

814 TD Bn (SP)

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS - 24 Sept to 30 Sept 1944CCA (Co. "A", 814 TD Bn.)

- 24 Sept. - 1st and 3rd Plts. employed as flank guards for 40th Tank Bn. 2 miles S. of Lerry. 2nd Plt. remained in bivouac as reserve.
- 25 Sept - Company moved to bivouac 1/4 mile E. of KONVILLE.
- 26 Sept. - Marched with CCA to MARCHE, BELGIUM. two tanks damaged en route (1 bad motor; 1 turned over on steel tracks)
- 27 Sept. - Moved to biv. 1/2 mile N. of BORSHEIM, BELGIUM.
- 28 Sept. - Remained in biv. No missions.
- 29 Sept. - Moved to Ass. Pos. with CCA, 1 1/2 mile S. of DEURNE, HOLLAND.
- 30 Sept. - 1st plt. attached to 40th Tank Bn.; A Co. (-) attached to 40th Inf. - moved to Ass. Pos. vic. OPILOO, HOLLAND.

CCB (Co. B, 814 TD Bn.)

- 24 Sept. - 7 AD relieved by 5 Inf. Div. Began march back across MOSELLE at 2300 hours. Roads nearly impassible due to mud - halted on road at 0400 hours, after going 15 miles.
- 25 Sept. - Moved to biv. near KONVILLE. Remained in biv. at 2300 hours
- 26 Sept.* - moved as rear guard. for CCB on march to BELGIUM.
- 27 Sept. - Arrived in biv. vic. LUTHE, BELGIUM at 0730 hours. Two tanks lost en route (1 engines out; 1 slid in ditch, threw track)
- 28 Sept. - Remained in biv. No missions.
- 29 Sept. - Moved as rear guard for CCB to ASS. POS. vic. DEURNE, HOLLAND.
- 30 Sept. - 1st and 2nd Plts attached to 31st tank Bn. (Task Force 2) 3rd Plt. attached to 23rd Inf. Bn. (Task Force #1). Moved to Ass. Pos. E. of ST. ANTHOMIS, HOLLAND, prepared to attack south.

CCR (Co. C, 814 TD Bn.)

- 24 Sept. - Remained in biv. vic. FUXIEUX, FRANCE.
- 25-26 Sept. - Moved with CCR to vicinity EYSDEN, BELGIUM. Left FUXIEUX 1650 hours 25 Sept; arrived EYSDEN 1930 hours, 26 Sept.
- 27 Sept. - In biv. vic. LANKLAER, BELGIUM.
- 28 Sept. - Attached to Task Force Jones.

DIV. RESERVE (814 (-))

- 24 Sept. - Moved to biv. area 1/4 mile N. of SPONVILLE. No missions.
- 25 Sept. - Remained in biv. No missions.
- 26 Sept. - Marched with Div. Reserve en route to LANKLAER, BELGIUM. Left SPONVILLE 0730 hours. Plon. Plt. and 3rd Rcn. Plt employed as Rear gd. for Div. Reserve.
- 27 Sept. - Closed in biv. vic. LANKLAER, BELGIUM 0900 hours. Rcn Plts. on patrols to north and east, contacted 99th Norwegian Bn., 113 Cav. Rgt. (Moz.), and Belgian BL gade. Mission: Protect North and south flanks of 7 AD.
- 28 Sept. - Remained in biv. near LANKLAER. Rcn. Plts. continued road patrols. At 1530 hours Task Force Jones formed.
Composition: 814 TD minus A and B Companies, C Co. 33rd Engr, D Co. 17 Tank Bn., approx. 260 Belgian volunteers. Mission: Precede 7 AD into Holland, establish road blocks vic. WEERT, ASTEN and DEURNE blocking to East. Task Force Jones assembled in CCR area vic. LANKLAER at 1930 hours. Force divided into following groups:

CONT'D SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS 24 Sept. to Sept. 30, 1944)

Div. Reserve (8 14(-)) Cont'd

ROAD BLOCK NO.	1	2	3	TF Jones Trains
Location	DEURNE	ASTON	WEERT	ASTON
Comdg. Officer	Capt. J. Reed	Capt. Niel	Capt. D. Reid	Capt. Fenderson
Rcn., 814 TD	3rd plt.	2nd Plt., pion. plt.-1st. plt.	1st. plt.	
"C" Co., 814 TD	1st plt.	3rd plt.	2nd. plt.	
"C" Co., 33 Engr.	1st plt.	3rd plt.	2nd plt.	
"D" Co., 17 Tank	3rd. plt.	Hq. Sec.	2nd plt.	
Belgian Volunteers	100	100	60	



TASK FORCE JONES

29 Sept.

- Moved from LANKLEAR at 0400 with Road Block Groups as March Units in order 1, 2 and 3. Trains and CP marched with Road Block #2 see overlay #1. Road Block #3 dropped off column at Weert at 0900 hours. British forces requested that they establish no road blocks as British blocks were performing identical mission. Road Block #1 established by 1330 hours vic. DEURNE. Road Block #2 established in LIESEL instead of ASTON on Div. Order. see overlay #2 TF JONES CP and Trains in biv. pos 1/2 mile S. OMMEL.

30 Sept.

- Continued operation of Road Blocks. Established liaison with Dutch underground and British Rcn. units. Enemy patrols active during darkness. LIESEL received 88 fire at 1630 hours. Two American, one Belgian soldier wounded. No enemy contact at DEURNE. WEERT force in biv. No blocks established.

HEADQUARTERS 814 TD BN (ST)

12 Oct. 1944

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF TANK DESTROYER OPERATIONS

FROM 24 Sept 44 to 30 Sept 44

REPORT NO. 3



1. PERSONNEL	<u>O</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>EM</u>
a. Casualties			
(1) Killed	-	-	-
(2) Wounded	-	-	-
(3) Captured	-	-	-
(4) Missing	-	-	-
(5) Total	0	0	0
b. Replacements			
(1) Requisitioned	0	0	0
(2) Received	0	0	1
c. Prisoners			
(1) Captured	0	0	0

2. INTELLIGENCE			
a. Vehicles Destroyed			
(1) MK VI	0		
(2) MK V	0		
(3) MK IV	0		
(4) SP	0		
(5) Others	0		
b. Miscellaneous			
(1) Guns, Arty	0		
(2) Guns AT	0		
(3) MG	0		
(4) Pillboxes	0		

3. OPERATIONS	<u>APC</u>	<u>HE</u>	<u>SMK</u>
a. Rounds fired			
(1) Direct	0	0	0
(2) Indirect	0	0	0
b. Short summary of operations (see attached sheets)			

4. STATUS OF VEHICLES	<u>On Hand</u>		<u>Evac.</u>
	<u>Serv.</u>	<u>unserv.</u>	
a. M-10	28	3	3
b. M-20	14	0	0
c. M-6	6	0	0
d. 2 1/2-T	21	0	0
e. 1/4-T	37	1	1
f. Others	38	4	4

5. COMMENTS
a. None

For the Commanding Officer:

ROBERT O LARIMER
Capt. FA. S-3