaren. 3rd plat - evy launched counter attack. 1 tk disabled. Evy suffered many casualties.

Co B: 1st plat - moved fr 836442 to hill at 834443 in attack on Maachen. 1 tk taken. 2nd plat - moved fr 839435 to 833420 in attack on Maachen. Encountered bazooka, tks, and small arms fire.

3rd plat - remained in posn on Cardinal Circle, Maachen. 1 tk w/I Co 26th Inf took hill. Evy ey mortar and arty fire.

Co C: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.

2400 - No further changes in posns or sit.

Short 1 Lt, 17 Med tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
200001 Oct 44
210001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, sunny.

Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/evy.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Cos A & D 887409 via Brand. Co A: 1st plat 927423 via Stolberg, 2nd plat 852439 via Silendorf, 3rd plat 902404 via Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 809433 via Silendorf, 1st and 3rd plats Maaren, 2nd plat Verlautenheide. Co C: CP 809353 via Midfield, 1st plat 834443, 2nd and 3rd plat 833435, Maachen. Ev Co, less Bn Maint, 881371 via Ober Forstbaen. Bn Maint via Bn CP. MG Plat via Maachen. Mort Plat 927423 via Stolberg.

2900 Co C rptd 1 M KIA by air burst. 1 antenna mast base damaged by fire, tk to be evacuated to maint for repair.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in firing posn at 927423, Stolberg. Fired 104 rds at ey gun positions.

Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn via Stolberg firing 225 rds ind fire. 2nd plat - remained in posn via Silendorf to repel any ey counter attacks. 3rd plat - fired 411 rds fr ind fire posn via Brand at ey CP, CFCs and installations in Aachen. Results very favorable. Co B: 1st plat - attached I Co, withdrawn to bn maint and Motor Park. 2nd plat - remained in posn via Maaren. 3rd plat - remained in posn via Maaren.

Co C: 1st plat - attacked Maachen with I, K, L Cos moved to 83744. Knocked out ey M/T. 1 M KIA by ey mortar. 2nd plat - moved fr 833435 to 829423 in attack on Maachen. Many FMs. 3rd plat - cont attack on Maachen at 0700 w/I, K, L Cos. Knocked out ey M/T. Incurred evy sniper and bazooka fire. 1 M KIA.

MG Plat: Continued attack on Maachen, attached Co C.

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2400 Co B: All plato remained in posns, no ey contact.
No further change in posnamr sit.
Short 1 Lt, 13 Med Lks (deadlined and battle losses).

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210001 Oct 44
220001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool.
Visibility: fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Cos A & B 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882439 vic Lilendorf, 3rd plat 902404 vic Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co C: CP 809433 vic Lilendorf, 1st and 3rd plato vic Maaren, 2nd plat vic Verlautenheide. Co D: CP 809353 vic Midfield, 1st plat 837443, 2nd plat 829435, 3rd plat Wachen. Ev Co, less Sn maint 881371 vic Ober Forstbaen, Bn maint vic Bn CP. MG plat vic Wachen. Mort plat 927423 vic Stolberg.

2100 Message fr G-3, 1st US Inf Div: MG plat released fr attachment to 26th Inf on 220800Z Oct 44.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plato for this day as follows:
Mort plat: remained in firing posn 927423, Stolberg, no firing.
MG plat: continued attack on Wachen attached Co C. Lks released at 1600 ret'd to Co C CP after surrender of Wachen.
Co A: 1st Plat - fired 274 rds ind fire fr posn in Stolberg. Results favorable. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Lilendorf to repel ey counterattack. 3rd plat - fired 455 rds ind fire fr posn vic Brand. Targets: ey installations in atsch. Results favorable. Co B: 1st plat - remained in Maaren in mobile reserve. Lk withdrawn to Co C for maint. First rest dress have had since Sep 12. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Verlautenheide. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Maaren.
Co C: 1st plat - attacked Wachen w/1,2,3 Cos. Knocked out 100mm mortar. Wachen surrendered, ret'd to Co C. 2nd plat - moved fr 829435 to 815425 in attack on Wachen, finishing the job of assaulting Wachen. ret'd to Co C. 3rd plat - continued attack on Wachen at 0630 w/1,2,3 Cos 26th Inf. Encountered evy ey sniper fire. Captured 150mm mortar and about 100 lbs. Wachen surrendered at 1200. Plat ret'd to Co C at 1700 for maint.
Co D: All plato remained in posns, no ey contact.
2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 12 Med Lks (deadlined and battle losses).

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Weather: Cool, cloudy.
visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Cos A & D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 882439 vic Milendorf, 3rd plat 902404 vic Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co C: CP 809433 vic Milendorf, 1st and 3rd plats vic Maaren. Co D: CP 809353 vic Midfield, 1st and 2nd plat vic Co B, 3rd plat Maachen. Ev Co, less Bn Maint, 881371 vic Ober Forstbach, Bn Maint vic Bn CP. Mort plat 927423 vic Stolberg.

0800 AG plat released fr attachment 26th Inf.
1000 Ev Co, less 1st US Inf Div, 212130 Oct 44 recd, giving plan for relief of Bns.
1200 Ev Co moved fr 881271 vic Ober Forstbach to 887409 w/maint vic Brand.
2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn Stolberg. No firing.
AG Plat: held to Hq Co CP for maint.
Co A: 1st plat - fired 341 rds ind fire fr posns in Stolberg. Results favorable. Drew counter-battery fire. No casualties.
2nd plat - at 1600 withdrawn to vic Co CP vic Brand for rest and maint. 3rd plat - poor visibility prevented ind fire before noon. Target area again atach and ey posns N of Miensterbusch. Fired 496 rds. Results favorable.
Co B: 1st plat - 2 tks in Milendorf, 1 in Co Maint, 1 in Bn Maint, 1 w/3rd plat in Maaren. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Verlautenheide. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Maaren.
Co C: All plats at Co CP for maint.
Co D: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.
2400 No further change in sit or posns.
Short 1, Lt, 12 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
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Vic Brand, Germany

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/eyl

Attachments: Bn, less B, C, Cos attached 16th Inf. Co B attached 18th Inf, Co C attached 26th Inf.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Cos A & D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat vic Co C, 3rd plat 902404 vic Brand. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co C: CP 809433 vic Milendorf, 1st and 3rd plats vic Maaren. 2nd plat vic Verlautenheide. Co D: CP 809353 vic Midfield, 1st, 2nd,

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and 3rd plats via Co CP. Av Co 887409 via Brand. AG plat via Bn CP.
Mort plat 927423 via Stolberg.

1000 Co A, Co B, 16, 23 Oct 44 recd, giving order of relief of Bns
of Co B.

2400 reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn in Stolberg. No firing.

AG plat: at Co CP for maint.

Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn via Stolberg, subjected to ey
arty fire several times. 2nd plat - via Co CP for maint.

3rd plat - fired 856 rds ind fire fr posn 895410, round, on ey
installations of Stolberg. Three houses totally destroyed and
two set afire. Any damage also inflicted on ey mortar posns.

Co B: 1st plat - returned to Maaren at 1800 w/5 tks. 2nd plat -
remained in posn via Verlautenheide. 3rd plat - remained in posn
in Maaren.

Co C: All plats at Co CP for maint.

Co D: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.

2400 No further change in posns or sit.

Short 1 Lt, 9 Med tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Co 745th Tank Bn
Via Brand, Germany
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Weather: Cool, cloudy.

Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and Co Cos A & D 887409 via Brand. Co A: 1st plat
927423 via Stolberg, 2nd plat via Co CP, 3rd plat 902404 via Brand.

Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat via
Co CP. Co B: C 809433 via Milendorf, 1st and 3rd plats via Maaren,

2nd plat via Verlautenheide. Co C: CP 809353 via Midfield, 1st, 2nd,
3rd plats via Co CP. Av Co 887409 via Brand. AG plat via Bn CP, Mort
plat 927423 via Stolberg.

0930 Co Co B reported 2nd plat withdrawn from posn via Verlautenheide
to Co CP in Milendorf for maint.

3rd plat Co B withdrawn fr posn via Milendorf for maint. Co Co
B w/2nd plat Co B moved to 858427 via Maaren.

2400 reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn via Stolberg. Fired 18 rds at ey MG
posn.

AG plat: at Co CP for rest and maint.

Co A: 1st plat - fired 120 rds ind fire fr posns via Stolberg at
ey troops and strongpoints. Light counter-battery fire incurred.

2nd plat - remained in posn at Co CP for maint. 3rd plat - remain-
ed in posn via Brand performing maint and cleaning guns. No fire
mission.

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Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Haaren. Detached fr 3rd Bn 18th Inf and attached 1st Bn 18th Inf to support F Co in holding obj at 875462. 2nd plat - ret'd to vic Co CP for maint. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Haaren.

Co C: All platoons remained in posn vic Co CP for rest & maint.
Co D: 1st and 3rd plats remained in posn, no ey contact. 3rd plat withdrawn to Co CP for maint.

2400 No further change in posn or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 6 Med -ks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany

250001 Oct 44

260001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, foggy.

Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and C's Cos A & D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat vic Co CP, 3rd plat 902404 vic Brand.
Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co C: CP 858427 vic Aachen, 1st and 3rd plats vic Haaren, 2nd plat vic Co CP. Co D: CP 809353 vic Midfield, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plats vic Co CP. AG Co 887409 vic Brand. AG Plat vic Bn CP.
Short plat 927423 vic Stolberg.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Short Plat: remained in posn vic Stolberg. No fire. Submitted fire data scale to 1st US Inf Div.

Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn in Stolberg. 1 tk sent to Bn maint. 2nd plat - remained at Co CP for maint. 3rd plat - remained in posn, no action; performed maint and cleaning of guns.

Co B: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.

Co C: All plats at Co CP for rest and maint.

Co D: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.

AG Plat: ret'd to Cn Co, 16th Inf, at 916406 vic Brand.

2400 No further change in posn or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 7 Med tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany

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Weather: Cool, foggy.

Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Cos A & D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat -

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927423 via Stolberg, 2nd plat - via Co CP, 3rd plat 902404 via Brand.
Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat
via Co CP.

Co B: CP 858427 via Maachen, 1st and 3rd plats via Maaren, 2nd plat
via Co CP. Co C: CP 809353 via Midfield, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plats via Co A.
Co D: CP 887409 via Brand. MG Plat 916406 via Brand. Mort Plat 927423
via Stolberg.

1600 Co Co rptd 2nd Bn 18th Inf reld by 3rd Bn 18th Inf. 2nd plat Co
B reld 3rd plat Co B. 3rd plat Co B retd to Co CP for maint.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:

Mort Plat: remained in posn 927423, Stolberg, for maint.

MG Plat: fired 196 rds fr posn via Brand at ey tks and arty
and in support of feint attack.

Co A: 1st plat - fired 187 rds ind fire in demonstration against
ey. Fired 90 rds, drove through town blowing sirens and racing
motors. Ey laid down hvy mortar barrage. Many ey gun posns
discovered. 2nd plat - at Co CP for maint. 3rd plat - fired
514 rds ind fire fr posns via Brand at ey installations in Stolberg,
Husbach, and Atsch. Results favorable. Demonstration very
satisfactory. Laid 15 min barrage and used siren and engine noises.

Co B: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact. Lt BAXTON
assnd comd of 1st plat.

Co C: All plats at Co CP for maint.

Co D: 1st plat - remained in posn via Brand. 2nd plat - remained
in posn via Stolberg. 3rd plat - remained at Co CP for maint.

2400 No further change in posn or sit.

Short 1 Lt, 9 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Via Brand, Germany
270001 Oct 44
280001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, foggy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 887409 via Brand. Co A: 1st plat
927423 via Stolberg, 2nd plat via Co CP, 3rd plat 902404 via Brand.
Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat via
Co CP. Co B: CP 858427 via Maachen, 1st and 3rd plats via Maaren,
2nd plat via Co CP. Co C: CP 809353 via Midfield, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plats
via Co CP. Co D: CP 887409 via Brand. MG Plat 916406 via Brand. Mort
Plat 927423 via Stolberg.

1600 Cos Cos A & D rptd 2nd Bn 18th Inf relieving 3rd Bn 18th Inf,
2nd plat Co A and 3rd plat Co B relieving 3rd plat Co A and 1st
plat Co B respectively; 3rd plat Co A and 1st plat Co B returning.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn 927423, Stolberg.

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AG Plat: fired 154 rds at ey arty, tks and at rd fr posn vic Brand
Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Stolberg, no action.

2nd plat - reld 3rd plat vic Brand for maint. 3rd plat - at 1430
moved to Co CP for maint, reld by 2nd plat.

Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn in Maaren, no ey action, snelle
occasionally by . gun. 2nd plat - reld 3rd plat Co B in Maaren
for maint. 3rd plat - reld by 2nd plat Co B. Mtd to Co CP for
rest and maint.

Co C: All plate at Co CP for maint.

Co D: 1st plat - retd to Co CP for maint, reld by 3rd plat.

2nd plat - remained in posn vic Stolberg. 3rd plat - reld 1st
plat vic Brand, 903405.

2400 No further change in sit or posns.

Short 1 Lt, 10 Med tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany

280001 Oct 44

290001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, sunny.

Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Co A & D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat
927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 902404 vic Brand, 3rd plat vic Co CP.
Co B: 1st plat vic Co CP, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd
plat Co A. Co C: CP 858427 vic Maachen, 1st and 2nd plats vic Maaren,
3rd plat vic Co CP. Co D: CP 809353 vic Midfield, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plats
vic Co CP. Sv Co 887409 vic Brand. AG Plat 916406 vic Brand, Mort
Plat 927423 vic Stolberg.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:

Mort Plat: remained in posn 927423, Stolberg.

AG Plat: fired 295 rds at unknown target fr posns vic Brand.

Co A: 1st plat - fired 468 rds ind fire from posns vic Stolberg.

Rd used by ey under hvy fire. Hits observed on several ey vehicles
probable ey CP demolished. Ey attempted counter-battery fire

w/170mm guns. No casualties. 2nd plat - Fired 400 rds ind fire
fr posns vic Brand at buildings N of Stolberg and hwy to Verlaut-
enheide used by ey. 3rd plat - remained at Co CP for maint.

Co B: fired 60 rds fr two tks at pillboxes and CP vic 876466 fr
posn vic 856453. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic Maaren. Lt

QUINN asnd comd of plat. Ey mortar and arty fire fell inter-
mittently in area. 3rd plat - remained at Co CP for maint.

Co C: All plats at Co CP for maint.

Co D: 1st plat - remained at Co CP for maint. 2nd plat - remained
in posn vic Stolberg. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Brand.

2400 No further change in posn or sit.

Short 1 Lt, 8 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

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Hq 74th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
290001 Oct 44
300001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Unit in contact w/ey.

Attachments: None.

Locations: Co A and B's Cos A & B 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 902404 vic Brand, 3rd plat vic Co C.
Co B: 1st plat vic Co C, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: 858427 vic Sachen, 1st, 2nd plats vic Maaren, 3rd plat vic Co C. Co C: Co 209353 vic Midfield, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plats vic Co C. Co 887409 vic Brand. Co 916400 vic Brand. Mort 1st 927423 vic Stolberg.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort 1st: remained in posn vic Stolberg. Plat Sgt Maddatz received battle field promotion to 2nd Lt.
Co A: 1st: fired 237 rds fr posn vic Brand at arty and trucks. Co A: 1st plat - fired 197 rds ind fire fr posns vic Stolberg. 1 supply truck, 1 motorcycle, and 2 M/1 w/towed gun destroyed. Arty counterbattery fire incurred, no casualties. 2nd plat - fired ind fire vic Brand, crew counterbattery fire. Moved to a new posn and fired counterbattery fire and crew counterbattery fire, 190mm. Target fired on ceased fire. 3rd plat - remained at Co B for maint.
Co B: 1st plat - no action. 1st on 180m inf reld. 2nd plat - remained in posn in Maaren. Occasional arty mortar and arty fire. 3rd plat - remained at Co C for maint.
Co C: all plats at Co C for maint.
Co D: all plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
2400 no further change in posns or sit.
Mort 2 Lt, 3 med rks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 74th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
300001 Oct 44
310001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Poor.

Unit in contact w/ey.

Attachments: None.

Locations: Co A and B's Cos A & B 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 902404 vic Brand, 3rd plat vic Co C.
Co B: 1st plat vic Co C, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: Co 858427 vic Sachen, 1st, 2nd plats vic Maaren, 3rd plat vic Co C. Co C: Co 209353 vic Midfield, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plats vic Co C. Co 887409 vic Brand. Co 916400 vic Brand. Mort 1st 927423 vic Stolberg.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort 1st: remained in posn in Stolberg.

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Co A: 1st: fired 131 rds fr posn vic brand at unknown targets.
2nd: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Stolberg. 2nd plat -
remained in posn vic brand. 3rd plat - remained at Co CP for
maint.

Co B: 1st plat - ret'd to Co CP for maint. Held by 3rd plat Co A.
2nd plat - remained in posn vic Maaren. Occasional enemy mortar
and arty fire. 3rd plat - held 1st plat in Maaren for maint.
Co C: All plats remained at Co CP for rest and maint.
Co D: All plats remained in posns, no enemy contact.

2200 No further changes in posns or sit.

Short 3 Lt, 13 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
310001 Oct 44
010001 Nov 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Poor.

En in contact w/enemy.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and Co's posns are 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat
927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 902404 vic Brand, 3rd plat vic Co CP.
Co B: 1st plat vic Co CP, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat
Co A. Co C: CP 858427 vic Maaren, 2nd and 3rd plats vic Maaren, 1st
plat vic Co CP. Co D: CP 809353 vic Midfield, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plats vic
Co CP. Co E: 887409 vic Brand. Co F: 916406 vic Brand. Mort 1st
927423 vic Stolberg.

2030 Plat ldr, Co B, rptd by tel 2nd plat Co A reld and would return
to Co CP at 0545.

2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:

Mort Plat: Remained in posn, Stolberg.

Co A: 1st: fired 154 rds fr posn vic brand at unknown targets.

Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn vic Stolberg. 2nd plat -
fired 400 rds ind fire at enemy counter battery posns in Atesch
district. Results favorable. 3rd plat - remained at Co CP for
maint.

Co C: 1st Plat - remained at Co CP for maint. 2nd and 3rd plats -
remained in posn vic Maaren. No action.

Co D: All plats remained at Co CP for maint.

Co E: All plats remained in posns, no enemy contact.

2400 No further changes in posns or sit.

Short 3 Lt, 8 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

For the Battalion Commander:

Howell H. Heard
HOWELL H. HEARD,
Major, 745th Tank Bn,
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010001 Oct 44
020001 Oct 44
Via Nieder Forstbach,
Germany.

Weather: Cloudy, intermittent rain.

1130 S-2 visited 1st and 2nd platoons of Co B.
1230 S-2 returned to Bn CP.
1300 S-2 distributed maps and German glossary to Cos.
2400 Periodic arty fire reported in vic EICLBERG,
EILENDORF, and BRAND. Co "A"

020001 Oct 44
030001 Oct 44

Weather: Cloudy and cool.

1220 4 arty tanks reptd firing from vic 925460. G-2, 1st Inf Div.
1300 S-2 visited Mortar Platoon, 1st Plat Co A,
CP of Co B, Assault Platoon, and CP of
Cannon Co, 16th Inf.
1630 S-2 returned to Bn CP.
2200 Arty fire landing NE of Bn CP, coming fr NE. Personal Observation
2400 Periodic arty fire in vic EILENDORF & EICLBERG. Co "A"

030001 Oct 44
040001 Oct 44

Weather: Cloudy, cool, intermittent rain.

0200 Arty counterattack, vic 908430, repulsed. Arty used G-2, 1st Inf Div
2 Inf Cos and was supported by approx 3500 rounds
of arty and mortar fire.
0400 Arty piece (75mm or 88mm) fired into vic Bn CP Personal Observa-
fr S. Approx 35 snells heard, of which 2/3 were tion.

1000 S-2 distributed maps to Cos. Co A.
1300 S-2 visited 3rd plat Co D and 2nd Plat Co A.
1700 S-2 returned to Bn CP.
2400 Periodic arty fire in vic EILENDORF & EICLBERG. Co A.

040001 Oct 44
050001 Oct 44

Weather: Cloudy and cool.

0900 S-2 visited 2nd plat Co D and 3rd plat Co A.
1100 Distributed maps to Cos.
1300 S-2 visited 3rd plat Co B, 2nd plat Co A, and CP

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of 16th and 18th Inf Reg.

1830
2400

-2 returned to Bn CP.

Periodic arty fire on EILENDORF, BREGEN, & STOLBERG.

050001 Oct 44
060001 Oct 44

Weather: Cloudy and cool.

0900
1600

-2 visited CP of Cos B and C.

40 arty aircraft observed in 16th Inf Reg sector. Fragmentation bombs were dropped and some strafing observed. Arty driven off by AA fire.

2400 Periodic arty fire via EILENDORF & STOLBERG.

Personal
Observation

Co A.

060001 Oct 44
070001 Oct 44

Weather: Sunny and cool.

1200
1300
2400

2 arty tanks repta at 877444 moving in S direction. Distributed maps to Cos.

26th Inf Reg.

Period ended with arty continuing to organize his defenses with mines and booby traps in SACHS area. Periodic arty fire via STOLBERG & EILENDORF.

Co-2, 1st Inf Div
Co A.

Weather: Sunny and cool.

1800
1900

4 arty tanks, via BREGEN, repta firing into EILENDORF. 9 shells fr arty gun located NE of Bn CP landed in S area. 5 duds observed out of total fired.

070001 Oct 44
080001 Oct 44

Co-2, 1st Inf Div
Personal Observation.

Weather: Cloudy and cool.

0400
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16 PWs taken fr pillbox in via STOLBERG. H-Hour for attack by 18th Inf Reg. VERLAUTANHEIDE and Crucifix Hill taken. Stubborn arty resistance met, and arty was very active, coming mainly fr via of ST. JORNIC.

Co A.

Co-2, 1st Inf Div

0930
1300

-2 visited CP of 16th and 18th Inf Reg. heavy arty and mortar fire via VERLAUTANHEIDE. 1 tank knocked out by arty, 1 disabled by mine, and one damaged by arty bazooka.

Co B

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090001 Oct 44
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Weather: heavy fog, becoming clear at 1000.

0300 Hvy cy arty & mortar fire via VERLAUTENHEIDE.
70 PzB taken from destroyed pillboxes.
0400 Cy counterattack against JUNIX and VERLAUTENHEIDE 0-2, 1st Inf Div
Co B
repulsed by 18th Inf Reg.
0930 S-2 visited Mortar platoons.
1130 4 cy tanks observed 1000 yds N of HAAREN. Vehicles 0-2, 1st Inf Div
dispersed by hvy arty fire.
1300 S-2 visited 2nd plat of Co A, and 2nd plat of Co B.

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110001Oct 44

Weather: Cloudy, intermittent rain.

0100 Heavy cy arty and mortar fire via VERLAUTENHEIDE. Co B.
0200 Cy counterattack against VERLAUTENHEIDE and the ridge to the NW. Attacks continued throughout period but all attempts to dislodge 18th Inf Reg were unsuccessful.
0600 Elements of 18th Inf Reg went into HAAREN with very little opposition. Some pillboxes in the area remained in cy hands.
1050 Ultimatum delivered to military and civil leaders of AACHEN, giving them 24 hours to surrender the city unconditionally or face destruction.

110001 Oct 44
120001 Oct 44
Via BRAND, Germany

Weather: Clear and sunny.

0300 Approx 15 rounds fr cy 150mm How landed near Bn CP. Personal Observations.
1015 Cy gun firing fr area N of AACHEN.
1050 Bn CP moved fr vic 881371 to 887409, via BRAND. Ultimatum for the surrender of AACHEN expired. Arty and air attacks on city begun.
1300 S-2 visited CP of Cos B, C, and D.
1630 Cy counterattack against high ground N of HAAREN repelled. Cy force made up of one Inf Bn and one Platoon of tanks.
2400 Cy arty reported to be very hvy via VERLAUTENHEIDE. Co B.
Heavy cy arty and mortar fire in factory district of 3rd Plat, Co C. AACHEN.

120001 Oct 44
130001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, broken cloudy.

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0930 Mines and small arms fire encountered via 863427. CO C.
 1100 Heavy arty fire via 862442. Destroyed 2 ey CO C.
 pillboxes, 3 ey AT guns and took 50 PAV.
 1300 B-2 visited mortar platoon. CO B.
 1630 AT gun fired on tanks via VERLAUTMHEKIDE. 6
 pillboxes captured by our tanks. Personal Observa-
 1845 15 to 20 ey aircraft dropped high explosive and tion.
 anti-personnel bombs in vic BRAND, 888404. U-2, 1st Inf Div.
 2400 Period marked by hvy ey arty and mortar fire all along Div front. Ey traffic, including 14 tanks, observed moving S toward the WURZELEN area, 875455. Our air and arty attacks against AACHEN continued.

130001 Oct 44
 140001 Oct 44

Weather: Sunny and cool.

1017 2 M2 109's over Div area. G-2, 1st Inf Div.
 1015 6 ey aircraft strafed and dropped A/P bombs in Personal Observa-
 16th Inf Reg area. tion.
 2145 2 ey planes dropped flares and A/P bombs near Personal Observa-
 En CP, vic BRAND. tion.
 2400 Hvy mortar fire met in AACHEN. Bazookas and Co C.
 small arms fire via 853423. House to house fighting via 855455.

140001 Oct 44
 150001 Oct 44

Weather: Broken cloudy, cool.

0930 B-2 visited CP of Co C and CP of 26th Inf Reg. G-2, 1st Inf Div.
 1210 10 ey tanks reported in vic 915498. Personal Observa-
 1300 S-2 visited 1st and 3rd platoons of Co B. tion.
 1630 Single ey plane dropped flares and strafed in Personal Observa-
 16th Inf Reg area. tion.
 2015 Unknown number of ey planes strafed and bombed Personal Observa-
 vic BRAND. tion.
 2300 3-4 ey planes bombed and strafed I of BRAND. Personal Observation.
 2400 Bazookas and small arms fire met in AACHEN, via Co C.
 849421. Close-in fighting via 845436.

150001 Oct 44
 160001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, broken cloudy.

0200 3-4 ey planes bombed and strafed via BRAND. Personal Observation.
 0600 Ey planes bombed and strafed I of BRAND. Personal Observation
 1000 Ey attacked ponds held by I & G Cos of 18th

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G-2, 1st Inf Div.

Inf Reg and G, I, and E Cos of the 16th Inf, using 2 Bns of the 3rd Pz Div supported by 2 Cos of Tanks. Tanks used were M IV, V, & VI's. By 1700 all our Inf positions were regained.

S-2 visited CP of the 2nd Bn, 18th Inf Reg. By counterattack with one Bn of Inf and 4 Tks via S45438, AACHEN. By 1200 mortar fire very heavy.

Co C.

G Co 1st 16th Inf Reg attacked in vic S93448 by cv tanks and inf. No material change in front resulted.

G-2, 1st Inf Div.

160001 Oct 44
 170001 Oct 44

Weather: Cloudy, intermittent rain.

By counterattacks via S45438 succeeded in occupying several foxholes held by 16th Inf, but these were reoccupied by late afternoon. 2 cv tanks reptd in vic S44426 but driven back by our hvv arty barrage.

Co B.

Report received at Bn CP that German paratroopers could be expected to be landed in area HZ of AACHEN. No paratroopers were observed in period.

G-2, 1st Inf Div.

Co D.

170001 Oct 44
 180001 Oct 44

Weather: Cloudy, intermittent rain.

0600: Single cv plane dropped anti-personnel bombs via BRAND. Personal Observation.

1000 Sv Co C/R car driver sniped at vic BRAND.

1400 Hvvy cv arty fire via VERLAUTENHEIDE. All Pz taken in vic S58462.

Co B

Period ended with continuing cv resistance via AACHEN. By S/P guns, apparently operating fr vic S33443, reptd firing on Inf posn on Observatory Hill in the city.

Co C

180001 Oct 44
 190001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, intermittent rain.

0700 Approx 10 shells fr cv gun located Hof VERLAUTENHEIDE. Personal Obs.

0725 One cv Bn, supported by 5 S/P guns, attacked K and I

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Com of the 18th Inf Reg, via 868465. Some pill-boxes were lost, but by the end of the period all positions were restored.

7-2, 1st Inf Div

1300 8 shells from cy gun located NE of AACHEN landed in vic Bn CP. Personal observation.

2400 Period ended with cy stubbornly resisting the advance of the 26th Inf Reg into AACHEN. By 5/7 and AF arty fire was reported in the city, and mortar fire cont'd heavy throughout the period. Co G.

Cy bazookas encountered in vic 839442.

190001 Oct 44
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Weather: Cloudy, intermittent rain.

1330 Cy counterattack N of HAVELSHENG, supported by heavy arty and tk fire, repulsed by our Inf. 0-2, 1st Inf Div.

In the action one Mx IV tk was destroyed, and 3 Mx VI tks were damaged.

1900

8-2 to Co G.

2200 Single cy plane driven off by AA fire.

2400 Period ended with cy still holding the W fringe of AACHEN. Cy bazooks and small arms fire encountered via 833420. Personal observation
 Co G.

200001 Oct 44
 210001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.

0400 Cy plane dropped propaganda leaflets in area near Bn CP. Four different types of leaflets were picked up. Personal observation.

2400 Period ended with the cessation of all organized resistance in AACHEN. Mopping up of cy units on the W outskirts was all that remained to be done. 0-2, 1st Inf Div

Since 11 Oct, when the attack on the city began, over 1900 prisoners have been taken fr the city.

210001 Oct 44
 220001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.

1200 Commandant of AACHEN, Col WILCK, surrendered his garrison. 1626 prisoners being taken by 26th Inf.

0-2, 1st Inf Div

2115 Cy plane dropped flares in vic of AACHEN. Cy driven off by AA fire, no bombs being dropped. Personal observation.

RECONNAISSANCE DIVISION

REPORT

220001 Oct 44
230001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, scattered showers.

2400 Except for heavy arty fire, especially in the G-2, 1st Inf Div. VELAUTERHAIN area, the period was inactive.

230001 Oct 44
240001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.

2400 Period ended with no change in situation. Arty continued to be heavy all along the Div front, and patrol activities were apparent.

G-2, 1st Inf Div.

240001 Oct 44
250001 Oct 44

Weather: Sunny, cool.

1900 2 ME 109's seen over MICHAM, apparently on reconnaissance mission.
2400 Arty patrols active throughout the period, and arty fire continued heavy.

Personal Observation.

G-2, 1st Inf Div.

250001 Oct 44
260001 Oct 44

Weather: Cool, foggy and cloudy.

2400 Arty activity at a minimum due to restricted visibility. Arty was comparatively light.

G-2, 1st Inf Div.

260001 Oct 44
270001 Oct 44

Weather: Broken clouds, not so cool.

2400 Period ended with arty continuing his passive resistance. Patrol activity at a minimum.

G-2, 1st Inf Div

270001 Oct 44
280001 Oct 44

Weather: Cloudy, cool.

0320 One flying bomb seen over BN area heading in SW direction. The missile did not fall in range of vision or hearing.

Personal Observation

2400 Little arty activity observed in period.

G-2, 1st Inf Div

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Weather: Sunny, cool.

1815 My arty, located N of VERLAUTENHEIDE, shelled Personal Observa-
BRAND, 1 mile S of Bn CP. tion.
2030 My rocket gun heard firing from area NE of Personal Observa-
LACHAN. Shells were aired in a N direction tion.
but no subsequent explosions were heard.

290001 Oct 44
300001 Oct 44

Weather: Sunny, cool.

0920 My arty, located N of VERLAUTENHEIDE, shelled Personal Observa-
BRAND. tion.
1525 My long range arty, probably 150mm located via Personal Observa-
ATZCH, shelled Bn CP and BRAND. tion.
1610 Civilian from BRAND volunteered information Personal Observa-
on location of 2y guns N of VERLAUTENHEIDE. tion.
Informant sent to S-2, 16th Inf Reg for
further check on identity and validity of story. Personal Observation.
1700 My arty, via ATZCH, shelled BRAND. Personal Observa-
1910 My aircraft dropped HE and A/P bombs NE of tion.
Bn area, via STOLBERG. Personal Observa-
1940 My aircraft dropped A/P bombs via STOLBERG. tion.

300001 Oct 44
310001 Oct 44

Weather: Cold, cloudy.

2400 Period ended with no change in situation.
My arty evenly distributed over Div front.

O-2, 1st Inf Div.

310001 Oct 44
010001 Nov 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.

2400 Period ended with no change in situation.
Patrolling was at a minimum and my arty was
operatively light.

O-2, 1st Inf Div.

For the Battalion Commander:

Francis G. McCall
FRANCIS G. MCCALL,
Capt., 745th Tank Bn,
S-2.

For Period
From: 01 0001 Oct 44
To: 01 0001 Nov 44

Mq 745th Tr Bn
Via Wieser Forstbach, Germany
010001 Oct 44
010001 Oct 44

Orders: OTC and M awarded Purple Hearts,
Awards and Decorations; Capt JAMES H. GARDNER, O101106, Mq, 5 Sgt JAMES V. BULLINGER,
2000074, Co 4th, a M Cpl EDWARD E. HARTIG, 2000012, Co 4th, awarded Purple Hearts
for wounds received in action against the enemy in Germany.

Mq 745th Tr Bn
Via Wieser Forstbach, Germany
010001 Oct 44
010001 Oct 44

Orders: Promotions and Recommendations of M1,
Increase in Strength; See Wounded.

Wounded: Tsgt 4 WILLIAM HOFFER, 2000000, Mq Co, 4th to Hmp (LB) M1 M1 (M1C).
Awards and Decorations: 1st Lt DANIEL F. GUTTIL, O101000, Co 4th, posthumously
awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action in Normandy, France, 8 Sgt EDWARD
E. HEDGECOCK, 2000007, Co 4th, awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action against
the enemy in Normandy, France, 8 Sgt WILLIAM E. HARTIG, 2000010, Co 4th, Cpl EDWARD
E. HEDGECOCK, 2000000, Co 4th, posthumously awarded Bronze Stars for heroic achievements
in connection with M1 operations against the enemy in Normandy, France. Pfc
EDWARD E. HEDGECOCK, 2000002, Co 4th, and Pfc WILLIAM E. HARTIG, 2000000, Co 4th,
(both missing in action) awarded Bronze Stars for heroic achievements in connection
with M1 operations against the enemy in Normandy, France. Tsgt 4 WILLIAM E. HARTIG,
2000002, Co 4th, awarded the Bronze Star for heroic achievements in connection with
M1 operations against the enemy in Normandy, France.

Mq 745th Tr Bn
Via Wieser Forstbach, Germany
010001 Oct 44
010001 Oct 44

Orders: Asgmt of replacements to Co's and C in asgmt and 4th of OTC and M1,
Increase in Strength; M1 (C) M1 asgt to the M1,

Mq 745th Tr Bn
Via Wieser Forstbach, Germany
010001 Oct 44
010001 Oct 44

Increase in Strength; See Wounded,
Wounded: Pfc EDWARD E. HARTIG, 2000002, Mq Co, 4th to S. M1 in Hmp (LB) M1C, 20
Sgt 4th,
Awards and Decorations: Tsgt 4 EDWARD E. HARTIG, 2000002, Co 4th, awarded the
Bronze Star for heroic achievements in connection with military operations against

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the enemy in Normandy. 1st Lt. Fred S. Malvin G. Lewis, Co "C", 1100, Co "C", (then Pfc) (MIA) awarded the Bronze Star for heroic achievement in connection with all operations against the enemy in Normandy, France.

In 745th Tr Bn
Via Meador Fortsbach, Germany
070001 Oct 44
070001 Oct 44

Orders: Off and M awarded Purple Hearts, eight of replacements to Co's, eight of Off to Co, 6 in eight and 4 of Off, and promotion of M.
Increase in Strength: One (1) Off and three (3) M assigned to M.
Increase in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: Sgt James H. Loomis, 1611200, Co "C", 47 to Hosp (LD) LIA (M), 5 Oct 44.
Awards and Decorations: 1st Lt Donald H. Zehlske, 0101256, Co "A", 1st Lt James A. Miller, 0101157, Co "C", 2 Sgt Charles J. Carroll, 2617870, Co "A", Sgt William E. Schmitt, 2608045, Co "A", 1st Lt Richard L. Adams, 2657656, Co "C", Pfc Harold J. Williams, 2608034, Co "C", and Pvt Edwin L. Ellis, 2657656, Co "C", awarded Purple Hearts for wounds received in action against the enemy. 5 Sgt Charles J. Carroll, 2657670, Co "A", and Pvt Edwin L. Ellis, 2657656, Co "C", awarded Oak Leaf Clusters to Purple Heart for wounds received in action against the enemy.

In 745th Tr Bn
Via Meador Fortsbach, Germany
070001 Oct 44
070001 Oct 44

AMES, Pvt Richard L. Manning, 2611704, Co "C", 47 to AMOL at 0630 hrs. submitted Purple Heart Report this date.

In 745th Tr Bn
Via Meador Fortsbach, Germany
070001 Oct 44
070001 Oct 44

Orders: Off and M awarded Purple Hearts.
Increase in Strength: Off joined M, 20 Sept 44.
Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: 2 Sgt Allen G. Berman, 2657656, Co "C", LVA (M), 20 Sept 44, remained for 47) Pfc James P. Sullivan, Co "C", LVA (M), 21 Sept 44, remained for 47) 1st Lt James P. Wood, 0101256, Co "C", LVA (M), 4 Oct 44, remained for 47) Sgt Richard L. Manning, 2608045, Co "C", 47 to Hosp (LD) M.
Awards and Decorations: 1st Lt James J. Fitzpatrick, 0101256, Co "C", Sgt William E. Schmitt, 2608045, Co "C", Sgt Charles J. Carroll, 2617870, Co "C", Sgt William E. Schmitt, 2608045, Co "C", 1st Lt James P. Wood, 0101256, Co "C", and Sgt Richard L. Manning, 2608045, Co "C", awarded Bronze Stars for heroic achievement in connection with all operations against the enemy in Normandy, France. 1st Lt James P. Wood, 0101256, Co "C", 1st Lt James P. Wood, 0101256, Co "C", and Pfc Harold J. Williams, 2608034, Co "C", awarded Purple Hearts for wounds received in action against the enemy.

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2-1 PERIODIC REPORT

From: 0200, 20 September 1944
 To: 2000, 8 October 1944
 Subject: UNIT TYPE DIVISION
 Date: 0200, 7 October 1944

1. MAPS: 0201 0202, Fortified Area No. 1/20, 0203, 1-0201, 170

2. STATION LIST: Radio Fortified Area, Germany, 2 Miles South

Attached to 1st U. S. Infantry Division.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE INSTALLATIONS: None.

4. STRENGTH OF COMMAND:

	02Z	02Z	02Z	TOTAL
a. Total Authorized Strength:	20	1	002	204
b. Present for Duty:	20	1	000	000

4. CASUALTIES:

- a. Killed in Action:
- b. Wounded, Battle Injured and Gassed:
- c. Non-battle (including sick injured, and deceased):
- d. Captured:
- e. Missing:

	02Z	02Z	02Z	TOTAL
	0	1	0	1
	0	4	0	4
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0

5. GRAVE REGISTRATION: None.

6. REPLACEMENTS RECEIVED:

	02Z	02Z	02Z	TOTAL
a. New Personnel:			1	1
b. Returned from Hospitals:			0	0
c. Retained Personnel:			0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0

7. PAID OFFERS OF WAR: Captured 0 Presented; 0 On Hand; 0

8. STAGNATIONS: None.

9. NOYALS: None.

10. CIVILIAN POPULATION: None.

For the Battalion Commander:

WILFORD A. GREENMAN,
 1st Lt., 745th Tank Bn,
 Adjutant.

11. REMARKS:

Promotions: 1st Lt FRANCIS A. CHILICOTIS, 01013071, Co "D", promoted to Capt by 2nd Lt FRANCIS A. BAPP, 0623761, Co "B", and 1st Lt WALTER J. FITZPATRICK, 01013068, Co "C", and 2nd Lt MARTIN E. QUINN, 01013019, Co "C", promoted to 1st Lt. Court Martials: Pfc JAMES D. WAGG, 36374625, Co "C", for violation of 11e & 11f, tried by Summary Court, 6 Oct 44, findings - reduced to Pvt, forfeit \$25.00 of his pay for one month, restricted to Co Area for one month. Pfc FRANK E. MURPHY, 36374666, Co "C", for violation of 11a & 11f, tried by Summary Court, 6 Oct 44, findings - forfeit \$25.00 of his pay for one month and restricted to Co Area for three (3) months.

By 745th Tn Bn
Via Meider Forstbach, Germany
080001 Oct 44
100001 Oct 44

Increase in Strength: 1st Sgt WILLIAM D. HALL, 36374686, Co "D", dropped from rolls to GY (MCC).

Increase in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Cpl LEWIS V. ABLE, 36382151, Co "D", abdominal and left hand, (MC) remained for GY, 7 Oct 44; Sgt MARIE E. JENSEN, 3601570, Co "D", injured, left arm (MC) remained for GY; 1st Sgt LEWIS H. HENRY, 36780457, GY to Hosp (LD) LIA (MC) dropped for amput; 1st Sgt CHARLES E. QUINN, 36384676, Co "D", GY to Hosp (LD) LIA (MC) dropped for amput; Pvt GEORGE H. HENRY, 36286625, Co "D", GY to Hosp (LD) LIA (MC) dropped for amput.

Promotions: 2nd Lt WOLFGANG E. BARKS, 01013066, Co "D", and 1st Lt IRVIN F. MCCLINTOCK, 0614648, Sv Co, and 2nd Lt LAMAR E. HIFE, 01014247, Co "D", promoted to 1st Lt.

By 745th Tn Bn
Via Meider Forstbach, Germany
080001 Oct 44
100001 Oct 44

Increase in Strength: See Killed and Wounded.

Killed: Pvt ALFRED J. BROCKEN, 36015674, Co "D", KIA.
Wounded: Cpl WALTER J. O'LEARY, 36381725, Co "D", abdominal and in left hand (MC) remained for GY; Sgt LEWIS J. HENRY, 36015040, Co "D", GY to Hosp (LD) LIA (MC) dropped for amput; Pfc WILLIAM LEHRING, 36375768, Co "D", GY to Hosp (LD) LIA (MC) dropped for amput; Sgt MARIE E. JENSEN, 36286625, Co "C", GY to Hosp (LD) LIA (MC) GY to Hosp.

Prisoners: 16 prisoners taken by Co "A" on 6 Oct 44.

AWOL: Pfc WALTER E. LEWIS, 16129029, Co "D", AWOL to GY, 1700 hrs.

By 745th Tn Bn
Via Meider Forstbach, Germany
100001 Oct 44
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By 745th Tn Bn
Via Meider Forstbach, Germany
110001 Oct 44
120001 Oct 44

Increase in Strength: 9 2d Sgt WALTER J. HENRY

Reg 74604 Td Em
Vic Brandy, Germany
140001 Oct 44
140001 Oct 44

Increase in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: 1st Lt JAMES L. BAKER, 01018048, Co "A", 47th Inf (L), (MC); Cpl LINDSEY
E. YARR, 35376215, 47th Inf (L), SI 3 (MC); Sgt ARLAND G. HANDELL, 35378007, Co
"B", 47th Inf (L), (MC), remained for duty; Cpl Lewis V. A. KING, 35380414, Co "B",
47th Inf (L), (MC), 6 Oct 44.
Awards and Decorations: Capt FRANCIS A. MCCALL, 01012976, Co "B", and 1st Lt JOSHUA
E. SISK, 01014780, Co "B", (both 47th Inf) awarded Silver Stars for gallantry in action
in Normandy, France. 1st Sgt John LeFevre, 35382481, Co "C", (then Sgt) awarded the
Bronze Star for heroic achievement in connection with all operations against the enemy
in Normandy, France.

Reg 74604 Td Em
Vic Brandy, Germany
140001 Oct 44
140001 Oct 44

Increase in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: 1st Lt JAMES L. BAKER, 35378008, 47th Inf, SIA (MC) remained for duty; 1st Lt JOHN
A. SIMON, 35378774, 47th Inf, SIA (MC) remained for duty; Cpl ARTHUR BARKER, 35378016,
Co "A", 47th Inf (L), (L), SI 3 (MC); 1st Sgt HAROLD H. HANDEL, 35380002, Co "C", 47th
Inf (L), SIA (MC); 1st Lt JAMES L. BAKER, 35378007, Co "B", 47th Inf (L), SIA (MC);
1st Lt CHARLES A. HANDELL, 35381787, Co "C", 47th Inf (L), SIA (MC); Pvt EUGENE
R. HANDEL, 35382481, Co "C", 47th Inf (L), SIA (MC); Pvt DONALD H. SIMON, 35041875,
Co "C", 47th Inf (L), MC; Pvt ALFRED S. CLERK, 35380787, Co "C", 47th Inf (L),
(MC).

Reg 74604 Td Em
Vic Brandy, Germany
140001 Oct 44
140001 Oct 44

Orders: C in command and duty of staff and his within the line.
Decrease in Strength: See Killed and Wounded.
Killed: Pvt EUGENE HANDEL, 35380002, Co "C", KIA.
Wounded: Cpl Lewis Vandenberg, 35378778, 47th Inf (L), SI 3 (L), (MC), dropped from strength;
1st Lt HAROLD H. HANDEL, 35380002, 47th Inf (L), SIA (MC), 14 Oct 44.
1st Periodic report submitted this date.

Reg 74604 Td Em
Vic Brandy, Germany
140001 Oct 44
140001 Oct 44

Increase in Strength: See KIA and Wounded.
KIA: Pvt James V. Frazier, 35376888, Co "D", KIA.
Wounded: Pvt DONALD H. SIMON, 35041875, Co "B", 47th Inf (L), (MC); 1st Lt
CHARLES A. HANDEL, 35381787, Co "B", 47th Inf (L), SIA (MC); 1st Lt HAROLD H.

**ROSENTHAL, OLOL131, Co 1st, LIA (M), remained for 47 PVT FRANK J. DANIELS,
1077423, Co 1st, cy to keep LIA (M); PFC ELMER L. ZELINSKI, 1020768, Co 1st,
cy to keep (LJ) S. S. (M); Sgt JAY L. LEATH, 2610121, M4 Co, cy to keep LIA
(M); PFC WALTER J. PARRISH, 2622428, M4 Co, cy to keep (LJ) (M).
Source by for Off and M at 1100 hrs.**

M4 7450th St M
We Brand, Germany
180001 Oct 44
170001 Oct 44

Orders: Sgt of Off and M to Co 1st,
Increase in Strength: 2 Off and 27 M and 2 M.
Decrease in Strength: See Killed, MIA, and Wounded.
Killed: PVT WALTER J. LEATH, 1020768, Co 1st, MIA.
MIA: Cpl WALTER J. DANIELS, 2622428, Co 1st, MIA.
Wounded: Cpl ALBERT J. PARRISH, 2622428, Co 1st, cy to keep LIA (M); PVT FRANK J. DANIELS,
1077423, Co 1st, cy to keep LIA (M); Sgt WALTER J. LEATH, 2610121,
Co 1st, cy to keep (LJ) S. S. (M); Sgt WALTER J. LEATH, 2610121, Co 1st, cy to keep
(LJ) S. S. (M); S Sgt WALTER J. LEATH, 2622428, Co 1st, cy to keep LIA (M);
PVT WALTER J. DANIELS, 2622428, Co 1st, cy to keep (LJ) (M).
Awards and Decorations: 1st Lt JAMES A. DANIELS, 0101427, Co 1st, awarded Oak Leaf
Cluster to Bronze Star.

M4 7450th St M
We Brand, Germany
170001 Oct 44
180001 Oct 44

Orders: Special Court Martial Board relieved and new one setup, reactivation of M, C
in night and cy of Off, and eight of M to Co.
Increase in Strength: 4 M joined M.
Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: PFC WALTER J. DANIELS, 2622428, 3rd Co, LIA (M), remained for 47 1st Co &
WALTER J. DANIELS, 2622428, Co 1st, cy to keep (LJ) S. S. (M).

M4 7450th St M
We Brand, Germany
180001 Oct 44
190001 Oct 44

Orders: Capt FRANK A. McCALL, 0101873, 4th Army Court and Investigating Off
for Self Inflicted Wounds, also 1st Lt WALTER J. DANIELS, 0101427, MIA, C in
night and cy of Off.
Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: 1st Lt WALTER J. DANIELS, 0101427, 1000-099, Co 1st, cy to keep (LJ) S. S. (M);
17 Oct 44 PVT WALTER J. DANIELS, 2622428, Co 1st, cy to keep (LJ) LIA (M).
1st Lt WALTER J. DANIELS, 0101427, assumed command of Co 1st.

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Hq 745th Bn Bn
W.G. Brand, Germany
220001 Oct 44
220001 Oct 44

Orders: G in report and copy of M within the Bn, report of MIA's Co's.
Decrease in Strength: See MIA and Wounded.
MIA: Pfc James G. Doster, 3600000, Co 1st, MIA; Pfc Harold L. Baskin, 3600000, Co 1st, MIA.
Wounded: Sgt Reg. Buchler, 3000000, Co 1st, (MIA) LAA (MIA), copy to Map; Ten 4
James L. Pritchard, 3000000, Co 1st, (MIA) (MIA) shipped and left along transport,
remained for 4.

Hq 745th Bn Bn
W.G. Brand, Germany
220001 Oct 44
220001 Oct 44

Orders: Report of Off and M to Co.
Decrease in Strength: 1 Off and 1 M joined the Bn.
Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: Cpl James L. Baskin, 3000000, Co 1st, copy to Map (LAA) at Bn (MIA).

Hq 745th Bn Bn
W.G. Brand, Germany
220001 Oct 44
220001 Oct 44

Orders: G in report and copy of M within the Bn.
Decrease in Strength: See Killed and Wounded.
Killed: Sgt James Baskin, 3000007, Co 1st, MIA, 10 Oct 44.
Wounded: Pfc Harold L. Baskin, 3000004, Co 1st, copy to Map (MIA) at Bn (MIA), 10
Oct 44; Ten 4 James L. Baskin, 3000000, copy to Map, 10 Oct 44; Lt Col Richard L.
Wright, 3000000, Co 1st, LAA (MIA) remained for 4; Cpl Richard L.
Wright, 3000000, Co 1st, copy to Map (LAA) at Bn (MIA), 10 Oct 44.
Reference: Co 1st, helped to take about 100 prisoners.
G-1 Periodic report submitted this date.

Hq 745th Bn Bn
W.G. Brand, Germany
220001 Oct 44
220001 Oct 44

Orders: Promotions of M.
Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: Sgt Harold L. Baskin, 3000000, Co 1st, copy to Map (LAA) at Bn (MIA);
Sgt James L. Baskin, 3000001, Co 1st, copy to Map (LAA) at Bn (MIA); Pfc James
L. Baskin, 3000000, Co 1st, copy to Map (LAA) at Bn (MIA); Ten 4 James L. Baskin,
3000000, Co 1st, copy to Map (LAA) at Bn (MIA).

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LA PENINSULA BEACH

From: 0001, 14 October 1944
To: 2000, 20 October 1944
Unit: 5TH AVIATION BRIGADE
Date: 1100, 21 October 1944

No. MAPS 001-040 Aviation Squad 50, 1/10,000 Scale

1. STRATEGIC AREA Beach, General, 1/2 Mile North

Assigned to Lt Col R. E. DeGroot, AVIATION

2. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION None

3. NUMBER OF CASUALS

a. Total Authorized Strengths: 724
b. Present for Duty: 672

4. SUBSTITUTIONS

a. Killed in Action: 2
b. Wounded, Battle Injured and Missing: 11

c. Non-battle (including sick injured & deceased): 12
d. Captured: 0
e. Missing: 1

TOTAL: 24

5. GRAVES REGISTRATION 1 M Burial at Aviation Sq 50, 1 M Burial at Beach

Gravels from G. 12 Oct 44

6. REPLACEMENTS RECEIVED

a. New Personnel: 63
b. Returned from Hospitals: 1
c. Replaced Personnel: 12

TOTAL: 76

7. PRELIMINARY OF YAL Captured: 0, MIA: 0, on Hand: 0

8. REMARKS None

9. REMARKS Enrolled

10. CIVILIAN POPULATION Indefinite

For the Battalion Commander:

WILSON H. ORRIS, JR.,
1st Lt., 76th Tank Bn,
Adjutant.

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AWARDS

Lt 745th Lt Bn
The Brandy Company
20001 Oct 44
20001 Oct 44

Increase in Strength: Pfc Donald L. Fleming, 2404574, Co "C", 1st Sp to Coy, 1st

Oct 44.

Increase in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Pvt James L. Falkenberg, 2000760, Co "U", erroneously entered in Rpt changed to Fred LIA (M), 22 Oct 44; Cpl Paul A. Smith, 2037264, Co "A", LIA (M); remained for Coy, 20 Oct 44; Pvt John L. Dicks, 2457009, Co "A", LIA (M); remained for Coy, 20 Oct 44; Pfc Delmar L. McDonald, 2034204, Co "A", Coy to 1st Sp (LD) LIA (M).

Lt 745th Lt Bn
The Brandy Company
20001 Oct 44
20001 Oct 44

Orders: Promotion of M, eight of M to Co, eight of M to Co, OCS and M awarded Purple Hearts.

Increase in Strength: 1 M and 7 M says to M.

Increase in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Pvt Ivan L. Fuller, 2126300, Co "F", Coy to 1st Sp (LD) Lt Bn (M); Cpl Theodore J. Schubert, 2007600, Co "F", Coy to 1st Sp (LD) Lt Bn (M); Pvt James Kemble, 2042400, Co "F", Coy to 1st Sp (LD) Lt Bn (M).
A word and letter: Messing and Lt Harold B. MONTAGNINI, 0101101, Co "F", Sgt John LeFebvre, 2030200, Co "F", 1st Lt James L. FORTNER, 2071501, Co "F", 2nd Lt Richard L. Lewis, 2030000, Co "F", Sgt James L. Mitchell, 2034000, Co "C", Sgt Arthur J. Randall, 2037000, Co "F", Cpl Stanley J. Smith, 2031700, Co "F", 1st Lt James J. Smith, 2037000, Co "A", Pfc James L. FORTNER, 2030000, Lt Bn, Pfc Donald L. Randall, 2030200, Coy Co, Pfc Paul L. Van Dusen, 4202001, Lt Co, and Pvt MILTON L. Ashby, 2030000, Co "A", awarded Purple Hearts for wounds received in action against the enemy.

Lt 745th Lt Bn
The Brandy Company
20001 Oct 44
20001 Oct 44

Orders: M placed on M with this orgn stated to Lt Co, 6 in night and Coy of M, and 6 in night and Coy of OCS.

Increase in Strength: 10 M placed on M with this orgn from 3rd Regt Depot.

Increase in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Cpl Stanley J. Smith, 2031700, Co "F", Coy to 1st Sp (LD) LIA (M)

Lt 745th Lt Bn
The Brandy Company
20001 Oct 44
20001 Oct 44

AWARDS

Orders Special Court Martial Order,

Increase in Strength: Pvt MILTON J. MILLUSMAN, 3801000, Co 77th, erroneously placed up, dropped for aught.

Special Court Martial convened on 27 Oct 44, to try Pfc MILTON J. MILLUSMAN, 3801000, Co 77th, for violation of 1st AI. Sentenced to be reduced to grade of Pfc, be punished at hard labor for six (6) months, and to forfeit \$50.00, per month for six (6) months. Confinement suspended.

Hq 745th B. Bn
W. Germany
270001 Oct 44
280001 Oct 44

Orders: Asst of MA G and promotion and reduction of MA,
Decrease in Strength: See bounded.

Issued: To: 4 James D. Hazell, 30157350, Co 77th, dy to Insp (Lt) M. G. (AMG);

RAY E. LINDENBERGER, 38035588, Co 77th, dy to Insp (Lt) M. G. (AMG);
AMG, Pvt JAMES D. HAZELL, 3874875, Co 77th, dy to AMOL 2000 hrs, 23 Oct 44.

Orders: Services for Off and M at 1100 hrs.

Hq 745th B. Bn
W. Germany
280001 Oct 44
290001 Oct 44

Orders: Promotions and reduction of M.

Increase in Strength: Sgt LESTER J. MILLUSMAN, 38042876, placed on IS with M,
attached to Hq Co.

Decrease in Strength: 1st Lt MILTON GREEN, MG, 0435384, MG, trfd to 3rd Ass Bn
AMG.

AMG: Pvt JAMES D. HAZELL, 3874875, Co 77th, AMOL to dy 2100 hrs, 27 Oct 44.

Hq 745th B. Bn
W. Germany
280001 Oct 44
290001 Oct 44

Decrease in Strength: See bounded.

Issued: JOHN FREDERICK W. FRANK, JR., M.I. 1346, Sv Co, dy to Insp (Lt) M. G. (AMG)

Hq 745th B. Bn
W. Germany
300001 Oct 44
310001 Oct 44

Orders: Correction of previous orders, promotion and reduction of M, G in sight
and dy of M, and asst of M to Co's and status of Off and M to Co.

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Increase in Strength: 7 M and 1 M placed on DS with Bn.
Decrease in Strength: See wounded.
Wounded: Pvt Edward L. Matthews, 3611008, Co "B", dy to Hoop (LH) 2d Bn (ABN).
A MIA: Pvt Robert L. Hammond, 3837274, Co "B", ADDL to dy 1400 hrs, 30 Oct 64.

Hq 748th Tpk Bn
Vic Brumby, (company)
310001 Oct 64
10001 Nov 64

Orders: 1 OIF and 6 M awarded Purple Hearts.
Awards and Recommendations: 1st Lt ROY P. SIMONS, 01013102, Co "A", 8 Sgt Richard
Hammond, 3833108, Hq Co, Sgt William Smith, 3032086, Med Det, Cpl Paul A. Smith,
3837164, Co "A", Tsc 5 Bernard A. Johnson, 3837201, Bn Co, Pvt John A. Johnson, 1st
Co "A", awarded Purple Hearts for wounds received in action against the enemy.

For the Battalion Commanders

Nicholas C. Gummann
Major, 748th Tpk Bn,
Adjutant

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Auth: [redacted]
Date: [redacted]
Initial: [redacted]
: [redacted]

Jul thru Nov 44

HEADQUARTERS 745TH TANK BATTALION
APO 230, U.S. ARMY

OPW 206 ✓

1 December 1944.

Mr & Oct Sept

SUBJECT: Report after action against enemy.

TO : The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington, 25, D.C.
(Thru Channels).

1. As prescribed by War 10, 33, para 345-105 the following report after action against enemy during the month of November, 1944, is submitted.
2. Attachment of this Battalion to First US Infantry Division continued through the month of November, 1944. During the entire month Company "B" was attached to 18th US Infantry Regiment and Company "C" to 26th US Infantry Regiment, and the remainder of the Battalion to 16th US Infantry Regiment. Assault Gun Platoon of Headquarters Company was attached to Cannon Company of 16th Infantry Regiment, and Mortar Platoon was continuously attached to one of the battalions of 16th Infantry Regiment. Within the regiments the tank companies were employed by attaching one tank platoon to each battalion of the regiment.
3. At the beginning of the month all elements of the Battalion were holding positions in the vicinity of Aachen, Germany. 8-10 November elements of the Battalion moved to assembly areas with units of First Infantry Division to which attached in preparation for advance to the Roer River. 10-15 November all elements of the Battalion remained in assembly areas. 16 November, after preliminary bombing of enemy positions, units of the Battalion supported units of First Infantry Division in assault on enemy positions. The advance continued until the end of the month. Tank platoons supported infantry battalions in limited objective attacks. Enemy anti-tank defenses consisted of anti-tank guns, bazookas, and tanks.
4. In spite of the hilly terrain, woods, limited road net, and mud, the tanks were employed successfully. Teamwork between infantry and tank personnel had improved with continuous attachment of each tank platoon to the same infantry battalion.

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Wallace E. Nichols
WALLACE E. NICHOLS
Lt Col, 745th Tank Bn, US Army
Commanding.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
 Vic Brand, Germany
 010001 Nov 44
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Weather: Cool, cloudy.
 Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.
 Attachments: Bn, less B and C Cos attached 16th Inf Reg, (AG Plat attached
 Cn Co 16th Inf, 1st plat Co A and 2nd plat Co D attached, 1st Bn 16th Inf,
 2nd plat Co A and 3rd plat Co D attached 2nd Bn 16th Inf, 3rd plat Co A and
 1st plat Co D attached 3rd Bn 16th Inf). Co B attached 18th Inf - 1st plat
 w/1st Bn 18th Inf, 2nd plat w/2nd Bn 18th Inf, 3rd plat w/3rd Bn 18th Inf.
 Co C attached 26th Inf - 1st plat w/1st Bn 26th Inf, 2nd plat w/2nd Bn 26th
 Inf, 3rd plat w/3rd Bn 26th Inf.
 Locations: Bn CP and CP Cos -- & D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat
 927423 vic Stolberg, 2nd plat 902404 vic Brand, 3rd plat vic Co CP. Co D:
 1st plat vic Co CP, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A.
 Co B: CP 858427 vic Venwegen, 1st plat vic Co CP, 2nd and 3rd plats vic
 Haaren. Co C: CP 809353 vic Midfield, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plats vic Co CP.
 Sv Co 887409 vic Brand. AG Plat 916406 vic Brand. Mort Plat 927423 vic
 Stolberg.

0900 CC Co A rptd 3rd plat will relieve 1st plat during day.
 0930 CC Co D rptd 2nd plat withdrawn to Co CP for rest and maint. 1st plat
 to take posns of 2nd plat.
 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
 Mort Plat: Reld fr attachment 1st Bn 16th Inf, attached 3rd Bn 16th
 Inf. No change in location. No firing.
 AG Plat: fired 124 rds at unknown targets fr posns vic Brand.
 Co A: 1st plat - reld by 3rd plat Co A, ret'd to Co CP. 2nd plat -
 fired 407 rds ind fire. Rptd to have knocked out 4 MG nests and
 burned a building. 3rd plat - reld 1st plat Co A. Moving fr Co CP
 to vic Stolberg.
 Co B: 1st plat - in reserve at Co CP. 2nd plat - in reserve in
 Haaren doing maint. 3rd Plat - in reserve at Haaren. No ey contact.
 Co C: All plats at Co CP for maint.
 Co D: 1st plat - left vic Brand at 1400 arrived 927423, Stolberg,
 at 1445. Reld the 2nd plat Co D for maint. 2nd plat - reld by 1st
 plat Co D. Ret'd to Co CP in Brand for maint. 3rd plat - remained
 in posn vic Brand.
 No further change in sit or posns.
 Short 2 Lt, 8 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses) based on authorize-
 tion of 50 Med Tks.

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1st 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
020001 Nov 44
030001 Nov 44

Weather: Cool, sunny.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.
Locations: Bn CP and CPs Co A & D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat vic
Co CP, 2nd plat 902404 vic Brand, 3rd plat 927423, Stolberg. Co D: 1st
plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat vic Co CP, 2nd and 3rd plats vic Aachen.
B: CP 858427 vic Aachen, 1st plat vic Co CP, 2nd and 3rd plats vic Stolberg.
Co C: CP 809353 vic Midfield, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plats vic Stolberg.
Brand, 887409. AG Plat 916406 vic Brand. Mort Plat 927423 vic Stolberg.

1000 Recd Sit Overlay, HQ 1st US Inf Div, 012000, Nov 44. 2nd plat ret'd to Co

CO Co B rptd 1st plat reld 2nd plat in Aachen. 2nd plat ret'd to Co
CP for maint.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:

Mort Plat: fired 200 rds fr posns vic Stolberg.
AG Plat: fired 110 rds at ey arty and other targets fr posns vic
Brand. 1st plat - remained at Co CP for maint. 2nd plat - fired
400 rds ind fire fr posns vic Brand at MG nests and 3 ey houses, main
3rd plat - fired 189 rds ind fire harassing ey at a chateau, main
road, and pillbox. Results favorable. 2nd plat - reld by 1st
Co B: 1st plat - reld 2nd plat at Aachen. 2nd plat - in reserve posns in Aachen, no ey
plat, ret'd to Co CP. 3rd plat - in reserve posns in Aachen, no ey
contact.

Co C: All plats at Co CP for maint. no ey contact.

Co D: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.

Co E: No further change in posns or sit.

2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 6 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

1st 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
030001 Nov 44
040001 Nov 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A, B, C, D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat
vic Co CP, 2nd plat 902404 vic Brand, 3rd plat 927423 vic Stolberg, Co
D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat vic Co CP, 3rd plat w/2nd plat vic
Co B: CP 858427 vic Aachen, 1st and 3rd plats vic Aachen, 2nd plat
Co C: CP 809353 vic Midfield, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plats vic Stolberg.
Brand, 887409 vic Brand. Mort Plat 916406 vic Brand.

1000 Sit Overlay, HQ 1st US Inf Div 022000, Nov 44 recd.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:

Mort Plat: fired 69 rds fr posns vic Stolberg.

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AC Plat: fired 104 rds at LT guns and artillery posns.
Co A: 1st plat - in reserve at Co CP. 2nd plat - 321 rds ind fire at ey held pillbox and concentrations of personnel. Results favorable. 3rd plat - 3 tks fired 389 rds ind harrasing fire fr vic Stolberg at ey occupied cnateur, main road, and pillbox.
Co B: 1st plat - in reserve in Haaren, no ey contact. 2nd plat - in reserve at Co CP. 3rd plat - in reserve in Haaren, no ey contact.
Co C: all plats at Co CP for maint.
Co D: all plats remained in posns, no contact w/ey.
2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 4 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
040001 Nov 44
050001 Nov 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.
Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat vic Co CP. 2nd plat 902404 vic Brand, 3rd plat 927423 vic Stolberg. Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat vic Co CP, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A.
Co B: CP 858427 vic Aachen, 1st and 3rd plats vic Haaren, 2nd plat vic Co CP. Co C: CP 809353 vic Midfield, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plats vic Co CP. LV Co 887409 vic Brand. Mort Plat 927423 vic Stolberg.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: fired 64 rds fr posn vic Stolberg.

AG Plat: fired 54 rds at unknown targets.
Co A: 1st plat - at Co CP for maint. 2nd plat - fired 142 rds ind fire at ey CP. Results favorable. 3rd plat - fired 220 rds ind fire fr vic Stolberg at ey CP and OPS. Results favorable.
Co B: 1st plat - 1 tk fired 10 rds at pillbox at 856452. Tks moved to a better location, 855462. 2nd plat - in reserve at Co CP. 3rd plat - remained in posn in Haaren, no ey contact.
Co C: All plats at Co CP.

Co D: All plats remained in posns, no contact w/ey.
2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 2 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
050001 Nov 44
060001 Nov 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.
Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat vic

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Co CP, 2nd plat 902404 vic Brand, 3rd plat 927423 vic Stolberg. Co D:
1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat vic Co CP, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A.
Co B: CP 858427 vic Aachen, 1st and 3rd plats vic Haaren, 2nd plat vic
Co CP. Co C: CP 809353 vic Midfield, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plats vic Co CP.
Sv Co 887409 vic Brand. AG Plat 916406 vic Brand. Mort plat 927423 vic
Stolberg.

1000 Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 042000A Nov 44 recd.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:

Mort Plat: fired 161 rds at ey vic I Co, 16th Inf, outpost during
the night.

AG Plat: fired 94 rds at unknown targets.

Co A: 1st plat - at Co CP for maint. 2nd plat - fired 194 rds ind
fire fr posn vic Brand at buildings in Atsch. 3rd plat - fired 271
rds ind fire at ey columns and buildings, results favorable.

Co B: 1st plat - 1 tk fired 20 rds at pillbox at 856452. No other
action. 2nd plat - moved into line w/2nd Bn 18th Inf in vic Haaren,
reld 3rd plat Co B. 3rd plat - reld by 2nd plat. Retd to Co CP.

Co C: All plats at Co CP for maint.

Co D: 1st plat - remained in posns in Stolberg. 1 tk fired 20 rds
ind fire. 2nd and 3rd plats - remained in posns, no ey contact.
No further changes in posns or sit.

2400 Short 1 Lt, 3 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
060001 Nov 44
070001 Nov 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.

Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat
vic Co CP, 2nd plat 902404 vic Brand, 3rd plat 927423 vic Stolberg.

Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat vic Co CP, 3rd plat w/2nd plat
Co A. Co B: CP 858427 vic Aachen, 1st and 3rd plats vic Haaren, 2nd
plat vic Co CP. Co C: CP 809353 vic Midfield, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plats vic
Co CP. Sv Co 887409 vic Brand. AG Plat 916406 vic Brand. Mort Plat
927423 vic Stolberg.

1000 Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 052000A Nov 44 recd.

1330 Bn Comdr, S-3, 750th Tk Bn visited CP.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:

Mort Plat: fired 19 rds at ey gun posns fr posns vic Stolberg.

AG Plat: fired 67 rds fr posns vic Brand.

Co A: 1st plat at Co CP for maint. 2nd plat - in posn vic Brand.
3rd plat - fired 277 rds ind fire fr posns in Stolberg at
chateau and roads used by ey.

Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn in Haaren. 2nd plat - remained
in posn in Haaren. Ey arty and mortar fire fell in area. No casual-
ties. 3rd plat - remained at Co CP for maint.

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Co C: All plats at Co CP for maint.
CO D: 1st plat - 2 tks fired 40 rds ind fire fr posns in Stolberg.
2nd & 3rd plats - remained in posns, no contact w/ey.
2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 4 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
070001 Nov 44
080001 Nov 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.
Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat vic
Co CP, 2nd plat 902404 vic Brand, 3rd plat 927423 vic Stolberg. Co D:
1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat vic Co CP, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A.
Co B: CP 858427 vic Aachen, 1st and 2nd plats vic Haaren, 3rd plat vic
Co CP. Co C: CP 809353 vic Hidfild, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plat vic Co CP.
By Co 887409 vic Brand. AG Plat 916406 vic Brand. Mort plat 927423 vic
Stolberg.

0815 Exec Off, Co Comdrs, 750th Tk Bn rptd to CP for orientations w/Co
Comdrs.
1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 062000A Nov 44.
2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: fired 50 rds at ey gun posns and personnel fr posns vic
Stolberg.
AG Plat: fired 83 rds fr posns vic Brand to break up counterattack.
Co A: 1st plat - At Co CP for maint. 2nd plat - remained in posn
at Brand. 3rd plat - fired 111 rds ind fire at ey CP, gun in gravel
pit, btry of arty.
Co B: 1st and 2nd plats - remained in posns vic Haaren. 3rd plat -
at Co CP for maint.
Co C: All plats at Co CP for maint.
Co D: 1st and 2nd plats - remained in posns, no ey contact. 3rd
plat - moved fr 1 mi NE Brand to posn 2 mi N Brand.
2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short O Lt, 3 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
080001 Nov 44
090001 Nov 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

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Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A and D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat vic Co CP, 2nd plat 902404 vic Brand, 3rd plat 927423 vic Stolberg.
Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat vic Co CP, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 858427 vic Aachen, 1st and 2nd plats vic Haaren, 3rd plat vic Co CP. Co C: CP 809353 vic Midfield, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plats vic Co CP. Sv Co 887409 vic Brand. AG Plat 916406 vic Brand. Mort plat 927423 vic Stolberg.

1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 072000Z Nov 44.
1600 Oper Inst #9, Hq CT 16, 6 Nov 44 recd giving order of relief of elements of CT 16 1st Inf Div by CT, 104th US Inf Div. FO #15, Hq CT 16, 1st US Inf Div 8 Nov 44 recd giving zones of action, obj, and orders for adv to the Roer River, No of Duren. Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: fired 13 rds at ey pers fr posns vic Stolberg.
AG Plat: fired 111 rds at unknown targets fr posns vic Brand.
Co A: 1st plat - at Co CP for maint. 2nd plat - ret'd to Co CP at 1400 upon relief of 1st plat. 3rd plat - fired 702 rds ind fire fr posns vic Stolberg at forest Propstein.
Co B: 1st and 2nd plats - remained in posns. No ey contact.
3rd plat - went into posn in factory district of Aachen in mobile reserve.

Co C: At 1300 Co moved fr vic midfield to 978378 vic Zwiefall; distance travelled 14 mi.
Co D: 1st plat - left vic Stolberg at 0840 and arriv'd 400 yds E Freund, 902405, at 0900. 2nd and 3rd plats - remained in posn in Brand.

No further change in posns or sit.

2400 Short O Lt, 1 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

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Vic Brand, Germany
090001 Nov 44
100001 Nov 44

Weather.: Cold, cloudy, intermittent snow.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat vic Co CP, 2nd plat 902404 vic Brand, 3rd plat 927423 vic Stolberg.
Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat vic Co CP, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 858427 vic Aachen, 1st and 2nd plats Haaren, 3rd plat 853946 vic Aachen. Co C: CP 978378 vic Zwiefall, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plats vic Co CP. Sv Co 887409 vic Brand. AG Plat 916406, vic Brand. Mort Plat 927423 vic Stolberg.

1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 082000Z Nov 44.
1200 FO #53, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 060000Z Nov 44, recd for adv of div to the Roer River giving zones of action, objs, and boundaries.

1600 CO Co A rpt'd 1st plat at 986399 vic Krewinkel, 3rd plat 954371 vic Zwiefall.

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Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: detached fr 3rd Bn 16th Inf and left vic Stolberg at 1630 and arrived in rear assy area vic 983399.
AG Plat: fired 43 rds at ey arty posns fr posn vic Brand.
Co A: 1st plat - moved fr Co CP at 0800 to assy area at 008415.
2nd plat - remained in posn at Co CP. 3rd plat - moved fr posn vic Brand to assy area at 985400.
Co B: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact. Occasional ey arty fire fell in area.
Co C: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.
Co D: 1st plat - left vic Freund at 1240 and moved to 952371 vic Zwiefall at 1330. 2nd plat - left vic Brand at 0800 moved to 985399 vic Gressenich at 1030. 3rd plat - remained in posn vic Brand. No further changes in posns or situation.
Short O Lt, 1 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

2400

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
100001 Nov 44
110001 Nov 44

Weather: Cold, cloudy, intermittent rain.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 887409 vic Brand. Co A: 1st plat 986399 vic Krewinkel, 2nd plat vic Co CP, 3rd plat 954371 vic Zwiefall.
Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat vic 952370. Co B: CP 858427 Aachen, 1st and 2nd plats vic Haaren, 3rd plat 853446 vic Aachen. Co D: CP 978378 vic Zwiefall, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plats at Co CP. Sv Co 887409 vic Brand. AG Plat 916406 vic Brand, Mort Plat 927423 vic Stolberg.

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Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 092000A Nov 44.
CO Co B rptd Co CP and plats 927348 vic Venwegen.

2000

Final element of CP closed in new location 968400 vic Mausbach.

2400

Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: left rear assy area 983399, going into firing posns at 003417, prepared firing data for future developments, did not fire.
AG Plat: fired 68 rds at ey AA and mortar posns and inf concentrations fr posns vic Brand.

Co A: 1st and 3rd plats remained in posn, no ey contact.

2nd plat: moved fr Co CP at 1400 to assy area 950370.

Co B: 1st plat: moved fr vic Haaren to 836408 at 0900, moved to 995364

2nd plat: held by 2nd plat Co B, 750th Tk Bn at 0700. At 1200 moved to assy area 942363 vic Zwiefall. 3rd Plat: left posn at 0630 and

med 3rd Bn 18th Inf in assy area where Inf mounted tks and proceeded to new assy area 937377, vic Zwiefall.

Co C: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.

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CoD: 1st plat - left vic Zweifall at 0700 and moved to Gressenich 985399. 2nd plat - left vic Gressenich at 1430 and moved to 006418 vic Schevenhutte. 3rd plat - moved fr vic Co CP at 1430, arrived 952370 vic Zweifall.

2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 0 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
110001 Nov 44
120001 Nov 44

Weather: Cold, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 968400 vic Mausbach. Co A: 1st plat 008415 vic Shevenhutte, 2nd plat 950370 vic Zweifall, 3rd plat 985400 vic Fleath. Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP927348 vic Venwegen, 1st plat 955364, 2nd plat 937377, 3rd plat 942369 all vic Zweifall. Co C: CP 978378 vic Zweifall, all plats at Co CP. Sv Co 887409 vic Brand. AG Plat 989400. Mort plat 003417 vic Shevenhutte.

1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 102400A, Nov 44.
Message fr CG 1st US Inf Div classified Secret recd stating that close-in air support operations by RAF will soon take place. Troops will not use red or green lights or pyrotechnic signals in nights of operation.

CG Co B rptd locations of plats as follows: 1st plat - 944363, 2nd plat 940361, 3rd plat 941357 all vic Zweifall.

1100 S-1 sect moved fr vic Brand to CP vic Mausbach.

1300 CG Co A & CG Co D rptd posns of plats as follows: 1st plat A and 2nd plat Co D vic 008415 vic Shevenhutte, 2nd plat A, 3rd plat Co D 950370 vic Zweifall, 3rd plat Co A, 1st plat D 985400 vic Fleath.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:

Mort Plat: remained in posn, no firing.

AG Plat: remained in posn, no firing.

Co A: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.

Co B: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.

Co C: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.

Co D: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.

2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 2 Lt, 1 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
120001 Nov 44
130001 Nov 44

Weather: Cold, cloudy, intermittent rain.
Visibility: Poor.

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Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Cos A & D 968400 vic Mausbach. Co A: 1st plat 008415, vic Shevenhutte, 2nd plat 950370 vic Zweifall, 3rd plat 985400 vic Fleuth. Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 927348 vic Venwegen, 1st plat 944363, 2nd plat 940361, 3rd plat 941357, all vic Zweifall. Co C: CP 978378 vic Zweifall. All Plats at Co CP. Sv Co 887409 vic Brand. AG Plat 989400. Mort Plat 013417 vic Shevenhutte.

1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 112400A Nov 44.

1200 Message fr AC of S, G-3, recd stating that all men will carry gas masks or have them immediately available after crossing the Roer R.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:

Mort Plat: Remained in posn, no firing.

AG Plat: Remained in posn, no firing.

Co A: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.

Co B: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.

Co C: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.

Co D: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.

2400 No further change in posns or sit.

Short 2 Lt, 0 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
130001 Nov 44
140001 Nov 44

Weather: Cold, cloudy, intermittent snow.

Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Cos A & D 968400 vic Mausbach, Co A: 1st plat 008415 vic Shevenhutte, 2nd plat 950370 vic Zweifall, 3rd plat 985400 vic Fleuth. Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 927348 vic Venwegen, 1st plat 955364, 2nd plat 937377, 3rd plat 942369, all plats vic Zweifall. Co C: CP 978378 vic Zweifall, all plats vic Co CP. Sv Co 887409 vic Brand. AG plat 989400. Mort Plat 003417 vic Shevenhutte.

1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 122400A Nov 44.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:

Mort Plat: remained in posn, no firing.

AG Plat: remained in posn, no firing.

Co A: 1st and 3rd plat - remained in posns, no contact w/ey. 2nd plat - moved fr 950370 to 978400.

Co B: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.

Co D: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.

Co D: ~~3rd~~ plats remained in posns, no ey contact. 3rd plat - moved fr 952370 to 980399 vic Vicht, closing in area at 1530.

2400 No further change in posns or situation.

Short 1 Lt, 0 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
140001 Nov 44
150001 Nov 44

Weather: Cold, cloudy, intermittent rain and snow.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Cos A & D 968400 vic Mausbach. Co A: 1st plat 008415 vic Shevenhutte, 2nd plat 940370 vic Zweifall, 3rd plat 985400 vic Fleuth. Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 927848 vic Venwegen, 1st plat 955364, 2nd plat 937377, 3rd plat 942369, all plats vic Zweifall. Co C: CP 978378 vic Zweifall, all plats vic Co CP. Sv Co 887409 vic Brand. AG Plat 989400. Mort Plat 003417 vic Shevenhutte.

1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 132400A Nov 44.

1100 CC Cos A & D rptd 2nd plat Co A, 1st plat Co D moved to vic 978400.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:

Mort Plat: Remained in posn, no firing.

AG Plat: Remained in posn, no firing.

Co A: All plats remained in posns, no contact w/ey.

Co B: All plats remained in posns, no contact w/ey.

Co C: All plats remained in posns, no contact w/ey.

Co D: All plats remained in posns, no contact w/ey.

2400 No further changes in posns or sit.

Short 2 Lt, 0 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
150001 Nov 44
160001 Nov 44

Weather: Cold, cloudy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Cos A & D 968400 vic Mausbach. Co A: 1st plat 008415 vic Shevenhutte, 2nd plat 950370 vic Zweifall, 3rd plat 985400 vic Fleuth. Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 927348 vic Venwegen, 1st plat 955364, 2nd plat 937377, 3rd plat 943367, all plats vic Zweifall. Co C: CP 978378 vic Zweifall, all plats vic Co CP. Sv Co 887409 vic Brand. AG Plat 989400, Mort Plat 003417 vic Shevenhutte.

1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 142400A Nov 44.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:

Mort Plat: remained in firing posn, no firing.

AG Plat: remained in firing posn, no firing.

Co A: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.

Co B: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.

Co C: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.

Co D: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.

2400 No further changes in posns or sit.

Short 1 Lt, 0 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

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Weather: Cold, clearing.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Cos A & D 968400 vic Mausbach. Co A: 1st plat 008415 vic Shevenhutte, 2nd plat 950370 vic Zweifall, 3rd plat 985400 vic Fleuth. Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 927348 vic Venwegen, 1st plat 955364, 2nd plat 937377, 3rd plat 942367, all plats vic Zweifall. Co C: CP 978378 vic Zweifall, all plats vic Co CP. Sv Co 889409 vic Brand. AG Plat 989400. Mort Plat 003417 vic Shevenhutte.

0001-0445 Large Cal. ey gun shelled vic Bn CP every 3-4 minutes. No casualties.

1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 152400A Nov 44.

1100 Message fr CG 1st US Inf recd stating that between hrs of 161115A and 161235A all troops of Div will be under cover for protection fr bombs.

1000 S-3 Air rptd today 16 Nov 44 to be D-Day, bombing to start at 1115, attack starts 1245.

1830 S-3 Air rptd to CP that 1st Bn 16th Inf had reached 1st Obj and 26th Inf had reached posns 200 yds fwd of PL 1.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: fired 60 rds in support of 1st Bn 16th Inf attack. Plat Ldr and 1 EM LWA, ~~1~~ evacuated. Plat Ldr remained to dy. Incurred heavy counter-battery fire.

AG Plat: fired 667 rds HE in support of attack.

Co A: 1st plat - moved at 1300 fr 008415 supporting 1st Bn 16th Inf with obj - Hamich. Hvy arty fire incurred, could not cross deep ditch at 000428 and remained there. 2nd plat - remained in posn, no contact w/ey. 3rd plat - 2nd sec moved fr 986400 to posn at 008415 w/task force of 3rd Bn 16th Inf. 2 EM WIA. Subjected to hvy ey mortar and arty fire.

Co B: All plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey. Close in bombing by AAF, 1 EM WIA but not evacuated.

Co C: 1st & 3rd plats - remained in posns, no contact w/ey. 2nd plat - attached 2nd Bn 26th Inf at 1130 and moved fr posn at 1245 (H-hour) encountering MGs, Mortar fire, closing into area at 020424 vic Shevenhutte.

Co D: 1st plat - 2 tks moved to 007414 vic Schevenhutte at 1630. Underwent hvy ey arty fire. 2nd & 3rd plats - remained in posn, no contact w/ey.

2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 0 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

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Vic Mausbach, Germany
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Weather: Cold, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Weather: Cold, clearing.
Visibility: Fair.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
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Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Cos A & D 968400 vic Neusbach. Co A: 1st Plat 008415 vic Schevenhutte, 2nd Plat 950370 vic Zweifell, 3rd Plat 985400 vic Fleuth. Co D: 1st Plat w/3rd Plat Co A, 2nd Plat w/1st Plat Co A, 3rd Plat w/2nd Plat Co A. Co B: CP 927348 vic Venwegen, 1st Plat 955364, 2nd Plat 937377, 3rd Plat 942367, all plats vic Zweifell. Co C: CP 978378 vic Zweifell, all plats vic Co CP. SA Co 889409 vic Brand. AG Plat 989400. Mort Plat 003417 vic Schevenhutte.

0001-0445 Large Cal. ey gun shelled vic Bn CP every 3-4 minutes. No casual- ties.

1000 Read Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 152400 Nov 44.
1100 Message fr CG 1st US Inf reed stating that between hrs of 161154 and 161254 all troops of Div will be under cover for protection fr bombs.
1000 S-3 Air rptd today 16 Nov 44 to be D-Day, bombing to start at 1115, attack starts 1245.
1830 S-3 Air rptd to CP that 1st Bn 16th Inf had reached 1st Obj and 26th Inf had reached posns 200 yds fwd of PL 1.
2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: fired 60 rds in support of 1st Bn 16th Inf attack. Plat Ldr and 1 KM LWA, ~~SA~~ evacuated. Plat Ldr remained to dy. Incurred heavy counter-battery fire.
AG Plat: fired 667 rds HE in support of attack.
Co A: 1st Plat - moved at 1300 fr 008415 supporting 1st Bn 16th Inf with obj - Hamlich. Hay arty fire incurred, could not cross deep ditch at 000428 and remained there. 2nd Plat - remained in posn, no contact w/ey. 3rd Plat - 2nd sec moved fr 986400 to posn at 008415 w/task force of 3rd Bn 16th Inf. 2 KM WIA. Subjected to hay ey mortar and arty fire.
Co B: All plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey. Close in bombing by AAF, 1 KM WIA but not evacuated.
Co C: 1st & 3rd plats - remained in posns, no contact w/ey. 2nd Plat - attached 2nd Bn 26th Inf at 1130 and moved fr posn at 1245 (H-hour) encountering MGS, Mortar fire, closing into area at 020424 vic Schevenhutte.
Co D: 1st Plat - 2 tks moved to 007414 vic Schevenhutte at 1630. Underwent hay ey arty fire. 2nd & 3rd plats - remained in posn, no contact w/ey.
2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 0 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

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Vic Neusbach, Germany
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180001 Nov 44

Weather: Cold, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

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Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Cos A & D 988400 vic Mausbach. Co A: 1st plat 000428, 2nd plat 950370 vic Zweifall, 3rd plat - 1st sec 985400, 2nd sec 000415. Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 2nd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 927348 vic Venwegen, 1st plat 955364, 2nd plat 937377, 3rd plat 942367. Co C: CP 978378 vic Zweifall, 1st and 3rd plats vic Co CP, 2nd plat 020424 vic Shevenhutte. Sv Co 887409, vic Brand. AG Plat 984400, Mort Plat 003417 vic Shevenhutte.

- 1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 162400A Nov 44.
Lsn Off w/16th Inf Reg rptd w/posns of Div troops and Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div.
- 1015 Rcn Plat Ldr relayed message fr CO Co C: 1 tk knocked out by mine at 008447, no casualties, 1st plat Co C located 014420.
Plat Ldr, 3rd plat Co A, rptd needs 2 men, 1 tk commander, 1 gunner.
- 1300 CO Co A: 3rd plat Co A, 2 tks vic 007415, 3 tks at 980397.
- 1350 Plat Ldr, 3rd plat Co A, rptd to CO Co A and rptd 2 tks at 007415, are being pulled back to join 3rd plat.
- 1500 CO Co B rptd 3rd plat enroute to Hamich.
- 1900 Lsn Off rptd Div meeting hvy ey arty and mortar fire vic Hamich.
- 1 1st Bn 16th Inf unable to take town. 3rd Bn 16th Inf to attack Hamich in morning. H-Hour unknown.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: fired 125 rds counter arty fire. 2 ey vehicles knocked out and one gun damaged. No personnel casualties.
AG Plat: fired 365 rds in support of attack on ey, at ey posns and SP gun.
Co A: 1st plat - moved fr 000428 to edge of woods and went around ditch. 1st Bn attacked Hamich. Tk dozer stuck and hit by HE. Withdrew to vic 999430 under hvy ey arty fire. Plat Ldr WIA by concussion, evacuated, 2 TM WIA. 2nd plat - remained in posn, no ey contact. 3rd plat - 2nd sec moved fr posn at 008415 to rejoin rest of plat at 986400. 1 tk slipped into ditch at 007412 and could not be evacuated.
Co B: 1st Plat - remained in posns, no ey contact. 2nd plat - left assy area at 1100 arrived 981397, vic Vicht at 1300. 3rd plat - left assy area at 1245 arrived 993388 at 1430.
Co D: 1st and 3rd plats - remained in posns, no ey contact. 2nd plat - moved w/2nd Bn 26th Inf at 0700 fr 020424 to 025428 encountering small arms fire and mortars. 1 tk disabled by AT mine, 2 WIA, 1 tk disabled by thrown track. 1 TM WIA by mortar fire. Objective was not taken.
Co D: all plats remained in posns, no contact w/ey.
- 2400 No further changes in posns or ist.
Short 1 Lt, 0 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

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Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CP Cos A & D 988400 vic Mausbach. Co A: 1st plat 000428, 2nd plat 950370 vic Zweifall, 3rd plat - 1st sec 985400, 2nd sec 000415. Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 2nd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 927348 vic Venwegen, 1st plat 955364, 2nd plat 937377, 3rd plat 942367. Co C: CP 978378 vic Zweifall, 1st and 3rd plats vic Co CP, 2nd plat 020424 vic Shevenhutte. Sv Co 887409, vic Brand. AG Plat 984400, Mort Plat 003417 vic Shevenhutte.

- 1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 162400A Nov 44.
Lsn Off w/16th Inf Reg rptd w/posns of Div troops and Sit Overlay.
Hq 1st US Inf Div.
- 1015 Rcn Plat Ldr relayed message fr CO Co C: 1 tk knocked out by mine at 008447, no casualties, 1st plat Co C located 014420.
Plat Ldr, 3rd plat Co A, rptd needs 2 men, 1 tk commander, 1 gunner.
- 1300 CO Co A: 3rd plat Co A, 2 tks vic 007415, 3 tks at 980397.
- 1350 Plat Ldr, 3rd plat Co A, rptd to CO Co A and rptd 2 tks at 007415, are being pulled back to join 3rd plat.
- 1500 CO Co B rptd 3rd plat enroute to Hamich.
- 1900 Lsn Off rptd Div meeting hvy ey arty and mortar fire vic Hamich.
- 1 1st Bn 16th Inf unable to take town. 3rd Bn 16th Inf to attack Hamich in morning. H-Hour unknown.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: fired 125 rds counter arty fire. 2 ey vehicles knocked out and one gun damaged. No personnel casualties.
AG Plat: fired 365 rds in support of attack on ey, at ey posns and SP gun.
Co A: 1st plat - moved fr 000428 to edge of woods and went around ditch. 1st Bn attacked Hamich. Tk dozer stuck and hit by HE. Withdrew to vic 999430 under hvy ey arty fire. Plat Ldr WIA by concussion, evacuated, 2 EM WIA. 2nd plat - remained in posn, no ey contact. 3rd plat - 2nd sec moved fr posn at 008415 to rejoin rest of plat at 986400. 1 tk slipped into ditch at 007412 and could not be evacuated.
Co B: 1st Plat - remained in posns, no ey contact. 2nd plat - left assy area at 1100 arrived 981397, vic Vicht at 1300. 3rd plat - left assy area at 1245 arrived 993388 at 1430.
Co D: 1st and 3rd plats - remained in posns, no ey contact. 2nd plat - moved w/2nd Bn 26th Inf at 0700 fr 020424 to 025428 encountering small arms fire and mortars. 1 tk disabled by AT mine, 2 WIA, 1 tk disabled by thrown track. 1 EM WIA by mortar fire. Objective was not taken.
Co D: All plats remained in posns, no contact w/ey.
- 2400 No further changes in posns or ist.
Short 1 Lt, 0 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

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Co D: 1st plat - remained in posn, no ey contact. 2nd plat - moved at 0430 to vic Hamich, closing in 0600. Subjected to hvy ey arty and mortar fire. 3rd plat - moved fr area to vic Gressenich. 1 tk threw track but was repaired. Contd to assy area 996429. 2 tks attached w/F Co, remainder of plat w/ Co to 998439 vic Hamich.
2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 2 Lt, 1 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
190001 Nov 44
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Weather: Cool, very little clouds.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 968400 vic Mausbach. Co A: 1st Plat 999430, 2nd plat 997439 vic Hill 232, 3rd plat vic Hamich. Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A.
Co B: CP 927348 vic Venwegen, 1st plat 955364, 2nd plat 985410 vic Krewinkel, 3rd plat 997888. Co C: CP 978378 vic Zweifall, 1st plat 018424 vic Shevenhutte, 2nd plat 025428 vic Shevenhutte, 3rd plat 013421 vic Shevenhutte. MG Plat 984400. Sv Co 887409 vic Brand. Mort Plat 003417 vic Shevenhutte.

0930 Lsn Off rptd CP w/posns of Div Troops.

1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 182400A Nov 44.

1130 CO Co D rptd 3rd plat Co D on Hill 232. 1 tk damaged by hvy shrapnel evacuated. Plat Ldr, 2nd plat Co D, Lt BERND, WIA, evacuated.

1730 Exec Off rptd new locations of CPs Cos B & C. Co B: 975408 vic Krewinkel. Co C: 969401 vic Mausbach.

CO Co B rptd plat ldr, 3rd plat Co B, Lt KELLER, WIA by sniper, evacuated. 1st plat vic 994391, 2nd plat 979396, 3rd plat 002433 vic Hamich. Lsn Off rptd CP with locations of Div troops. 1st Bn 16th Inf reld for reorganization.

CO Co A rptd having 4 tks w/2nd Bn 16th Inf, 4 tk w/3rd Bn 16th Inf. Total casualties for Co A for 2 day's operations: 1 EM KIA, 1 Cff WIA, 10 EM WIA. Elements 1st & 3rd plats vic 001445, 2nd plat vic 994453.

CO Co C rptd progress of 26th Inf.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn vic Shevenhutte. Reled fr attachment 1st Bn 16th Inf and attached 3rd Bn 16th Inf.
MG Plat: fired 235 rds on ey posns in support of attack fr posns vic 984400.

Co A: 1st plat moved fr 999430 at 1130 supporting 3rd Bn 16th Inf in attack on Hamich, gave direct fire support, joining forces with the 3rd plat, Inf rode part way on back of tks. 2 tks were pulled back. 1 tk gun barrel damaged by shrapnel, 1 tk had trouble with traversing mechanism, 2 tks running in plat at 999447. 1 EM WIA.
2nd Plat - plat remained at 997439, 1 tk moved around Hill 232 w/Inf riding tks, dismounting at rear slope of obj. Came under hvy arty

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fire and direct fire fr the N. Withdrew to posns at 999447.
Co B: 1st plat - moved to assy area 991391. 1 EM WIA. 2nd plat -
moved fr posn vic Krewinkel at 1300 to 998423 vic Gressenich,
closing in area at 1530. 3rd plat - moved at 1000 fr posn vic
Vicht to assy area 997430 vic Gressenich, closing in area at 1200.
Plat Ldr WIA by sniper, evacuated.
Co C: CP moved fr 978378 to 968400 vic Mausbach. 1st and 2nd
plats - remained in posns under ey mortar and arty fire. 3rd plat -
moved fr 013421 to 030445 fired at castle in woods. Moved with I
Co, 26th Inf. Ey driven off and obj taken. No casualties. Hvy
mortar fire encountered. 2 tks assigned to L Co and 3 tks in
reserve at Bn CP. Aided in taking 45 PWs.
Co D: 1st and 2nd plats - remained in posn under hvy ey arty fire.
Plat Ldr, 2nd Plat, WIA, evacuated. 3rd plat - attacked w/G Co
to 990450. 1 tk knocked out by hvy mortar. No casualties.
2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 6 Med Tks. (deadlined and battle casualties).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
200001 Nov 44
210001 Nov 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy, rainy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A,D,C, 968400 vic Mausbach. Co A: 1st plat
999447 vic Hill 232, 2nd plat 994439 vic Hamich, 3rd plat 999447 vic Hill
232. Co D: 1st plat w/2nd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat
w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 975408 vic Krewinkel, 1st plat 991391, 2nd
plat 998423 vic Gressenich, 3rd plat 997430 vic Gressenich. Co C: CP
968400 vic Mausbach, 1st plat 018424, 2nd plat 025428, 3rd plat 013421,
all vic Shevenhutte. Sv Co 887409 vic Brand. AG Plat 984400. Mort Plat
003417 vic Shevenhutte. S

0930 Len Off: tptd CP with posns Div Troops and new objs, attack started
0830 with obj of outting RR fr Eschweiler to Duren.
1000 Recd Sit Overlay Hq 1st US Inf, 192400A Nov 44.
1430 CO Co B rptd posns of plats: 1st plat 999431 vic Hamich, 2nd plat
985401 vic Krewinkel, 3rd plat 013455 vic Wenau.
CO Hq Co rptd posn of Mort Plat 995436 vic Hamich.
1730 CO Co D rptd location of 2nd plat 995436 vic Hamich.
1900 CO Co B rptd change in posns of plats: 2nd plat took posn of 3rd
plat, moved fr 985401 to 013446 vic Wenau, 3rd plat moved tp 014449
vic Heistern.
2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: moved fwd to join M Co, 16th Inf at 999431. Did not
put guns into firing posn.
AG Plat: fired 50 rds on ey strongpoints in support of attack fr
posn vic 984400.

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2400 Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn under ey arty fire. 2nd plat
3 tks of plat moved fr 997439 crossed Hill 232 to posn vic 999450.
1 tk under hvy arty fire at 993451, 2 EM WLA. 3rd plat - Plat ldr
retd w/1 tk making a plat of 3 tks at 999447. At 1430 plat moved
back to Hamich and took posns in preparation for further adv.
Co B: 1st plat - moved to 998431 vic Hamich at 1500. 2nd plat -
moved fr vic Gressenich at 1400 to posn 001443 vic Wenaus, closing in
at 1400. Ey mort and arty fire hvy, no casualties. 3rd plat -
moved fr posn vic Gressenich at 0900 to 013449 vic Heistern, closing
in area at 1300. Fired on buildings occupied by ey, aided in taking
75-100 PWs from buildings. Plat Ldr WLA by sniper enroute to join
post, evacuated. Hvy ey arty fire, no casualties.
Co C: 1st plat - moved fr 018424 to 009432 vic Hamich. No ey contact
2nd and 3rd plats* - remained in posns, no ey contact.
Co D: 1st plat - joined 2nd plat vic Hamich, 999432 at 1430.
2nd and 3rd plat * remained in posns under ey arty fire. 2 DM, 3rd
plat, WLA and evacuated.
2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 2 Lt, 8 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

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Troops of the First French Army are reported to have taken Belfort
and to have advanced rapidly to the Rhine River in the vic of Basel.

H: 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
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Weather: Cook, cloudy, intermittent rain.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn Cp and CPs Cos A and D and C 968400, vic Mausbach. Co A -
1st plat 999449, vic Hill 232, 2nd plat 999450, vic N Hill 232, 3rd plat vic
Hamich. Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat
w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: 975408, vic Krewinkel, 1st plat 998431, vic Hamich
, 2nd plat 001443, vic Wenaus, 3rd plat 013449, vic Heistern. Co C:
1st plat 009432, vic Hamich, 2nd plat 025428, 3rd plat 013421, vic Sheveny
hutte. Sv Co 887409, vic Brand, IG Plat 984400. Mort Plat 999431, vic
Hamich.

1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 202400A Nov 44.

1130 CC Co A rptd posns of plats: 1st plat 999447, vic Hamich, 2nd plat
vic 983451, 3rd plat vic Hamich.

CC Co D rptd plats located 2/respective plats of Co A.

1 tk Co D hit by 120mm mortar.

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- 1600 Exec Off rptd locations of plats: 1st plat Co B 013452 vic Heistern, 2nd plat Co B 015442 vic Wenau, 3rd plat Co B 013452 vic Heistern. AG and Mort Plat 001437 vic Hamich. 2nd and 3rd plats Co D 999430 vic Gressenich.
- 1830 CO Co B rptd posns of plats: 1st plat 014455 vic Heistern, 2nd plat 015433 vic Hamich, 3rd plat 014453 vic Heistern.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: Moved fr 999431 to firing posn at 999437, did not fire.
1 EM WEA.
AG Plat: moved to new posn 001436 vic Hamich and fired 20 rds.
Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn at 999447 under periodic arty fire. 2nd plat - remained in posn at 999450 under periodic arty fire. 3rd plat - remained in Hamich.
Co B: 1st plat - moved fr posn to 014453 vic Heistern at 1230. 2nd plat - Plat Sgt assmd comd 3rd plat. At 0800 moved fr roadside posn vic Wenau to 013440 vic Wenau. Lt arty fire. No casualties. 3rd Plat - S Sgt Ross assumed comd of plat. Plat moved to center of Heistern firing at building. Approx 100 PWS taken from buildings fired on and 10 PWS from adjacent bldgs.
Co C: 1st plat - moved fr 009432 to 035445 to secure obj and flank of 3rd Bn 26th Inf. Aided in taking 40 PWS. 2nd & 3rd plats - remained in posns, no ey contact.
Co D: All plats remained in posns under periodic arty fire. 1 tk 3rd plat hit by arty fire.
- 2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 2 Lt, 10 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
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Weather: Cold, cloudy, light winds, intermittent rain.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A, D, & C 968400 vic Mausbach. Co A: 1st plat 999447 vic Hill 232, 2nd plat 999450 vic Hill 232, 3rd plat vic Hamich. Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd Plat Co A. Co B: CP 965408 vic Krewinkel, 1st plat 014453 vic Heistern, 2nd plat 013440 vic Wenau, 3rd plat 014453 vic Heistern. Co C: CP 968400 vic Mausbach, 1st plat 035445 vic Wenau, 2nd plat 025428 3rd plat 013421 vic Shevenhutte. AG Plat 001436 vic Hamich, Mort plat 999437 vic Hamich. Sv Co 887409 vic Brand.

1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 212400A Nov 44.

1130 CO Sv Co rptd Co moved fr vic Brand to 963393 vic Vicht, by infiltration during day of 21 Nov 44.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: had to move H/T into Hamich as surrounding terrain is almost impossible for movements of H/Ts.

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AG Plat: fired 104 rds on ey tks and strongpoints fr posn vic Namich.
Co A: All plats remained in posns under periodic ey arty fire.
Co B: 1st plat - moved fr posn in Heistern to RJ at 014456 to check possible counter attack. Did not fire. 2nd plat - remained in posn, no contact w/ey. 3rd plat - remained in posns. 1 tk moved to firing posn twice in anticipation of ey counter attack. Did not fire. Hvy ey arty fire.

Co C: All plats remained in posns under periodic ey arty fire.
3 PWs taken fr ey patrol.

Co D: All plats remained in posns, no ey contact.

2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 3 Lt, 10 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
230001 Nov 44
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Weather: Cold, cloudy, rainy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A, D, and C 968400 vic Mausbach. Co A: 1st plat 999447 vic Hill 232, 2nd plat 999450 vic Hill 232, 3rd plat vic Namich. Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 975408 vic Krewinkel, 1st plat 014456 vic Heistern, 2nd plat 013440 vic Heistern, 3rd plat 014453 vic Heistern. Co C: CP 968400 vic Mausbach, 1st plat 035445 vic Genau, 2nd plat 025428, 3rd plat 013421 vic Shevenhutte. AG Plat 001436 vic Namich, Mort Plat vic Namich, Sv Co 963393 vic Vicht.

1000 Recd Sit Overlay fr 1st US Inf Div 222400 Nov 44.
Recd Operations Inst #27, Hq 1st US Inf Div 222330 Nov 44 giving boundaries, zones of action and objs for fwd movement to Moer river.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of Plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: Remained in posn at 999437. Did not fire. Impossible to maneuver half tracks.

AG Plat: Fired 87 rds on ey strongpoints fr posn vic Namich.
Co A: 1st plat - moved to Heistern, 1 tk could not move due to dead battery. Prepared to move to obj at 015475. Tks were not able to cross ditch in road at 014456, so pulled back to Heistern until logs filled in ditch. In woods came under hvy arty fire. 1 tk disabled by shrapnel in radiator, 1 tk bogged in mud. Plat Ldr WIA evacuated. 2nd plat - 2 tks moved through Namich to 015460 vic Heistern. 1 tk hit by bazooka. 2nd WIA and evacuated. 2 tks moved to 010470, obj. 3rd plat - moved fr Namich at 0630 with obj at 013475. Tks bogged down but crews improvised log crossings and contd to 014470. Came under hvy mort and arty fire. Tks broke across clearing firing 75's and MGs at castle on hill vic 013470. Inf then reached obj, taking about 40 PWs. Took posns around castle for night under hvy ey arty.

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Co B: 1st plat - moved fr posn vic Heistern at 1200 to fire posns 016463. 2 Tks fired 40 rds at houses vic CR 021467, received ey tk fire. Plat ldr LWA by mortar fragment. hvy ey arty fire. Rest of plat in Heistern. 2nd plat - plat remained in Heistern. 1 sec moved to 020450 fired 53 rds at bldgs occupied by ey, ey MG posns. PWs taken by Inf after firing. Sec remained in posn during the night. 3rd plat - IT HERNANDEZ assmd comd of plat at 1400. Remained in posn vic Heistern. Ey arty fire lighter than on previous days.

Co C: 1st and 2nd plats remained in posn. 3rd plat - 2 tks sent on combat patrol to vic 039448. Ey laid down hvy concentration of mortar fire and patrol was withdrawn. No casualties but many ey casualties observed. All plats subjected to hvy ey mortar and arty fire.

Co D: 1st and 2nd plat remained in posn, no contact w/ey. 3rd plat - Moved fr 999417 to posn in Heistern.

2400 No further changes in sit or posns.
Short 3 Lt, 10 Med tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
240001 Nov 44
250001 Nov 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs, A, D, and C Cos 968400 vic Mausbach. Co A: 1st plat vic Heistern, 2nd plat 015460 vic Hamich, 3rd plat 013470 vic the Castle. Co B: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co C: CP 975408 vic Krewinkel, 1st plat 014456 vic Heistern, 2nd plat 013440 vic Heistern, 3rd plat 014453 vic Heistern. Co D: CP 968400 vic Mausbach, 1st plat 035445 vic Wenau, 2nd plat 025428, 3rd plat 013453 vic Shevenhutte. AG Plat 001436 vic Hamich. Mort Plat 999437 vic Hamich. Sv Co 963393.

1345 CO Co A rptd posns of plats: 1st 999447, 2nd 997470, 3rd 002473. 3 tks stuck in mud. 1 tk out of action by ey fire last night.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn. Did not fire.

AG Plat: fired 105 rds on ey strongpoints fr posns vic Hamich.

Co A: 1st plat - withdrawn to Co CP for reorganization. 2 replacement tks given to plat to make a total of 4 tks in plat. 2nd plat - 3 tks of plat in posn at 008474 under periodic ey arty fire. 3rd plat - plat in posn at 013470. Ey counter attacked 4 times but were beaten back. 1 tk fired at ey tk at 200 yds but did not knock tk out. Crew dismounted and WIA bb arty fire.

Co B: 1st plat - Adv section moved to 021467 at 1130 to fire on houses occupied by ey. AT 1200 plat ldr in tk rect AT fire at 250 yds, did not penetrate, withdrew to 010463 and fired 10 rds at ey AT gun, results unknown. 1st sec moved fr RJ vic Heistern to 016463. 1st sec relvd and moved back to RJ at 014456 vic Heistern.

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1 EM LWA, no t evacuated. 2nd plat - 1st sec fired 40 rds at ey occupied bldg, N of Schonthal fr 020450 vic Heistern. Hvy ey arty fire. 3rd plat - remained in posn in Heistern. Ey arty lt. Co C: 1st plat - remained in posn, no contact w/ey. 2nd plat - moved fr 025428 ato 938443 vic Heistern. Did not contact wy. 3rd plat - moved w/I Co 26th Inf fr 030445 to 031451. All plats subjected to hvy ey arty fire. Co D: 1st and 2nd plats - remained in posns. No ey contact. 3rd plat - attacked woods vic 010470 w/G & F Cos, 16th Inf. Retd to posns in Heistern.

2400 No further change in posn or sit.
Short 4 Lt, 16 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
250001 Nov 44
260001 Nov 44

Weather: Cool, broken clouds.
Visibility: Good.

En in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A, D, & C 968400 vic Mausbach. Co A: 1st plat at Co CP; 2nd plat 998474 vic Hutchen, 3rd plat 013470 vic Hutchen. Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 975408 vic Krewinkel, 1st plat 1st sec 016463, 2nd sec 014456, 2nd plat 1st sec 021456 vic Schonthal, 2nd sec 020450 vic Heistern, 3rd plat 014453 vic Heistern. Co C: 1st plat 035445 vic Wenau, 2nd plat 025428, 3rd plat 013453 vic Schevenhutte. AG Plat 001436 vic Hamich, Fort plat 999437 vic Hamich, Sv Co 963393 vic Vicht.

1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 242400a Nov 44.

2030 CO Co B rptd 1 tk, 3rd plat, knocked out by ey tk. 1 EM KIA, 3 EM WIA, 1 tk 3rd plat Co B knocked out by a dug-in ey tk.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn, did not fire.

AG Plat: fired 214 rds at ey strong points.

Co A: 1st plat - plat reorganizing at Co CP. 2nd & 3rd plats - remained in posns under periodic ey arty fire.

Co B: 1st plat - 1st sec remained in posn 012442 vic Heistern.

2nd sec fired on houses at CR 015452 fr posn 015452. Tks moved to CR 021458 recd tk fire and withdrew to 015452. 1 tk 3rd plat ordered to support 1st plat moved to CR 021438 and knocked out. 1 EM KIA, 3 EM WIA. 1 ey tk knocked out. 2nd plat - remained in posns. 2nd sec fired 60 rds at ey occupied houses. 1 EM WIA, evacuated. 3rd plat - Plat ldr obs terrain fr FA Obs plane. 1 tk ordered to support 1st plat - 1 tk knocked out 1 EM KIA, 3 WIA.

Co D: All plats remained in posn under periodic ey arty fire.

Co D: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.

2400 No further changes in posns or sit.

Short 2 Lt, 11 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Hausbach, Germany
260001 Nov 44
270001 Nov 44

Weather: Cool, broken clouds.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A, D, & D 968400 vic Hausbach. Co A: 1st plat at Co CP, 2nd plat 008474 vic Hutchen, 3rd plat 013470 vic Hutchen. Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd plat Co A. Co B: CP 965408 vic Krewinkel, 1st plat 012442 vic Heistern, 2nd plat 014456 vic Schonthal, 3rd plat 020450 vic Heistern. Co C: 1st plat 035445 vic "enau, 2nd plat 025428 vic Hamich, 3rd plat 013453 vic Heistern. Mort Plat 997437 vic Hamich, AG Plat 001436 vic Hamich. Sv Co 963393 vic Vicht.

1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 252400A Nov 44.
1530 S-3, 16th Inf called by tel and directed 1st plat Co A be alerted to go out any time after 1700 and to have plat ldr rpt immediately to CO 16th Inf. Orders issued by S-3, this day to CO Co A to alert 1st plat and plat ldr rptd to CO 16th Inf.
1715 S93 sent message by Lsn Off to S-3 16th Inf that only 2 tks are ready to go and 2 more will be ready by morning of 27 Nov.
1800 2 Tks Co A, 1st plat, left with plat ldr and joined 1st Bn 16th Inf.
2330 2 more tks Co A, 1st plat, joined 1st Bn 16th Inf.
2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in reserve of 1st Bn 16th Inf.
AG Plat: fired 44 rds at ey strongpoint.
Co A: 1st plat - plat alerted at 1600. 4 tks sent to 1st Bn 16th Inf. Plat ldr rptd to CO 1st Bn at 1930 hrs. 2nd plat - remained in posn under periodic ey arty fire. 3rd plat - remained in posn under periodic ey arty fire.
Co B: 1st plat - 2 tks in maint, 1 tk in posn in Heistern, 016462, burned out gun barrel in fire fight w/ey tk. 2 tks after being rendered serviceable reld tk in Heistern for evacuation to Ord. 2nd plat - remained in posn in 2 secs. Ey arty fire continued moderately. 3rd plat - remained in posn. Ey fire was light. 105mm tk replaced tk knocked out yesterday.
Co C: All plats remained in posns under hvy ey arty and mortar fire.
Co D: 1st plat - moved fr vic 998431 to assy area 985399 vic Gressenich. 2nd & 3rd plats - remained in posn, no ey contact.
2400 No further changes in sit or posns.
Short 2 Lt, 13 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Hausbach, Germany
270001 Nov 44
280001 Nov 44

Weather: Cool, broken clouds.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A, D, C 968400 vic Hausbach. Co A: 1st

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plat vic Hamich, 2nd plat 008474 vic Hutchen, 3rd plat 013170 vic Hutchen.
Co D: 1st plat w/3rd plat Co A, 2nd plat w/1st Plat Co A, 3rd plat w/2nd
plat Co D. Co B: CP 975498 vic Krewinkel, 1st plat 016462 vic Heistern,
2nd plat 014456 vic Schonthal, 3rd plat 020450 vic Heistern. Co C: 1st
plat 035445 vic Wenzau, 2nd plat 025428 vic Hamich, 3rd plat 013453 vic
Heistern. MG Plat 001436 vic Hamich. Mort Plat 997437 vic Hamich. Sv
Co 963393 vic Vicht.

- 0830 3rd Plat Co A moved to reserve posn at Co CP.
- 1000 Isn Off brought order fr 16th Inf to withdraw 2nd plat Co A and
3rd plat Co D.
Sit Overlay, HQ 1st US Inf Div, 262400. Nov 44 recd.
- 1120 CO HQ Co rptd Mort Plat, 1st plat Co, in posn vic Hamich, awaiting
orders to move.
- 1345 2nd plat Co A ret'd to Co CP for maint.
- 1400 Maint Off, Co C, rptd posns of plats: 1st plat 027443, 2nd plat
024446, 3rd plat 029441 all vic Heistern.
- 1645 CO Co D rptd 1st plat and 3rd plat withdrawn to rear areas. Loca-
tions of plats: 1st 985398 vic Vicht, 2nd 999432 vic Hamich, 3rd
007454 vic Heistern.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for thisday as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in reserve posn, and moved up to jump off point,
but attack postponed. Plat ret'd to 999432.
MG Plat: remained in posn, no firing missions.
Co A: 1st plat - at 1700 plat moved through Mesweiler and after
engineers checked rd for mines, proceeded down road to Langerwehe.
Moved into posn vic 010475. Slight ey arty fire. 2nd plat - ret'd
to Co CP for reorganization. 3rd plat - ret'd to Co CP for reorgan-
ization.
Co B: 1st plat - 2 tks left vic Heistern at 0700 for fire mission
in support 1st Bn 18th Inf. Mission successful. Tks ret'd to Heistern
for ammo and maint. Plat ldr evacuated. 2nd plat - 2nd sec joined
1st sec in Schonthal and moved out in support of 2nd Bn 18th Inf
firing at ey occupied bldgs between Schonthal and Langerwehe. Nvy
ey mort and arty fire. Plat ret'd to posns in Schonthal. 3rd plat -
moved at 1230 supporting 3rd Bn 18th Inf in attack on Langerwehe.
Obj reached without incident. After reaching obj, 1 tk hit 3 times
by ey SP gun or tank (undetermined) and partially burned. Plat
ldr KIA and evacuated.
Co C: 1st and 2nd plats remained in posn. no ey contact. 3rd
plat - moved with 5 tks and 1 105mm how supporting I & II Cos fr
031451. Reached obj 042467 vic Jungersdoff at 1500. 20 Tks taken,
nvy ey arty, mort, and LG fire.
Co D: 1st and 2nd plats - remained in posn, no contact w/ey.
3rd plat - withdrawn fr vic Heistern to Co CP for reorganizations.
2100 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 16 Med tks (deadlined and battle losses).

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Vic Mausbach, Germany
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Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos, A, D, & C 968400, vic Mausbach. Co A: 1st plat 010475 vic Langerwehe, 2nd and 3rd plats at Co CP. Co B: 1st plat 975408 vic Krewinkel, 1st plat 016452 vic Heistern, 2nd plat 014456 vic Schonthal, 3rd plat 030474 vic Langerwehe. Co C: 1st plat 035445 vic Wenau, 2nd plat 025428 vic Hamich, 3rd plat 013453 vic Heistern. AG Plat: 001436 vic Hamich. Mort Plat 997437 vic Hamich. Sv Co 963393 vic Vicnt.

0900 CO Co B rptd plat ldr, 3rd plat Co B, wounded by sniper, evacuated. Locations of plats: 1st plat 014455 vic Heistern, 2nd plat 024459 vic Schonthal, 3rd plat 029474 vic Langerwehe. Co CP to move during the day to 014432 N of Heistern.

1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 272400 Nov 44.
2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn, no firing.

AG Plat: moved to new posn 002465, vic Northberg, no fire missions.
Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn under periodic ey arty fire.

1 EM WIA. 2nd and 3rd plats - reorganizing at Co CP.

Co B: 1st plat - 2 tks attached to 3rd Bn 18th Inf w/3rd plat Co B, 1 tk remaining in 1st plat ret'd to posn vic Heistern. 2nd plat - moved w/2nd Bn 18th Inf fr posns at Schonthal towards Langerwehe. 1 sec followed main road, 1 sec through woods. Unable to cross RR. Fired at ey OPs, MG nests, and bldgs. Went into posn 033472, vic Langerwehe for night. 3rd plat - moved fr edge of Langerwehe to posn in center of town, 032475. 1 sec of tks at 027476. Moderate ey arty fire.

Co C: 1st plat - moved fr 026443 to 039447 with G Co, 26th Inf, to protect right flank of 3rd Bn 26th Inf. 2nd plat - remained in posn, no ey contact. 3rd plat - remained in posn. Repulsed ey counterattack at 0230 hrs and 0700 hrs. Knocked out an ey patrol of 40 men, took 30 PWs. One Mk IV tk destroyed. One tank hit by bazooka, but not destroyed. Hvy ey arty and mortar fire.

Co D: 1st and 3rd plats - remained in posn, no ey contact. 2nd plat - left vic Hamich 0900 and arrived 001475 vic Hutchen at 1100.

2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 17 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
290001 Nov 44
300001 Nov 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A, C, D 968400 vic Mausbach. Co A: 1st plat

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010475 vic Langerwehe, 2nd plat at Co CP, 3rd plat at Co CP. Co B: CP
975408 vic Krewinkel, 1st plat 016452 vic Heistern, 2nd plat 033472 vic
Langerwehe, 3rd plat 032475 vic Langerwehe. Co C: 1st plat 039447 vic
Wensau, 2nd plat 025428 vic Hamich, 3rd plat 013453 vic Heistern. AG Plat
002465 vic Northberg, Mort plat 997437 vic Hamich, Sv Co 963393 vic Vicht.

1000 Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 282400A Nov 44 recd.
Oper Inst #28, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 28 Nov 44, recd giving zones, objs,
for crossing of the Roer River.

1730 CO Hq Co rptd change in posn of Mort Plat, 003477, Weisweiler.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: moved w/1st Bn to posn 002476, Hutchen, no fire missions.
Occasional ey arty fire.

AG Plat: fired 37 rds at ey strongpoints, fr posn vic Hutchen.

Co A: All plats remained in posn under periodic ey arty fire.

Co B: 1st plat - 1 tk in Heistern aided T-2 in retrieving tk stuck
in mud, carried ammo to 3rd Bn. Plat Sgt LIA. 2 replacement tks
arrived. 2nd plat - at 1400 moved fr posn into Langerwehe, 035474,
taking posns near 3rd plat. 3rd plat - remained in posn, no contact
w/ey. 1st sec fired 40 rds at ey occupied bldgs vic Stutgerloff.

Co C: 1st and 3rd plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey. 2nd
plat - attacked w/2nd Bn 26th Inf w/obj Merode. Tks fired from
edge of woods at town. 3 tks stuck in mud. 2 tks entered town, 1
hit by ey bazooka and set on fire and 1 overturned.

Co D: All plats remained in posns, no contact w/ey.

2400 No further changes in posns or sit.

Short 1 Lt, 19 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
300001 Nov 44
010001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.

Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A, D, C 968400 vic Mausbach. Co A: 1st
plat 010475 vic Langerwehe, 2nd plat and 3rd plat at Co CP. Co B: CP
965408 vic Krewinkel, 1st plat 016452 vic Heistern, 2nd plat 035474 vic
Langerwehe, 3rd plat 032475 vic Langerwehe. Co C: 1st plat 039337 vic
Wenau, 2nd plat 025428 vic Hamich, 3rd plat 032475 vic Langerwehe. Mort
plat 002476 vic Hutchen. AG Plat 002465 vic Northberg. Sv Co 963393 vic
Vicht.

0545 Asst G-3, 1st US Inf Div, ordered tk dozer, Co B, in Heistern to
be turned over to 26th Inf. Guide fr 26th Inf will meet dozer at
18th Inf CP. S-3 called CO Co B to alert crew and have Lsn meet
guide at CP 18th Inf.

1000 Recd Sit Overlay Hq 1st US Inf Div 292400A Nov 44.

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2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in reserve posn, no fire mission.
AG Plat: fired 104 rds HE on ey strongpoints.
Co A: All plats remained in posns, no contact w/ey.
Co B: 1st plat - at 1600 moved w/1st Bn 18th Inf to Motor Pool,
relieving 3rd Bn 26th Inf, vic 010440, Wenau. 2nd plat - remained
in posn in Langerwehe, supported Inf by firing on houses occupied by
ey Langerwehe. Hvy ey arty and mortar fire. 3rd plat - remained
in posn in Langerwehe. Ey arty and mort fire hvy.
Co C: 1st and 3rd plats - remained in posns, no ey contact. 2nd
plat - 1 tk left holding road at 045450. Patrol rptd 2 tks stuck
in mud on fire, w/ey around them. Last tk evacuated to maint. No
tks left on line.
Co D: All plats remained in posns, no contact w/ey.
2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 20 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

For the Battalion Commander:

Howell H. Heard
HOWELL H. HEARD,
Major, 745th Tank Bn,
S-3.

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Weather: Cloudy, cool.

2400 Period ended with no contact with ey.

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Vic Brand, Germany
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Weather: Scattered clouds, cool.

1830 2 flying bombs seen flying in NW direction.
2400 Period ended with no contact with ey.

Personal Observation

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
030001 Nov 44
040001 Nov 44

Weather: Cloudy, becoming clear at 1100.

1215 Shells from ey SP gun heard landing E of Bn area.
1430 Shells from ey SP gun, firing from the NE,
landed in vic of Brand.

Personal Observation

Personal Observation

1915 Ey plane dropped flares in vic STOLBERG.

Personal Observation

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
040001 Nov 44
050001 Nov 44

Weather: Broken clouds, cool.

2300 Several ey planes dropped flares, HE, and AP
bombs in area NE of BRAND.

Personal Observation

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
050001 Nov 44
060001 Nov 44

Weather: Sunny, cool.

2400 Ey mortar and arty fire received in vic HAAREN, 865456.
Light counter-battery fire received in indirect
fire position, 921409.

2nd Plt, Co B
3rd Plt, Co A

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
060001 Nov 44
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Weather: Cloudy, cool.

1900 2 flying bombs seen W of AACHEN heading NW. Personal Observation
2400 Hvy ey arty and mortar fire received in vic 2nd Plat, Co B
HAAREN, 865456.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
070001 Nov 44
080001 Nov 44

Weather: Blustery, cool.

1700 Shells from ey gun (probably 105mm) located NE of STOLBERG landed in Bn area. Personal Observation
2300 One flying bomb seen directly over Bn CP, vic BRAND, heading NE. Personal Observation
2400 Ey arty and mortar fire recd in vic HAAREN, 865456. 2nd Plat, Co B.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
080001 Nov 44
090001 Nov 44

Weather: Cloudy, cool.

0915 S-2 distributed maps to Cos.
2400 Ey arty and mortar fire recd in vic HAAREN, 865456. RJ at 855462 shelled by ey. Tanks withdrawn to take cover from this fire. 2nd Plat, Co B
1st Plat, Co B

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
090001 Nov 44
100001 Nov 44

Weather: Snow, cold.

2400 Ey mortar and arty fire received vic HAAREN, 865456. 2nd Plat, Co B

Hq 745th Tank Bn,
Vic MAUSBACH, Germany
100001 Nov 44
110001 Nov 44

Weather: Cloudy, intermittent rain.

1900 S-2 moved fr vic BRAND to 968400, vic MAUSBACH.
2400 No contact with ey reported.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
110001 Nov 44
120001 Nov 44

Weather: Broken clouds, cool.

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Weather: Broken clouds, cool.

2400 Ey arty and mortar fire recd in area vic ZWEIFALL, 942352. 2nd Plat, Co B

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
120001 Nov 44
130001 Nov 44

Weather: Snow, cool.

2400 Ey arty and mortar fire fell in area vic ZWEIFALL, 942352. 2nd Plat Co B

Hq 745th Tank Bn
130001 Nov 44
140001 Nov 44
Vic Mausbach, Germany

Weather: Misty, cloudy, snow at 1900.

2400 Ey arty and mortar fire fell in area vic ZWEIFALL, 942352. 2nd Plat, Co B.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
140001 Nov 44
150001 Nov 44

Weather: Cloudy, cool.

1000 One flying bomb, headed NW, seen over MAUSBACH. Personal Observation
2400 Ey arty and mortar fell in ZWEIFALL, 942352. 2nd Plat, Co B

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
150001 Nov 44
160001 Nov 44

Weather: Cloudy, cool.

1400 10 ey arty shells (estimated 75mm) coming fr NE in vic GRESSENICH, landed near Bn CP, 968400. Personal Observation.

2200 Single ey plane heard over Bn area, 968400. Personal Observation.

2345 Large ey long range gun, estimated 170 or 210mm firing fr vic NE of GRESSENICH, shelled in vic of Bn CP, 968400. Shells came in at intervals of about 5 minutes until 160430A. Personal Observation.

2400 Intermitten ey arty fire fell in area 003417. Mortar Plat, Hq Co.
Ey arty and mortar fire recd in area vic ZWEIFALL, 942352. 2nd Plat, Co B

Period ended with ey continuing to be sensitive to any activity toward the N and E. G-2, 1st Inf Div

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		Hq 745th Tank Bn Vic Mausbach, Germany 160001 Nov 44 170001 Nov 44
	Weather: Scattered clouds, cool.	
0445	One flying bomb heard vic MAUSBACH, heading NW.	Personal Observation
1115	Air preparation for subsequent attack to the NE commenced. Little flak observed.	Personal Observation
2400	On attack through SCHEVENHUTTE to HAMICH very heavy arty and small arms fire was met. Came under direct fire weapons vic 002435. Heavy counter battery fire recd vic 003417. Heavy arty and mortar fire recd in area vic ZWEIFALL, 942352. Heavy MG and mortar fire encountered at 020424.	1st Plat Co A Mortar Plat, Hq Co 2nd Plat, Co B 2nd Plat, Co C.
		Hq 745th Tank Bn Vic Mausbach, Germany 170001 Nov 44 180001 Nov 44
	Weather: Cloudy, cool.	
1000	One tank disabled by heavy mines vic 007417.	Co C.
2315	4 flying bombs seen flying in NW direction over STOLBERG. 1 seen to crash in vic STOLBERG.	Personal Observation
2400	Heavy counter battery fire received at 003417. Heavy heavy arty fire encountered at 999430. Very heavy heavy arty and mortar fire at HAMICH. Direct AT fire met at 002435. Heavy heavy arty mortar and small arms fire at 025428.	Mortar Plat, Hq Co. 1st Plat Co A. 2nd Plat, Co C
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	Weather: Scattered clouds, cool.	
1200	One flying bomb seen heading NW over Bn area.	Personal Observation
2200	6-8 heavy planes dropped HE and AP bombs and flares in vic GRESSENICH.	Personal Observation
2400	Heavy heavy arty and mortar fire met in HAMICH. One heavy tank taken under fire but results not observed. Heavy counter attacked with Mk V and Mk VI tanks and 200-300 infantrymen, but this attempt was broken. One Mk VI tank definitely knocked out by our tank fire, and several others were destroyed by our heavy arty barrage. Heavy direct fire weapon encountered at 999439. Heavy heavy arty fire at Hill 232, 997439. Heavy heavy arty fire met at 999430. Heavy heavy arty fire at 025428. Lt mortar fire met at 013421.	3rd Plat, Co A. 2nd Plat Co A 1st Plat, Co A 2nd Plat, Co C 3rd Plat, Co C

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 Vic Mausbach, Germany
 190001 Nov 44
 200001 Nov 44

Weather: Clear, Cool.

2130 Two flying bombs seen flying NW over AACHEN. Personal Observation
 2400 Very hvy ey arty fire met at 005445. 1st Plat, Co A.
 Hvy ey arty fire at 997439, vic Hill 232. 2nd Plat Co A.
 Ey mortar and arty fire encountered at 030445. 2nd Plat Co C.
 Ey road block destroyed in vic 026443. Plat 3rd Plat, Co C.
 assisted in capture of 30 PWs at 026443.
 Sniper fire encountered in woods vic 3rd Plat, Co B.
 GRESSENICH, 997430.

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 Vic Mausbach, Germany
 200001 Nov 44
 210001 Nov 44

7 Weather: Intermittent rain, cool.

0100 4-6 shells fr ey medium arty piece landed in Bn area. Gun was firing fr the NW, vic ESCHWEILER. Personal Observation
 2400 Very hvy ey arty fire encountered at 993451. 2nd Plat Co A.
 Hvy ey arty and mortar fire met in vic WENAU, 2nd Plat Co B.
 011443.
 75-100 PWs taken from building after being 3rd Plat Co B.
 taken under fire by our tanks. Action took
 place in HEISTERN, and ey arty fire was unusually
 hvy in this area, 013449.
 Hvy ey mortar fire encountered at 030445. 2nd Plat Co C.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
 Vic Mausbach, Germany
 210001 Nov 44
 220001 Nov 44

Weather: Rainy, cool.

1900 2 shells from ey long range gun, located in area W of Duren, landed near Bn CP. Personal Observation
 2400 Ey arty fire on posns at 999450. 2nd Plat, Co A.
 110 PWs taken fr buildings in HEISTERN after firing on houses in the town. 3rd Plat Co B.
 Hvy ey mortar and MG fire met at 035445. 3rd Plat, Co C.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
 Vic Mausbach, Germany
 220001 Nov 44
 230001 Nov 44

Weather: Cloudy, cool.

1145 One flying bomb seen directly over Bn CP going N. Personal Observation.
 2400 Hvy ey arty fire drawn in vic 999447. 1st Plat, Co A.
 Hvy ey arty and mortar fire encountered vic HEISTERN, 014453. 3rd Plat Co B.
 Sporadic ey arty fire in area, vic 035445. 1st Plat, Co C.

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230001 Nov 44
240001 Nov 44

Weather: Rainy, cool.

0845 4 ey shells fr ey long range gun, apparently Personal Observation
located NE of LANGERWEHE, fell in Bn area.
2400 Hvy ey arty fire met at 016463. 1st Plat, Co ...
Ey bazooka knocked out one of our tanks in 2nd Plat, Co A.
vic 015460. Ey arty and small arms fire also
met in this area.
Very hvy ey arty and mortar fire encountered 3rd Plat, Co A.
in vic 014470.
Ey tank fire received at RJ, 021467. Very hvy 1st Plat, Co B.
ey mortar fire vic HEISTERN, 014453.
Ey MG posns fired one in vic SCHOENTHAL, 021457. 2nd Plat, Co B.
Light ey arty fire met in this area.
Light ey mortar and arty fire encountered at 3rd Plat Co B.
HEISTERN, 014453.
Combat patrol to 039448 recd violent ey reaction 3rd Plat, Co C.
with ey arty and mortar fire being very heavy.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
240001 Nov 44
250001 Nov 44

Weather: Rainy, cool.

2400 Hvy ey arty fire encountered at 008474. 2nd Plat, Co A.
Ey Inf, supported by tanks, counterattacked 3rd Plat, Co A.
4 times during night in vic 013470. Ey arty
fire, direct and indirect, was very hvy in area.
Ey anti-tank fire from 250 yd range recd at 1st Plat, Co B.
021467. Light ey mortar fire at 014456.
Hvy ey arty and mortar fire in woods, 028443. 2nd Plat, Co C.
Throughout the period the ey contd to defend G-2, 1st Inf Div.
stubbornly the WEISWEILER-LANGEWENE area and
to counterattack any gains toward the LANGERWEHE-
DUREN road.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
250001 Nov 44
260001 Nov 44

Weather: Rainy, cool.

2400 Ey arty fire hvy in posn, 008474. 2nd Plat, Co A.
One ey tank knocked out by our tank fire in 3rd Plat, Co B.
vic 021438.
During the period the ey contd his stubborn G-2, 1st Inf Div
resistance to the Div attempt to advance to
LANGERWEHE from the W & S.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Lausbach, Germany
260001 Nov 44
270001 Nov 44

Weather: Scattered clouds, cool.

2400 Ey arty fire continued hvy in vic 008474. 2nd Plat, Co ...
Posn at 013470 under hvy ey arty fire. 3rd Plat, Co ...
Ey arty and mortar fire continued to be hvy 2nd Plat, Co H.
in vic WESTERN, 020450.
Well-constructed defensive positions and excellent G-2, 1st Inf Div
support from automatic weapons, mortars, and AT
guns highlighted the ey defense during the period.
Three ey tanks at F-031475, and one at F-033475,
were taken under fire by the 18th Inf.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Lausbach, Germany
270001 Nov 44
280001 Nov 44

Weather: Scattered clouds, cool.

2400 The ey continued to bitterly contest the advance of G-2, 1st Inf Div
the Division towards the RUCR River. 2 new ey
Divisions were identified on the Division front,
the 3rd Parachute Division, and the 353rd Inf Div.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Lausbach, Germany
280001 Nov 44
290001 Nov 44

Weather: Scattered clouds, cool.

2400 The decrease of ey arty indicated that the bulk G-2, 1st Inf Div.
of his arty is now E of the RUCR River. Stubborn
defense marked the period all along the Div front.
Ey counterattacked 2nd Plat Co C. 30 Tks taken. 2nd Plat Co C.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Lausbach, Germany
290001 Nov 44
300001 Nov 44

Weather: Scattered clouds, cool.

2400 Hvy ey arty and mortar fire fell on 2nd Plat Co C 2nd Plat Co C
during attack on Herode.
The ey made no show of aggression and was content G-2, 1st Inf Div
to strengthen his defensive positions.

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
300001 Nov 44
010001 Nov 44

TIME
Weather: Cool, cloudy.

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2400 The ey continued stubborn resistance to our advance G-2, 1st Inf Div.
to the ROER River.

For the Battalion Commander:

Francis A. McCall
FRANCIS A. McCALL,
Capt, 745th Tank Bn,
S-2.

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: Unit: Hq First Inf Div :
: Init: W.B.G. :
: Date: 1 December 1944. :
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For Period
From: 01 0001 Nov 44
To : 01 0001 Dec 44

Hq 745th Tk Bn
- Vic Brand, Germany
010001 Nov 44
020001 Nov 44

Orders: Disch of Two (2) EM to accept commissions as 2nd Lts, AUS, promotions and reduction of EM, asgmt of Off and EM to Co's, and C in asgmt of EM within the comd.

Increase in Strength: 1 Off and 4 EM asgd to this comd.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Killed: Pvt James V. Fresso, 36374892, Co "D", MIA to KIA. Auth: EMT

Tag dated 17 Oct 44, Med Det 16th Inf Regt.

S Sgt John Lefebor, 36382291, Co "C", disch to accept commission as 2nd Lt, AUS. Auth: BU No. 291, Par 7, Hq First Army, eff 17 Oct 44; S Sgt Warren

A. Raddatz, 36608761, Hq Co, disch to accept commission as 2nd Lt, AUS.

Auth: TWK A37134, Hq First Army, eff 29 Oct 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
020001 Nov 44
030001 Nov 44

Increase in Strength: Tec Joseph J. Kibart, 20157359, Co "B", Hosp to dy.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Sgt Wayne S. Larson, 36375137, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC);

1st Lt SAMUEL O. HERNANDEZ, 0412753, Co "E", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

Awards and Decorations: Capt DONALD E. HONEMAN, 2456140, Co "B", Capt

FRANCIS A. McCALL, 01012973, Co "B", 1st Sgt William E. Wagner, 20200805,

Co "B", Capt ALWYN L. WASHBURN, 01014286, Co "C", Tec 4 Robert Miska,

16127845, Co "B", Cpl Wesley L. Walters, 36610090, Co "B", were presented

Silver Star Awards at 1500 hours.

AWOL: S Sgt Alfred L. Dixon, 20380207, Co "C", Sgt William B. McShay,

31033746, Co "C", Cpl Darrell J. Eggenberger, 37310941, Co "C", all dy to

AWOL, 1600 hrs, 31 Oct 44, AWOL to dy 1030 hrs, 2 Nov 44. Pvt John W.

Ochs, 11105346, Co "C", Pvt William Peretz, 36373047, Co "C", both AWOL fr

dy 0830 hrs, 2 Nov 44, AWOL to dy 1400 hrs, 2 Nov 44. Cpl Frank M. Brane,

36374918, Co "C", Tec 5 Clyde E. Medley, 17007278, Co "C", Pvt John P.

O'Donnell, 16123062, Co "C", dy to AWOL, 1300 hrs, 1 Nov 44.

5 EM from this comd left at 0800 hrs for 48 hr pass to Paris, France.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
030001 Nov 44
040001 Nov 44

Orders: Disch of EM to accept commission as 2nd Lt, AUS, and promotion of

Decrease in Strength: S Sgt James W. Sullivan, 20200774, Co "A", disch to accept commission as 2nd Lt also see Wounded.
Killed: Tec 5 Charles W. Curlee, 39565879, Co "B", changed fr LNA to DCW.
Wounded: Pvt Robert G. Varney, 36374879, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

AWOL: Tec 5 Clyde E. Medley, 17007278, Co "C", Cpl Frank M. Brane, 36374919, Co "C", both men AWOL to dy 1100 hrs, 3 Nov 44. Pvt John P. O'Donnell, 16123062, Co "C", AWOL to dy 1500 hrs, 3 Nov 44.
2nd Lt HAROLD D. HOWENSTINE, 01011391, Hq Co, promoted to 1st Lt, as of 28 Oct 44.
S Sgt John Lefeber, 36382291, Co "C", aptd 2nd Lt, AUS, S Sgt Warren A. Raddatz, 36608761, Hq Co, aptd 2nd Lt, AUS.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
040001 Nov 44
050001 Nov 44

Orders: Asgmt of Off and EM to Co's.
Increase in Strength: 2 EM asgd to Bn.
Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: Tec 5 James H. Hill, 36381724, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) injured (NBC); Pvt Patterson Shelton, 34920694, Hq Co, dy to Hosp (LD) ILLA (BC); Tec 4 Arthur J. Ruling, 36374587, Sv Co, dy to Hosp (LD) SIW (NBC).
2nd Lt LEONARD J. NOVAK, 01018372, Co "C", promoted to 1st Lt.
20 EM to rest camp at Herve, Belgium for 24 hrs.
Church Sv for Off and EM at 1500 hrs.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
050001 Nov 44
060001 Nov 44

Orders: Promotions of EM.
Increase in Strength: S Sgt Roy W. Lindoerfer, 36381754, Co "B", Hosp to dy.
Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: Pfc Joseph J. Rizzo, 32105923, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).
20 EM left for rest camp at Herve, Belgium for 24 hrs.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
060001 Nov 44
070001 Nov 44

Orders: Asgmt of Off to Co's and C in dy of Off.
Increase in Strength: 2 Off asgd to comd.
Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: Pvt Joseph E. Massina, 33465269, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Tec 5 Elvin V. Phelp, 36382104, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

Investigation held on SIW of Tec 4 Arthur J. Ruling, 36374587, Sv Co -
Findings: Wound was caused by accidental discharge of gun.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
070001 Nov 44
080001 Nov 44

Orders: Promotion of EM.

Increase in Strength: Sgt Wayne S. Larson, 36375137, Co "D", Hosp to dy (NBC).

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Cpl Frank M. Brane, 36374918, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Tec 5 Melvin A. McInnes, 20157362, Sv Co, dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
080001 Nov 44
090001 Nov 44

Orders: EM on DS with Bn reld fr atchmt to Co, asgmt of EM to Co's, C in asgmt and dy of EM.

Increase in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Cpl Louis J. Gergel, 36375450, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Pfc William Rigsby, 18121518, Sv Co, dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Brand, Germany
090001 Nov 44
100001 Nov 44

Orders: Atchmt of EM placed on DS with Bn to Co for Adm, Rat, and Crs.

Increase in Strength: 10 EM placed on DS with Bn.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Pvt Max J. Friedman, 36952823, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Tec 4 William R. Roberts, 36374959, Co "B", minor face wounds, remained for dy; Cpl Carl A. Back 35632905, Co "B", minor face wounds, remained for dy.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
100001 Nov 44
110001 Nov 44

No Changes.

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Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
110001 Nov 44
120001 Nov 44

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Tec 4 Glenn R. Pederson, 36375124, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC) 10 Nov 44; Cpl Norman D. Konken, 37475654, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC) 10 Nov 44; Cpl Glen J. Johnson, 36374668, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
120001 Nov 44
130001 Nov 44

Orders: Promotions and reduction of EM.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Pvt John Mastrocolo, 36375485, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
130001 Nov 44
140001 Nov 44

Orders: Special Court-Martial Order of Pvt John W. Ochs, 11105246, Co "C".

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Pvt Donald W. Houghton, 42086530, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

Awards and Decorations: 1 Off and 5 EM awarded Silver Stars - 2nd Lt JAMES W. SULLIVAN, 01996518, Co "A", awarded Silver Star and Sgt Archie C. Ross, 36381735, Co "B", Tec 4 Edgar G. Ireland, 36375464, Co "B", Cpl Alva E. Beck, 36373798, Co "B", Pfc William J. Sam, 33620863, Co "B", Pvt Everett H. Lloyd, 36763269, Co "B", were presented Silver Stars by General NECBNER, on 19 Oct 44. Capt LEONARD S. WILDS, 0456097, Co "D", awarded the DSC.

Pvt John W. Ochs, 11105246, Co "C", tried by Special Court-Martial, 10 Nov 44, for violation of 61st AW. Sentenced to six (6) months confinement and \$25.00 forfeit per mo fr his pay for like period, confinement was suspended.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
140001 Nov 44
150001 Nov 44

Orders: EM on DS with this orgn atch to Sv Co for Rat, Adm, and Qrs, C in asgmt and dy of EM.

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Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Sgt John W. Dempsey, 36374452, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

Awards and Decorations: 1st Lt ROY P. SIMMONS, 01015102, Co "A", awarded the Silver Star, 9 Nov 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
150001 Nov 44
160001 Nov 44

Orders: C in asgmt and dy of EM.

Increase in Strength: 1st Lt JOSPEH S. SABOL, 01017460, atchd unasgd to orgn fr 19th Repl Depot; Cpl Frank M. Brane, 36374918, Co "C", dropped fr rolls to dy.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Pfc Dominic M. Pizzimenti, 36737101, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Pfc Ernest B. Olejniczak, 36610056, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Tec 5 Blain A. Beatty, 33758639, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
160001 Nov 44
170001 Nov 44

Increase in Strength: Tec 4 Glenn R. Pederson, 36375124, Hosp to dy (NBC)

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Pfc Elmer E. Kressly, 33601574, Hq Co, dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); S Sgt James E. Mathes, 20380912, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Tec 5 Robert J. Michaud, 31452771 Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Sgt Edward B. Mitchell, 20380237, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LIA (BC); Sgt Clyde H. Bohannon, 20380246, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Pfc Lee R. Brown, 36374588, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
170001 Nov 44
180001 Nov 44

Orders: Asgmt of Off to Co, EM reld fr atchmt to Sv Co for Rat, Adm, and Qrs, asgmt of EM to Co's, atchmt of EM placed on DS with this orgn to Co's for Rat, Adm, and Qrs.

Increase in Strength: 9 EM asgd to this comd, 10 EM placed on DS with this comd.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Pvt John W. Ochs, 11105246, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LIA (BC); Pvt Bernard E. Burke, 33776087, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Tec 5 John J. Weber, 36375083, Co "C", LWA (BC) remained for dy; 2nd Lt WARREN A. RADDATZ, 01996502, Hq Co, LWA (BC) remained for dy; Tec 4 Fred S. Thompson, 36382277, Hq Co, LWA (BC) remained for dy, 29 Oct 44; Sgt Clayton I. Tippett, 36374661, Co "B", LWA (BC) remained for dy.

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Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
180001 Nov 44
190001 Nov 44

Decrease in Strength: Sgt Frank Barrile, 36374699, Hq Co, dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Pfc Walter Gutshall, 19078930, Hq Co, dy to Hosp (LD) LIA (BC); Cpl Eugene W. Swenson, 36382327, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC), 16 Nov 44; Sgt Francis K. Farricy, 31132350, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC), 17 Nov 44; Tec 4 Harvey T. Tibbs, 36375056, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) SWA (BC), 17 Nov 44; 1st Lt ROY P. SIMMONS, 01015102, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LIA (BC); Tec 4 Robert E. Thayer, 31132350, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Pvt James May, 35646916, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) SWA (BC); Pvt Owen E. Dedmon, 35813681, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Tec 4 William I Tucker, 20380928, Co "A", LWA, remained for dy; Pfc Edward Echols, 39304704, Co "A", LWA, remained for dy; Sgt Edward L. Murphy, 36375388, Co "A", LWA, remained for dy; Tec 5 John J. Weber, 36375083, Co "C", dy to Hosp, (LD) LWA (BC).

Prisoners: Co "A" captured 20 prisoners.

Awards and Decorations: 1st Lt GLENNIS M. THOMPSON, 01016054, Hq Co awarded the Bronze Star, 10 Nov 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
190001 Nov 44
200001 Nov 44

Orders: C in asgmt and dy of EM, EM reld fr atchmt to Sv Co for Rat, Adm, and Qrs, asgmt of EM to Co.

Increase in Strength: Sgt Clyde H. Bohanna, 20380246, Co "D", Hosp to dy, 18 Nov 44; Pfc Lee R. Brown, 36374588, Hosp to dy, 18 Nov 44.

Decrease in Strength: see KIA and Wounded; Capt FIGURE CAMPANA, 0271440, placed on DS with 6th Armd Gp, 13 Nov 44.

Killed: Pvt Richard Angelica, 36608495, Co "A", KIA, 18 Nov 44.

Wounded: Pvt Henry W. Cutler, 32173639, Hq Co, dy to Hosp (LD) LIA (BC); Cpl Carl E. Oldham, 36381694, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC), 16 Nov 44; Cpl Florian A. Nocek, 36608886, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Cpl Edward J. Snider, 36382275, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Cpl Leon I. Drexler, 12063920, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LIA (BC); S Sgt David Benskofsky, 32145859, Co "A", LWA, remained for dy; Pvt Sylvester J. Sanfratello, Co "B", 36375763, dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC), 18 Nov 44; 1st Lt JAMES A. KELLER, 01015127, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Sgt Arland C. Randall, 36375007, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) LIA (BC); S Sgt Alfred L. Dixon, 20380216, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LIA (BC); Tec 4 Mike Zielecki, 33020023, Co "D", LWA, remained for dy, 18 Nov 44; 2nd Lt ARTHUR E. BERND, 01017212, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Sgt Charles C. Duff, 20200742, dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Cpl Paul E. Clark, 16128208, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC).

Awards and Decorations: Pvt George E. Baker, 20157375, Co "B", awarded the Silver Star, 12 Nov 44. 1st Lt DANIEL P. GRIFFIN, 01014950, Co "C", posthumously awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star. 1st Lt MARTIN E. QUINN, 01012619, Co "C", and Tec 4 Edward H. Seipp, 36375549, Co "C", awarded Bronze Stars, 13 Nov 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
200001 Nov 44
210001 Nov 44

Orders: EM reld fr atchmt to Sv Co for Rat, Adm, and Qrs, EM and Off asgd to Co's, and C in asgmt and dy of EM within the comd.

Increase in Strength: 17 EM asgd to Bn.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: S Sgt Charles L. Carroll, 36375070, Co "A", dy to Hosp, (LD) LWA (BC); Pfc George Barello, 32869893, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); S Sgt LeRoy F. Rheinberger, 36375706, Co "A", LWA, remained for dy; Cpl Carl A. Back, 35632905, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) Sl Sk (NBC); Pvt Thomas M. Bowen, 36895292, Co "D", remained for dy, 19 Nov 44; Tec 4 John W. Thompson, 33201340, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Tec 5 John A. Hensley, 36377366, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) Sl Sk (NBC); Tec 5 Eldee Browning, 34784514, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) Sl Sk (NBC).

Awards and Decorations: 1st Lt WARREN J. RITZPATRICK, 01018089, Co "C", Sgt Clayton H. Tippett, 36374661, Co "B", Tec 4 William R. Roberts, 36374959, Co "B", Tec 4 Fred S. Thompson, 36382277, Hq Co, Carl A. Back, 35632905, Co "B", and Cpl Paul O. Cromwell, 36375141, Co "C" were awarded Purple Hearts. 2nd Lt WARREN A. RADDATZ, 01996502, Hq Co, was awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
210001 Nov 44
220001 Nov 44

Orders: Atchmt of EM placed on DS with this comd to Sv Co for Rat, Adm, and Qrs, C in asgmt and dy of EM within the command.

Increase in Strength: 1st Lt SAMUEL O. HERNANDEZ, 0413753, Co "B", dropped fr rolls to dy, 11 EM placed on DS with Bn.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Pvt Leslie L. Hopper, Jr., 35693663, Hq Co, dy to Hosp (LD) Sl Sk (NBC); S Sgt Arthur E. Belchler, 35119545, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC).
Off and EM attended Church Services at 1300 hrs.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
220001 Nov 44
230001 Nov 44

Orders: EM reld fr atchmt to Co's for Adm, Rat, and Qrs, asgmt of EM to Co's.

Increase in Strength: 12 EM asgd to Bn.

Wounded: Sgt Edward T. Murphy, 20156942, Hq Co, dy to Hosp (LD) LLA (BC); Tec 5 Frank Schwitalla, 37310982, Hq Co, dy to Hosp (LD) Sl Sk (NBC); Pvt Rudolph J. Wensch, 35653816, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) Sl Sk (NBC); Cpl Cecil Warren, 36375148, Co "B", dy to Hosp, (LD) Sl Sk (NBC); Pvt Robert W. Hammond, 38372794, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) Sl Sk (NBC); Pvt Robert E. Marcori, 36375288, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) Sl Sk (NBC).

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Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: 1st Lt WILBURN L. SANDERS, 01015727, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Tec 5 Walter J. Zush, 6895879, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Tec 4 Henry C. Sailer, 20200734, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Sgt Edward L. Murphy, 36375388, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Cpl Dennis F. Rudolph, 36375076, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Tec 5 Raymond A. Niebrugge, 36375044, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Pfc Thomas J. Brennan, 16128054, Co "A", remained for dy LWA (BC); Tec 4 Paul E. Turton, 35455167, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Pfc Eugene A. Fishman, 32715702, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LIA (BC), 21 Nov 44; Sgt William B. McShay, 31033746, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); 22 Nov 44; Pvt John P. O'Donnell, 16123062, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Pfc Wilbur J. Boudreau, 36608881, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Tec 5 Leroy Kennedy, 20380234, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); 1st Lt JOSEPH S. SABOL, 01014760, Sv Co, dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC).

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250001 Nov 44

Orders: C in asgmt and dy of Off and EM, Off asgd to Co, and promotions of EM.

Increase in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Walter S. Lenik, 16128029, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); 2nd Lt JOSEPH M. PAXTON, 01013665, Co "B", remained for dy (BC) LWA, 23 Nov 44; Pvt Joseph E. Sternberg, 37616159, Co "B", remained for dy (BC) LWA, Tec 4 Robert Miksa, 16127845, Co "B", remained for dy (BC) LWA, 23 Nov 44; Sgt Edward L. Murphy, 36375388, Co "A", Hosp to dropped fr rolls (BC); Tec 5 Raymond A. Niebrugge, 36375044, Co "A", Hosp to dropped fr rolls (BC); Pvt Walter Anderson, 36375147, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Sgt Oscar R. Dintelman, 36227916, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Cpl Emil Piper, 16128184, Co "A", remained for dy (BC) LIA (LD); Pvt Carroll, C. Gibbons, 35698075, Co "A", remained for dy (LD) LIA (BC)

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Increase in Strength: Sgt Charles C. Duff, 20200742, Co "D", dropped fr rolls to dy; Tec 5 Blain A. Beatty, 33758639, Co "D", dropped fr rolls to dy.

Decrease in Strength: See Killed and Wounded.

Killed: Pfc Harold P. McManimen, 36375558, Co "B", KIA.

Wounded: 1st Lt JAMES P. WOOD, 01014926, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Sgt William Moreland, 36375682, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) LMA (BC); Tec 4 Glenn R. Pedersen, 36375124, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) LMA (BC); Pvt Eugene Haffics, 33776099, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) LMA (BC); Sgt Martin J. Zitter, 33594852, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) LMA (BC); Pvt Lowber Randolph, 39145200, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Cpl Dennis F. Rudolph, 36375076, Co "A", Hosp to dropped fr rolls (BC); Pvt Frank J. Paylovski, 36374488, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).
Church Services for Off and EM at 1300 hrs.

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260001 Nov 44
270001 Nov 44

Orders: Asgmt of EM to Co, promotion of EM, Purple Hearts awarded to Off and EM.

Increase in Strength: 1 EM asgd to Bn.

Wounded: Pvt Fred W. Fondaw, 36375276, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Pvt John Kozik, 6136928, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Pfc Thomas H. Dolan, 36610148, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Pvt Lester R. Williamson, 36042876, Co "A", remained for dy LMA (BC), 19 Nov 44.

Awards and Decorations: S Sgt David Benskofsky, 32145859, Co "A", Sgt William I. Tucker, 20380928, Co "A", Tec 5 Edward T. Dwyer, 16125188, Co "C", Pfc Thomas J. Brennan, 16128054, Co "A", Pfc Edward Echols, 39304704, Co "A", Pvt Thomas M. Bowen, 6895292, Co "D", Pvt Lester R. Williamson, 36042876, Hq Co, Pvt Joseph E. Sternberg, 37616159, Co "D", awarded Purple Hearts. Capt ALWYN L. WASHBURN, 01014286, Co "C", and S Sgt Joseph G. Kelly, 20200710 awarded Oak Leaf Clusters to the Purple Heart.

Battalion awarded battle credit for participation in the campaign "Normandy".

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic Hausbach, Germany
270001 Nov 44
280001 Nov 44

Orders: Asgmt of Off and EM to Co's, C in asgmt and dy of EM, promotions and reduction of EM.

Increase in Strength: 1 Off and 3 EM asgd to Bn, 26 Nov 44.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded, Lt EARL E. McCAIN, 01015440, Hq Co, reld fr dy and asgmt with Bn.

Wounded: 2nd Lt JOSEPH M. FAXTON, 01013665, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Tec 5 Siegfried C. Fuessel, 36374884, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC) Prisoners: Ten (10) prisoners taken by Co "C".

Awards and Decorations: Tec 5 Mario Vangelisti, 36375683, Hq Co, (MIA) awarded the Silver Star. Tec 4 Maurice W. Walker, 36610129, Co "C", awarded the Bronze Star.

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Increase in Strength: Sgt John J. Russell, 36310238, Co "A", Hosp to dy (BC).

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Sgt John J. Russell, 36310238, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LIA (BC), 27 Nov 44; Cpl Tony E. Wirth, 36382323, Co "A", dy to Hosp LWA (BC); Tec 4 James J. Drain, 36374980, Sv Co, dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); 1st Lt SAMUEL O. HERNANDEZ, 0413755, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC).

Awards and Decorations: Tec 4 Cwen H. Faurot, 39240546, Co "C", Tec 5 Lavern R. Corwin, 36375011, Co "C", Pfc Glen C. Helton, 35456257, Co "C", Pfc George Hannawalt, Jr., 37657675, Co "C", awarded Bronze Stars. Maj MILES R. PATTERSON, 0334144, Hq, 1st Lt WILBURN L. SANDERS, 01015727, Co "C", Sgt Garland Y. Moore, 20380224, Co "C", S Sgt Garland R. Lewis, 20380221, Co "C", awarded Bronze Stars, 21 Nov 44.

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Vic Mausbach, Germany
290001 Nov 44
300001 Nov 44

Orders: Promotions of EM and appointment of Information-Education Off.

Decrease in Strength: See Killed and Wounded.

Killed: Pvt Joseph S. Surowka, 36610072, Co "C", dy to KIA, 28 Nov 44.

Wounded: Capt ALVIN L. WASHBURN, 01014286, Co "C", remained for dy LWA (BC); Tec 5 Edward T. Dwyer, 16125188, Co "C", remained for dy LWA (BC), 22 Nov 44.

Sgt John B. Swern, 36375603, Co "C", remained for dy LWA (BC); Cpl

Dominick P. Lorenzetti, 33609305, Co "C", remained for dy LWA (BC); Cpl

Andrew Tylka, 36382280, Co "C", remained for dy LWA (BC); Pvt James M. Campbell, 38075695, Co "C", remained for dy LWA (BC); Pvt Bill Myatt,

38075695, remained for dy LWA (BC); Sgt Garson Y. Moore, 20380224, Co "C",

dy to Hosp (LD) LIA (BC); Sgt Walter Trojan, 36374568, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Pvt Arthur R. Vickery, 31047222, Sv Co, dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

Capt DONALD E. HONELMAN, 0456140, aptd Information-Education Off in addition to His other duties.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Mausbach, Germany
300001 Nov 44
10001 Dec 44

Orders: Asgmt of EM to Co's, C in asgmt and dy of EM.

Increase in Strength: Thirty-three (33) EM asgd to Bn.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Sgt John B. Swern, 36375603, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Cpl Emil Piper, 16128184, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Injured (NBC); Pvt

Carroll C. Gibbons, 35698075, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Injured (BC); Pvt

J. S. Tibbitts, Jr., 34972370, Hq Co, dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Sgt

Garson Y. Moore, 20380224, Co "C", Hosp to dropped fr rolls (BC), 29 Nov 44;

Sgt Walter Trojan, 36374568, Co "C", Hosp to dropped fr rolls (BC), 29 Nov

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44; Pfc Henry E. Mulbauer, 33668502, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC);
Tec 5 Dallas E. Barnes, 36382117, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

For the Battalion Commander:

Wilford B. Greemann
WILFORD B. GREEMANN,
1st Lt., 745th Tank Bn,
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS 745TH TANK BATTALION
A.P.O. 230, U. S. ARMY

Auth: CG 1st Inf Div
Date: 2 Jan 1945
Initials: *gfp*

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SUBJECT: Report After Action Against Enemy.

TO : The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington 25, D. C.
(Thru Channels).

1. As prescribed by Par 10, C3, AR 345-105 the following report after action against enemy during the month of December, 1944, is submitted.

2. Attachment of this Battalion to First U.S. Infantry Division continued through the month of December, 1944. Except for the period in rear assembly area, Co "A" was attached to 16th U.S. Infantry Regiment, Co "B" to 18th U.S. Infantry Regiment, and Co "C" to 26th U. S. Infantry Regiment. Prior to movement to rear assembly areas, Co "D" and Assault Gun and Mortar Platoons of Headquarters Company were attached to 16th U.S. Infantry Regiment; after movement from rear assembly area these elements were attached to Task Force "Davidson". Within the infantry regiments, each tank company was employed by attachment of one tank platoon to each infantry battalion.

3. At the beginning of the month all elements of the Battalion were in positions with respective infantry units, advancing to the northeast toward the ROER River against strong enemy opposition. The only advance by elements of this Battalion prior to movement to rear assembly area was the advance of the first platoon, Company "A", from LANGERWEHE, K-033475, in support of First Battalion, 16th Infantry attack on the village of LUCHEM, K-037489, 3 December 1944.

4. Co "A" and Assault Gun Platoon of Hq Co moved with 16th U.S. Infantry Regiment to defensive positions vicinity ROETGEN, K-925289, in V Corps Sector, 5 December 1944. Except for Co "B", which remained in positions with 18th U.S. Infantry Regiment, the remainder of the Battalion moved to a rear assembly area vicinity HERGENRATH, K-807359, Belgium, 6 Dec 1944. Co "B" was relieved and joined Battalion in rear assembly area 8 Dec 1944. Co "A" was relieved and joined Battalion 13 Dec 1944. In rear assembly area, companies accomplished reorganization, maintenance of vehicles and training.

5. 16 Dec 1944 Battalion was alerted for movement with First U.S. Infantry Division to assist in sealing off enemy breakthrough south of MONECHAU. 18 Dec 1944 all combat elements of Battalion had joined units of First Infantry Division to which attached, and defensive positions were established along the general line from BUTGENBACH, K-924045, to WEISMES, K-845032. Co "D" and Assault Gun and Mortar Platoon were attached to Task Force "Davidson" (made up of reconnaissance elements of First Infantry Division and attached units) and initially reconnoitered positions and contacted enemy armored units in the vicinity of WEISMES, K-847033. Later these elements were used by Task Force "Davidson" in division reserve via WALK, K-839069. Co "C", in defensive position with

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- 1000 Read Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 022400A Dec 44.
Message read fr CG, 1st US Inf Div, dated 021800A Dec: Only Par 3
of Oper Inst #30, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 021400A Dec will be executed.
Ref point overlay, Hq CP 16, 8 Nov 44 compromised. Measle Sheet
eff 30 Nov 1944, Hq 1st US Inf Div will be the only authorized
means of reporting location.
- 1500 CO Co B rptd locations of plats: 1st plat 03431, via HANICH, 2nd
plat 036478 via LANGERWEHE, 3rd plat 030476 via LANGERWEHE.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: moved w/TF fr 002476 to 026476 at 0700, took up posns
but did not fire. Periodic cy arty fire during the day and night.
AG Plat: fired 27 rds at cy strongpoints.
Co A: 1st plat - at 0700 moved fr posn in LANGERWEHE to LUCHEM
supporting 1st Bn 16th Inf in capturing town. Fired on houses and
bunkers. Obj taken. 1 MM WIA. Took posns 037489, LUCHEM. Lt
arty fire. 2nd and 3rd plats - remained in posn, no cy contact.
Co B: 1st plat - 2 tk relieved fr attachment 3rd Bn 18th Inf and
reverted to 1st plat. 2 tks ordered to 040467 via JUNGERSDORF.
1 tk developed engine trouble and was stuck in muddy road at 034472
via LANGERWEHE. Tk evacuated by Co Maint at 2330. 2nd sec re-
mained at 1st Bn motor pool, HANICH, 003431 under orders to move
morning of 4 Dec 44. 2nd plat - remained in posn in LANGERWEHE
(035474). Fired 80 rds fr posns in LANGERWEHE at Inf designated
targets. 3rd plat - remained in posn, no cy contact. 2 tks reverted
to 1st plat.
Co C: All plats remained in posns, no cy contact. Some cy arty and
mortar fire.
Co D: All plats remained in posns, no contact w/cy.
- 2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 2 Lt, 19 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Via NOTHBERG, Germany
040001 Dec 44
050001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, scattered clouds.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/cy.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D, 896466, Nothberg. Co A: 1st plat
037489 LUCHEM, 2nd plat at Co CP, 3rd plat 004479 via LUCHEM. Co B:
CP 028477 via LANGERWEHE, 1st plat 003431 HANICH, 2nd plat 043478 LANGER-
WEHE, 3rd plat 035475 LANGERWEHE. Co C: CP 972463, BERGRATH, 1st plat
039337 via WENAU, 2nd plat 045450 WENAU, 3rd plat 037458 via HERSTEN. Sv
Co 976466 BERGRATH. Mort Plat 026476 LANGERWEHE. AG Plat 002465 via
HUTCHEN. Co D: 1st and 3rd plats via Co CP, 2nd plat 018476 via Hill 105.

1000 CO Hq Co rptd change in posn of Mort Plat 026476 via LANGERWEHE.
Read Sit Overlay Hq 1st US Inf Div 032400A Dec 44.
Message fr G-4, 1st US Inf Div 031800A Dec 44: Additional report on
tank status will be telephoned daily prior to 1000, to G-4.

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1700 CO Co C rptd Co C relieved fr attachment 26th Inf reverting to Bn central. Plat assembled in assembly area via Co CP.

2000 G-3, 1st US Inf Div, called Bn Comdr by telephone alerting Bn for movement 051200A Dec 44, orders to be issued later.

2030 Bn Comdr ordered Co Comdrs to be at CP 050830A Dec 44 for details of movement.

2145 Asst G-3, 1st US Inf Div, called by telephone movement postponed 24 hours.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn, fired 220 rds to repel counter-attack on posns of 1st Bn 16th Inf.
AG Plat: fired 69 rds to aid in repelling ey counter-attack.
Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn via LUCHEM. At 1615 aided in repelling an ey counter-attack. 2nd and 3rd plats - remained in posn, no ey contact.
Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn, no ey contact. 2nd plat - remained in posn, fired 120 rds at targets in Heats. Several APC observed to bounce off haystack near GEICH. 3rd plat - moved fr posns in LANGERWEHE at 1800 supporting 3rd Bn 16th Inf in occupation of LUCHEM 037490. Very hvy ey arty fire.
Co C: All plats remained in assembly area near Co CP, no ey contact.
Co D: 1st and 3rd plat - remained at Co CP, no ey contact. 2nd plat - during ey counterattack on LUCHEM, 2 tks used to carry CO 1st Bn 16th Inf and small arms and mortar ammo. At 2100, 3 tks ret'd to Co CP, NOTHBERG, and at 2215 other 2 tks ret'd to Co CP.

2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 2 Lt, 19 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Via NOTHBERG, Germany
050001 Dec 44
060001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 986466, NOTHBERG. Co A: 1st plat 004489, LUCHEM, 2nd plat via Co CP, 3rd plat 004479, HUTCHEM. Co B: CP 028477 via LANGERWEHE, 1st plat 035474, LANGERWEHE, 2nd plat 043478, LANGERWEHE, 3rd plat 037440, LUCHEM. Co D: All plats at Co CP area, via NOTHBERG, 986466. Sv Co 976466 BERGRATH. Mort Plat 026476, LANGERWEHE, AG Plat 002465 via HUTCHEM. Co C: CP 972463, BERGRATH, 1st plat 039337 via WENAU, 2nd plat 045450 via WENAU, 3rd plat 037458 via HEISTERN.

1000 Recd Movement Order No 18, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 042200A Dec 44, giving details for relief of 1st Div and movement to assy area via HENRI CHAPPELLE.

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26th Infantry Regiment vicinity BUTGENBACH, K-859072, assisted in repelling the strongest attack by enemy armor yet encountered. A total of thirteen enemy tanks and one enemy assault gun were reported destroyed by platoons of Co "C" in the period 20-22 December 1944.

Wallace J. Nichols
WALLACE J. NICHOLS,
LT. COL, 745th Tank Bn,
Commanding.

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HEADQUARTERS 745TH TANK BATTALION
A.P.O. 230, U. S. ARMY

Auth: CG 1st Inf Div
Date: 2 Jan 45
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From: 010001 Dec 44
To : 010001 Jan 45

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Vic MAUSBACH, Germany
010001 Dec 44
020001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Bn less B and C Cos attached 16th Inf (AG Plat attached Cannon Co). Co B attached 18th Inf. Co C attached 26th Inf.
Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A, D, C 968400 vic MAUSBACH. Co A: 1st plat 010475, LANGERWEHE, 2nd & 3rd plats vic Co CP. Co D: 1st plat vic Co CP, 2nd plat 001475, HUTCHEN, 3rd plat vic Co CP. Co B: CP 028477 vic LANGERWEHE, 3rd plat 033475 vic LANGERWEHE. Co C: 1st plat 039337 vic WENAU, 2nd plat 045450, 3rd plat 032475 vic LANGERWEHE. Mort Plat 002476 vic HUTCHEN, AG Plat 002465 vic HUTCHEN. Sv Co 976466 BERGROTH.

1100 Read Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 302400A Nov 44, and Oper Inst #29, Hq 1st US Inf Div 302200A Nov 44 giving obj, zones of action and boundaries for adv to secure crossing of the ROER River.
1100 CPs Cos A & D moved fr vic MAUSBACH to 986466 vic NOTHBERG.
1300 Bn CP moved fr vic MAUSBACH to 986466 NOTHBERG.
2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn, no fire mission.
AG Plat: fired 206 rds on ey strongpoints.
Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn, 010475, under occasional ey arty fire. 2nd plat - moved with Co Hq to 986467, NOTHBERG. 3rd plat - moved to 004479 vic HUTCHEN, rejoining the 3rd Bn 16th Inf, prepared to move on order.
Co B: 1st plat - remained in HAMICH, 003431, w/3 tks. 2 tks still attached to 3rd plat Co B. 2nd plat - at 1200 continued attack on LANGERWEHE, @/2nd Bn 18th Inf reaching 043478. Hvy ey arty and mortar fire throughout day and night. 3rd plat - remained in posn in LANGERWEHE, 035475. No contact w/ey. Hvy ey arty and mortar fire. 2 tks fr 1st plat still attached.
Co C: 1st plat - remained in posn. Small arms fire and arty fire in area. 2nd plat - remained at Co CP. 3rd plat - attached to 3rd Bn 18th Inf, did not move.
Co D: 1st plat - moved fr woods vic 985399. 2nd plat - remained in posn, no contact w/ey. 3rd plat - moved with Co Hq fr vic MAUSBACH, to 986466, NOTHBERG.
2400. No further change in posn or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 17 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses). (Based on authorization of 50 Med Tks.)

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic NOTHBERG, Germany
020001 Dec 44
030001 Dec 44

Weather: Cold, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 986466, NOTHBERG. Co A: 1st plat 010475 vic HUTCHEN, 2nd plat vic Co CP, 3rd plat 004479 vic HUTCHEN. Co D: 1st and 3rd plats vic Co CP, 2nd plat 001475, HUTCHEN. Co B: CP 028477 vic LANGERWEHE, 1st plat 003431, HAMICH, 2nd plat 043478 LANGERWEHE, 3rd plat 035475 LANGERWEHE. Co C: CP 972463, BERGRATH, 1st plat 037337 vic WENAU, 2nd plat 045450, 3rd plat 032475 vic LANGERWEHE. Sv Co 976466, BERGRATH. AG Plat 002465 vic HUTCHEN. Mort Plat 002476, HUTCHEN.

1100 Read Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 012400A Dec 44.
1800 Message fr S-3, CT 16, 021545A Dec 44 giving methods of Visual and Ground/Air Communication.
2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of platoons for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn, no fire mission.
AG Plat: fired 69 rds on ey strongpoints.
Co A: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact.
Co B: All plats remained in posn, no ey contact. 2nd and 3rd plats incurred hvy ey arty and mort fire.
Co C: 1st plat - remained in posn, captured 2 PWs. 2nd plat - remained in area vic Co CP. 3rd plat - moved fr posn in JUNGERSDORF, detached fr 18th Inf, attached 3rd Bn 26th Inf at 037458.
Co D: 1st and 3rd plat - remained in area vic Co CP. 2nd plat - left vic HUTCHEN, at 1300 arrived Hill 105, 018476, at 1400.
2400 No further change in posn or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 19 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic NOTHBERG, Germany
030001 Dec 44
040001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, scattered clouds.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP and CPs Cos A & D 986466, NOTHBERG. Co A: 1st plat 010475 vic HUTCHEN, 2nd plat at Co CP, 3rd plat 004479 vic HUTCHEN. Co D: 1st and 3rd plats at vic Co CP, 2nd plat 018476, Hill 105. Co B: CP 028477 vic LANGERWEHE, 1st plat 003431 vic HAMICH, 2nd plat 043478, LANGERWEHE, 3rd plat 035475, LANGERWEHE. Co C: 1st plat 034337 vic WENAU, 2nd plat 045450, 3rd plat 037458, CP 972463, BERGRATH. Sv Co 176466, BERGRATH. AG Plat 002465 vic HUTCHEN. Mort Plat 002476 vic HUTCHEN.

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2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: Rejoined Hq Co via Co CP, NOTHBERG.
AG Plat: Moved to new posn 916196, via MUTZENICH, fired 7 rds.
Co A: Co A and AG Plat, Hq Co, w/16th Inf, moved to new sector taking defn posns via ROETGEN and MUTZENICH. 1st plat - reld by 18th Inf fr posns in Luchem at 1000 and ret'd to Co Hqs fr NOTHBERG to 910286, via ROETGEN. 2nd plat - moved fr NOTHBERG to 922193, MUTZENICH. 3rd plat - moved w/3rd Bn 18th Inf to 965213, LAMMERS-DORF; occasional ey arty fire.
Co B: 1st plat - reld fr attachment 1st Bn 18th Inf, 2 tks ret'd to Co CP and 1 tk ret'd at 2330. Lt ey arty fire. 2nd plat - remained in posn, fired 30 rds at Inf designated targets via BOHTZ. Lt ey arty fire. 3rd plat - remained in posn, very hvy ey arty and mort fire.
Co C: All plats remained in posn in area via Co CP.
Co D: All plats remained at Co CP, no contact w/ey.
2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 3 Med Tks (detailed and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Via NOTHBERG, Germany
060001 Dec 44
070001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Reassignments: Bn and CPs Co D 986466, NOTHBERG. Co A: Co CP 911287 via ROETGEN, 1st plat via Co CP, 2nd plat 922193, MUTZENICH, 3rd plat 965213 LAMMERS-DORF. Co B: CP 028477 via LANGERWEHE, 1st plat via Co CP, 2nd plat 037490, LANGERWEHE, 3rd plat 037490 via LUCHEM. Co C: All plats via Co CP 966466, NOTHBERG. Co D: CP 972463 HERGENRATH, All plats via Co CP. Sv Co 976366, HERGENRATH. AG Plat 916196, MUTZENICH.

1200 Bn CP, Hq Co (less AG Plat), Co D, Co C, Sv Co moved fr posns via NOTHBERG to rear assy area. Bn CP located 807359 via HERGENRATH, closed in area 1330. Co C released fr attachment 26th Inf upon arrival in Bn assy area.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
AG Plat: remained in posns, no fire missions.
Co A: 1st plat - remained at Co CP in ROETGEN. No contact w/ey. 2nd plat - remained in MUTZENICH, no contact w/ey. 3rd plat - at 1900 moved fr posn in LAMMERS-DORF to via Co CP in ROETGEN.
Co B: 1st plat - left via Co CP via LANGERWEHE at 1400 as advance party to new assy area. Closed in new area at 1545, via HERGENRATH. 2nd plat - remained in posn, no contact w/ey. Lt ey arty fire. 3rd plat - remained in posn in LUCHEM, no contact w/ey. Hvy ey arty fire.
Co C: All plats remained in assembly area in via Co CP. No ey contact.
Co D: All plats moved fr posns in NOTHBERG at 1200 to rear assy area, 803364, HERGENRATH, Belgium, closing in area at 1430.

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2400 No further changes in posn or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 0 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

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Weather: Cool, cloudy, intermittent rain.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Bn, less Cos A & B and AG Plat Hq Co attached 1st US Inf
Div. Co A and AG Plat Hq Co attached 16th Inf. Co B attached 18th Inf.
Locations: Bn CP 807359, HERGENRATH. Co A: CP 911287 vic ROETGEN, 1st
plat and 3rd plats vic Co CP, 2nd plat 922193 MUTZENICH. Co B: CP
027466 vic LANGERWEHE, 1st plat 803358 vic HERGENRATH, 2nd plat 037490
vic LUCHEM. Co C: CP 796365, HERGENRATH. All plat vic Co CP. Co D:
CP 803365, HERGENRATH. All plats vic Co CP. AG Plat 916196, MUTZENICH.
Mort plat 807359, HERGENRATH. Sv Co 807359, HERGENRATH.

1000 Reed Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 062400A Dec 44.
2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
AG Plat: Remained in posn, no fire missions.
Co A: All plats remained in posns, no contact w/ey. 2 tks fr 2nd
plat to Bn maint for new engines.
Co B: 1st plat - remained as advance party in rear assy area
799358, HERGENRATH. 2nd plat - remained in posns, 035474, vic
LANGERWEHE. At 1500 reld fr attachment to 2nd Bn 18th Inf and
retd to Co CP 027466, LANGERWEHE. 3rd plat - plat remained in posns
under periodic arty fire.
Cos C, D, & Sv, & Mort Plat in rear assy areas, no contact w/ey.
2400 No further change in posn or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 8 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium
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090001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, scattered clouds.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn (less Cos A, B, and AG Plat Hq Co) in rear assy area.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP 807359, HERGENRATH. Co A: CP 911287 vic ROETGEN, 1st
and 3rd plats at Co CP, 2nd plat 922193, MUTZENICH. Co B: CP 027466 vic
LANGERWEHE, 1st plat 799358, vic HERGENRATH, 2ND PLAT VIC Co CP, 3rd plat
037490, LUCHEM. Co C: CP 796365, HERGENRATH. All plats vic Co CP.
Co D: CP 803365, HERGENRATH. All plats vic Co CP. AG Plat 916196,
MUTZENICH. Mort Plat 807359, HERGENRATH. Sv Co 807359, HERGENRATH.

1000 Reed Sit Overlay, F. 1st US Inf Div, 072400A Dec 44.

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- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
AG Plat: remained in posn, no fire mission.
Co A: All plats remained in posns no contact w/ey.
Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn, no contact w/ey. 2nd plat -
left vic LANGERWEHE w/Co CP at 0930, closed in new area 799358
vic HERGENRATH at 1130. 3rd plat - reld fr attachment to 3rd Bn
18th Inf at 0200. Retd to Co CP at 0230. At 0930 left vic
LANGERWEHE, w/Co CP closing in 795358, vic HERGENRATH, Belgium at
1130.
Cos C, D Sv, and Mort Plat in rear assy area, no contact w/ey.
- 2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 4 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium
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Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn, less Co A and AG Plat Hq Co, in rear assy area.
Attachments: Co B reld fr attachment 18th Inf.
Locations: Bn 807359, HERGENRATH. Co A: CP 911287, ROETGEN, 1st and
3rd plats vic Co CP. 2nd plat 922193, vic MUTZENICH. Co B: CP 799358
vic HERGENRATH. All plats vic Co CP. Co C: CP 796365, HERGENRATH. All
plats vic Co CP. Co D: CP 803365, HERGENRATH. All plats vic Co CP.
AG Plat 916196, MUTZENICH. Mort Plat 807359, HERGENRATH. Sv Co 807359
HERGENRATH.

- 1000 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 080001 Dec 44.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Co A: All plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey.
AG Plat: remained in posn, no fire missions.
Mort Plat, Cos B, C, D, Sv in rear assy area, no contact w/ey.
- 2400 No further change in posn or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 2 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium
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Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn, less Co A and AG Plat Hq Co, in rear assy area.
Attachments: Same.
Locations: Bn CP 807359, HERGENRATH. Co A: CP 911287, ROETGEN, 1st and
3rd plats vic Co CP, 2nd plat 922193, vic MUTZENICH. Co B: CP 799358 vic
HERGENRATH, all plats vic Co CP. Co C: CP 796365, HERGENRATH, all plats
vic Co CP. Co D: CP 803365 HERGENRATH, all plats vic Co CP. AG Plat

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916196, MUTZENICH. Mort Plat 807357, HERGENRATH. Sv Co 807359,
HERGENRATH.

- 1100 Recd: TC #5, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 9 Dec 44, Anti-Airborne Defense,
giving instructions and zones of action in the event of hostile
airborne assault.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
AG Plat: Remained in posn, no fire missions.
Co A: All plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey.
Mort Plat and Cos B, C, D, Sv in rear assy area.
- 2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 0 Lt, 2 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

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Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Attachments: Same.
Locations: Bn CP 807359, HERGENRATH, Co A: CP 911287, ROETGEN, 1st and
3rd plats vic Co CP, 2nd plat 922193, MUTZENICH. AG Plat 916196 vic
MUTZENICH. All other elements of Bn in rear assembly area vic Bn CP.

- 0830 Co A: 1st and 3rd plats moved w/Co Hqs fr posns in ROETGEN to vic
Bn CP, HERGENRATH. 2nd plat - remained in posn vic MUTZENICH, no
contact w/ey.
- 2400 Short 0 Lt, 11 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium
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Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Attachments: Same.
Locations: Bn CP 807359 HERGENRATH. AG Plat and 2nd Plat Co A, vic
922193, MUTZENICH. All other elements of Bn in rear assy area vic Bn CP.

2400 Short 0 Lt, 8 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium
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140001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Attachments: Same.

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Locations: Bn CP 807359, HERGENRATH. AG Plat and 2nd plat Co A, vic 922193, MUTZENICH. All other elements of Bn in rear assy area vic Bn CP.

0830 AG Plat reld fr attachment and ret'd to vic Bn CP.
2400 Short 0 Lt, 18 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium
140001 Dec 44
150001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, sunny, scattered clouds.
Visibility: Fair.

Attachments: 2nd plat Co A and AG Plat reld fr attachment 16th Inf.
Locations: Bn CP 807359, HERGENRATH. Bn in rear assy area vic HERGENRATH.

2400 Short 0 Lt, 25 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium
150001 Dec 44
160001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, sunny, turning to cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP 807359, HERGENRATH. Bn in rear assy area vic HERGENRATH.

2400 Misc messages indicated by breakthrough in vic S MONSCHAU. By paratroops rpt'd dropped behind lines vic of by breakthrough.
2400 Short 0 Lt, 33 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium
160001 Dec 44
170001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP 807359, HERGENRATH. Bn assembled in rear assy area vic HERGENRATH.

1400 Message fr 1st US Inf Div: 1st US Inf Div and all attached units on 6-hour alert.

2400 Effective 162400A Dec 44 745th Tk Bn attached V Corps, 3rd Armd Group and 1st US Inf Div, rel'd fr attachment to VII Corps and 6th Armd Group.

2400 Short 0 Lt, 47 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

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Hq 745th Tk Bn
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Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium

Weather: Cloudy, cool.
Visibility: Fair.

Attachments: Same.
Locations: Bn CP 807359, HERGENRATH. Bn in rear assy area.

- 1800 Recd orders fr 1st US Inf Div for Co "C" to move immediately to EUPEN and join end of 18th Inf column moving S through EUPEN, and in the event that Co "C" reached EUPEN after 18th Inf column had cleared to proceed to vic CAMP EISENBORN and report to CO 26th Inf. Co A to move at 180900A Dec 44 to an assy area vic 825136. Orders issued to Co Comdrs Cos A and C by Bn Comdr.
- 1845 Co C cleared area in HERGENRATH and moved to vic EISENBORN. Attached 26th Inf Reg.
- 2400 Short 18 Lt, 42 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium
180001 Dec 44
190001 Dec 44

Weather: High clouds, cool.
Visibility: Fair.

Attachments: Co C attached 26th Inf.
Locations: Bn CP 807359 vic HERGENRATH. Bn, less Co C in rear assy area vic Bn CP. Co C located 913053, vic NIDRUM.

- 0900 Recd Inst fr G-4, 1st US Inf Div, to hold Co A until further instructions due to road to assy area being congested.
- 0930 Ren Plat Ldr rptd posn of Co C as above.
- 1100 Bn CO on instruction from 1st US Inf Div ordered movement of Cos A & D.
- 1545 Bn CP left vic HERGENRATH arrvd 852096, vic SOURBRODT at 1845. Fwd CP established.
- 2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
AG Plat: Moved to new posn. No fire missions.
Mort Plat: Moved fr posn in HERGENRATH joining TF "D" at 848035 WEISMES. Knocked out ey jeep w/small arms fire. No fire missions.
Co A: 1st plat moved fr vic HERGENRATH to 842088, vic OVIFAT, no contact w/ey. 2nd plat - moved fr vic HERGENRATH to 824138, no contact w/ey. 3rd plat - moved fr vic HERGENRATH to 888061 vic N of WEYWERTZ.
Co B: 1st plat - at 1530 moved fr posn vic HERGENRATH to assy area 815251, vic EUPEN, joining 1st Bn 18th Inf. Closed in area 1730. No contact w/ey. 2nd plat - At 1530 moved fr posn vic HERGENRATH to assy area 810275, vic EUPEN, joining 2nd Bn 18th Inf. Closed in area 1700. Took firing posns to repel any ey counterattack fr the SE. No contact w/ey. 3rd plat - At 1530 moved fr posn in HERGENRATH to 797206, vic EUPEN, joining 3rd Bn 18th Inf. Closed in area 1730. No contact w/ey.
Co C: remained in reserve posn, no contact w/ey.
Co D: 1st plat - moved fr vic HERGENRATH at 1300, arrived WEISMES, 1630. Set up road blocks vic 847029 and acted as outpost protecting

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evacuated hospitals. Joined TF Davidson. 3rd plat - moved fr vic HERGENRATH to 848029, vic WEISMES setting up road blocks around town.

2400 No further changes in posn or sit.
Short 0 Lt, 2 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium
190001 Dec 44
200001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy, hazy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey. Attachments: Co A attached 16th Inf, Co B attached 18th Inf, Co C attached 26th Inf, Co D, AG & Mort Plats Hq Co attached TF "D".
Locations: Fwd Bn CP 852096, vic SOURBRODT. Co A: CP 852096, vic SOURBRODT, 1st plat 842088, vic OVIFAT, 2nd plat 824138, 3rd plat 888061 vic WEYWERTZ. Co B: CP 792272 vic EUPEN, 1st plat 815251 vic EUPEN, 2nd plat 810275 vic EUPEN, 3rd plat 706206 vic EUPEN. Co C: 913053 vic NIDRUM. Co D: 807359 vic HERGENRATH. Mort Plat 848035 vic WEISMES. AG Plat 844062, vic WALK. Sv Co 807359 vic HERGENRATH. Co D: CP 847033 WEISMES, 1st plat 848029, 2nd plat 847029, 3rd plat 848029, all vic WEISMES.

1330 Bn CP moved fr vic SOURBRODT to 857071, vic ROBERTSVILLE.

1500 Recd: Operating Inst No 31, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 191400A Dec 44 giving details for improvement of defensive posns.
Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 182400A Dec 44.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: fired 225 rds at ey pers. 2 Mortar plat men killed. 2 ey escaping fr scene of peep encounter of the previous day. Mk V tk penetrated town, knocked out Co D 4 ton truck.

AG Plat: moved to new posns 844062, vic WALK, fired 52 rds at ey strongpoints.

Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn, no contact w/ey. 2nd plat - moved fr vic 824138 to 848029, WEISMES, at about 1400 one tk fired at ey H/T but could not observe hits. 3rd plat - At 1400 moved to 887308 about 1000 yds S WEYWERTZ and set up defensive posns w/L Co 16th Inf along rd fr BUTGENBACH to WEISMES. At about 1800 ey Inf attacked. 1 EM WIA and about 15 ey killed or wounded, remainder of force driven off. 1 tk hit by bazooka, no damage.

Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn during the day, moved w/1st Bn 18th Inf to night posn S of EUPEN, 850192. No contact w/ey. 2nd plat - At 1400 moved w/2nd Bn 18th Inf fr posn S of EUPEN, 806172 closing in area 1600. No contact w/ey. 3rd plat - During day assisted Inf clearing ey paratroops fr woods advancing fr firebreak to firebreak covering open zones. At 1700 closed in area 813175 S EUPEN.

Co C: 1st and 3rd plats - remained in posn, no contact w/ey.
2nd plat - attached 2nd Bn 26th Inf and moved to vic DOM BUTGENBACH, 927029, no contact w/ey.

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Co D: 1st plat - 1st sec of tanks made a short patrol to aid squad of Engrs held down by small arms fire. After helping Engrs tks encountered a Mk V tk. Mounted Engrs on tks and started back for posns in WEISMES, w/ Mk V tk following. Tks stopped three times allowing Mk V tk to draw within 60 yds of lt tks, meanwhile radioing TF Davidson @O for TD support. TD support did not arrive sec of tks was withdrawn to posn. 2nd plat - Remained in posn. A Mk V tk entered town, fired a few rds and then withdrew, no casualties, no damage. 2nd Bn 16th Inf w/attached Med Tks took defensive posns outside city leaving lt tks as inned defense of city. 3rd plat - remained in posn. Fired a few rds 37mm at Mk V tk which had entered town, results undetermined.

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No further change in posns or sit.
Short 0 Lt, 0 Med Tks (deadlined and battale losses).

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Vic ROBERTSVILLE, Belgium
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Weather: Scattered clouds, hazy.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.

Locations: Fwd Bn CP 875071, vic ROBERTSVILLE. Co A: CP 852096 vic SOURBRODT, 1st plat 842088, OVIFAT, 2nd plat 848029, vic WEISMES, 3rd plat 887038 vic WEYWERTZ. Co B: CP 858072 vic ROBERTSVILLE, 1st plat 850192, vic EUPEN, 2nd plat 806173 vic EUPEN, 3rd plat - 813175 vic EUPEN. Co C: CP 913053 vic NIDRUM, 1st plat and 3rd plats vic Co CP, 2nd plat 927029 vic DOM BUTGENBACH. Co D: CP 847033 WEISMES, 1st plat 848029, 2nd plat 847029, 3rd plat 848029, all vic WEISMES. Mort Plat 848035 vic WEISMES. AG Plat 844062 vic WALK. Sv Co 807359 vic HERGENRATH.

1000 Fwd Bn CP moved fr posn in ROBERTSVILLE to 852096 vic SOURBRODT.
1530 Hq Co, less rear detachment, moved fr posn in HERGENRATH to vic Bn CP, SOURBRODT.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: Detached fr TF "D", attached 2nd Bn 16th Inf vic 848035 vic WEISMES. No fire missions.
AG Plat: fired 835 rds at ey tks counterattacking vic WEISMES.
Co A: 1st plat - moved fr posns in OVIFAT at about 0730 to 852045, vic BRUYERES. At 1200 recd 1 tk and moved to posn 866043, vic GUEUZAIN. At 1700 ey laid a hvy concentration of mortars on posns and inf attacked but were repulsed, no casualties. 2nd plat - moved to posn 851024 where 3 tks set up road block, 2 tks set up road block at 852027 vic WEISMES. Fired on house occupied by ey. Half track fired on previous day was found hit and AA guns were used as road block by tank crews, at 852027. Occasional ey arty and mort fire, no casualties. 3rd plat - At 0730 ey attacked with 2 Cos of Inf supported by MGs, along RR tracks 1000yds S WEYWERTZ. Approx 36 PWs taken and 60 killed or injured. At 1530 4 tks were

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relieved by TDs and moved to 883053, WEYWERTZ. 1 tk remained w/I Co 16th Inf. No casualties.
Co B: 1st plat - Moved fr posns S EUPEN w/1st Bn 18th Inf to assy area 861096, vic SOURBRODT, closing in 1400. No contact w/ey. 2nd plat - At 1100 moved w/2nd Bn 18th Inf fr posns S EUPEN to assy area 859072, vic ROBERTSVILLE, closing in 1300. At 1600 moved to 910044, vic BUTGENBACH, no contact w/ey. 3rd plat - assisted 3rd Bn 18th Inf in clearing woods S of EUPEN. At 1500 moved w/Inf to assy area, 846083, vic OVIFAT, closing in 1700, no contact w/ey.
Co C: 1st plat - attached 1st Bn 26th Inf in posn at 922072 vic BUTGENBACH. 2nd plat - 1 tk hit and disabled by ey rocket. 4 tks of plat opposed ey counter-attack, approximately 6 ey tks hit, 2 or 3 destroyed. 1 KM WIA. 3rd plat - attached to 3rd Bn 26th Inf vic BUTGENBACH. No contact w/ey. Co CP moved to BUTGENBACH.
Co D: All plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey.
2400 No further change in posns or sit.
Short 0 Lt, 1 Med Tk (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium
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Weather: Cool, cloudy, foggy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP 852096 vic SOURBRODT. Co A: CP 845064 vic WALK, 1st plat 866043 vic GUEUGAINE, 2nd plat 851024 vic WEISMES, 3rd plat 883053 vic WEYWERTZ. Co B: CP 859072 vic ROBERTSVILLE, 1st plat 861097 vic SOURBRODT, 2nd plat 910044 vic BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 846083 vic OVIFAT. Co C: CP 915046 vic BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 922072 vic BUTGENBACH, 2nd plat 927029 vic DOM BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 913044 vic BUTGENBACH. Co D: CP 847 033 vic WEISMES, 1st plat 848029, 2nd 847029, 3rd plat 848029 vic Weismes. Sv Co 807359, HERGENRATH, 1 sec Maint 857071 vic ROBERTSVILLE. Mort Plat 848035, WEISMES. AG Plat 839062, vic WALK.

0900 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 202500A Dec 44.

1115 CO Hq Co rptd posns of AG and Mort Plat: Mort Plat - 847032, WEISMES, AG Plat 839062 vic WALK.

1145 CO Co B rptd posns of plats: 1st plat- 862098 vic SOURBRODT, 2nd plat 908045 vic BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 845085 vic OVIFAT.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: Fired 266 rds fr posns vic WALK. 3 guns assigned TF "D" and joined them at 883053 vic WEYWERTZ. Direct ey arty fire fell in area. No casualties.

Mort Plat: Fired 3 rds for H Co 16th Inf. Left 2nd Bn 16th Inf and rejoined TF "D" at 883054 vic WEYWERTZ.

Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn under occasional ey mortar and

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arty fire, no casualties. 2nd plat - remained in posn under occasional arty and mort fire, no casualties. Shifted tk for better fields of fire. 3rd plat - remained in posn under occasional arty fire, no casualties. 1 tk retd fr I Co 16th Inf at 1000. Co B: 1st plat - remained in reserve w/1st Bn 18th Inf 861097 vic SOURBRODT. No contact w/ey. 2nd plat - remained in posn in BUTGENBACH. Alerted twice in expectation of ey breakthrough. Moderate ey arty fire, no casualties. 3rd plat - At 1600 2 tks moved to fire posns near WALK Dam w/mission of protecting dam against any ey action. Plat remained in posn vic OVIFAT. No contact w/ey. Co C: 1st & 3rd plats - remained in posn, no contact w/ey. 2nd plat - opposed ey counterattack w/2nd Bn 26th Inf vic DOM BUTGENBACH. 8 ey tks destroyed. 2 tks, 2nd plat, disabled. 3 EM WIA. 1 straggler tk 9th Armd Div attached plat. Do D: 1st plat - moved fr posn in WEISMES to 885052, vic WEYWERTZ. In mobile reserve with TF "D". 3rd plat - left posn vic WEISMES at 0930, moving to 884052 vic WEYWERTZ.
2400 No further change in posn or sit.
Short 1 Lt, 3 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium
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230001 Dec 44

Weather: Snow, cloudy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP 852096 vic SOURBRODT. Co A: CP 845064 vic WALK, 1st plat 866043 vic GUEUGAINE, 2nd plat 852027 vic WEISMES, 3rd plat 883053 vic WEYWERTZ. Co B: CP 859072 vic ROBERTSVILLE, 1st Plat 861097 vic SOURBRODT, 2nd plat 910044 vic BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 846083, vic OVIFAT. Co C: CP 915046 vic BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 922072 vic BUTGENBACH, 2nd plat 927029 vic DOM BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 913044 vic BUTGENBACH. Co D: CP 847033 vic WEISMES, 1st plat 885052, 2nd plat 884052, 3rd plat 884052, all vic WEYWERTZ. Mort Plat 883054 WEYWERTZ, AG Plat 883053, WEYWERTZ.

0900 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 212500A Dec 44.
1000 Maint Off, Co C rept 4 Co C tks (3 75mm, 1 76mm) fired on and disabled, but did not burn. 6 EM WIA.
1230 Maint Off Co C rptd 2 Co C tks disabled by ey action 22 Dec 44 (1 75mm, 1 105mm). 1 EM KIA.
1300 CO Co A rptd posns or plats: 1st plat 866043 vic GUEUGAINE, 2nd plat 952027 vic WEISMES, 3rd plat 883053 vic WEYWERTZ.
2400 Reports of Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: left posn in WEYWERTZ with TF "D" and took up posn 839060 vic WALK. No fire missions.
AG Plat: 1 gun fired 90 rds w/Cn Co, 16th Inf. Plat moved fr vic WEYWERTZ with TF "D" to 861022 vic ROBERTSVILLE. 3 guns took up posns defending WALK Dam. At 2030 entire plat less #4 gun rejoined Cn Co 16th Inf at 839060, WALK. #4 tk remained guarding dam.

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Co A: 1st plat - remained in posn under occasional ey arty fire. No ey contact. 2nd plat - remained in posn. At 1800 German command car ran into our mine field. 1 killed by small arms. 2 PWs taken. 3rd plat - remained in posn, no contact w/ey.

Co B: 1st plat - at 1400 moved w/1st Bn 18th Inf to new posn, 910046 vie BUTGENBACH, reenforcing elements holding the town. No contact w/ey. 2nd plat - remained in posn, under hvy ey arty fire, and small arms fire during ey counterattaek. No casualties. 3rd plat - remained in posns in OVIFAT. 2 tks relieved fr posn at dem and rejoined plat at 1730.

Co C: 1st plat - repulsed ey counter attaek w/1st Bn 26th Inf vie BUTGENBACH. 1 ey tk and 1 ey SP gun destroyed. 1 105mm How tk and 1 76mm tk, 1st plat, disabled by ey fire. 1 EM KIA, 1 EM WIA. 2nd plat - remained in posn, no ey contact. 3rd plat - aided in repulsing ey counterattaek. 2 ey tks destroyed.

Co D: 1st plat - remained in assy area vie WEYWERTZ. Plat Ldr ren route to all Cos 3rd Bn 16th Inf. 2nd plat - left posns in WEYWERTZ at 1500 moving to 843065 vie WALK, no contact w/ey. 3rd plat - moved fr posns in WEYWERTZ at 1515 to 861071 vie ROBERTSVILLE, no contact w/ey.

2400 No further changes in posns, or sit.
Short 0 Lt, 9 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vie SOUREBRODT, Belgium
230001 Dec 44
240001 Dec 44

Weather: Cold, clear, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP 852096 vie SOUREBRODT. Co A: CP 845064 vie WALK, 1st plat 866043 vie GUEUGAINE, 2nd plat 852027 vie WEISMES, 3rd plat 883053 vie WEYWERTZ. Co B: CP 859072 vie ROBERTSVILLE, 1st plat 861097 vie SOUREBRODT, 2nd plat 910044 vie BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 846083 vie OVIFAT. Co C: CP 915046 vie BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 913044 vie BUTGENBACH. Co D: CP 887053 vie WEYWERTZ, 1st plat 885052 WEYWERTZ, 2nd plat 843065 vie WALK, 3rd plat 861071 vie ROBERTSVILLE. Mort Plat 839060, WALK. AG Plat 839060 vie WALK. Sv Co Maint 857071 vie ROBERTSVILLE.

0900 Read Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 222400A Dec 44.
Read Oper Inst #32, Hq 1st US Inf Div 221500A Dec 44 giving details for strengthening of posns along the MLR.
Read Message: All troops fwd of Div rear area will carry gas masks with them at all times.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn w/TF "D", no fire missions.
AG Plat: fired 250 rds on ey troop concentrations, counterattaeking forces and tks. 1 ey tk set on fire.
Do A: All plats remained in posns, no contact w/ey.

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Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn vie BUTGENBACH, 1 tk outposted 918035, 1 tk outposted 910035, Lt ey arty fire. American planes bombed in vic, 1 bomb landing 75 yds fr plat CP. No casualties.
Co B 2nd plat - remained in posn in BUTGENBACH. No contact w/ey.
3rd plat - at 1100 moved fr posn in OVIFAT to posn 904063 vie NIDRUM. Lt ey arty fire. No casualties.

Co C: All plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey.

Co D: 1st plat - remained in posn, under hvy ey arty fire. 2nd plat - remained in posn. 1 tk w/12 Infantrymen patrolled area 300 yds to right and 200 yds to the left of road vie WALK. 3rd plat - remained in posn, no contact w/ey.

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No further changes in posns or sit.

Short 0 Lt, 9 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses.)

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vie SOURBRODT, Belgium
240001 Dec 44
250001 Dec 44

Weather: Cold, clear, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP 852096 vie SOURBRODT. Co A: CP 845064, vie WALK, 1st plat 866043 vie CUEUGAINE, 2nd plat 852027 vie WEISMES, 3rd plat 883053 vie WEYWERTZ. Co B: CP 909043 vie BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 915045 vie BUTGENBACH, 2nd plat 909044 vie BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 904063 vie NIDRUM. Co C: CP 915046 vie BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 922072 vie BUTGENBACH, 2nd plat 927029 vie DOM BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 913044 vie BUTGENBACH. Co D: CP 858072 vie ROBERTSVILLE, 1st plat 885052 vie WEYWERTZ, 2nd plat 843065 vie WALK, 3rd plat 861071 vie ROBERTSVILLE. Mort Plat 839060 vie WALK. AG Plat 839060 vie WALK. Sv Maint 857071 vie ROBERTSVILLE.

0900 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 232400A Dec 44.

Sv Co moved fr vie HERGENRATH to 857071 vie ROBERTSVILLE.

1440 2 Thunderbolts w/allied markings, strafed vie Bn CP.

2000 Ey arty hit CP, 3rd plat Co D, 1 Off, 11 EM WIA, evacuated.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:

Mort Plat: remained in posn w/TF "D", no fire missions.

AG Plat: fired 413 rds on ey strongpoints. 1 ey truck destroyed.

Co A: All plats remained in posn under occasional ey arty and mortar fire, no contact w/ey.

Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn, no contact w/ey. 2 tks outposted changed to new posns, 910030, 905032 vie BUTGENBACH. 2nd and 3rd plats - remained in posn, no contact w/ey. All plats subjected to occasional ey arty fire.

Co C: All plats remained in posn, under periodic ey arty fire.

Co D: All plats remained in posns, no contact w/ey. Billet of 3rd plat hit by ey arty shell, 1 Off, 15 EM WIA.

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2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 0 Lt, 7 Med Tks (deadlined or battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium
250001 Dec 44
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Weather: Cold, clear, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP 852096 vic SOURBRODT. Co A: CP 845064, 1st plat 866043 vic GUEUGAINE, 2nd plat 842027 vic WEISMES, 3rd plat 883053 vic WEYWERTZ. Co B: CP 909043 vic BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 915045 vic BUTGENBACH, 2nd plat 909044 vic BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 904063 vic NIDRUM. Co C: CP 915046 vic BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 922072 vic BUTGENBACH, 2nd plat 927029 vic DOM BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 913044 vic BUTGENBACH. Co D: CP 858072 vic WEYWERTZ, 1st plat 885052 vic WEYWERTZ, 2nd plat 843065 vic WALK, 3rd plat 861071 vic ROBERTSVILLE. MG Plat 839060 vic WALK, Mort Plat 839060 vic WALK, Sv Co less S-4 see 857071 vic ROBERTSVILLE.

0900 Read Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 242400A Dec 44.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:

Co A: All plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey. 3rd plat - incurred occasional ey arty and mort fire.

Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn. Tk outposted at 910030, vic BUTGENBACH hit by ey mortar w/damage to exterior fittings, no casualties. 2nd and 3rd plats - remained in posn, no ey contact.

Co C: All plats remained in posn under periodic ey arty fire.

Co D: All plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey.

2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 0 Lt, 7 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium
260001 Dec 44
270001 Dec 44

Weather: Cold, clear, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP 852096 vic SOURBRODT. Co A: CP 845064, 1st plat 866043 vic GUEUGAINE, 2nd plat 852027, vic WEISMES, 3rd plat 883053 vic WEYWERTZ. Co B: CP 909043 vic BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 915045 vic BUTGENBACH, 2nd plat 909044 vic BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 904603 vic NIDRUM. Co C: CP 915046 vic BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 922072 vic BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 922072 vic BUTGENBACH, 2nd plat 927029 vic DOM BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 913044 vic BUTGENBACH. Co D: CP 858072 vic ROBERTSVILLE, 1st plat

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885052 via WEYWERTZ, 2nd plat 843065 via Walk, 3rd plat 861071 via ROBERTSVILLE. AG Plat 839060 via WALK. Mort Plat 839060 via WALK. Sv Co, less S-4 Sec, 857071 via ROBERTSVILLE.

0900 Recd: Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 252400A Dec 44.
2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn w/TF "D", no fire missions.
AG Plat: fired 137 rds at ey strongpoints fr posns via WALK.
Co A: All plats remained in posns, no contact w/ey.
Co B: All plats remained in posns, under occasional ey arty fire.
No contact w/ey.
Co C: All plats remained in posn under periodic ey arty fire.
Co D: All plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey.
2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 0 Lt, 6 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Via SOURBRODT, Belgium
270001 Dec 44
280001 Dec 44

Weather: Cold, clear, sunny.
Visibility: Good.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP, 852096 via SOURBRODT. Co A: CP 845064, 1st plat 866043 via GUEUGAINE, 2nd plat 852027 via WEISMES, 3rd plat 883053 via WEYWERTZ. Co B: CP 909043 via Butgenbach, 1st plat 915045 via BUTGENBACH, 2nd plat 909044 via BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 904063 via NIDRUM. Co C: CP 915046 via BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 922072 via BUTGENBACH, 2nd plat 927029 via DOM BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 913044 via BUTGENBACH. Co D: 858072 via ROBERTSVILLE, 1st plat 885052 via WEYWERTZ, 2nd plat 843069 via WALK, 3rd plat 861071 via ROBERTSVILLE. AG Plat 839060 via WALK. Mort Plat 839060 via WALK. Sv Co, less S-4 sec, 857071 via ROBERTSVILLE.

0900 Recd: Sit Overlay Hq 1st US Inf Div 262400 A Dec 44.
2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn w/TF "D", no fire missions.
AG Plat: fired 165 rds, knocked out 1 ey half track w/personnel.
Co A: All plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey.
Co B: All plats remained in posn under occasional ey mort and arty fire. No contact w/ey.
Co C: All plats remained in posn under periodic ey arty fire.
Co D: All plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey.
2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 0 Lt, 4 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

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0900 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 282400A Dec 44.
2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn, no fire missions.
AG Plat: fired 159 rds on ey tks and strong points.
Co A: 1st and 2nd plats - remained in posn, no contact w/ey.
3rd plat - fired 126 rds Ind fire. 2 houses destroyed, 2 houses partially destroyed, all believed to be probable ey CPs. Shack which housed fuel dump hit and burned. RR station used by ey suffered several direct hits.
Co B: All plats remained in posns, under periodic ey arty fire, no contact w/ey.
Co C: All plats remained in posn under occasional ey arty fire, no contact w/ey.
Co D: All plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey.
2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 0 Lt, 4 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium
300001 Dec 44
310001 Dec 44

Weather: Cold, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.
Attachments: Same.
Locations: Bn CP 872096 vic SOURBRODT. Co A: CP 845069, 1st plat 866043 vic GUKUGAINE, 2nd plat 852027 vic WEISMES, 3rd plat 883053 vic WEYWERTZ. Co B: CP 909043, vic BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 915045, vic BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 909063 vic NIDRUM, 2nd plat 909044, vic BUTGENBACH. Co C: CP 915046 vic BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 922072 vic BUTGENBACH, 2nd plat 927029 vic DOM BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 913044 vic BUTGENBACH. Co D: 858072 vic ROBERTSVILLE, 1st plat 885052 vic WEYWERTZ, 2nd plat 843069 vic WALK, 3rd plat 861071 vic ROBERTSVILLE. AG Plat 839070 vic WALK. Mort Plat 839060 vic WALK. Sv Co less S-4 Sec 857071 vic ROBERTSVILLE.

0900 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 292400A Dec 44.
2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn, no fire missions.
AG Plat: fired 166 rds at ey strongpoints. 1 MG nest destroyed.
Co A: 1st and 2nd plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey. 3rd plat - 2 tks fired 137 rds ind fire fr 880063 vic WEYWERTZ, dispersed ey Inf, destroyed 2 houses, and believed to be ey CPs. Fired a haystack which was believed to have been an ammo storage pt.
Co B: All plats remained in posn under occasional ey art fire, no contact w/ey.
Co C: All plats remained in posn, under occasional ey arty fire, no contact w/ey.
Co D: All plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey.
2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 0 Lt, 4 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

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Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium
280001 Dec 44
290001 Dec 44

Weather: Cold, overcast, cloudy.
Visibility: Poor.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP 872096 vic SOURBRODT. Co A: CP 845064, 1st plat 866043 vic GUEUGAINE, 2nd plat 852027 vic WEISMES, 3rd plat 883053 vic Weywertz. Co B: CP 909043 vic BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 914045 vic BUTGENBACH, 2nd plat 909044 vic BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 909063 vic NIDRUM. Co C: CP 915046 vic BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 922072 vic BUTGENBACH, 2nd plat 927029 vic DOM BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 913044 vic BUTGENBACH. Co D: 858072 vic ROBERTSVILLE, 1st plat 885052 vic WEYWERTZ, 2nd plat 843069, vic WALK, 3rd plat 861071 vic ROBERTSVILLE. AG Plat 839060 vic WALK. Mort Plat 839060 vic WALK. Sv Co, less S-4 sec, 857071 vic ROBERTSVILLE.

0900 Recd Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div, 272400A Dec 44.

2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:

Mort Plat: remained in posn w/TF "D", no fire mission.

AG Plat: fired 150 rds on ey strongpoints.

Co A: 1st and 2nd plats remained in posns, no contact w/ey. About 0500 hrs plats were alerted for possible ey counterattack which did not develop. 3rd plat - 2 tks moved fr 883053 to 883068 vic WEYWERTZ and fired on dug in ey posns. Observation limited by hvy fog. The tks were returned at 1000.

Co B: All plats remained in posns, no contact w/ey. Ey arty fire increased.

Co C: All plats remained in posn under periodic ey arty fire. 1 tk, 2nd plat, hit by arty shell, no damage.

Co D: All plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey.

2400 No further changes in posns or sit.

Short 0 Lt, 5 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium
290001 Dec 44
300001 Dec 44

Weather: Cold, scattered clouds, sunny.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP 872096 vic SOURBRODT, Co A: CP 845069 vic WALK, 1st plat 866043, vic GUEUGAINE, 2nd plat 852027 vic WEISMES, 3rd plat 883053, vic WEYWERTZ. Co B: CP 909043 vic BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 915045 vic BUTGENBACH., 2nd plat 909044 vic BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 909063 vic NIDRUM. Co C: CP 915046 vic BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 922072 vic BUTGENBACH, 2nd plat 927029, vic DOM BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 913044, vic BUTGENBACH. Co D: 858072 vic ROBERTSVILLE, 1st plat 885052 vic WEYWERTZ, 2nd plat - 843069, vic WALK, 3rd plat 861071 vic ROBERTSVILLE. AG Plat 829070 vic WALK, Mort Plat 839060 vic WALK. Sv Co, less S-4 Sec, 857071 vic ROBERTSVILLE.

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Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium

Weather: Cold, cloudy.
Visibility: Fair.

Bn in contact w/ey.

Attachments: Same.

Locations: Bn CP 872096 vic SOURBRODT. Co A: CP 845069 vic WALK, 1st plat 866043, vic GUEUGAINE, 2nd plat 852027 vic WEISMES, 3rd plat 883053, vic WEYWERTZ. Co B: CP 909043, vic BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 915045 vic BUTGENBACH, 2nd plat 909044 vic BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 909063 vic NIDRUM. Co C: CP 915046 vic BUTGENBACH, 1st plat 922072 vic BUTGENBACH, 2nd plat 927928 vic DOM BUTGENBACH, 3rd plat 913044 vic BUTGENBACH. Co D: CP 858072, vic ROBERTSVILLE, 1st plat 885052 vic WEYWERTZ, 2nd plat 843069 vic WALK, 3rd plat 861071 vic ROBERTSVILLE. AG Plat 839060 vic WALK. Mort Plat 839060 vic WALK. Sv Co, less S-4 Sect, 857071, vic ROBERTSVILLE.

0900 Reed Sit Overlay, Hq 1st US Inf Div 302400A Dec 44.
2400 Reports fr Cos show operations of plats for this day as follows:
Mort Plat: remained in posn, no fire missions.
AG Plat: fired 177 rds at ey strongpoints.
Co A: 1st and 2nd plats - remained in posn under occasional ey arty fire, no contact w/ey. 3rd plat - 2 tks fired 229 rds ind fire, destroyed ey occupied houses, dispersed ey inf concentration, 1 ey command car destroyed.
Co B: 1st plat - remained in posn under occasional ey arty fire, no contact w/ey. 2nd plat - reld by 3rd plat at 1500, moved to posn formerly occupied by 3rd plat, 904063, vic NIDRUM. 3rd plat - moved fr posns in NIDRUM at 1500 to 910044, vic BUTGENBACH, relieving 2nd plat.
Co C: All plats remained in posn, under occasional ey arty fire. 2 tks, 3rd plat moved into posn 928038, vic BUTGENBACH to support L Co 3rd Bn 26th Inf. No contact w/ey.
Co D: All plats remained in posn, no contact w/ey.
2400 No further changes in posns or sit.
Short 0 Lt, 2 Med Tks (deadlined and battle losses).

For the Battalion Commander:

Howell H. Heard
HOWELL H. HEARD,
Major, 745th Tk Bn,
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CONSERVATIVE ESTIMATE OF ENEMY, EQUIPMENT, AND INSTALLATIONS
DESTROYED AND/OR CAPTURED DURING PERIOD 6 JUNE - 31 DECEMBER 1944

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>SV</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>TANKS</u>	7	15	21	25	3		71
<u>SP GUNS</u>	1		4	18	2		25
<u>AT GUNS</u>			20	27			47
<u>MOTOR VEH (MISC)</u>	9	20	37	78	27		162
<u>VEH (HORSE DRAWN)</u>			90	82			172
<u>PILL BOXES</u>		28	37				65
<u>MG NESTS & MORTAR POSNS</u>		9	61	146			216
<u>EY KILLED</u>	12	317	1750	1950	200	2	4231
<u>EY CAPTURED</u>	146	1027	1824	2362	716	7	5966

The Bn has travelled approx 850 miles through France, Belgium, Germany.

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Vic MAUSBACH, Germany
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Weather: Cool, cloudy.

1300 Bn CP moved from vic MAUSBACH to 986466, vic NOTHBERG.
2400 Occasional ey arty fire on posns in HUCHEN, 010475. 1st Plat, Co A
Very hvy ey arty and mortar fire met on advance to
LANGERWEHE, 043478. Ey fire contd throughout period. 2nd Plat, Co B
Spasmodic ey small arms and arty fire in area vic
WENAU, 039337.
During the period the ey continued bitter defense of
his positions, with sharp reaction to all Division
penetrations. It is believed that the ey considers
defense of the MERODE-WENAU road of primary importance
judging from the very intense arty and mortar fire
brought down in the area.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic NOTHBERG, Germany
020001 Dec 44
030001 Dec 44

Weather: Cold, cloudy.

2400 Very hvy ey arty and mortar fire received in posns 2nd Plat, Co B
vic LANGERWEHE, 043478.
During the period there was continued fighting
near the edge of the GRESSENICH Woods west of MERODE.
In this area fighting continued throughout the day,
but in general ey arty was less intense than on
previous days.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic NOTHBERG, Germany
030001 Dec 44
040001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, scattered clouds.

2400 Periodic ey arty fire received during the period in Mortar Plat
position vic 002476, vic HUTCHEN.

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Light Arty fire recd in attach toward LUCHEM, 1st Plat, Co A
 037489.

During the period the enemy was driven fr LUCHEM, G-2, 1st Inf Div
 and the area south of the Autobahn and west of the
 town was cleared of organized ey opposition. Active
 patrolling by both sides marked the activity along
 the rest of the Division front.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
 Vic NOTHBERG, Germany
 040001 Dec 44
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Weather: Cool, scattered clouds.

1615 Ey counterattack, with one tank and an estimated two 1st Plat, Co A
 companies of Inf, against our positions in LUCHEM,
 037489, repulsed. Ey arty support for attack heavy.

2400 Direct fire against suspicious looking haystack 2nd Plat, Co B
 in vic of GEICH seen to bounce off target.
 Evidently this was camouflaged pillbox.

In moving fr vic LANGERWEHE towards LUCHEM, very 3rd Plat, Co B
 hvy eyarty fire was encountered.
 Except for the ey counterattack against LUCHEM, G-2, 1st Inf Div
 activity on both sides during the period was
 limited to small probing and patrol actions.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
 Vic NOTHBERG, Germany
 050001 Dec 44
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Weather: Cool, cloudy.

2400 Occasional ey arty fire recd near LAMMERSDORF, 965213. 3rd Plat, Co A
 Light ey arty fire recd in posn vic LANGERWEHE, 2nd Plat, Co B
 043478.

Very hvy ey arty and mortar fire in area vic LUCHEM, 3rd Plat, Co B
 037440.

Ey activity restricted to patrolling and intermittent G-2, 1st Inf Div
 arty fire all along the Div front.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
 Vic NOTHBERG, Germany
 060001 Dec 44
 070001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.

1200 Bn Hq moved fr posn vic NOTHBERG to rear assy area,
 vic HERGENRATH, 807359.

2400 During period ey units along the Div front were G-2, 1st Inf Div
 inactive, and arty fire was limited to harrassing

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fire on forward troops and interdiction of roads
in rear area.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium
070001 Dec 44
080001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, intermittent rain.

2400 Ky units along the Div front continued to be inactive during period. Normal~~ly~~ traffic was reported, and arty consisted of light harassing and interdictionary fire on forward areas. G-2, 1st Inf Div

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium
080001 Dec 44
090001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, scattered clouds.

2400 The Bn was not in contact with the arty during period. G-2, 1st Inf Div

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium
090001 Dec 44
100001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy

2400 The Bn was not in contact with the arty during the period.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic HERGENRATH, BELGIUM
100001 Dec 44
110001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.

2400 The Bn was not in contact with the arty during the period.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium
110001 Dec 44
120001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.

2400 The Bn was not in contact with the arty during the period.

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium
120001 Dec 44
130001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, cloudy.

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2400	About 30 flying bombs seen over Bn CP heading in a NW direction. Action continued until 130000A Dec 44. Bn was not in contact with ey during period.	Personal Observa- tion.
		Hq 745th Tank Bn Vic Hergenrath, Belgium 130001 Dec 44 140001 Dec 44
	Weather: Cool, cloudy.	
2400	Period marked by severaly flying bombs heading NW over Bn CP. The missiles came at irregular intervals. The Bn was not in contact with the enemy.	Personal Obser- vation.
		Hq 745th Tank Bn VIC HERGENRATH, Belgium 140001 Dec 44 150001 Dec 44
	Weayher: Clear, sunny and cold.	
2400	Bn was not in contact with ey during period.	
		Hq 745th Tank Bn Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium 150001 Dec 44 160001 Dec 44
	Weather: Cloudy, cool.	
2400	The Bn was not in contact with ey during period.	
		Hq 745th Tank Bn Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium 160001 Dec 44 170001 Dec 44
	Weather: Cloudy, cool.	
1400	Message fr 1st Inf Div, put Bn on 6 hour alert due to ey attack in the MONECHAU area.	
2400	The Bn was not in contact with ey during period.	
		Hq 745th Tank Bn Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium 170001 Dec 44 180001 Dec 44
	Weather: Cloudy, cool.	
2330	An estimated 25-30 ey planes dropped flares and A/P bombs in vic HERGENRATH, 807359.	Personal Observa- tion.

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<u>TIME</u>	<u>INFORMATION</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
		170001 Dec 44 180001 Dec 44 (Continued)
2400	The Bn was not in contact with the ey during the G-2, 1st Inf Div period. The identification of 4, possibly 5, new Volksgrenadier divisions and Panzer divisions on the V and VIII Corps fronts shows that the ey is engaged in an all out attack and may have still other unknown divisions in reserve. Parachutists were dropped by the ey in the Div area with the probable mission of securing the AACHEN-EUPEN-MONSCHAU road.	Hq 745th Tank Bn Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium 180001 Dec 44 190001 Dec 44
	Weather: Cloudy, cool.	
0100	About 10 ey planes dropped HE and A/P bombs in the Personal Observation area of the AACHEN-EUPEN road E of HERGENRATH.	
1900	2 FW 190's seen over Bn area vic HERGENRATH, apparently on ren mission.	
1930	Ey 1/2 ton truck knocked out by our small arms fire at 848035.	Mortar Platoon
		Hq 745th Tank Bn Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium 190001 Dec 44 200001 Dec 44
	Weather: Clear, becoming cloudy at 1100.	
0030	Several ey planes dropped flares and A/P bombs in Personal Observation vic AACHEN-EUPEN road. The ey was driven off by our night fighter planes.	
0600	2 ey soldiers killed by our small arms fire while attempting to make their way back to their own lines. Action took place at 843035.	Mortar Platoon
1800	Ey infantry, supported by automatic weapons and bazookas, attempted a surprise attack on our posns at 887038, but were driven off after a short fire fight. Ey caused no damage to our positions.	3rd Plat, Co A.
2400	There were several ey attacks and numerous strong ey patrols against Div posns during the period, primarily for the purpose of ascertaining our strength and locations. Div patrols working S and SE from WEISMES, K-845031, reported large numbers of ey troops and vehicles in FAYMONVILLE, K-868020. Three tanks were observed S of BULLINGEN, P-953019.	

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
 Vic HERGENRATH, Belgium
 200001 Dec 44
 210001 Dec 44

Weather: Cool, foggy.

- 0720 Ey counterattack along RR at 885039, made by 2 Cos of Inf and supported by hvy mortar fire, was repulsed. 36 PW's were taken, and about 60 ey were killed or wounded. 3rd Plat, Co A
- 1330 S-2 section left HERGENRATH and arrived at Bn CP vic SOURBRODT, 852096.
- 1600 Ey shell, probably 120mm mortar, landed near Bn CP. Shell came fr the S in vic of BULLINGEN. Personal Observation.
- 1900 Flying bombs, heading NW, seen over Bn Area, The bombs came at irregular intergals, usually from 15-30 minutes apart until 210900A Dec 44. Personal Observation.
- 2130 Ey shell, probably of 105mm, landed in Bn area. Personal Observation
- 2200 Small ey counterattack on posns at 866043 repulsed. Hvy ey 120mm mortar fire fell in area. 1st Plat, Co A.
- 2400 During the period the ey cont'd sharp probing attacks all along the Div front. All attacks were repulsed, and at least 8 ey tanks, from the 12 SS Panzer Div, were known to have been knocked out in vic K-9402. 1st Plat, Co A.
 G-2, 1st Inf Div

Hq 745th Tank Bn
 Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium
 210001 Dec 44
 220001 Dec 44

Weather: Snow, cold.

- 0900 Ey counterattack, supported by tanks and hvy arty fire, repulsed in vic BUTGENBACH, 910044. Co C
- 2400 Occasional ey arty fire encountered in area 851024. During the period the ey launched a large scale attack in the BUTGENGACH area, K-927020. The ey force consisted of 3 Cos of Inf and one Plat of tanks, but by 1400 hrs the situation was again normal, all ey Inf being repulsed and 5 tanks definitely destroyed. 2nd Plat, Co A
 G-2, 1st Inf Div

Hq 745th Tank Bn
 Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium
 220001 Dec 44
 230001 Dec 44

Weather: Boggy, cold.

- 0500 Hvy ey counterattack in vic BUTGENBACH, 910044, repulsed. 3 ey tanks and one ey SP gun were destroyed by our tank fire. Co C
- 2400 The 3rd Bn of the 26 PGR, supported by 25 tanks, attempted to dislodge the 26th Inf Regt fr their posns in the BUTGENBACH area. This attack was broken up, and the ey maintained his defensive posns all along the rest of the front. G-2, 1st
 Inf Div

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<u>TIME</u>	<u>INFORMATION</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
		Hq 745th Tank Bn Vic Sourbrodt, Belgium 230001 Dec 44 240001 Dec 44
	Weather: Cloudy, cold.	
2400	Small ey probing attacks marked the period, and there was evidence that the ey was strengthening his Inf positions and preparing for defense of the area he now holds. It is believed that the ey was flying Allied aircraft over the Div area during the period, but there is no actual evidence to that effect.	G-2, 1st Inf Div
		Hq 745th Tank Bn, Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium 240001 Dec 44 250001 Dec 44
	Weather: Clear, cold.	
1400	2 ey aircraft with Allied marking strafed CR near Bn CP, 852096.	Personal Observa- tion.
2000	Several ey shells, fired fr vic BULLINGEN, 948018, landed near Bn CP, vic SOURBRODT. Co D CP recd a direct hit by an ey shell. 1 Off and 11 EM WIA. Co D located in vic WEYWERTZ, 887050.	Personal Observa- tion. Co D
2400	The ey confined his activities during the period to the hasty construction of defenses.	G-2, 1st Inf Div
		Hq 745th Tank Bn, Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium 250001 Dec 44 260001 Dec 44
	Weather: Clear, cold.	
2400	Ey mortar fire in vic 910030 damaged one tank. Spasmodic ey mortar and arty fire cont'd throughout the day. No major movement by the ey into or out of the Div sector was evident during the period, and the ey was showing consistent indications of building up his defensive positions all along the Div front.	1st Plat, Co B. G-2, 1st Inf Div
		Hq 745th Tank Bn Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium 260001 Dec 44 270001 Dec 44
	Weather: Clear, cold.	

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Hq 745th Tank Bn
260001 Dec 44
270001 Dec 44
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2400 During the period, ey units along the Div front continued to prepare their posns, and offered resistance to Div patrols which succeeded in reaching points 1000 to 1500 yds in advance of our front lines. It is evident by PW interrogation that units from the 3rd Parachute Div and the 12th VG Div are located along the Div front. G-2, 1st Inf Div

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium
270001 Dec 44
280001 Dec 44

Weather: Cold, clear.

1400 About 15 ey planes seen over Bn area. Ey was engaged by our fighter aircraft and driven off. Personal Observation
1200 2 ey tanks destroyed in vic of K-938010. G-2, 1st Inf Div
2400 Ey activity during the period consisted of vehicular movement across the Div front and apparent continued construction of defenses. G-2, 1st Inf Div

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium
280001 Dec 44
290001 Dec 44

Weather: Cold, cloudy.

0545 Ey arty very active in vic of Bn CP, vic SOURBRODT. Shells were coming in from the S & E at irregular intervals until 281130A Dec. V-1 was also flying over the area, heading directly N over SOURBRODT. Personal Observation
2400 An ey counterattack in Bn strength against the left flank of the 26th Inf Reg, vic NE of DOM BUTGENBACH, was repulsed during the period. The remainder of the front was relatively inactive. G-2, 1st Inf Div

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium
290001 Dec 44
300001 Dec 44

Weather: Cold, scattered clouds.

2400 The ey was inactive all along the Bn front during the period. G-2, 1st Inf Div

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium
300001 Dec 44
310001 Dec 44

Weather: Snow, cold.

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300001 Dec 44
310001 Dec 44
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0030 A heavy rocket barrage S of BUTGENBACH was laid down by the enemy. Little damage was done. Co "B"
2400 Throughout the rest of the period the ey was inactive. G-2, 1st Inf Div

Hq 745th Tank Bn
Vic SOURBRODT, Belgium
310001 Dec 44
010001 Jan 45

Weather: Cold, cloudy.

2350 Flying bomb landed about 3/4 mile N of Bn CP. No large explosion was observed and apparently the bomb did little damage. Personal Observation.
2400 Ey action along the front during the period was limited to anti-patrol measures. G-2, 1st Inf Div

For the Battalion Commander:

Francis A. McCall
FRANCIS A. McCALL,
Capt., 745th Tank Bn,
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Vic Northberg, Germany
010001 Dec 44
010002 Dec 44

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: Pvt Richard E. Sawyer, 37463855, Hq Co, dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Northberg, Germany
010002 Dec 44
010003 Dec 44

Orders: Promotions of EM.
Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: T Sgt George E. Troll, 36372777, Hq, dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC);
Pfc Loyd R. Smith, 34779308, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).
1st Lt WALLACE C. WARDNER, 01014802, Co "B", aptd Capt, 1 Dec 44; 2nd Lt
JAMES H. WATLINGTON, 01996365, Sv Co, aptd 1st Lt, 1 Dec 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Northberg, Germany
010003 Dec 44
010004 Dec 44

Increase in Strength: Pvt Frank J. Paylowski, 36374488, Co "A", dropped fr rolls to dy; Pvt Ezra B. Feller, 39185348, Co "B", dropped fr rolls to dy, 28 Oct 44.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: Tec 5 Robert C. Kuffer, 36382138, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Pvt Guion H. Willis, 33853314, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC);
S Sgt David Benskofsky, 32145859, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Sgt
Charles J. Ballaera, 32086417, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).
WOJG WILLIAM W. DICK, JR., W2122650, Sv Co, aptd CWO, 3 Dec 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Northberg, Germany
010004 Dec 44
010005 Dec 44

Orders: Asgmt of Off and EM to Co's.
Increase in Strength: 2 Off and 4 EM asgd to Bn.
Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

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Wounded: Cpl Francis E. Reilly 36608880, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Sgt Allen T. Perry, 20157400, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) SIW (NBC), 2 Dec 44; Cpl Delbert D. Stover, 16128262, Hq Co, remained for dy LIA (BC); Cpl Robert L. Lancaster, 18121477, Co "A", remained for dy LWA (BC); Pvt Charles H. McCarty, 33768122, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).
Awards and Decorations: Sgt Earl R. Jacobson, 38061570, Co "B", awarded the Silver Star, 22 Nov 44. Sgt Ray Beachler, 35054196, Co "B", awarded the Bronze Star, 22 Nov 44. T Sgt Samuel F. Perrone, 32071561, Co "C", and Cpl Edward Jackson, 36375283, Co "C", awarded Bronze Stars, 23 Nov 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Northberg, Germany
010005 Dec 44
010006 Dec 44

Increase in Strength: Sgt Walter Trojan, 36374568, Co "C", dropped fr rolls to dy (NBC).

Awards and Decorations: 1st Lt ROGER E. PEDIGO, 0366539, Co "B", and Pfc Andrew L. Mysko, 36608755, Co "C", awarded Bronze Stars, 26 Nov 44. Tec 4 Walter T. Weldner, 36375384, Co "C", and Cpl Robert F. Schaefer, 36375512, Co "C", awarded Bronze Stars, 27 Nov 44. S Sgt William H. Childers, 36374082, Sv Co, Sgt William Rebb, 30322866, Med Det, Tec 4 Melvin A. Hardy, 36382134, Sv Co, Tec 4 Salvatore J. Manna, 36608753, Co "B", Tec 4 John Duggan, 36381940, Co "D", Tec 4 Raymond J. Siemplinski, 36608896, Sv Co, and Tec 5 Charles T. Morin, 31034423, Co "B", awarded Bronze Stars, 2 Dec 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Hergenrath, Belgium
010006 Dec 44
010007 Dec 44

Orders: C in asgmt and dy of EM.

Decrease in Strength: S Sgt Allen G. Spencer, 36375708, Co "D", hon disch to accept commission as 2nd Lt AUS.

Awards and Decorations: Capt ROBERT E. JOANIS, 0362729, Sv Co, Tec 4 George J. Burke, 36608770, Sv Co, Tec 4 David Bloomstein, 31033415, Co "B", Tec 4 Danny O. Benigno, 36374832, Sv Co, Cpl Joseph P. Avelis, 36375619, Co "C", and Tec 5 George W. Beart, 36375546, Sv Co, awarded Bronze Stars, 3 Dec 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Hergenrath, Belgium
010007 Dec 44
010008 Dec 44

Increase in Strength: 2nd Lt ALLEN G. SPENCER, 01998490, Co "D", asgd and joined fr enlisted status, date of rank 7 Dec 44.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Pfc Donald Messina, 36382290, Sv Co, dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); 2nd Lt JOHN J. DAY, JR., 01011449, Co "B", remained for dy LWA (BC), 5 Dec 44.

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Vic Hergenrath, Belgium
010008 Dec 44
010009 Dec 44

Increase in Strength: T Sgt George E. Troll, 36372777, Hq, dropped fr rolls to dy (NBC); Pfc Loyd R. Smith, 34779308, Co "D", dropped fr rolls to dy, (NBC); Sgt Garson Y. Moore, 20380224, Co "C", dropped fr rolls to dy (BC); Sgt John B. Swern, 36375603, Co "C", dropped fr rolls to dy (NBC). Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: Pvt John F. Litwiski, 36686677, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

S Sgt Harold L. Walker, 20380203, Co "C", dy to temp dy Ft Meade, Md., for approximately 3 mos. S Sgt Earl R. Jacobsen, 38061570, Co "B", dy to temp dy Ft Sam Houston, Tex., for approximately 3 mos.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Hergenrath, Belgium
010009 Dec 44
010010 Dec 44

Orders: C in asgmt and dy of EM within the comd, asgmt of Off and EM to Co's, awarding of Purple Hearts, and promotion of EM.
Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Capt ALWYN L. WASHBURN, 01014286, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Tec 4 Howard W. Johnson, 36375625, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

Awards and Decorations: S Sgt Harold L. Walker, 20380203, S Sgt LeRoy F. Rheinberger, 36375706; Sgt Edward M. Murphy, 36375388, Sgt John B. Swern, 36375603, Tec 4 Robert Mikas, 16127845, Tec 4 Glen R. Pedersen, 36375124, Cpl Carl A. Back, 35632905, Cpl Dominick P. Lorenzetti, 33609305, Cpl Andrew Ty Us, 36382280, Pfc Herman G. Blesinger, 18097251, Pfc Raymond S. Bremer, 33729992, Pvt James H. Campbell, 36489774, Pvt Bill Wyatt, 38075695, Pvt George M. Speders, 35653630, awarded Purple Hearts. S Sgt Earl R. Jacobsen, 38061570, Tec 4 Mike Zielecki, 33020023, and Emil Piper, 16128184, (Cpl), awarded Oak Leaf Clusters to Purple Heart.
1st Lt WARREN J. FITZPATRICK, 01018089, Co "C", assumed comd of Co.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Hergenrath, Belgium
010010 Dec 44
010011 Dec 44

Increase in Strength: Pvt J. S. Ribbetta, 34972370, Hq Co, dropped fr rolls to dy (NBC); 2nd Lt JOSEPH M. PATTON, 01013665, Co "B", atchd unesgd and jd Bn fr 19th Repl Depot, VOCO, 9 Dec 44.

Orders: Atchmt of EM to Co's for Adm, Qrs, and Rat and asgmt of EM to Co.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Hergenrath, Belgium
010011 Dec 44
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Increase in Strength: 1 EM asgd to Bn, 9 EM on DS with this comd fr
92nd Repl Bn, APO 153, U. S. Army.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Hergenrath, Belgium
010012 Dec 44
010013 Dec 44

Orders: Promotions and Reductions of EM.
Increase in Strength: Pfc Donald Messina, 36382290, Sv Co, dropped fr
rolls to dy (NBC).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Hergenrath, Belgium
010013 Dec 44
010014 Dec 44

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Change in Assignment: Co "A", 745th Tk Bn and Assault Gun Plat reld fr
atchmt to VII Corps and atchd to V Corps, eff 052400A Dec 44.
Wounded: Pvt George E. Noble, 31323498, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk
(NBC), 10 Dec 44; Sgt Merritt R. Cole, 36374969, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD)
S1 Sk (NBC), 11 Dec 44; Sgt Joseph R. Ferguson, 38128602, Co "D", dy to
Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Hergenrath, Belgium
010014 Dec 44
010015 Dec 44

Orders: Promotions of EM and aptmt of SMC.
Off and EM attended Church Services at 1500 hrs.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Hergenrath, Belgium
010015 Dec 44
010016 Dec 44

Orders: Asgmt of Off to Co's.
Increase in Strength: 2 Off asgd to Bn. Sgt John J. Russell, 36310238,
Co "A", dropped fr rolls to dy (BC).
Wounded: Tec 5 Joseph G. Wic, 36374737, Co "B", remained for dy IWA (BC),
5 Dec 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Hergenrath, Belgium
010016 Dec 44
010017 Dec 44

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Increase in Strength: Tee 5 John A. Hensley, 36377366, Co "D", dropped fr rolls to dy (BC).

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Tee 5 Homer W. Wilson, 36375182, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); S Sgt Raymond W. Fields, 38062168, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC), 10 Dec 44; Pvt Thomas Adelfie, 32723456, Co "B", dy to Hosp (NLD) S1 Sk (NBC); Pvt Francis T. Miner, 37693797, Hq Co, dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

Awards and Decorations: Cpl Frank P. Wellen, 39469576, Co "C", and Tee 5 James Hill, Jr., 36381724, Co "C", awarded Bronze Stars, 29 Nov 44. 1st Lt WALLACE C. WARDNER, 01014802, Co "B", and Sgt John Charnisky, 36375616, Co "C", awarded Bronze Stars, 30 Nov 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Hergenrath, Belgium
010017 Dec 44
010018 Dec 44

Increase in Strength: S Sgt Raymond W. Fields, 38062188, dropped fr rolls to dy.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Tee 4 Howard W. Johnson, 36375625, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Sgt Joseph R. Ferguson, 38128602, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC);

AWOL: Pvt John W. Alger, 14033779, Hq Co, dy to AWOL.

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Vic Hergenrath, Belgium
010118 Dec 44
010019 Dec 44

No Changes.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Hergenrath, Belgium
010019 Dec 44
010020 Dec 44

Increase in Strength: 2nd Lt WELDON B. BENSON, 01017816, dropped fr rolls to temp dy with Eur T of Opns Reclassification Center, 15 Dec 44.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Change in Assignment: Co "A" and Assault Gun Plat reld fr atehmt to V Corps and are atehd to VII Corps, off 11 Dec 44.

Wounded: Pfc George A. Partin, 34466780, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC) 18 Dec 44; Tee 5 Thomas Quattrochi, 36375404, Co "A", remained fer dy LWA (BC), 18 Dec 44; Tee 5 Clifford F. Ashley, 39304696, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC), 18 Dec 44; Cpl Walter F. Meinecke, 36955488, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC), 18 Dec 44; Pvt Vergil B. Dent, 35227048, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC), 18 Dec 44; Sgt John J. Russell, 36310238, Co "A", remained for dy LWA (BC); Pvt Hubert McGaha, 38509740, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC).

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Awards and Decorations: S Sgt David Benkofsky, 32145859, Co "A", and S Sgt Garland R. Lewis, 20380221, Co "C", awarded Silver Stars, 6 Dec 44. 1st Lt ANTOINE R. GORENC, 01011641, Co "A", and Cpl Richard P. Kaucich, 36374909, Co "A", awarded Silver Stars, 10 Dec 44. Capt THOMAS CARROLL, 0454011, Co "A", and Capt FREDERICK F. CHIRIGOTIS, 01013071, Co "D", awarded Bronze Stars, 6 Dec 44. Cpl Chester R. Richardson, 32853446, Co "C", Sgt Frank Barrile, 36374699, Hq Co, Cpl Russell F. Veller, 33609060, Co "C", and Teo 5 Edward T. Dwyer, 16125188, Co "C", awarded Bronze Stars, 7 Dec 44. Teo 5 Lloyd Louse, 37309596, Co "C", and Pvt George M. Snedgrass, 35653630, Co "C", awarded Bronze Stars, 8 Dec 44. 1st Lt HAROLD D. HOWENSTINE, 01011391, Co "B", and Cpl Andrew Tylka, 36382280, Co "C", awarded Bronze Stars, 9 Dec 44. Teo 5 Robert W. Faeteau, 20156950, Co "D", and Pvt Charles C. Dombach, 33873554, Co "D", awarded Bronze Stars, 10 Dec 44.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Sourbrodt, Belgium
010020 Dec 44
010021 Dec 44

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Wounded: Teo 5 George W. Roberts, 36374974, Hq, remained for dy LWA (BC); Sgt Richard R. Saldana, 36374549, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC);
Awards and Decorations: 2nd Lt ALLEN G. SPENCER, 01998490, Co "D", Sgt William G. Rensi, 35027391, Co "D", Pvt John P. O'Donnell, 16123062, Co "C", and Pvt Jim V. Tursi, 36375144, Med Det, awarded Bronze Stars, 11 Dec 44.
2nd Lt JOSEPH M. PAXTON, 01013665, Co "B", 2nd Lt LESTER H. HOOVER, 01017147, Co "C", and 2nd Lt DAVID C. HOUCK, 0522762, Co "D", aptd 1st Lts.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Sourbrodt, Belgium
010021 Dec 44
010022 Dec 44

Orders: Promotions and Reduction of EM.
Increase in Strength: Pvt Charles H. McCartie, 33768122, Co "B", dropped fr rolls to dy (NBC), 20 Dec 44.
Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Change in Assignment: 745th Tk Bn reld fr atehmt to VII Corps and atehd to V Corps, eff 162400A Dec 44.
Wounded: Pfc Deminiek J. Franchina, 33716258, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) Sl Sk (NBC); Pvt Orville L. Orme, 35074020, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Sgt Garson Y. Moore, 20380224, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Pfc George M. Snedgrass, 35653630, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Pvt Frank J. Orbik, 35097726, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) Sl Sk (NBC); Sgt Odie R. Liptrap, 33000079, Co "D", remained for dy LWA (BC).
Awards and Decorations: Sgt John W. Dempsey, 36374452, Co "D", Sgt William O. Hart, 36375486, Co "D", Cpl Arthur W. Becker, 36375014, Co "A", awarded Bronze Stars, 15 Dec 44. Teo 4 Harvey T. Tibbs, 36375056, Co "A", Pvt William D. Vines, 31423762, Co "A", and Pvt William A. Shaner, 33436319,

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Co "A", awarded Bronze Stars, 16 Dec 44. 3rd Plat, Co "C", 745th Tk Bn commended for outstanding performance in action.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Sourbrodt, Belgium
010022 Dec 44
010023 Dec 44

Increase in Strength: Pvt Thomas Adelfio, 31033652, Co "B", dropped fr rolls to dy, (NBC), 20 Dec 44.
Decrease in Strength: See Wounded. S Sgt Joseph G. Kelly, 20200716, Co "A", Hon Disch to accept commission as 2nd Lt AUS. Also see Killed.
Killed: Cpl Henry C. Heuck, 37679102, Co "C", KIA.
Wounded: Sgt Anthony J. Pagano, 31033652, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Sgt Charles C. Duff, 20200742, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Tec 4 Thomas W. Cannell, 36375065, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); 1st Lt JOSEPH I. BREEN, 01018646, Hq Co, dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Pvt Carl Adams, 42091618, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Sgt Berl R. Innis, 35000912, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) SWA (BC); Pvt George T. Brooks, Jr., 34972736, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Tec 5 Edward T. Dwyer, 16125188, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Sgt Walter Trojan, 36374568, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Pfc William Peretz, 36375042, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC).
Prisoners: Co "A" captured 2 pris and Co "D" captured 1 pris.

Hq 745th Tk Bn
Vic Sourbrodt, Belgium
010023 Dec 44
010024 Dec 44

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.
Increase in Strength: 2nd Lt JOSEPH G. KELLY, 01999818, Co "A", asgd and joined fr enlisted status, date of rank 23 Dec 44.
Change in Assignment: 745th Tk Bn having been atchd to V Corps is atchd to 3rd Armd Gp and is further atchd to 1st Inf Div.
Wounded: Cpl Frank J. Jaworek, 36374835, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC); Pfc Ralph F. Hall, 39136757, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) S1 Sk (NBC).

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010025 Dec 44

Orders: C in asgmt and dy of Off, asgmt of EM to Co's, and C in atehmt of EM on DS with comd.

Increase in Strength: 7 EM asgd to Bn.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Pvt Wilford L. Agar, 37693659, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) (NBC); Pvt Edward M. Lynch, 42028427, Hq Co, remained for dy LIA (BC); Pvt Robert E. Land, 35244301, Hq Co, remained for dy, LIA (BC); S Sgt Elwyn W. Goodwin, 36374260, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Pvt Joseph Samson, 33668388, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Sgt Fred Barr, 16128168, Co "D", dy to Hosp

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(LD) LWA (BC); Pvt William H. Schlitzer, 6698448, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Pvt Wendelle E. Moncelle, 36476166, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Tec 5 Joseph W. Finch, 34810939, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Sgt Vernon C. Proffitt, 36375505, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) LIA (BC); Tec 4 Eugene J. Henry, 16128075, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) LWA (BC); Tec 5 Sherman Foster, 36853773, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) LIA (BC); Pvt Frank C. Kot, 31329480, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) LIA (BC); 1st Lt DAVID C. HOUCK, 0522762, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) SWA (BC); Tec 5 Alexander J. Blunt, 37459809, Co "D", remained for dy LWA (BC); Pvt Dermont L. Poterfield, 39217548, Co "D", remained for dy LWA (BC); Pvt Paul W. Good, 39050482, Co "D", remained for dy LWA (BC); Pvt Frank F. Olszewski, 37565476, Co "D", remained for dy LWA (BC); Tec 4 James E. Risante, 36382139, Co "D", remained for dy LWA (BC).

Awards and Decorations: S Sgt John V. Sullivan, 20200722, Co "D", Sgt Glen J. Dill, 16128044, Co "C", Tec 4 Clyde E. Medley, 17007278, Co "C", and Tec 5 Rocco A. Crudell, 36608757, Hq, awarded Silver Stars, 19 Dec 44. Capt DONALD E. HONEMAN, 0456140, assumed comd of Co "C", eff 17 Dec 44.

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010026 Dec 44

Orders: Asgmt of EM to Co's and C in asgmt and dy of EM within the comd. Increase in Strength: 7 EM asgd to Bn. Pfc Ralph F. Hall, 39136757, Co "A", Hosp to dy (NBC).

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Cpl Stanley J. Urbanski, 36610107, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) (NBC); Pvt Wilford L. Agar, 37693659, Co "C", Hosp to dropped fr rolls (LD) (NBC); Sgt Harry B. Nance, 35254151, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) (NBC).

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Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Pvt Walter J. Siwek, 36382150, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) (NBC).

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Increase in Strength: Tec 4 Thomas W. Cannell, 36375065, Co "A", dropped fr rolls to dy (NBC).

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Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Tec 4 Francis L. Fish, 36375520, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) (NBC), 26 Dec 44; Sgt Charles Karkut, 31039632, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) (NBC); Cpl Andrew Tylka, 36382280, Co "C", dy to Hosp (LD) SWA (BC); Cpl Eugene A. McKay, 36737195, Co "C", remained for dy LWA (BC); Pfc Charles Komarek, 36375606, Co "D", dy to Hosp (LD) (NBC).

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010029 Dec 44
010030 Dec 44

Orders: Asgmt of EM to Co, C in asgmt of Off and EM within comd, and Promotions of EM.

Increase in Strength: 1 EM asgd to Bn, eff 25 Dec 44. WOJG ROBERT E. WELCH, W2119893, dropped fr rolls to dy, eff 24 Sep 44; Pfc Dominic J. Franchina, 33716258, Co "C", dropped fr rolls to dy (NBC).

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded. S Sgt LeRoy F. Rheinberger, 36375706, Co "A", Hon Disch to accept commission as 2nd Lt AUS.

Wounded: Tec 5 James Shamp, Jr., 35919369, Co "B", dy to Hosp (LD) (NBC).

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010030 Dec 44
010031 Dec 44

Orders: Asgmt of EM to Co's, EM reld fr atchmt to Hq Co, C in asgmt and dy of EM.

Increase in Strength: 3 EM asgd to Bn. 2nd Lt LEROY F. RHEINBERGER, 01999852, Co "A", asgd and jd fr enlisted status, date of rank 30 Dec 44.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Sgt George A. Hatch, 35252533, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) (NBC).

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Orders: Purple Hearts awarded to Off and EM.

Decrease in Strength: See Wounded.

Wounded: Sgt Carl L. Stanner, 36374868, Co "A", dy to Hosp (LD) (NBC).

Awards and Decorations: 1st Lt JOSEPH M. PAXTON, 01013665, 2nd Lt ARTHUR E. BERND, 01017212, Cpl Eugene A. McKay, 36377195, Cpl Robert L. Lancaster, 18121477, Tec 5 Joseph G. Wic, 36374837, awarded Purple Hearts for wounds received in action against the enemy in Germany. Sgt Odie R. Liptrap, 33000079, Tec 4 James E. Risante, 36382139, Tec 5 Alexander J. Blunt, 37459809, Tec 5 Joseph W. Finch, 34810939, Tec 5 Thomas Quattrooki, 36375404, Tec 5 George W. Roberts, 36374974, Pvt Paul W. Good, 39050482, Pvt Robert E. Land, 35244301, Pvt Edward M. Lynch, 42028427, Pvt Frank F. Olszewski, 37565476, Pvt Dermont L. Peterfield, 39217548, awarded Purple Hearts for wounds received in action against the enemy in Belgium. 1st Lt JOSEPH I. BREEN, 01018646, 1st Lt JOHN J. DAY, JR., Andrew Tylka,
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36382280, awarded Oak Leaf Clusters to Purple Hearts previously awarded.

For the Battalion Commander:

Wilford B. Greemann
WILFORD B. GREEMANN,
1st Lt., 745th Tank Bn,
Adjutant.

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