

# HEADQUARTERS 007TH TANK DESTROYER BATTALION APO 230

1 January 1945

## SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

(period - 1 to 31 Dec 1944, incl)

# A. Positions at beginning of Period:

- 1. Bn CP At TETERCHEN (1574).
- 2. Hq Co, less 1st and 2nd Rcn plats At TETERCHEN.
- 3. Co A, with 2nd Ren plat atchd -
  - (a) Co CP and 1st plat At KERLINGHEN (2180).
  - (b) 2nd plat 2 guns at ST BARBARA (2382), 2 guns at GUISINGEN (2183).
  - (c) 3rd plat At FELSBERG (2377).
- 4. Co B -
  - (a) Co CF, 2nd and 3rd plats In reserve pos at COUME (1567).
  - (b) 1st plat Atchd to Co C and in pos at BERWEILER (2075).
- 5. Co C, with 1st Rcn plat and 1st plat of Co B atchd .-
  - (a) Co CP At DELEM (1871).
  - (b) 1st plat In reserve pos at HARGARTEN (1870).
  - (c) 2nd plat In sptng pos of 378th Inf near BERWEILER.
  - (d) 3rd plat In vic of Co CP for reorganization.
- 6. Service Co At METZ (8659).

## B. Operations for Period:

## 1 Dec 1944:

- 1. Bn CP Moved to ITTERSDORF, GERMANY (2178).
- 2. Hq Co, less 3 Rcn plats Moved to ITTERSDORF. 3rd Rcn plat atchd to Co B.
- 3. Co A, with 2nd Ren plat atchd -
  - (a) Co CP No change.
- (b) 1st plat moved to indirect fire pos 2000 meters West of KERLINGEN (2180), fired 52 rds of harrassing fire.
- (c) 2nd plat No change in location. A tank holding up the Inf in the town of ST BARBARA (8223) was finally destroyed by this plat. The tank was so situated in the town that direct fire could not be brought upon it without undo exposure to its fire. A bazooka team, headed by Sgt Holcomb was sent out to try and destroy the tank. This team hit the tank with a round of bazooka, but failed to disable it. The tank withdrew, but later returned to its former position. Further attempts to get to the tank with the bazooka failed. Lt Knapp then fired several rounds of 90nm through the building in the direction of the tank, ploughing a hole through several buildings and causing a dust-smoke screen in the vic of the tank. Under the protection of this screen Lt Knapp placed his destroyer in a position and fired through the smoke-dust screen at the location of the tank. Later reports from the Inf and a tank officer confirmed the destruction of the en tank. The destroyed tank was a Mark IV.
  - (d) 3rd plat Continued to support the Inf in the town of FELSBERG (2377).
  - 4. Co B, with 3rd Ron plat atchd.
    - (a) Entire Co asmble in ITTERSDORF.
    - (b) Made ron and prepared to spt the 379th Inf.

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5. Co C, with 1st Ron plat atchd.

(a) Co CP moved to REMERING (1974).

(b) 1st plat moved to MERTEN (2273) supporting the 1st Bn of 378th Inf.

(c) 2nd plat moved to ready position 2000 yds East of BERWEILER (2075).

Prepared to cross anti-tank ditch and continue support of 2nd Bn of 378th inf.

(d) 3rd plat moved up to the vic of Co CP and then moved out to support the 3rd Bn of the 378th Inf on the assault of ALT-FORWEILER (2575).

6. Service Co - Moved to TETERCHEN (1470).

## 2 Dec 1944:

1. Bn CP - No change.

2. Hg Co, less three Rcn plats - No change.

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(a) Co CP - No change.

- (b) 1st plat Moved into town of BEAUNARAIS (2880) to support the crossing of the SAAR RIVER.
  - (c) 2nd plat Continued the support of the 2nd Bn 377th Inf at ST BARBARA.
- (d) 3rd plat- Moved in support of 3rd Bn to BEAUMARAIS, taking up position to fire in support of SAAR RIVER crossing.

Co B -

(a) CP - No change.

- (b) 1st plat Moved in rear of assaulting Bn of 379th Inf. Prepared for employment and early crossing of SAAR RIVER.
- (c) 2nd plat Gave direct support to assaulting Bn, 2nd Bn 379th Inf, in its move to SAARLAUTERN (2980).
  - (d) 3rd plat Moved to assembly position West of SAARLAUTERN as reserve.

Co C -

- CP moved to ALT-FORWEILER (2575). (a)
- (b) 1st and 3rd plats assembled in vicinity of Co CP.
- (c) 2nd plat moved to vicinity of NEU-FORWEILER (2777).

  (d) 1st plat fired on church and buildingsof BISTEN (2573) and on the town to the South, UBERHERRN (2473). Fired on 3 pillboxes.

#### 3 Dec 1944:

- 1. Bn CP No change.
- 2. Hg Co, less 3 Rcn plats No change.
- Co A, with 2nd Ren plat atchd.

(a) Co CP - No change.

- (b) 1st plat No change, fired supporting fire across SAAR RIVER.
- (c) 2nd plat Moved with 2nd Bn, 377th Inf to WALLERFAGEN (2681).
- (d) 3rd plat No change. Fired supporting fire across SAAR RIVER.

Co B, with 3rd Ron plat at chd.

(a) Co CP moved to SAARLAUTERN (2879).

- (b) 1st plat- Crossed SAAR RIVER to support the 1st Bn of 379th Inf and took up defensive position in the vicinity (2880).
- (c) 3rd plat Moved with 3rd Bn 379th Inf in its move to and mop up of SAARAMUTERN (2879). Fired into building and strong-points in the town.
  - Co C, with 1st Rcn plat atchd.

(a) Co CP - No change.

(b) 1st plat- Moved to direct fire positions (2876) and fired on targets of opportunity across the SAAR RIVER. Destroyed 1 75mm AT gun and reduced several houses.



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(c) 2nd plat - Supporting the 378th Inf in the attack and the mop up of the town of LISDORF (2878), fired into several houses, destroyed 2 MG positions and 4 20mm AA guns. One M-36 hit an AT mine, shearing the track. This destroyer was repaired and later placed into action. An enemy bazooka team fired a round at another M-36 but failed to damage it. The crew killed the team with 50 cal MG fire.

(d) 3rd plat- In reserve in vicinity of Co CP.

6. Service Co - No change.

# 4 Dec 44:

1. Bn CP - No change.

2. Hq Co, less three Rcn plats -

(a) Pioneer plat sent on mission to aid Co C in removing 3 vehicles which were stuck in mud.

3. Co A, with 2nd Rcn plat atchd.

- (a) No change in disposition. Co gave supporting direct fire to the attack of the 379th Inf.
  - 4. Co B, with 3rd Rcn plat atchd.

(a) Co CP - No change.

(b) 1st plat- In support of 379th Inf bridgehead over the SAAR RIVER. Assisted the Inf in repulsing an enemy Inf-tank counter-attack. In this action the plat destroyed 4 enemy tanks and lost 1 M-36 destroyer. The plat also fired on numerous houses and pillboxes.

(c) 2nd plat - Continued to support the 3rd Bn in its mop up of SAARLAUTERN.

Later the plat crossed the SAAR RIVER to continue support of the Inf.

- (d) 3rd plat Continued to support the Inf in the mop up of SAARLAUTERN. Prepared to cross the SAAR RIVER.
  - 5. Co C, with 1st Ren plat atchd.

(a) Co CP - No change.

(b) 1st plat & 3rd plat - Fired supporting fire into ENSDORF (3079); then moved to assembly position in NEU-FORWEILER (2777).

(c) 2nd plat - Moved to (292786).

6. Service Co - No change.

#### 5 Dec 44:

1. Bn CP - Moved to new location at FELSBERG (2477).

2. Hq Co, less 3 Rcn plats - Moved to new location in vicinity of Bn CP. 3rd Rcn plat relieved from atchmt to Co B and atchd to Co A. 2nd Rcn plat relieved from atchmt to Co A and moved to vic of Co CP, as reserve.

3. Co A, with 3rd Ron plat atchd.

(a) Co CP moved to SAARLAUTERN (2980).

(b) 1st plat - Moved to support of elements of 377th Inf in SAARLAUTERN to complete the mop up and to secure the town.

(c) 2nd and 3rd plats continued to give support to the 379th Inf, firing

across the SAAR RIVER.

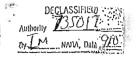
(d) At 2100 Co A with 3rd Ron plat atchd, relieved Co B completing the relief by 2300.

4. Co B, with 3rd Rcn plat atchd.

(a) Co CP - Moved to ITTERSDORE (2278). Closed at 2300.

(b) 1st plat - Continued supporting the Inf in the attack and mop up of the outskirts of SAARLAUTERN, destroying enemy strong points and pillboxes holding up Inf adv.

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(c) 2nd plat - Gave close support to Inf in attack of SARRLAUTERN-RODEN (2881). In this operation the plat destroyed 5 pillboxes, several houses and strong points.

(d) 3rd plat - Supported Inf on assault of FRAULAUTERN (2981). Fired into houses, pillboxes, and machine gunned light strong points. Knocked out 1 tank.

(e) Entire Co was relieved by Co A at 2100. Relief was completed and Co returned to assembly area at ITTERSDORF for maintenance and reorganization.

(f) 3rd Rcn plat - Relieved from attachment to Co at 2100.

5. Co C, with 1st Ren plat atchd.

(a) Co CP - No change.

(b) 1st plat - Moved to firing position on the West bank of SAAR RIVER. Fired across the river destroying 3 MG, 3 20mm AA guns, 5 pillboxes, 3 church steeples which were probable en OP's.

(c) 2nd plat - Moved to ready position at North end of LISDORF (2979). Supported Inf in moping up town. Captured 2 PWs.

(d) 3rd plat - Moved to assembly position at South end of LISDORF.

6. Service Co - No change.

## 6 Dec 44:

1. Bn CP - No change.

2. Hq Co, less 1st and 3rd Ron plats - No change.

3. Co A, with 3rd Ron plat.

(a) Co CP - No change.

(b) 1st plat - Supporting 379th Inf in attack on FRAULAUTERN (3081).

(c) 2nd plat - Supporting Inf in SAARLAUTERN-RODEN (2881), knocked out 2 pillboxes, 1 MG nest and captured 60 PWs.

(d) 3rd plat - In FRAULAUTERN.

4. Co B - Entire Co in ITTERSDORF (2278) for maintenance and reorganization.

5. Co C, with 1st Rcn plat.

(a) Co CP - No change in CP or disposition of plats.

(b) 1st plat - Destroyed 1 MG, 1 20mm AA gun, 7 pillboxes and fired supporting fire into houses.

## 7 Dec 44:

1. No change in disposition of any Unit or in missions.

2. Co A, with 3rd Rcn plat - No change in disposition. 2nd plat fired on l enemy pillbox and captured 22 PWs.

3. Co C - 3rd plat fired on 8 houses and pillboxes.

## 8 Dec 44:

- 1. Bn CP and Hq Co, less 1st and 3rd Rcn plats No change.
- 2. Co A -

(a) No change in disposition.

(b) 2nd plat determined from rec that an underpass previously occupied by at least one enemy tank was abandoned. A tank destroyer was placed in a position from where it was capable of firing into the underpass. An enemy tank later entered the underpass and was destroyed by fire from the destroyer.

(c) Elements of the company destroyed 1 MG, 1 pillbox, shot up several

houses and took 12 PWs.

3. Co B -

(a) Co CP, 2nd and 3rd plats - No change.



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- (b) 1st plat Moved into SAARLAUTERN and reconnoitered for position for direct fire into pillboxes on the East bank of the SAAR RIVER.
  - 5. Co C -

(a) No change in mission or disposition.

(b) 1st plat - Moved into firing position on West bank of SAAR RIVER, fired into enemy positions, including 4 pillboxes, 7 houses, 1 house containing ammunition dump which blew up, 1 75mm AT gun, 1 mortar.

# 9 Dec 44:

1. Bn CP - No change.

2. Hq Co, less 1st and 3rd Rcn plats - No change.

3. Co A, with 3rd Rcn plat.

(a) Wo change in disposition.

(b) 2nd plat - In supporting the 379th Inf, fired on pillboxes and houses. One destroyer was hit by an enemy bazooka and destroyed (burned). The enemy bazooka team had infiltrated into the rear of the front lines and into a position to fire on vehicles crossing the RR tracks.

4. Co B -

- (a) 1st plat In SAARLAUTERN, moved to firing position in the vicinity of the Sports Platz and fired on two pillboxes and an enemy OP, destroying them.
- (b) 2nd plat Moved to BEAUMARAIS and reconnoitered for firing positions to fire on pillboxes and houses in the Morth end of SAARLAUTER-RODEN.

(c) 3rd plat - Moved to WALLERFANGEN (2682).

5. Co C, with 1st Ron plat etchd.

(a) Co assembled in NEU-FORWEILER.

(b) 2nd plat - Moved to firing position on the West bank of SAAR RIVER and fired into pillboxes and houses.

## 10 Dec 44:

1. Bn CP - No change.

2. Hq Co, less 2nd and 3rd Rcn plats - No change.

3. Co A, with 2nd Ren plat atchd.

(a) No change in mission. Plats continued support of Inf.

- (b) At 1800 Co B relieved the 1st and 2nd plats of Co A which were operating in 359th Inf area.
- (c) 1st plat moved two destroyers in support of 1st Bn 377th Inf at Southwest corner of FRAULAUTERN.
- (d) 2nd plat, plus two guns from 1st plat and 2 guns from 3rd plat, moved to maintenance and rest area at ITTERSDORF.

(e) 3rd plat, less 2 guns, continued mission of supporting 2nd Bn of 377th

Inf in NW portion of FRAULAUTERN.

- (f) Destroyer which was knocked out on 9th Dec was found to have been hit by direct fire from the vicinity of (282815). Destroyer was returning to plat assembly area over a route used by other TDs and tanks, when it was fired on from the flank down the RR track. The destroyer burned.
  - (g) Co destroyed 2 pillboxes and fired on several houses.
  - 4. Co B -

(a) Co CP moved to SAARLAUTERN.

(b) 1st plat moved to support 1st Bn of 379th Inf in the South portion of SAARLAUTERN-RODEN.



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- (c) 2nd plat to support of 2nd Bn 379th Inf in the Northwest area of FRAULAUTERN.
- (d) 3rd plat In support of 3rd Bn 379th Inf in the vicinity of the RR station at SAARLAUTERN-RODEN; 2 guns at WALLERFANGEN (2682).

5. Co C, with 3rd Rcn plat atchd.

(a) Plats assembled at NEU-FORWEILER.

- (b) From this position they moved to firing positions in support of the 378th Inf. In this role they destroyed 6 pillboxes, 2 steeples and fired on several houses.
  - 6. Service Co No change.

# 11 Dec 44:

1. Bn CP and Hq Co, less 2nd and 3rd Rcn plats - No change.

2. Co A, with 2nd Rcn plat etchd.

(a) No change in disposition or mission. Platoons continued support of Infantry.

3. Co B -

(a) No change in missions.

(b) Fired on 5 pillboxes, 2 of which were captured by Infantry.

4. Co C, with 3rd Ren plat atchd.

(a) 2nd plat moved from assembly position in NEU-FOHWEILER and fired on 2 pillboxes and several houses.

(b) No change in other elements.

# 12 Dec 44:

1. Bn CP - No change.

2. Hq Co, less 2nd and 3rd Ron plats.

- (a) Pioneer plat Assisted Co C in preparation of firing position on the East edge of SAARLAUTERN.
  - 3. Co A, with 2nd Ren plat atchd.

(a) No change in missions.

(b) Co fired on 1 pillbox and several houses in SAARLAUTERN-RODEN.

. Co B

(a) No change in missions.

(b) Fired on 2 pillboxes and destroyed 1 machine gun.

5. Co C, with 3rd Ren plat atchd.

(a) No change in disposition.

(b) Fired on 6 pillboxes in ENSDORF (3079).

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Bn CP - No change.

2. Hg Co, less three Rcn plats.

(a) 1st Ron plat atchd to Co C, replacing 3rd Ron plat which was atchd to B.

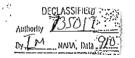
3. Co A, with 2nd Rcn plat atchd.

(a) Continued support of the Infantry in assaulting FRAULAUTERN.

(b) Destroyed 1 pillbox.

4. Co B, with 3rd Ren plat atchd.

(a) Continued support of Infantry in assault on SAARLAUTERN-RODEN.



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5. Co C, with 1st Rcn plat atchd.

(a) Continued support of the 378th Inf from the West side of SAAR RIVER. Fired on enemy troops observed in houses in ENSDORF.

(b) I destroyer hit by artillery fragment and burned.

6. Service Co - Personnel section moved to ITTERSDORF.

# 14 Dec 44:

1. Bn CP, HQ Co less three Rcn plats - No change.

2. Co A, with 2nd Rcn plat atchd.

- (a) 8 destroyers crossed SAAR RIVER in direct support of 377th Inf, 2 destroyers giving direct supportin fire from vicinity of East SAARLAUTERN. 2 destroyers in reserve (maintenance).
- (b) Co fired on and destroyed 1 pillbox and fired on several houses and other pillboxes.

3. Co B, with 3rd Rcn plat atchd.

- (a) Co has 9 destroyers supporting the 379th Inf in assault of SAARLAUTERN-RODEN. 2 destroyers in reserve in SAARLAUTERN. 1 destroyer in for 3rd or 4th echelon maintenance. This destroyer had hit 3 anti-tank mines.
  - (b) Co fired on several pillboxes, destroying four; also fired on houses.

4. Co C, with 1st Rcn plat atchd.

(a) Co continued to support the 378th Inf with fire from the West side of SAAR RIVER. Fired on several houses, 1 OP and 4 pillboxes.

# 15 Dec 44:

1. Bn CP and Hq Co, less three Rcn plats - No change.

2. Co A, with 2nd Rcn plat atchd.

(a) Continued support of 377th Inf. Fired on 3 pillboxes and several houses with effect.

3. Co B, with 3rd Rcn plat atchd.

(a) Continued support of 379th Inf, fired on 5 pillboxes and several houses.

. Co C, with 1st Rcn plat atchd.

(a) Continued to support 378th Inf from West side of SAAR RIVER; fired with effect on 3 pillboxes and several houses. ,

# 16 Dec 44:

1. Bn CP and Hg Co, less three Rcn plats - No change.

2. Co A, with 2nd Rcn plat atchd.

(a) Continued support of 377th Inf; fired on 2 pillboxes and several houses.

. Co B, with 3rd Rcn plat atchd.

(a) Continued support of 379th Inf; fired on 2 pillboxes, with effect.

4. Co C, with 1st Rcn plat atchd.

(a) Continued to support 378th Inf from West side of SAAR RIVER.

#### 17 Dec 44:

1. Bn CP and Hq Co, less three Rcn plats - No change.

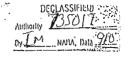
2. Co A, with 2nd Ren plat atchd.

(a) Co continued to support the 377th Inf until relieved by elements of the 818th TD Bn at 1630. Co then moved to assembly area at MERTEN (2273), closing at 1930.

Co B, with 3rd Rcn plat atchd.
(a) Continued to support 379th Inf until relieved by elements of 818th TD Bn

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(b) Co moved to new assembly area at BERWEILER (2175). Closed at 1830.

Co C, with 1st Rcn plat atchd - No change.

## 18 Dec 44:

- 1. Bn CP Moved to MERTEN (2273), closing at 1530.
- 2. Hq Co, less 1st Ben plat Moved to new assembly area at MERTEN.
- 3. Co A In assembly area. Continued maintenance and reorganization.
- 4. Co B In assembly area. Continued maintenance and peorganization.
- 5. Co C, with 1st Rcn plat atchd Continued to support the 378th Inf Regt.
- Service Co, less personnel section Moved to new location at BERWEILER.

## 19 Dec 44:

- 1. Bn CP No change.
- 2. Hq Co, less 1st Rcn plat and Co A & B No change, continued maintenance.
- Co C, with 1st Rcn plat atchd Continued to support the 378th Inf.
- Service Co No change.

## 20 Dec 44:

- 1. Bn CP No change.
- 2. Hq Co less 1st Rcn plat, Co A & B No change, continued maintenance and 🐇 reorganization.
  - 3. Co C, with 1st Rcn plat atchd Continued support of 378th Inf.
  - Service Co No change.

# 21 Dec 44:

- 1. Bn CP Moved to FELSBERG (2477).
- 2. Hq Co Assembled in FELSBERG. 1st plat of Ron relieved from atchmt to Co C.
- Co A -
  - (a) Co CP Moved to SAARLAUTERN.

    - (b) 1st plat Moved in support of 3rd Bn 377th Inf in FRAULAUTERN.(c) 2nd plat Moved in support of 1st Bn of 377th Inf in FRAULAUTERN.
  - (d) 3rd plat Remained in assembly area at MERTEN.
- Co B -
  - (a)Co CP - Moved to SAARLAUTERN.
  - (b) 1st plat En support of 1st Bn of 379th Inf in SAARLAUTERN-RODEN.
  - (c) 2nd plat In support of 2nd Bn of 379th Inf in SAARLAUTERN-RODEN.
  - (d) 3rd plat In assembly area at SAARLAUTERN.
- Co C, with 1st Rcn plat atchd.
  - (a) Co in Bn reserve.
  - (b) Co CP, 1st and 2nd plats In assembly area at BERWEILER.
  - (c) 3rd plat In support of 3rd Bn of 379th Inf at LISDORF (2979).(d) 1st rcn plat relieved from atchmt to Co.
- 6. Service Co Moved to ITTERSDORF.

## 22 Dec 44:

- 1. Bn CP No change.
- 2. Hq Co No change. Conducted training in 81mm mortar.



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3. Co A -

(a) No change in Co CP or 1st and 2nd plats.

- (b) 3rd plat Relieved 3rd plat of Co C in LISDORF, supporting 2nd Bn of 377th Inf.
  - 4. Co B No change in mission or disposition.

5. Co C -

(a) No change in CP or 1st and 2nd plats.

- (b) 3rd plat Moved to assembly area in vicinity of Co CP.
- (c) Co continued maintenance and reorganization.

## 23 Dec 44:

1. Bn CP - No change.

- 2. Hq Co No change. Conducted training in 81mm mortar. While practice firing of 81mm mortar in vicinity of ENSDORF (3079) a group of about 15 enemy were seen. Fire was placed on this group by mortar resulting in one believed killed and four wounded. The remainder were dispersed.
  - 3. Co A No change in disposition or mission.
  - 4. Co B No change in disposition or mission.

(a) 2nd plat fired on one house.

- (b) One destroyer was hit by a bazooka and sustained minor damage requiring Ordnance repair.
  - 5. Co C Continued maintenance and reorganization in reserve position.

## 24 Dec 44:

- 1. Bn CP No change.
- 2. Hai Co -
- (a) 3rd plat moved to right flank at WERBELN (3174). Reconnoitered the possible avenues of approach, road condition, bridge status and maintained contact with 106th Cav Sad.
- (b) 1st Rcn plat roontd to the South and Southwest for routes, br condition and TD position areas.
  - (c) No change in other elements.
  - 3. Co A -
- (a) No change in disposition or missions. Fired on several houses occupied by En.
  - 4. Co B -
    - (a) No change in missions.
    - (b) 3rd plat replaced 1st plat in accordance with Co rotation plan.
    - (c) Fired on 1 pillbox, penetration obtained.
  - 5. Co C No change.

## 25 Dec 44:

- Bn CP No change.
- 2. Hg Co, less one section 2nd Rcn plat-
- (a) Pion plat, prov mortar sec, fired 9 concentrations against En pers obsv in ENSDORF (3079); est 2 killed, 5 wounded.
- (b) 3rd Rcn plat continued to maintain contact with 106 Cav Sgd. Operated 2 OPs.
  - 3. Co A, plus one section of 2nd Rcn plat -

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- (a) Relieved elements of Co B in br head area of SAARLAUTERN-RODEN (2882).
- (b) One plat plus one section in FRAULAUTERN (3081), one plat plus one section in SAARLAUTERN-RODEN.
  - 4. Co B Assembled in vic of MERTEN (2273).
  - 5. Co C No change.
  - 6. Service Co Personnel section moved to LES ETANGE (0161).

## 26 Dec 44:

- 1. Bn CP Moved to BERUS (2474).
- 2. Hq Co, less one section of 2nd Rcn plat.
  - (a) Co CP, pion plat, one sec 2nd Rcn plat Moved to BERUS.
- (b) 1st Rcn plat moved to rt flank, estab Cp and contact with 121st Cav Sqd at CARLSBRUNN (3264). Recontd routes and terrain in the area. Located OP's and prepared to occupy on order.
  - 3. Co A No chamge.
  - 4. Co B No change. Recontd area to the South in vic of L'HOPITAL (2763).
  - 5. Co C No change. Recontd area to the South in vic of ST AVOLD (2557).

# 27 Dec 44:

- 1. Bn CP No change.
- 2. Hq Co, less one sec 2nd Rcn plat.
  - (a) No change in missions or dispositions.
  - (b) 1st and 3rd Ron plats continued to recontr and keep contact on rt flank.
- 3. Co A No change.
- 4. Co B Flaced three plats in indirect fire in vic of MERTEN (2273). Fired 244 rds on 10 harrassing and 1 BP missions.
  - 5. Co C Placed 2 plats in indirect fire in vic of BERWEILER (2175). No firing.

# 28 Dec 44:

- 1. Bn CP No change.
- 2. Hq Co, less one sec 2nd Rcn plat No change.
- 3. Co A, with one sec 2nd Rcn plat atchd No change.
- 4. Co B No change. Fired 187 rds HE on 10 harrassing and 1 base point missions.
- 5. Co C No change in elements Fired 7 rds on 1 base point registration.

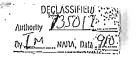
## 29 Dec 44:

- 1. Bn CP No change.
- 2. Hq Co, less 1 sec 2nd Rcn plat -
  - (a) No change in disposition.
    - (b) Continued ron and obsv on South Flank.
  - (c) Pion plat sptng 206th Eng Bn established 9 rd blocks im vic of ST AVOLD.
- 3. Co A, with I section 2nd Rcn plat atchd.
  - (a) No change in mission or disposition. Fired on 1 pillbox with effect.
- 4. Co B No change in disposition. Fired 247 rds on 10 harrassing and 2 base point registrations.
  - 5. Co C No change in disposition. Fired 65 rds on 2 base point registrations.

# 30 Dec 44:

1. No change or action in any unit.

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(Summary of Operations, 77th TD Bn, month of December 1 )

## 31 Dec 44:

- 1. Bn CP, Ha Co, Co C No change.
- 2. Co A No change in disposition. Fired 12 rds at 2 pillboxes. Effect not observed.
  - 3. Co B No change in disposition. Fired 196 rds on 12 harrassing missions.

# C. Results of Operations for month of December:

- 1. Direct Action:
  - (a) Fired 3719 rounds HE, 1209 rds APC, 412 rds HE TLO5.
  - (b) Destroyed -
- 8 tanks (1 MK III, 6 MK IV, 1 MK V)
- 2 75mm Anti-tank guns
- 9 mashine guns
- 8 20nm AA guns
- 90 pillboxes (destroyed or reduced)
- (c) 94 PWs taken.
- 2. Indirect action:
  - (a) Fired 1590 rds HE on 86 missions (76 harrassing, 10 registrations)
- 3. Total rds fired in direct and indirect action: 6930 rds.

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