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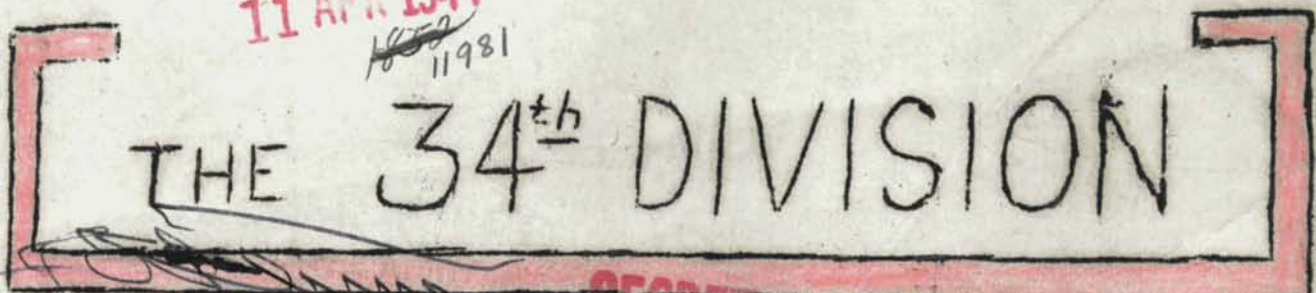
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HEADQUARTERS 805TH TANK DESTROYER BATTALION
APO 302, United States Army

2 June 1943
In the Field

BATTALION DIARY

Maps: Algeria and Tunisia - 1:200,000

January 17, 1943:

Arrived Algiers 9:20 A. Left boat late in afternoon and proceeded to El Biar.

January 22, 1943:

Battalion moved to Saoula and other small towns in immediate vicinity.

February 1, 1943:

Advance elements departed SAOULA at 0745 hours in compliance with verbal orders of Battalion Commander to establish battalion bivouac at place designated by CG II Corps whose headquarters were at TENESSA.

February 7, 1943:

Received 236 enlisted men replacements. Battalion, less advance elements, departed from SAOULA, destination TENESSA, for duty with II Corps, in compliance with orders of CG AFHQ. Movement by motor convoy was prescribed, except for armored vehicles which were shipped by rail from ALGER to LE KROUB and thence by road in the period 2 February 1943 to 6 February 1943 inclusive. In addition certain personnel were moved by rail because on above date battalion received sufficient replacements to bring it to almost T/O strength, which strength, due to shipment of some vehicles by rail, could not be transported in remaining motor vehicles.

February 9, 1943:

Battalion closed into bivouac area near BOU CHEEKA (9694) at 1700 hours. At 2030 "B" Company with one reconnaissance platoon attached departed for GAFSA with instructions to report to Colonel Butler upon arrival there. (Separate diary covering "B" Company's activities at GAFSA are attached hereto marked Annex A).

10 February 1943:

CG II Corps ordered Battalion less "B" Company, to vicinity of FERRIANA where they were to be attached to 26th R.C.T. under Colonel Stark. Order was supplied with and Battalion closed into bivouac area (8827) at 2330 hours.

11 February 1943:

Reconnaissance was made of terrain in vicinity of FERRIANA in conjunction with other elements of the 26th R.C.T. based on plans of the Commander for defense of area or counterattack against any force attacking from GAFSA area. 26th R.C.T. was designated as tactical reserve.

12 February 1943:

Reconnaissance continued by unit commanders. Patrols initiated by Battalion covered generally area bounded by FERIANA-GAFSA road and north on GAFSA-SIDI KH ZIB Road about 15 miles.

13 February 1943:

Reconnaissance patrols continued but no hostile activity reported. Plans completed for action to be taken when force was committed.

14 February 1943:

Battalion ordered to send one company, with one Reconnaissance Platoon attached, to report to Commanding Officer of Combat Command at SEMITIA. "A" Company with attached platoon departed 1030 hours (separate diary of activities of "A" Company attached to this record marked Annex B). Battalion less "A" and "B" Companies and two Reconnaissance platoons moved to an assembly area at 39917 as per orders Commanding Officer 26th R.C.T. During night of 14-15 February 1943 "B" Company reverted back to Battalion as a result of the evacuation of GAFSA.

15 February 1943:

Reconnaissance along DU ST. RICH-ESOUR SAHEL (T2526) and DJ. ST. AICH-GAFSA road and NE along DJ. ST. RICH mountain range initiated. Reports for day all negative.

16 February 1943:

Reconnaissance patrols were again sent out. Early contact was made with a British reconnaissance unit which reported enemy patrol at Y0090. At 1057 hours patrol operating on DU. ST. AICH-GAFSA road was attacked by an enemy patrol and withdrew north along road. During morning reconnaissance was made for fire positions in vicinity of 39015 while Reconnaissance Company was given mission of reconnoitering FERIANA-GAFSA road. At 1130 enemy contact was reported at X9892 by Reconnaissance Company. At about same time enemy guns commenced firing at an outpost on BJ. SIDI AICH from position at about T0713.

Battalion was deployed in position at 39015, with one platoon guarding pass at T0015. Orders from Commanding Officer 26th R.C.T. to destroy enemy guns firing on outpost were received and in compliance therewith "C" Company's remaining platoons were sent to take care of this mission while "B" Company was ordered to a position approximately 1 mile E of road junction at MADJENE BEL ABRES which was already occupied by a platoon of same company ready to cover withdrawal of Hon. Co. north of FERIANA-GAFSA road.

"C" Company reported no evidence of enemy guns at T0713, and was ordered to report to position occupied by "B" Company, but radio communication had been lost so 3-3 was sent to contact them verbally. From that time until 1700 hours 17 February company was separated from the Battalion (Efforts of the company to extricate itself from encirclement are recorded and attached as Annex C). B Company continued to occupy position near MADJENE BEL ABRES until

duck when enemy activity ceased. At times during this period enemy fire from tanks, armored cars and one 88mm gun was very brisk. Losses inflicted on enemy are unknown. Battalion withdrew to bivouac in vicinity of DJ. QUAD DADA as per order of Commanding Officer 26th R.C.T. At 2200 hours Battalion was ordered to send "B" Company into an assembly position near DJ. EL. HOGNEFF (S8429) where a counterattack with tanks was to be launched on following day at 0700 hours. "C" Company which had bivouaced at S9917 where there was an outpost connected by phone with Commanding Officer 26th R.C.T. was notified of impending attack & was ordered to execute a flank attack from the east.

17 February 1943:

At 0300 hours Battalion Commander was ordered to proceed with Battalion to KASSERINE there to report to Colonel Moore of the 19th Engineers. FERIANA was being evacuated. Outpost in vicinity of "C" Company was removed without informing them of situation and change in orders. Battalion moved out for KASSERINE as ordered but one reconnaissance platoon was sent to contact "C" Company if possible and bring them to KASSERINE. This proved impossible when it was discovered that company was surrounded. Upon arrival at KASSERINE, "B" Company was ordered into position eight miles NE on KASSERINE-SBEITLA road. At 1200 hours, without having had any action, it was ordered directly to withdraw to position west of KASSERINE PASS and astride south fork of road entering pass. "A" Company Commander was contacted during morning hours and after rounding up a few elements of his unit was ordered into bivouac at S8976. This Company was a portion of force that was driven from SBEITLA. Late in afternoon radio contact was established with "C" Company and about 1700 hours one platoon and headquarters of the Company rejoined the Battalion. There being no further mission for the Battalion for the night, it bivouaced at S8976.

18 February 1943:

All quiet. Patrols sent east through KASSERINE PASS were fired on and withdrew. One patrol reconnoitered as far as S7855 but reported no activity.

Battalion less "C" Company which had lost all its guns was ordered into KASSERINE PASS to defend same as it was felt that enemy would make determined effort to force it. Subjected to heavy artillery fire, battalion stopped an attack made by an estimated tank battalion at 1600 hours and was then forced to withdraw from foot of pass as enemy infantry commenced infiltrating through and around position. Losses of material reduced available guns to approximately 10 including 37mm's. Remaining guns went into position on west side of pass and were then withdrawn to assembly position occupied during previous evening. In this engagement guns were emplaced and used as artillery initially; against the tanks there was no chance of maneuver due to prior disposition and withdrawal was made extremely difficult which accounts in part for high material losses. During course of day, Colonel Stark, Commanding Officer 26th R.C.T., assumed command of forces defending pass.

20 February 1943:

Uneventful - Battalion ordered to move to a position at S9392 and to report to Brigadier Dumfries, 26th Armored Brigade with headquarters at THALA.

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Movement was made under cover of darkness and position occupied at 0300 hours, 21 February 1943 by all guns capable of action - a total of four.

21 February 1943:

Late in afternoon hostile forces which included tanks forced a withdrawal by all units to a position at N8505. Platoon of guns worked in conjunction with tanks (English).

22 February 1943:

Position at N8505 was occupied all day. No direct action was encountered, but heavy artillery fire and some bombing was experienced during most of day.

23 February 1943:

Position still maintained - no activity. Battalion was ordered to vicinity of AINE BEIDA for reorganization and rehabilitation, except for platoon occupying position near THALA, which platoon was ordered to report to CG I Armored Division at N6405.

1 March 1943:

Lt. Col. Foreman relieved and assigned to 1st TD Group, per Par. 3, S.O. # 11, Hq. 1st TD Group.

Major Camden W. McConnell assumed Command of Battalion, per Par. 4, S.O. # 11, Hq. 1st TD Group.

2 March 1943:

Received 1 officer and 126 enlisted men replacements.

4 March 1943:

Received 5 officers and 68 enlisted men replacements.

10 March 1943:

Received 3 enlisted men replacements.

11 March 1943:

Received 1 officer and 2 enlisted men replacements.

17 March 1943:

Battalion marched at 0001 hours to vicinity of THELEPTE airport via TEBESSA in compliance with F.O. # 4, Hq. 1st TD Group, 16 March 1943. Mission: To protect THELEPTE airport from mechanized attack. Closed in assembly area 0845 hours.

Battalion moved at 1300 hours to FERIANA, in compliance with F.O. # 5, Hq. 1st TD Group, 17 March 1943. Mission: To provide local defense of Headquarters, II Corps, U. S. Army. By 2330 hours necessary roadblocks, night time listening posts, and gun positions were established by all companies, covering 260° arc around FERIANA.

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18 March 1943:

By 0930 hours daytime gun positions and necessary minefields were established by all companies.

20 March 1943:

Battalion moved from FERIANA at 1245 hours and closed in assembly area 1 mile NW of SHEITLA 1700 hours in compliance with V.O. C.O. 1st TD Group. Mission: To support 9th Inf. Div. in static defense of SHEITLA-KASSERINE area in conjunction with 894th TD, 1 Bn. 47th Inf. Column strafed by three (3) enemy planes 2 miles NW SHEITLA 0430 hours - casualties 2 killed, 6 wounded, 3 vehicles and guns damaged and 1 - 37mm mtd vehicle destroyed. At 1600 hours battalion came under command of C.O. 894th TD Bn. At 2300 hours forward C.P. and gun positions established 2-3 miles from SHEITLA on road to HADJEB EL AIOUB. Reconnaissance arc established 8 miles NE of SHEITLA.

21 March 1943:

One company established gun position 2 miles east of SHEITLA on SIDI BOU ZID road, prior to 1200 hours Recon. outposts established at T5581 (TUNISIAN 1/200,000 MAP: SHEITLA). Contact also established w/Derb.Yeomanry and Recon. elements of 34th Inf. Division. No enemy contact.

22 March 1943:

At 2135 hours gun position on SIDI BOU ZID road was reinforced by one platoon as per verbal orders of C.O. 894th TD Bn., based on unconfirmed report of enemy tank column moving west of FAID.

23 March 1943:

Laid minefields.

26 March 1943:

Battalion departed SHEITLA approximately 2200 hours in compliance with radio message C.G. Div. Arty., 9th Div. received 1100hours, 25 March 1943.

27 March 1943:

Orders changed enroute by authority contained in phone message from C.G., II Corps relayed thru Hq. 9th Inf. Div. placing 805th TD Bn. under command of C.G., Corps Artillery, II Corps. Battalion closed 0900 hours in ass'y area 2 mi. NE of GAFSA on MAKHASSY road. Mission: To provide anti-mech. defense for Corps Artillery. C.P. and gun positions occupied 2000 hours, in wadis 4 miles SE of EL GUETTAR along road to GAFSA.

29 March 1943:

Random enemy shellfire landed in area. Attacked by dive bombers at 1630 hrs. - no casualties.

30 March 1943:

Enemy planes dropped flares and bombs over area at 0300 hours. Casualties - 1 killed, 1 vehicle damaged.

31 March 1943:

Departed EL GUBETAR 1300 hrs. in compliance w/VOCG II Corps. Closed in ass'y area SENEH STATION at 1700 hrs. Mission: To provide secondary defense line against mechanized attack from the north, northeast or east, under command of C.G. 1st Armored Division. 2 enemy planes dive bombed IP at 1330; no casualties.

1 April 1943:

Departed ass'y area at 1300 hrs. and occupied position of readiness 1730 hrs. 4 mi. NE SENEH STATION (in compl. w/ltr CG 1st Armored Division 31 March 1943 as amended verbally). Mission - unchanged. 8-10 mile recon. radius established and close cooperation with Derby Yeomanry effected.

2 April 1943:

Preparation of alternate gun positions continued. SENEH PASS patrolled and guarded.

3 April 1943:

1 Officer and 45 enlisted men replacements received.

4 April 1943:

Departed SENEH STATION 1400 hrs. by infiltration in compl. w/VOCG 1st Armored Division, placing this organization under the command of Col. J. J. Williams, Force Comdr., operating under II Corps. Closed in reconnoitered C.P. and gun positions at T-2715 with "A" Company in position at T-2735 (TUNISIAN 1/200,000 MAP: SENEH). "A" and Recon. Companies removed from control of Commanding Officer 805th ID Bn.

5 April 1943:

This battalion (minus "A" and Recon. Companies) departed T-2715 at 1300 hrs. in compl. w/VOCG II Corps and closed in ass'y area 7 miles N of GAFSA at 1530 hrs. At this time VCG II Corps placed this organization under command of the C.O. 1st Ranger Bn. Mission: To prevent enemy mechanized thrust into GAFSA from Southwestern tip of DJEBEL HENDA. Daylight recon. southeast of MEDILLA was executed at 1630 hrs. for night occupation of position.

6 April 1943:

Forward C.P. and gun positions SE of MEDILLA occupied at 0500 hrs. At 1230 hrs. withdrew from MEDILLA area in compl. w/VOCG II Corps and returned to assembly area 7 miles NE of GAFSA on GAFSA-SIDI BOUZID road. Ordered to SENEH there to report to Col. J. J. Williams by CG II Corps. "A" and Recon. Companies remained detached.

7 April 1943:

Closed in temporary bivouac 2 miles east of SBEITLA at 0200 hrs. As of 1200 hours "B" and "C" Companies were removed from control of this Battalion and attached to force protecting airfield at T-2735. Battalion C.O. given mission of coordinating activities of rear echelons of WILLIAMS FORCE. During afternoon C.G., CCA 1st Armored Division assumed command of this force.

8 April 1943:

Battalion ordered by CG, CCA to position of readiness at T-5751. Mission: To prevent enemy debouchment from FAID area. Battalion closed new area at 1900 hrs. "A" and Recon. Companies reverted to Battalion at same time. Two men wounded by anti-personnel mine.

9 April 1943:

Enemy minefields in and about SIDI BOU ZID cleared by this organization. One officer wounded by enemy anti-personnel mine in SIDI BOU ZID. Observation post on DJEHEL KSAIRA occupied by Recon. elements of this organization prior to 1730 hrs.

10 - 11 April 1943:

Departed SIDI BOU ZID area at 1800 hrs., 10 April 1943, attached to CCA. Mission of CCA: To move to and occupy area at T-8788 by way of pass 5 miles south of FAID. Battalion provided "C" Company for advance guard and "B" and Recon. Companies for flank guard of CCA. Battalion closed in area in vicinity of T-8788 by 0200 hrs., 11 April 1943, including companies forming portions of flank and advance guards.

12 April 1943:

Departed 1300 hrs. in compl. with WOOD 1st Armored Div. and closed in bivouac 5 miles NE of BOU CHEIKA, reverting to control of Commanding Officer, 1st TD Group.

23 April 1943:

Battalion moved to bivouac in vicinity of Morsett.

6 May 1943:

Battalion moved to bivouac in vicinity of Boume Souk.

18 May 1943:

Battalion attached to 34th Division effective 14 May per Radio Message.

29 May 1943:

Battalion moved to bivouac in vicinity of Bizerte.

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1. During period February 12 - 19, 1943, Battalion had the following casualties:

2 Officers & 9 Enlisted Men - KIA
1 Officer & 20 Enlisted Men - SW
2 Officers & 22 Enlisted Men - LW
4 Officers & 155 Enlisted Men - MIA
1 Officer & 8 Enlisted Men - Captured

2. During period March 20 - April 11, 1943, Battalion had the following casualties:

4 Enlisted Men - KIA
1 Officer & 7 Enlisted Men - SW

3. To date 18 Purple Hearts have been awarded to Officers and Enlisted Men of this Battalion.

Captain Samuel H. Johns, wounded in action, received the D.S.C. on April 6, 1943.

ANNEX "A"

RECORD OF ACTIVITIES COMPANY "B" 805TH TANK DESTROYER BATTALION AT GAFSA

ACTIVITIES:

Company "B", 805th Tank Destroyer Battalion with one Reconnaissance Platoon departed from battalion bivouac on 9 February 1943 for GAFSA where it was attached to Butler's Force. From 10 February to 1200 hours 14 February 1943 Company had mission of protecting ZAMOUH STATION about 20 miles east of GAFSA. Except for the almost daily morning appearance of enemy tanks some distance from company's position, which resulted in minor exchanges of fire, there was no real activity.

During the evening of 14 - 15 February 1943 GAFSA was evacuated by the Butler Force. Company "B" covered the evacuation and was the last unit to leave the town. It reverted back to the 805th Tank Destroyer Battalion 15 miles east of MADJENE BEL ABIES at approximately 0700 hours 15 February 1943.

Operations:

February 16, 1943 - MADJENE BEL ABIES

Personnel
3 Enlisted Men - SW
2 Enlisted Men - MIA

Vehicles
2 - T.D.'s
1 - P.C.
1 - Arm. Tr.
1 - AA
1 - $\frac{1}{2}$ T
1 - $\frac{1}{2}$ Tr.
1 - Motorcycle

February 19, 1943 - KASBERINE PASS

Personnel
5 Enlisted Men - KIA
2 Officers & 13 Enlisted Men - SW
1 Enlisted Man - MIA

Vehicles
2 - T.D.'s
1 - P.C.
1 - AA
2 - $\frac{1}{2}$ T

February 21, 1943 - KASBERINE PASS

Personnel
5 Enlisted Men - Captured

Vehicles
1 - $\frac{1}{2}$ T

March 20, 1943 - IBALA

Personnel
2 Enlisted Men - KIA
3 Enlisted Men - SW

AREA "B"

RESUME OF ACTIVITIES COMPANY "A" 805TH TANK DESTROYER BATTALION AT SEITLA

ACTIVITIES:

Company "A", 805th Tank Destroyer Battalion, with one Reconnaissance Platoon was detached from the battalion on 14 February 1943 and sent to SEITLA. It took up successive positions east of the town as part of a force under command of a Colonel Kerns. Two platoons were detached from the company and occupied independent positions south and east of SEITLA under other commanders. On 16 February 1943 company withdrew to west under enemy pressure along with remaining American forces in front of and behind it. On 17 February 1943 it reverted back to the battalion at KASSERINE.

Casualties:

February 17, 1943 - SEITLA

Personnel

2 Officers & 8 Enlisted Men - Captured
37 Enlisted Men - MIA

Vehicles

4 - T.D's
2 - P.C.
3 - AA
5 - $\frac{1}{2}$ T
2 - Mchls.

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ANNEX "C"

RESUME OF ACTIVITIES OF COMPANY "C" 805TH TANK DESTROYER BATTALION 16 & 17 FEBRUARY 1943.

ACTIVITIES:

On account of mission assigned by battalion on the afternoon of 16th February Company "C" found themselves isolated from the remainder of the battalion as darkness fell. It occupied an assembly position 15 miles east of MADJENE BEL ABES prepared to launch an attack at dawn the next morning in the direction of MADJENE BEL ABES. These instructions were received early in the evening by phone from Commanding Officer, Stark Force at FERIAANA.

Later on in the night it was decided to evacuate FERIAANA, but "C" Company was not notified. Launching its attack next morning it was forced to withdraw to the north. Late in the afternoon it succeeded in rejoining the battalion at KASSERINE.

Casualties:

16 - 17 February 1943 - MADJENE BEL ABES

Personnel
1 Officer - KIA
24 Enlisted Men - Captured
50 Enlisted Men - MIA

Vehicles
12 - T.D.'s
1 - P.C.
4 - AA
12 - $\frac{1}{2}$ T
2 - $\frac{3}{4}$ T

RESUME OF ACTIVITIES OF HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

- 4 February 1943 - Company prepared for movement to new camp site.
- 9 February 1943 - Company arrived at Tebessa with 110 enlisted men and 7 officers.
- 10 February 1943 - Entire company moved from Tebessa to an olive orchard in Feriana.
- 12 February 1943 - At this place the company was divided into a forward and rear echelon. The forward echelon was still further divided into a forward and rear echelon. Their location was approximately 21 miles from Feriana. The forward echelon comprised of staff platoon, part of maintenance platoon, and communications platoon. The rear echelon comprised of personnel section, transportation platoon, supply section, and company supply section of Reconnaissance, "A", "B", & "C" Companies. From the rear echelon ammunition, gas and oil, rations and supplies were trucked to the company areas. The personnel section kept accurate data as to the number of casualties, forwarded reports to higher headquarters, as well as kept a check on the stragglers reporting back from the front.
- 13 - 22 February 1943 - Company moved 5 times in a course of 9 days in order to maintain good security. Capt. Hunsinger, S-3, and Capt. Slack, S-4, were captured by the enemy during this period.
- 23 February 1943 - Pvt. Tesoricero was reported as Missing in action.
- 24 February 1943 - Company moved into bivouac at Aine Beida along with the other companies of the battalion for a rest period.
- 4 March 1943 - Company received 1 officer and 7 enlisted men replacements from 5th Replacement Battalion.
- 5 March 1943 - Classes on Arms held for new replacements, and refresher classes were held for the old men.
- 12 March 1943 - Company engaged in firing .50 cal. machine guns.
- 17 March 1943 - Company left Aine Beida by convoy for new bivouac area at Thalepte. From here the company was again divided, the forward echelon being located at Feriana.
- 20 March 1943 - Rear echelon moved by motor convoy to Gafsa, the forward echelon at El Guitar.
- 11 April 1943 - Company still in bivouac at Gafsa.
- 12 April 1943 - Forward echelon moved to Bou Ghebka.
- 13 April 1943 - Rear echelon moved from Gafsa to Bou Ghebka.

- 18 April 1943 - Company had layout inspection and motor inspection. Presentation of commendations and citations made at Retreat Formation.
- 27 - 29 April 1943 - Company engaged in firing small arms on range.
- 11 May 1943 - Company took 11 mile foot march to La Calle, bivouaced overnight and returned next day.
- 16 May 1943 - Company engaged in regular close order drill and manual of arms.
- 21 May 1943 - Lt. Willard B. Young assumed command of Headquarters Company, vice Captain Charles E. Hoerger.
- 26 May 1943 - Articles of War read to company. Battalion conducted night problem near bivouac area.

Casualties

17 - 19 February 1943

Personnel

1 Enlisted Man - KIA
 1 Enlisted Man - MIA
 1 Enlisted Man - SW
 1 Enlisted Man - LW

Vehicles

1 Motorcycle

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RESUME OF ACTIVITIES OF RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY

- 9 February 1943 - Second platoon attached to Co. "B", left bivouac at 1900 hours.
- 10 February 1943 - Left bivouac at 1900 hours enroute to Feriana. Arrived at 2130 hours. Distance 21 miles.
- 11th February 1943 - Practice alert for movement 1930 hours.
- 12 February 1943 - Two platoons made reconnaissance of Feriana road.
- 13 February 1943 - First platoon made reconnaissance of rivers and streams north and northeast of Gafsa.
- 14 February 1943 - Left Feriana 1400 hours enroute to bivouac 14 miles east of Madjene-Bel-Abbes. Arrived 1530 hours. Distance 28 miles. Third platoon attached to Co. "A" and moved to vicinity of Steitla. Pvt. Regina S.W.
- 15 February 1943 - Second platoon returned to Company.
- 16 February 1943 - Northeast of Feriana, 1st and 2nd platoons encountered hostile tanks while on reconnaissance toward Gafsa. 1st platoon with Co. "B" and Battalion Headquarters withdrew to bivouac. 2nd Platoon with Co. "C" stayed in position 14 miles east of Madjene-Bel-Abbes. Pioneer platoon suffered 1 death, Pvt. McArthur, and S/Sgt. Rudolph, Sgt. Spitzer, PFC's Glavin, Henry, Pvts. Aldrich, Webb, were S.W. as a result of enemy mine explosion. 3rd platoon in tank action resulted in following casualties: MIA S/Sgt. Broadt (later captured by Italians), S/Sgt. Whitesell, Sgts. Fissel (later captured by Italians), Seacrest, PFC Johns, Kalochawa, Roy, and Knoll.
- 17 February 1943 - Kasserine Pass: 2nd and 3rd platoons joined 1st platoon and Company in action against enemy tanks resulting in the following men being M.I.A.: Sgt. Sabrick, T/4 Busson, PFC's Arabiniak, Coma, Rockwell, and Pvt. Slavinski.
- 18 February 1943 - Reorganization of Company at Kasserine Pass.
- 19 February 1943 - Company with Battalion in defense against enemy forces at Kasserine Pass resulted in the following losses: Lt. Alexander and S/Sgt. Navratil killed in action, PFC Leschinski and Pvt. Vorse L.W. in action.
- 20 February 1943 - Bivouac 15 miles west of Kasserine: 2nd platoon joined remaining forces of Battalion and attached to 894th TD Bn. near Thala. Pvt. Morris reported MIA later picked up L.W. in action.