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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 1 May 1944

To: 2400 5 May 1944

Place: 109835

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Battalion in rest area in vicinity of Sparanise, Italy. Weather: - Clear & Warm.	
		<u>2 May 1944</u>			
1800			1800	No Operations. Weather: - Clear and Warm.	
		<u>3 May 1944</u>			
1800			1800	No Operations. Weather: - Clear and Warm.	
		<u>4 May 1944</u>			
1800			1800	No Operations. Weather: - Clear and Warm.	
		<u>5 May 1944</u>			
1800			1800	No Operations. Weather: - Partly Cloudy & Warm.	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 6 May 1944

To: 2400 8 May 1944

Place: 109835

Time -		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	No Operations. Weather: - Clear and Warm.	
		<u>7 May 1944</u>			
1800			1800	No Operations. Weather: - Clear and Hot.	
		<u>8 May 1944</u>			
1800			1800	No Operations. Weather: - Clear and Hot.	

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From: 0001 9 May 1944

To: 2400 10 May 1944

Place: 109835

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Six (6) guns Co. "A" moved fr vicinity (Sparanise, Italy) 109835 at 2230 hours to cover positions vicinity (Minturno, Italy) 790932 closing at 0140 hours. Weather: - Clear & Hot.	
		10 May 1944			
1800			1800	No Change in operations. Weather: - Cloudy & Warm	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 11 May 1944

To: 2400 11 May 1944

Place: 834879

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2000			2000/	OP Rcn Co. at 780950, Co. "A" at 791934, Co. "B" at 810907, Co. "C" at 805909, Rcn Co. at 956822, Hq Co. at 956825, Bn OP at 834879. Remainder of Bn moved into these positions as of 11 May 1944, closing at 0138 hours. Weather: - Cloudy in AM, Warm & Clear in PM	

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From: 0001 12 May 1944

To: 2400 12 May 1944

Place: 834879

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2000			2000	Two guns Co A, at 780931, two guns Co A at 774943, four guns Co A in anti-tank positions as of above, firing direct, expended 400 rds HE, 4 rds APC on buildings and road junctions along Highway 7 and in Scauri, Italy. Also fired 9 rds smoke on Mount Scauri. Co B and Co C expended 4944 rds HE on concentrations allotted to Bn firing indirect unobserved fires. (Results of days operation - Bldgs destroyed by Co a in Scauri, Italy)	
2000		1	2000	Tec 5 Orval E. Parkhurst, 1705 1867, Co. "A" received serious hand injury when hand was caught in recoil mechanism of gun. Enlisted man evacuated. See Annex "A" and Annex "B"	
				Weather: Partly cloudy and Hot	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer BattalionFrom: 0001 13 May 1944To: 2400 13 May 1944Place: 834879

Time-		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2000			2000	Six guns Co. C along ridge 773-965, six guns Co C along ridge 779965 in anti-tank positions closing at 0138 hours. Prior to movement Co. C expended 494 rds HE and 8 smoke interdiction fire along Highway 7. Co. B expended 1403 rounds HE interdiction fire on Highway 7, west of Mount Scauri, Italy, rate of 10 to 6 rds per hr per gun. Co. "A" expended 160 rounds HE direct fire fr anti-tank positions at buildings and road junctions vicinity Scauri, Italy and Mt Scauri, Italy. (Results of days operations: Direct hits were made on Highway 7 with interdiction fire, buildings destroyed in Scauri, Italy, by direct fire. Co. "C" knocked out three pill boxes on hill 109 vicinity of Castellonorato, Italy at 1230 hrs for 338th Infantry. Weather: - Clear & Warm.	

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From: 0001 14 May 1944

To: 2400 14 May 1944

Place: 834879

Time		Serial	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2100			2100	Rcn Co at 870878. Four guns Co A in anti-tank positions fired 275 rds HE and 15 rds AP direct fire at road junctions and bldgs in vicinity of Scauri, Italy, & Mount Scauri, Italy. Co B expended 450 rds HE at rate of fire 4 rds per gun per hr. interdicting fire on Highway 7, west of Mount Scauri, Italy fr 1900 hrs to 0700 hrs, expended 22 rds at Castellonorato, Italy at 1815 hrs against enemy OP's, expended 714 rds HE firing at rate of 4 rds per gun at concentrations vicinity Mount Scauri, Italy and Highway 7 at 0700 hours, expended 11 rds HE at an enemy gun position (747943) observed by A Co OP & resumed interdicting Highway 7 and west of Mount Scauri, Italy. Co C expended 23 rds HE from Anti-tank positions in support of 337th Infantry. (Results of days operation: Neutralized enemy gun) Weather: Clear & Warm	

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From: 0001 15 May 1944

To: 2400 15 May 1944

Place: 834879

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2100			2100	Two platoons Rcn Co guarding beach between D'Argento hill and Garigliano River, Italy. Co. B closed at 0255 hrs vicinity 795932. Co C attached to 337th Inf. Co C expended 200 rds HE on targets in support of 337th Inf. Co B expended 88 rds HE on concentrations along Highway 7, west of Mount Scauri, Italy, from 1800-2000 hrs; registered on Base Point 707956 by Air OP at 0900 hrs expending 34 rds HE and 8 rds smoke; commencing at 1100 hrs harassed Castellonorato, Italy for one hour, expending 45 rds HE; beginning at 1500 hrs expended 100 rds HE at rate of 8 rds per gun per hr on Mount Scauri, Italy. Two guns Co A moved to 760947 at 0500 hrs and expended 200 rds HE on pill boxes at reverse slope and south slope of hill 58, guns then returned to former position at 775941; co A expended 150 rds HE direct and indirect fire (4) guns in anti-tank positions at Mount Scauri, Italy, on Highway 7. (Results of days operations: Co B destroyed bridge on Highway 7 observed by Air OP. Two guns Co A liquidated pill boxes on hill 58, killing a number of enemy and destroyed an enemy truck in vicinity of Scauri, Italy.) Weather: - Clear and Warm.	

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From: 0001 16 May 1944

To: 2400 16 May 1944

Place: 782931

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2100			2100	Co A assembling along Highway 7 vicinity of Scauri, Italy at 1345 hours ready to move forward. Co B at 735967, Co C at 721977, Rear echelon at 824878, Bn CP at 782931. Co B atchd to 338th Inf for support. Co C atchd to 337th Inf for support. Co B harassed Highway 7, west of Mount Scauri, at rate of 5 rounds per gun per hr commencing at 2100 and ending at 0500 hrs, expending 420 rds HE. Four guns Co C in vicinity hill 108 at 1400 hrs supporting tanks and Inf. prior to movement forward as mentioned above. Bn CP moved to new area closing at 1215 hrs. Rear Echelon moved to new area closing at 1000 hrs. Weather: Clear & Warm.	
2400		2	2400	1st Lt Clement P. Kujawski, 01030490, 2nd Lt Adler H. Bratland, 01683434, this entry Co. B, LWA by enemy artillery and 1st Sgt Rodney M. Brunton, 20745747, Co. B, SWA by enemy enemy artillery, All evacuated. See Annex "A" & "B"	
2400		3	2400	1st Sgt Russell L. Braden, 3702-2313, Co. C, LWA by enemy artillery fire. EM Evacuated. See Annex "A" & "B"	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 17 May 1944

To: 2400 17 May 1944

Place: 768939

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2100			2100	Four guns Co A at 722945 (Mount Scauri, Italy) and seven guns at 732949 (Mount Scauri). Four guns Co B at 721968 (Southwest of Castellonoratio), 8 guns at 749968 (South of Castellonarato) Co C at 688980 (Maranola) Bn CP at 768939. Co B and Co C continuing support of Inf. Co A in Bn reserve. One 4 x 4 3/4-ton Co A destroyed by enemy shell fire (vicinity 732949). Weather: - Clear & Warm.	

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From: 0001 18 May 1944

To: 2400 18 May 1944

Place: 768939

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2100			2100	Co A, one platoon vicinity 732949, one platoon vicinity 691961, one platoon vicinity 685954. Co B vicinity 712967, Co C vicinity 702978, Rcn Co - one platoon reconnoitered as far as Formia, Italy, are now at vicinity 708954. Hq Co closed at 1520 hrs vicinity 782931. Co A expended 129 rds HE at bldgs in Gaeta and Formia in supporting fires for Infantry. Weather: - Clear & Warm.	
1800		4	1800	Tec 5 Rudolph A. Baken, 37081745, Co. "A" LWA by enemy artillery fire. EM evacuated. See Annex "A" & "B"	
2000		5	2000	Sgt Andrew C. Anderson, 39601723, Tec 5 Irvin C. Devitt, 20745811, Tec 5 Dan R. Laurilla, 37022369, Cpl Ralph O. Mikkelsen, 37169856, Pvt Andrew J. Bartha, 35455190, Co. "B", LWA by enemy artillery fire. All E.M. Evacuated. See Annex "A" & "B"	
1400		6	1400	Sgt Harold P. Mooney, 37170069, Co. "C", KIA by enemy mine. See Annex "A" & "B"	
1800		7	1800	Cpl Kenneth Cummings, 16124074, and Cpl Leo M. Maynard, 37127624, Co. "C" LWA by enemy artillery fire, E.M. Not Evacuated. See Annex "A"	

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Time		Serial	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2100			2100	Bn CP Vicinity 683957, closing at 1500 hrs, Co A 8 guns at Itri, 4 guns vicinity 648938. One platoon Rcn Co reconnoitered as far as Itri, at 1100 hrs. Rcn Co now in vicinity of Scauri, on beach patrol as of 1300 hrs. Co B to move through with 85th Inf. Div task force toward Fondi, Italy. Weather: - Partly cloudy & rain in PM	
2100		8	2100	Cpl Henry G. Popp, 37041123, Rcn Co KIA by enemy mine. Sgt Ernest E. Parris, 37022381, Rcn Co SMA by enemy mine, and S/Sgt Henry A. Wiese, 39077495, Rcn Co LNA by enemy mine. All Evacuated. See Annex "A" and Annex "B"	
1800		9	1800	Tec 4 Joseph H. Lauchard, 35407770, Co. "C", LNA by enemy Artillery fire. E.M. Evacuated. See Annex "A" & "B"	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 20 May 1944

To: 2400 20 May 1944

Place: 647937

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2100			2100	Co. B vicinity Fondi, Italy. Rear Echelon vicinity 683956, Bn CP vicinity 647937, remainder of Bn no change. Company "B" continuing active support of task force. Weather: - Partly cloudy and Rain in AM	
1000		10	1000	Sgt Ernest E. Parris, 37022381, Rcn Co., SWA by enemy mine on 19 May 1944, DOW 20 May 1944 See Annex "A" & "B"	
2100		11	2100	Pfc Raymond J. Gores, 37170078, Rcn Co LMA by enemy mine, E.M. Not Evacuated. See Annex "A"	
1800		12	1800	1st Lt Willis F. Cole, Jr. 040-4967, Co. "A" LMA by enemy Artillery fire. Not Evacuated. See Annex "A"	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 21 May 1944

To: 2400 21 May 1944

Place: 530040

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2100			2100	Eight guns Co B at 484057, 4 guns vicinity 470048, Bn CP closed at new location 530040 at 1630 hrs. Co B expended 20 rds HE direct fire in support of Task Force. Weather: - Clear & Warm	

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From: 0001 22 May 1944

To: 2400 22 May 1944

Place: 530040

Time		Serial	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2100			2100	Co. B continuing support of task force and located at 422028, Co C moved to new location 531050, closing at 1700 hrs. Weather: Clear and Warm	

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From: 0001 23 May 1944

To: 2400 23 May 1944

Place: 530040

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2100			2100	Rcn Co on move to Sperlogna, Italy, to gard coast. Rear echelon at 532050, closing at 1600 hrs, Co B expended 86 rds HE and 16 rds APC; two guns firing direct fire at railroad tunnel, SW of Findi, and bldgs in vicinity of tunnel. Direct hits were scored inside tunnel and blds surrounding it. Civilian reported 35 dead (german) inside tunnel evidently due to the firing of Co. "B" Partly Cloudy and warm.	

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From: 0001 24 May 1944

To: 2400 24 May 1944

Place: 422043

Time		Serial	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Co A vicinity 421038, Rcn Co vicinity 610904, Bn CP 422043, remainder of Battalion no change. Co B expended 69 rds HE, 13 rds APC direct fire at targets vicinity of railroad tunnel. Weather: Partly Cloudy and Warm.	
1800		13	1800	Pvt Lester E. Roche, 37164519, KIA by enemy artillery fire. EM Evacuated. See Annex "A" and Annex "B"	

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From: ~~0001~~ 25 May 1944

To: ~~2400~~ 25 May 1944

Place: 422043

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2000			2000	Co A vicinity 352015, closing at 0800 hrs. Co B moving to vicinity 330020 as of 1800 hrs. Co C moving to vicinity 335115 as of 1800 hrs. Ren Co CP vicinity 532953, closing at 1920 hrs Weather: - Clear and Warm	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 26 May 1944

To: 2400 26 May 1944

Place: 296141

Time-		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2000			2000	Co A in direct support of 760 Tank Battalion supporting attack of Division. Four guns at 259199 (near Priverno,) Eight guns at 323187. Co B protecting Div CP at 327159. Co C supporting attack of Division at 287146. Rear Echelon closed in new area at 342015 at 1800 hrs. Bn CP closed in new area at 296141 at 1320 hrs. Weather: Clear and Warm	

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From: 0001 27 May 1944

To: 2400 27 May 1944

Place: 296141

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2100			2100	Co A vicinity 318186, Co B vicinity 320145, Co C CP vicinity 231-204, 4 guns at 212207. Co Ren at 228937, closing at 1700 hrs. Rear echelon vicinity 352015, Bn CP vicinity 296141. Co A expended 50 rds HE at a Mark VI Tank and Self-propelled gun vicinity of 288538 -- Destroying the self-propelled gun. Weather: - Warm and Clear	

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From: 0001 28 May 1944

To: 2400 28 May 1944

Place: 293148

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Bn now atchd to IV Corps and relieved fr asgmt with 85th Inf. Div as of 1800 hrs 27 May 44. Bn is now in assembly area with exception of Rcn Co which is still on coast patrol. Bn is located NE of Sezze, Italy. "A" and "C" Co's are at 296141, Co "B" at 320145, Rcn Co at 228937, Rear Echelon and Bn CP at 293148 Weather: Clear and Warm	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 29 May 1944

To: 2400 30 May 1944

Place: 293148

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800		<u>30 May 1944</u>	1800	Bn atchd to II Corps as of 1800 hrs 28 May 1944. Weather: Clear and Warm	
1800			1800	Rcn Co vicinity 293146, closing at 1400 hrs. (Rcn Co reverted to Bn control as of 1100 hrs 30 May 1944. Bn atchd to 85th Division Artillery. Weather: Clear and Warm	

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From: 0001 31 May 1944

To: 2400 31 May 1944

Place: 083367

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, messages, orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2100			2100	Bn CP vicinity of Cori, Italy. Co. "A" Co. "B", Co. "C", same position. Rcn Company (Near Cori) closing at 0530 hrs. Co. "A", Co. "B", Co. "C", moved forward to positions near Lariano, Italy, in direct support of Infantry and anti-tank positions. Bn CP at 083367 near Guillianetto, Italy. Weather: Clear and Hot.	
1800		14	1800	1st Lt Edward W. Ira, 01824189, Co. "B", KIA by enemy artillery fire. Officer Evacuated. See Annex "A" & "B"	

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