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SUBJECT: Report of Action Against the Enemy. July 1944 R-81
TO : The Adjutant General, Washington, D. C.
THRU : Commanding General, 35th Infantry Division, APO 35, US Army.

12 July 1944:

C. P. Located at 518733 - SE Fallot, France.
"A" Co. : In support with 219th FA Bn. Fired indirect fire. Location - 3 miles SE Fit, France.
"B" Co. : Moved to 1 mile West of Moon-Sur-Elle, France.
"C" Co. : Moved to indirect fire position $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of Fallot, France. In support with 127th FA Bn. Fired various indirect fire missions.
Rcn Co. : Located in vicinity of Battalion Command Post.

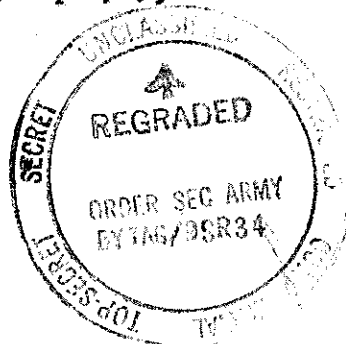
13 July 1944:

C. P. : No Change.
"A" Co. : 2 platoons supported 137th Infantry Regt. in attack.
"B" Co. : 1st Plt. in action supporting 320th Inf. near Carillon. Remainder of Company supporting 161st FA Bn. on indirect fire mission. Location - 1 mile SW Moon-Sur-Elle (Coord. 528726) Map 34/16 SW 1/25,000.
"C" Co. : Location 1 mile NE Fallot, France. Coordinates - 5200-7384. Supporting 127th FA Bn. on indirect fire mission.
Rcn Co. : Location 52010-73520 Map 1/25,000 (St. Jean De Daye).



14 July 1944:

C. P. : No Change.
"A" Co. : 2nd Plt in support of 3rd Bn 137th Inf. (Coordinates 51220-71640) Map 34/16 1/25,000.
"B" Co. : Moved from Moon-Sur-Elle 1630 hours. Arrived 1 mile NW Les-Doe-Utills (Coordinates 52840-69820) Map 34/16 SW at 1730 hours. 1st and 3rd Plt. supporting 161st FA Bn in indirect fire mission. 2nd Platoon on mission with 137th Inf.
"C" Co. : Supporting 127th FA in direct fire mission $\frac{1}{4}$ mile SE, Fallot, France. (Coordinates 518733) Map 1/25,000.
Rcn Co. : $\frac{1}{4}$ mile SE Fallot, France (Coord 518733) Map 1/25,000.



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15 July 1944:

C. P. : No Change.
 "A" Co. : 2nd Platoon in support of 3rd Bn 137th Inf. until 1600 hours when it was relieved by 1st Platoon.
 "B" Co. : 2nd Platoon supporting 134th Inf. Remainder of Company in indirect fire mission with 161st FA Bn.
 "C" Co. : Supporting 320th Inf. on direct fire mission.
 Rcn Co. : No change.

16 July 1944:

C. P. : No change.
 "A" Co. : 3rd Plt supporting 2nd Bn 137th Inf at (Coord 494.701) Map St. Jean De Days.
 "B" Co. : 2nd Plt. supported 134th Inf. Remainder of Company on indirect fire mission with 161st FA Bn.
 "C" Co. : 1st and 2nd Plts supporting 320th Inf. 3rd Plt supporting 127th FA Bn in indirect fire mission.
 Rcn Co. : No change.

17 July 1944:

C. P. : No change.
 "A" Co. : 1st Plt left bivouac at 0700 in support of 1st Bn. 137th Inf. Attacked enemy strong points at 476684 Map St. Jean De Days.
 "B" Co. : 3rd Plt relieved 2nd Plt on mission with 134th Inf at 2300 hours. Remainder of Company supporting 161st FA Bn on indirect fire mission.
 "C" Co. : Arrived new C. P. at 0815 hours, 500 yards NE St. Clair. 1st and 2nd Plts supporting 127th FA Bn. on indirect fire mission. 3rd Plt supporting 320th Inf Reg't.
 Rcn Co. : No change.

18 July 1944:

C. P. : No change.
 "A" Co. : 2nd Plt left bivouac area at 0530 hours in support of 2nd Bn 137th Inf Reg't.
 "B" Co. : Supporting 161st FA Bn. 3rd Plt supporting 134th Inf Reg't.
 "C" Co. : 1st and 2nd Plts supporting 127th FA Bn on indirect fire mission. 3rd Plt supporting 320th Inf Reg't on direct fire mission.
 Rcn Co. : Moved out on sniper hunting mission at 0800 hours. Mission rescinded at 0930. Company assembled as Div. reserve troop, vicinity Villers Fossard. Company returned to assembly area at 1900 hours.



Coordinates 518728

- "A" Co. : 3rd plt left bivouac area at 0700 to relieve 2nd Plat. and took up anti-tank positions (Map Coord 489693).
- "B" Co. : Attached to 161st FA on indirect fire mission. 1st Plt supporting 134th Inf.
- "C" Co. : 1st and 2nd Plts. supporting 127th FA Bn. 3rd Plt in support of 320th Inf.
- Rcn Co. : Left bivouac at 0545 hours on sniper hunting mission, returned at 1730 hours.

20 July 1944:

- C. P. : No Change.
- "A" Co. : 2nd Plt in anti-tank position at Coord. 486676 Map St. Jean De Days 34/16 NW 1/25,000. 1st Plt at 1100 hours relieved 2nd Plt. Present location La Preteris. Coord (50066976) Map St. Jean De Days 1/25,000.
- "B" Co. : Co Moved from Les Doe Utils, France 1300 hours. Arrived vicinity Villiers Fossard at 1400 hours. Entire Company on primary mission with 134th Inf. Reg't. 1st Plt is on special mission with gun positions at St. Lo.
- "C" Co. : Left St. Clair at 1745 hours. Arrived at La Nicollerie, France at 1430 hours.
- Rcn Co. : No change.

21 July 1944:

- C. P. : Cleared vicinity of La Blonerie (Coord 518728) at 1230 hours. Closed Villers Fossard at 1402 hours. Map (Coord 524672) St. Lo 1/25,000.
- "A" Co. : 2nd Plt left bivouac area at 0800 and took up anti-tank position to relieve 1st Plt at Map (Coord 49406590) Map 34/16 NW St Jean De Days. Present location (Coord 50066976)
- "B" Co. : Co on primary mission, attached to 161st FA supporting 134th Inf. 2nd Plt relieved 1st Plt in St. Lo at 1115 hours.
- "C" Co. : Company in reserve in support of the 216th FA Bn.
- Rcn Co. : No change.

22 July 1944:

- C. P. : No change.
- "A" Co. : 3rd Plt left bivouac area at 0800 to take up anti-tank positions and to relieve the 1st Plt which has been there all night.
- "B" Co. : Company on primary mission supporting 134th Inf Reg't. The 3rd Plt relieved the 2nd Plt in St. Lo at 2100.
- "C" Co. : No change.
- Rcn Co. : St. Jean De Days (Coord 520735). Left at 0950 hours. Arrived at (Coord 525672) near St. Lo at 1030 hours.

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23 July 1944:

- C. P. : No change.
 "A" Co. : 1st Plt Co. "A" left bivouac area at 0700 to take up anti-tank position at (map coord 494659) and to relieve the 3rd Plt which arrived in bivouac area at 0800. Present location (Map coord 50066976).
 "B" Co. : Company on primary mission supporting 134th Inf. 3rd Plt in position at St. Lo.
 "C" Co. : No change.
 Rcn Co. : No change.

24 July 1944:

- C. P. : No change.
 "A" Co. : 1st Plt left bivouac area at 0700 to take up anti-tank position at (map coord 494659) and to relieve the 3rd Plt which arrived in bivouac area at 0800. Present location (Map coord 50066976).
 "B" Co. Company attached to 161st FA Bn on primary mission supporting 134th Inf. 3rd Plt in position in St. Lo.
 "C" Co. : Cleared old C. P. at 2100, closed in new C. P. at 2120. (2 Miles NW Villiers Fossard 5155-6945) St. Lo 1/25,000.
 Rcn Co. : No change.



25 July 1944:

Effective 19 July 1944, 654th Tank Destroyer Battalion relieved from attachment to XIX Corps per Letter AG 322 GHMA, Troop Assignment # A-4.

- "A" Co. : 3rd Plt moved at 1900 hours to relieve 2nd Plt in anti-tank position. Remainder of Co. on secondary mission. Present location (50106999) Map St. Jean De Daye, 1/25,000.
 "B" Co. : Company supporting 134th Inf. 3rd Plt relieved from position at St. Lo at 0500.
 "C" Co. : No change.
 Rcn Co. : No change.

26 July 1944:

- C.P. : No change.
 "A" Co. : 3rd Plt continues to hold anti-tank positions under light artillery fire at (map coord 495659) St. Jean de Daye Map 1/25,000. Remainder of Company in position to fire indirect fire. Present location (50106999).
 "B" Co. : Company moved from 1 mile NE Villers-Fossard to 1 mile NW Villers-Fossard. Company relieved from primary mission. Company on indirect fire mission attached to 161st FA Bn.
 "C" Co. : Cleared old C.P. at 1600 hours. Arrived La Kepas at 1150.
 Rcn Co. : No change.

27 July 1944:

654th Tank Destroyer Battalion attached to V Corps at 2200 hours, further attached to 35th Inf. Div.

- "A" Co. : Moved in support of 35th Inf. Div. 1st and 2nd Plt on direct fire

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mission. Remainder of Company on secondary mission. Arrived new bivouac area at 1830 hours. Present location (52646641) Map 1/25,000 St. Jean De Daye.

- "B" Co. : Attached to 161st FA Bn on indirect fire mission in Division reserve.
- "C" Co. : 1st, 2nd and 3rd Plts in anti-tank positions. 3rd Plt in St. Lo. 1st Plt 1 mile N. St. Lo and 2nd Plt 1½ miles N. St. Lo.
- Rcn Co. : No Change.



28 July 1944:

- C. P. : No Change.
- "A" Co. : 1st Plt on anti-tank mission at Coord (56046471, Map Balleroy, 1/25,000. 2nd Plt on anti-tank mission at (52146390) Map St. Lo 1/25,000 3rd Plt on anti-tank mission at (53616420, Map 1/25,000 St. Lo. CP located at (52646641) Map St. Lo 1/25,000.
- "B" Co. : Attached to 161st FA Bn on indirect fire mission. In Div. reserve.
- "C" Co. : No Change.
- Rcn Co. : No Change.

29 July 1944:

- C. P. : Cleared vicinity Villers Fossard (Coord 524692) St. Lo 1/25,000 at 1145 Hours. Closed vicinity St. Lo (513622) at 1308.
- "A" Co. : 3rd Plt took up anti-tank positions at (Coord 537643) Map St. Lo 1/25,000. The 1st and 2nd Plts moved to take up anti-tank position in vicinity of Bouligny. Present location (54636448) 1/25,000 St. Lo.
- "B" Co. : Moved from Villers-Fossard at 0600, arrived South La Luzerine 0830 attached to 161st FA Bn on indirect fire mission. In Division reserve.
- "C" Co. : Left Villers-Fossard at 1000 hours, arrived at Brepeuf at 1500
- Rcn Co. : Arrived 1 mile NE St. Lo at 1035.

30 July 1944:

- C. P. : No Change.
- "A" Co. : Moved to new area at 0900. 1st and 2nd Plt in anti-tank positions, vicinity of (Coord 561592) Map St. Rigni, 1/25,000.
- "B" Co. : Co. moved from La Luzerine, France at 0800, arrived 1 mile S at 1000 attached to 161st FA on indirect fire mission - in Division reserve.
- "C" Co. : No Change.
- Rcn Co. : 1st Rcn Plt and 1st section of pioneer Plt attached to Co "A". 1st Section 3rd Plt attached to Co. "B" 2nd Plt and 2nd section of pioneer Plt attached to Co. "C".

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y 1944:

- G. P. : No Change.
- "A" Co. : In support of 35th Div. C.P. at (Coord 574578) 1/25,000
Map Torigini Sur Vire.
- "B" Co. : On primary mission supporting 134th Inf. Moved to Les Hts.
Vents.
- "C" Co. : No Change.
- Rcn Co. : No Change.

During the entire operations to date the 654th Tank Destroyer Battalion has been attached to the 35th Infantry Division.

Following is a list of casualties to date:

Cumulative missing to date	1
Cumulative killed to date	11
Cumulative wounded to date	26
Cumulative sick and non- battle casualties	8

Detailed report of operations and results contained in operations reports.

For the Commanding Officer:

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Ass't. Adjutant.



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TO: Commanding General, XIX Corps, APO 270, U S Army

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For the Commanding General:

