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HEADQUARTERS
ARMY GROUND FORCES
ARMY WAR COLLEGE

320.2/95 (TD) GNGAP-B
(9-2-42)

September 2, 1942.

Subject: Transfer of Personnel to Tank Destroyer Center.

TO : Commanding General VII Corps, San Jose, California.

1. The Tank Destroyer Center is charge with activating your Tank Destroyer Group Headquarters and Headquarters Companies without delay. The only source of needed personnel is from the existing Tank Destroyer units.

2. It is directed that you transfer to the Tank Destroyer Center, Camp Hood, Texas, for assignment to Tank Destroyer Groups, personnel as listed from units under your command:

607th Tank Destroyer Battalion

Officers

1 Captain or Major
1 Lieutenant or Captain
1 Lieutenant

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Enlisted Men

1 St. Sgt. - Communication assistant (177)
1 Technician - 4th Grade, mechanic, auto (014)
1 Technician - 4th Grade, operator, radio (176)
1 Technician - 5th Grade, Cook (060)
1 Technician - 5th Grade, draftsman (076)
1 Technician - 5th Grade, messenger, motorcycle (678)
1 Technician - 5th Grade, operator, radio (176)
5 Pfc or Pvt - Chauffeur (245)
1 Pfc or Pvt - Driver (244)
1 Pfc or Pvt - Gunner, machine (603)
1 Pfc or Pvt - Messenger, motorcycle (678)
1 Pfc or Pvt - Operator, radio (176)
3 Pfc or Pvt - Rifleman (745)
1 Pfc or Pvt - Scout motorcycle (679)

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826th Tank Destroyer BattalionOfficers

2 Lieutenants or Captains
 1 Lieutenant
 3

Enlisted Men

1 Sergeant - Section, leader (652)
 1 Corporal - Clerk, code (731)
 1 Technician - 5th Grade, chauffeur (245)
 1 Technician - 5th Grade, clerk (055)
 1 Technician - 5th Grade, driver (244)
 1 Technician - 5th Grade, gunner (610)
 1 Pfc or Pvt - Bugler and messenger (021)
 4 Pfc or Pvt - Chauffeur (245)
 1 Pfc or Pvt - Clerk (055)
 1 Pfc or Pvt - Cook's helper (521)
 2 Pfc or Pvt - Messenger (675)
 2 Pfc or Pvt - Orderly (695)
 2 Pfc or Pvt - Scout, motorcycle (679)
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3. Personnel should report on the earliest date practicable. In the event that the source unit arrives at Camp Hood during September, 1942, the personnel will be transferred after arrival of such unit at Camp Hood.

By command of Lt. GEN. McNAIR:

s/ S. J. CODNER,
 S. J. CODNER.,
 1st Lt., A.G.D.,
 Asst. Ground Adj. Gen.

R E S T R I C T E D

HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION
APO #43

27 January 1945.

E X T R A C T

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 13)

SECTION III AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, dated 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, W.D., 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

STAFF SERGEANT J.D. WILLIAMS, 38289268, Armored, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 January 1945, on the San Fabian-San Jacinto Highway, north of Abinoling River, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mr. Willis Williams (Father) Lexington, Oklahoma.

SERGEANT EDWARD A. SULLIVAN JR. 39001567, Armored, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 January 1945, on the San Fabian-San Jacinto Highway, north of Abinoling River, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Maude Sullivan (Mother) 534 Mercury Street, Butte, Montana.

TECH GRADE V WILLIAM C. CARTER, 37016083, Armored, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 January 1945, on the San Fabian-San Jacinto Highway, north of Abinoling River, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Lorena Butten (Sister) RD #1, Box 771-A, Joplin Missouri.

By command of Major General WING:

C. P. ROBBINS
Colonel, U.S.A.
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/s/ C.W. Capron
W.W. CAPRON
Lt. Col., A.G.D.
Adjutant General

R E S T R I C T E D

Citation to accompany
General Orders #13
Headquarters, 43 Inf Div,
27 January 1946.

C I T A T I O N

STAFF SERGEANT J.D. WILLIAMS, 39229260, Infantry, U.S. Army for heroic action against the enemy on 9 January 1946 at the crossing of the San Fabian-San Jacinto Highway, over the Abinoleing River, Luzon, Philippine Islands. While in command of five LVT MK IV's, Sergeant Williams detachment came under enemy machine gun and anti-tank fire. Although the leading vehicle was hit by anti-tank fire, killing the driver and Radio Operator and wounding the Car Commander and his own vehicle was hit, wounding the Radio Operator, Sergeant Williams promptly dismounted the Infantry troops from his vehicle and placed them out of enemy fire, cleared all his vehicles off the road and under concealment and set up defensive fires. With the aid of Cpl Carter, he evacuated the wounded from the vehicles and administered first aid, while under fire.

HOME ADDRESS: Willis Williams, (Father)
Lexington, Oklahoma.

Citation to accompany
General Orders #15
Headquarters, 43d Inf Div,
27 January 45

C I T A T I O N

SERGEANT EDWARD A. SULLIVAN, 30801500, Infantry, U.S. Army
BRONZE STAR MEDAL for heroic action against the enemy on 9 Jan-
uary 45 at the crossing of the San-Fabian-San Jacinto Highway,
over the Abinolong River, Luzon, Philippine Islands. While in
command of an LVT MK IV, Sergeant Sullivan came under intense
machine gun and anti-tank fire from the enemy. Although his
vehicle was hit twice by anti-tank fire, killing the driver, and
assistant driver, and wounding himself, he tried to remove his
vehicle from the road and line of fire. Immediately upon being
hit and wounded, Sergeant Sullivan first attempted to warn the
other vehicles to stay back and get off the road, before seeking
any aid for himself.

HOME ADDRESS: Mrs. Maude Sullivan, (Mother)
534 Mercury Street,
Butte, Montana

Citation to accompany
General Orders #15,
Headquarters, 43d Inf Div,
27 January 1945.

C I T A T I O N

TECHNICIAN GRADE V WILLIAM C. CARTER, 37016033, Infantry, U.S. Army, BRONZE STAR MEDAL for heroic action against the enemy on 9 January at the crossing of the San-Pabian-San Jacinto Highway, over the Abinolang River, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Corporal Carter, while acting as driver of an LVT MK IV, his vehicle was hit by anti-tank and machine gun fire, severely wounding his assistant driver. Corporal Carter continued to move his vehicle off the road to get under all available cover. Before dismounting he attempted to remove his wounded comrade. While under fire he gave first aid to a wounded Sergeant from the vehicle in front of him. With five others, he climbed on to his own vehicle and removed the wounded man and administered first aid until medical aid arrived.

HOME ADDRESS: Mrs. Lorene Bettes, (Sister)
RD #1, Box 771-A
Joplin, Missouri

COMPANY "B" 826TH AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BATTALION

APO 70,
7 February 1945

COMPANY ORDER)

NUMBER

1)

MUST OF ALL POINTS

1. Patrols - Why, when, where, how many, reason for doing, direction and how far, enemy encountered, action taken.
2. System for reporting trouble to your headquarters or Co Headquarters. See That every man knows your CP location.
3. Wounded, where he went, how wounded, exact spot on ground where wounded (by coordinates), how many enemy, i. e., what was the intensity and from what was shot fired, that is, MG, rifle.
4. Account turned in to you every day by every post of all happenings during period 1800 - 1800 w/date.
5. Sketch of defenses of each point. Plan of action in case of attack or warning.
6. Never send out patrols of less than five (5) men and use connecting and flank files.
7. Platoon report from 1800 - 1800 must be in Co Headquarters prior to 0800 following morning including necessary overlays.
8. Each post report any enemy contact immediately by runner to next higher headquarters. Co B men to be used. (No filipinos)
9. Each post will have ready a complete account of all happenings since last inspection and it will be given to Plat Comdr. Include sketches where necessary.

WALTER C. THOMSEN
Capt F A
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS I CORPS
A.P.O. 301

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By Authority of Commanding General

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SUBJECT: Attachment Orders

TO: See Distribution

1. Pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters Sixth Army, Subject: "Procurement, Recognition, Use, Supply and Disposition of Guerrilla Units", dated 3 May 1945, Co D, 150th Bn is relieved from attachment to the 826th Amphibian Tractor Bn and simultaneously attached to the 32d Infantry Division.

2. Pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters Sixth Army, Subject: "Procurement, Recognition, Use, Supply and Disposition of Guerrilla Units", dated 3 May 1945, 255th Squadron is relieved from attachment to the 826th Amphibian Tractor Battalion and simultaneously attached to the 632d Tank Destroyer Battalion.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL SWIFT:



PETER CALZA
Lt Col, AGD
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS 826TH AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BATTALION

1st week

BASIC AMPHIBIAN TRAINING SCHOOL

15 June 1945

DIRECTOR

WOJG PEARSON

INSTRUCTORS

LT FESTER

Sgt Larsen

Sgt Parr

Sgt Murray

Sgt DeLauter

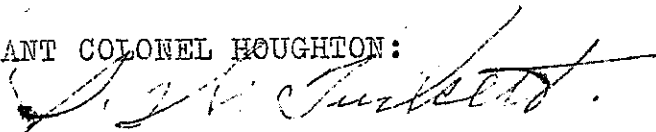
LVT CREW & MAINTENANCE TRAINING

<u>Class No.</u>	<u>Hour & Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Type of Work</u>	<u>Text & Refs.</u>	<u>Instructors</u>
1	18 June 0800 to 0900	Theatre	Orientation on Scope of Course	Conference	Tng Program	Major Halsell
2	0900 to 1030	Mtr Pk	Nomenclature LVT	Conference Demonst'tn Use LVT	TM 9-776 Par 3&4	Sgt Larson
3	1030 to 1145	Mtr Pk	LVT: Tools, acces- ories, equipment & stowage	Demonst'tn Conference Use Layout & LVT	TM 9-776 Sec II Par 5-9 Bn SOP	Sgt Murray / 3 crews B Co
4	1300 to 1330	Mtr Pk	Continuation of Clas #3	ditto	ditto	ditto
5	1330 to 1630	Mtr Pk	Crew Maintenance	Demonst'tn Practical	1-Armd Tng Chap 4 Sec / II; 2-Crew A Co maint Bn SOP	Lt WILLIAMS 3 crews A Co

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6	19 June 0800 to 1145	Beach	Opn Controls, Land Driving, Starting and Stopping Engines Preceded by 1 hr be- fore opn maint	Demonst'tn & Practical	TM 9-776 Sec IV par / 8 Drivers 10&11, Sec A Co V Par 12- 17 TM 9-776 par 12c,d, h; Bn SOP	Sgt DeLauter / 8 Drivers A Co
7	1300 to 1630	Mtr Pk	Crew Maintenance	Practical Trainees do work under supervision	Arm'd Amph Tng, Chap 4, Sec III Bn SOP	Sgt Parr
8	20 June 0800 to 1145	Beach	Land Driving Preceded by 1 hr Before Opn Maint per Bn SOP	Practical	Arm'd Amph Chap 4 par / 8 drivers 38g,h(1) (2) A Co	Sgt DeLauter / 8 drivers A Co
9	1300 to 1530	Mtr Pk	Crew Maint	Practical	Arm'd Amph Tng Chap 4 Sec III Bn SOP	Sgt Parr
10	1530 to 1630	Theatre	Examination	Oral Practical	On Tng co- vered to date	MR PEARSON
11	21 June 0800 to 0900	Mtr Pk	Before Opn Maint	Individual	Bn SOP	Sgt DeLauter
12	0900 to 1145	Beach	Water Driving -	Practical		ditto

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13	21 June 1300 to 1400	Cont'd Mtr Pk	Arm and Flag Signals Arm Force Signals	Practical	FM 17-5 (Use no other) Use blacks to simulate LVTs	Sgt Larsen
14	1400 to 1630	Mtr Pk	After Opn Maint	Practical	Bn SOP	Sgt Parr
15	22 June		Same as Schedule for 21 June, Classes 11 thru 14.			
16	23 June 0800 to 0900	Mtr Pk	Before Opn Maint	Practical	Bn SOP	Sgt DeLauter
17	0900 to 1145	Beach	Formation Driving & Landing in Waves	Form 1 sec- tion & have cross LD at same time		Sgt Murray
18	1300 to 1630	Mtr Pk	After Opn Maint	Practical	Bn SOP	Sgt Parr

BY ORDER OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL HOUGHTON:



I. W. TUCKETT
MAJOR F A
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HEADQUARTERS 826TH AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BATTALION

2nd Week

BASIC AMPHIBIAN TRAINING SCHOOL

20 June 1945

DIRECTOR

WOJG PEARSON

INSTRUCTORS

Lt FESTER

Lt WILLIAMS

Sgt Parr

Sgt Larsen

Sgt DeLauter

Sgt Murray

<u>Class No</u>	<u>Hour & Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Type of Work</u>	<u>Text & Refs.</u>	<u>Instructors</u>
19	25 June 0800 to 0900	Theatre	Use of Air-Ground Smoke Signals, Responsibility Car Comdr in landing, ie, car comdr is responsible for assigning pers to man guns, air- ground teams, Fire and Movement on Beach	Lecture- Conference	Bn SOP	Sgt Parr
20	0900 to 1000	Theatre	Voice Procedure	Lecture- Conference	FM 24-9	S/Sgt Newell
21	1000 to 1100	Theatre	Use of Compass & Deviation Cards	Conference Demonst'tn	Amnd Amph Eng Par 112-115	Sgt DeLauter

(Practical: Use assumed deviations and give cardinal direction. Require answer in actual course to be followed, using deviations. Figure back azimuths.)

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22	1100 to 1145	Theatre	Bn SOP (International Morse & Use with Blinker; Radio Masts; Flag Set; Pennants.	Conference Lecture Quiz	Bn SOP	Sgt Murray
23	1300 to 1400	Mtr Pk	Use of Throat Mikes Opn radios, use of buttons. Use intercom, stress correct speaking procedure and phonetics	Practical		Sgt Windham
24	1400 to 1630	Beach	Swimming	(Athletic Period - Mr PEARSON insure attendance of all men.)		
25	26 June 0800 to 0900	Theatre	Use of SOI: Codes, Call Signs; Need for security and brief msgs on radio	SOI		Sgt Adorhold
26	0900 to 1000	Theatre	Voice Procedure Open, close net call signs, sign off, etc.	Conference Practical	FM 24-9	Sgt Faria
27	1000 to 1145	Mtr Pk	Voice Procedure Net opn, handle pre-arranged messages, call ups, etc.	Practical	FM 24-9	S/Sgt Newell
28	1300 to 1400	Mtr Pk	International Morse w/Blinker per Bn SOP	Practical	Bn SOP	Sgt Howells

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29	1400 to 1500	Bn Area	Arm Signals, LVT Speeds according to rpm's	Practical Conference	FM 17-5 Arm& Amph Tng, par 116	Sgt Larsen
30	1500 to 1630	Bn Area	Nomenclature, Dis-assembly-assembly 30 cal MG	Practical Conference Demonst'tn	FM 23-50	Sgt Murray
31	27 June 0800 to 0900	Mtr Pk	Before Opn Maint	Practical	Bn SOP	Sgt DeLauter
32	0900 to 1145	Beach	Land-Water Driving Formations, use of azimuth on driving in and landing. (Use compass)	Practical		Sgt DeLauter 8 A Co men as drivers to as- sist instruc- tors
33	1300 to 1400	Mtr Pk	Radio Maint & Mast SOP	1st Ech on Radios; care mikes & equipt.	Bn SOP	Sgt Windham
34	1400 to 1630	Mtr Pk	After Opn Maint LVT	Practical	Bn SOP	Sgt Parr
35	28 June 0800 to 1000	Bn Area	Function, Assembly Disassembly 30 cal MG - stoppages.	Practical	FM 23-50	Sgt Murray
36	1000 to 1145	Bn Area	Bn SOP Blinker & Flag Signals	Practical Conference Quiz	Bn SOP	Sgt Aderhold
37	1300	Theatre	Review of needed items and discussion on points that need correction			Mr PEARSON

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38	1430 to 1630	Beach	Swimming	Recreation-athletics	WOJG PEARSON	Insure attendance ALL men
39	29 June 0800 to 1000	Bn Area	Opn, Function, Nomenclature 50 Cal MG	Conference Demonst'tn Practical	FM 23-60	Sgt Murray
40	1000 to 1100	Mtr Pk	Abandon Ship Drill Use of Boat Hooks, Coming alongside	Practical Conference	Armd Amph Tng, par 62-64	Sgt Larsen
41	1100 to 1145	Bn Area	Semaphore Flags	Practical	FM 24-23	Sgt Faria w/flag sets
42	1300 to 1630	Mtr Pk	LVT & MG Maint Stowage of Equipt (Discuss proper stowage all items, care tools).	Practical	Bn SOP	Sgt Parr
43	30 June 0800 to 0900	Mtr Pk	Before Opn Maint	Practical	Bn SOP	Sgt Larsen
44	0900 to 1145	Beach	Abandon Ship, Formation Driving, Use of Boat Hook, Coming alongside.	"	Armd Amph Tng Par 62-64	Sgt Larsen
45	1300 to 1630	Mtr Pk	Maint LVT, Wpns, Radios	Practical	Bn SOP	Sgt DeLauter

BY ORDER OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL HOUGHTON:

I. W. Tuckett
 I. W. TUCKETT
 Major FA

HEADQUARTERS 826TH AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BATTALION

APO 70
30 June 1945ROSTER OF OFFICERS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>ARM OR SERVICE</u>	<u>ASN</u>
HOUGHTON, THURSTON T.	Lt Col	FA	O 187 639
HALSELL, KAY II	Major	FA	O 342 122
TUCKETT, ISAAC W.	Major	FA	O 342 551
ADAMS, MELVIN P.	Captain	FA	O 363 675
BUNELL, KENNETH M.	Captain	FA	O 376 889
HENDERUD, WILLIAM L.	Captain	FA	O 230 044
GEROW, THOMAS A.	Captain	Inf	O 338 550
KLAAS, FREDERICK B.	Captain	MC	O 443 600
THOMSEN, WALTER O.	Captain	FA	O 354 283
TOGNEY, WILLIAM D.	Captain	FA	O 374 444
GALLEGOTT, ERNEST J.	1st Lt	Inf	O 524 055
DETZLER, DICKSON F.	1st Lt	AUS	O1 822 778
FISTER, GILBERT B.	1st Lt	AUS	O1 822 786
FOLLEY, LAWRENCE E.	1st Lt	AUS	O1 822 788
LEE, VICTOR	1st Lt	AUS	O1 822 809
LEWIS, BOB A.	1st Lt	FA	O 461 256
NARA, EDWIN A.	1st Lt	AUS	O1 825 245
WERTHIMMER, MAURICE	1st Lt	AUS	O1 826 068
HENDRICKS, JAKE W.	2d Lt	Inf	O2 007 367
WILLIAMS, J D	2d Lt	Inf	O2 007 368
PEARSON, HARRY W.	WOJG	AUS	W2 132 246

DICKSON F. DETZLER
1st Lt, AUS, Adjutant.