SIS th TANK DESTROYER - BATTALLON





KENNETH S. WHITE LIEUTENANT COLONEL

U.S.A.

COMMANDING THE 818th TANK DESTROYER BATTALION

Lieutenant Colonel Kenneth S. White is a lawyer in civil life, and resides at River Falls, Wisconsin. He is married and has three sons. At the time of his induction, Lieutenant Colonel White was a member of the Wisconsin State Senate, to which body he was elected in 1936.

Lieutenant Colonel White served as an enlisted man during the World War and for a short time thereafter. He was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in 1921 and has served in either an active or inactive status continuously ever since. Lieutenant Colonel White joined the battalion April 4, 1942, and is its fourth Commanding Officer, his predecessors being Major John E. Buxton, Lieutenant Colonel John M. Reynolds and Major Thomas E. Williams.

JOHN M. REYNOLDS

LIEUTENANT COLONEL

U. S. A.

FORMERLY COMMANDING THE 818th TANK DESTROYER BATTALION

Commissioned 2nd Lt., F. A., August 15, 1917. Promoted to Capt., July 1, 1920; Major, Aug. 9, 1935; Lt. Col., Aug. 18, 1940. Graduate of School of Fire, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, 1918; Field Artillery School (Basic Course), 1922; Field Artillery School, Battery Officers Course, 1929; Field Artillery School, Advanced Course, May, 1941. Served with 1st Field Artillery, Staff of the Field Artillery, School at Fort Sill, 4th Field Artillery, at Fort Sam Houston, and in Panama; 82nd F. A., at Fort Bliss; 76th F. A., at Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyoming; 18th F. A., at Fort Sill; 349th F. A., at Fort Sill; was instructor of reserves at Denver, Colorado, from 1931 to 1935; on duty in Paris, France, 1930.

While commanding Battery B, 82nd F. A., the Battery was awarded the Knox Trophy for the best Battery of F. A. in the

Was instructor of the Georgia National Guard from Nov. 1938 to Sept. 1940, with station at Savannah and Atlanta, Georgia.

Born at Paris, Tennessee, July 22, 1894. Entered the service

from Oklahoma in 1917.





JOHN M. BUXTON

MAJOR

U. S. A.

FORMERLY COMMANDING THE 818th TANK DESTROYER BATTALION

Entered the first O.T.C. at Fort Logan H. Roots, Little Rock, Ark., in May, 1917, and was commissioned 1st Lt., F. A., in August. Assigned to the 336th F. A., the heavy artillery regiment of the 37th Division, being organized at Camp Pike, and served with that Regiment until discharged.

January 1, 1918, promoted to Captain and made Battery Commander. Graduated from the School of Fire at Fort Sill in June. Served overseas (in France) from August, 1918, to March, 1919. Commissioned Captain, F. A., O. R. C., 1922, and then Captain, F. A., N. G. U. S., in 1936, and joined the 142nd F. A. Inducted January, 1941, with the regiment, organized and commanded one of the antitank batteries of the regiment (Battery H, 142nd F. A.) at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Promoted to Major, August, 1941. Attended Louisiana-Carolina maneuvers. Returned to Fort Sill in command of the 18th Provisional Antitank Battalion. On December 15 was assigned to organize and command the 818th T. D. Battalion.

Thomas E. Williams Major Executive Officer

BATTALION STAFF

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TANK DESTROYER
BATTALION



HAROLD M. MASTIN Captain S-1



Albert H. Nosun Captain S-2



Burl L. May 1st Lieutenant Acting S-3



Winfield S. Bronson
1st Lieutenant
S-4

HISTORY OF THE

818th TANK DESTROYER BATTALION

The 818th Tank Destroyer Battalion (Heavy) was activated on December 15, 1941, by authority of War Department, Adjutant General's Office, in letter of December 12, 1941. This Battalion was designated as a GHQ Unit and attached to the 18th Field Artillery Brigade for administration and training. Major John E. Buxton was the Battalion Commander at the date of activation. Most of the personnel were members of the 18th Antitank Battalion (Provisional) commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Ross B. Warren, and participated in the Third Army Maneuvers conducted in Louisiana and the First Army Maneuvers held in North and South Carolina, from August 10, 1941, to December 1, 1941. While engaged in these "mock wars" the 18th Antitank Battalion (Provisional) won widespread recognition of being a fast-moving, hard-hitting and powerful outfit.

The 818th Tank Destroyer Battalion is composed of a Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Reconnaissance Company and three tank destroyer companies. The authorized strength of the battalion is 35 officers and 884 enlisted men.

On February 5, 1942, a permanent change of station was ordered by the War Department. Lieutenant Colonel John M. Reynolds assumed command on that date and supervised the movement from Fort Sill, Oklahoma, to the new station, Camp Bowie, Texas.

The training program has been one of thoroughly conditioning the men physically, and perfecting the method of loading equipment which will enable them to take to the field on short notice, regardless of prevailing handicaps. Equipment is constantly being received and after a short period of familiarizing the men with it, the 818th Tank Destroyer Battalion will be recognized as a highly efficient and destructive organization.

TEDDY L. HAWORTH

Captain

Commanding,

Headquarters Company

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

818th TANK DESTROYER BATTALION



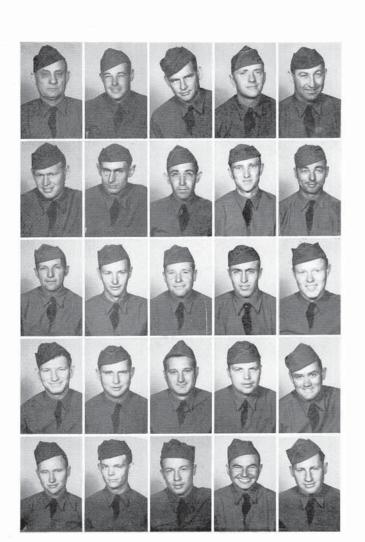
Roy C. MARTIN 1st Lieutenant Motor Officer



John S. Bower 1st Lieutenant



Douglas H. Ketchum 2nd Lieutenant





"Sissy" Mascot

First row: Mr. Sgts. A. L. Chelette, W. P. Colvert, O. Williams, 1st Sgt. O. Holloway, Tech. Sgt. C. D. Duree, Jr.

Second row: Tech. Sgts. J. W. Gay, G. B. Slocum, D. O. Tohill, Stf. Sgts. C. D. Cornelius, L. M. Curtis.

Third row: Stf. Sgts. S. E. Mann, R. H. Renick, H. H. Stringer, Sgts. R. G. Alexander, V. C. Ayres.

Fourth row: Sgts. J. L. Gill, G. P. Scott, Technicians 4th Grade L. A. Asti, J. R. Chaffey, T. H. Coffey.

Fifth row: Technicians 4th Grade J. Grayum, C. O. Greenfield, M. W. Horton, L. R. Jennings, R. E. Majors.

First row: Technicians 4th Grade T. H. Metcalfe, C. J. Richard, H. E. Sellers, C. T. Soliz, G. W. Spurr, J. O. Ten Brook, L. W. C. Turner, R. T. Wilson, Cpl. R. W. Beinhauer.

Second row: Cpls. L. P. Bone, T. N. Curry, T. H. Dixon, G. Gregory, T. L. Latimer, P. J. Seccure R. H. Williams, Technicians 5th Grade R. L. Arnold, R. A. Basham.

Third row: Technicians 5th Grade J. V. Betkowski, J. G. Bonifazio, R. L. Bridges, D. V. Bye, I. I. Cohen, T. C. Cook, K. W. Cooper, R. M. Cox, C. A. Crook.

Fourth row: Technicians 5th Grade R. D. Deacon, J. Domitrovits, W. M. Ellis, L. C. Farrish, L. Galchinsky, G. F. Gleisberg, N. J. Grabler, V. Halio, A. D. Haymond.

Fifth row: Technicians 5th Grade A. O. Heinrich, M. C. Humphrey, L. Kayser, C. E. Maxwell, Jr., L. Moore, J. J. McMorrow, W. J. Peace, R. Pisker, A. W. Price.

Sixth row: Technicians 5th Grade T. H. Richter, C. T. Sams, E. J. Scannapieco, D. H. Schon, R. A. Shreves, T. W. Stump, O. L. Wilson, PFC's H. Ankner, J. J. Arber.

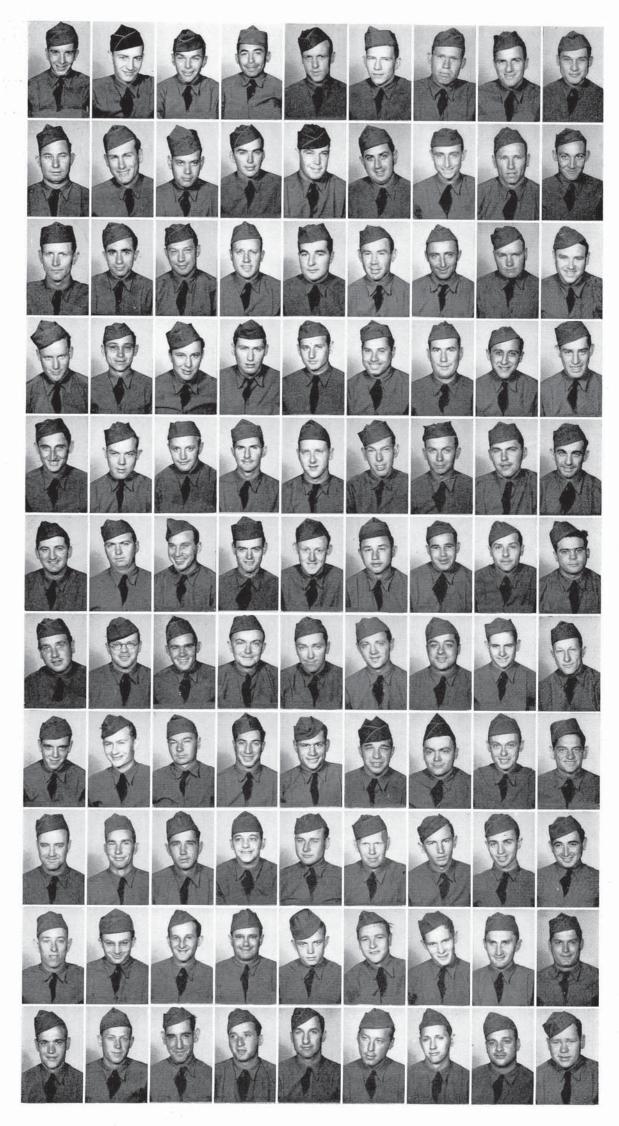
Seventh row: PFC's W. J. Arnett, J. W. Black, L. C. Burke, F. Cizek, G. M. Cohan, Jr., G. T. Dikum, A. Fabozzi, W. W. Funk, J. D. Garrard.

Eighth row: PFC's J. A. Garrity, D. F. Hodges, Jr., H. M. Jones, J. C. Lisa, J. M. Livingston, J. D. Marty, C. H. McCafferty, C. L. Nichols, P. E. Rambo.

Ninth row: PFC's W. Rose, C. Russell, E. T. Russell, L. C. Shushok, G. L. Stubbs, G. W. Summers, C. Ussery, Jr., Pvts. F. Aloi, A. Battali.

Tenth row: Pvts. R. W. E. Bowman, J. Elman, M. Fenster, J. E. Fogle, W. H. Ginn, C. B. Hamil, J. B. Higgs, G. E. Hissam, J. W. Hutter.

Eleventh row: Pvts. E. L. Inks, L. Lambert, C. D. Lentz, H. Levine, F. C. Looney, M. W. Rusokovitch, A. A. Stewart, A. J. Tambini, L. A. Williford.



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JAMES L. THOMPSON
1st Lieutenant
Commanding,
Reconnaissance Company



"PENNY" Mascot

RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY

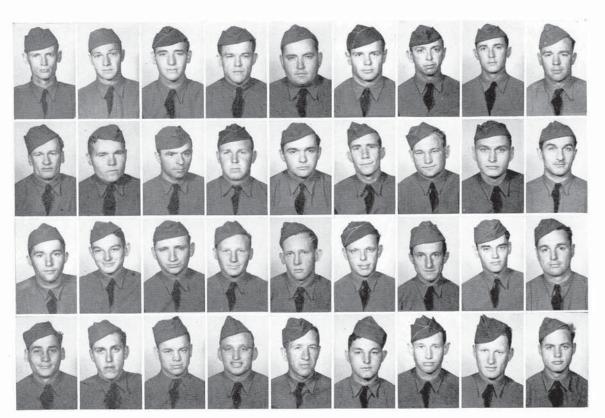
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William R. Jackson 1st Lieutenant



Howard C. Nelson 1st Lieutenant



First row: Regular Army, 1st Sgt. J. C. Bannister, Stf. Sgts. J. F. Cantrell, N. P. Chitty, L. E. Lancaster, J. E. Spears, Sgts. R. N. Atmar, W. J. Clamp, B. Hudson, D. Huff-

Second row: Sgts. A. J. Lubiscak, A. N. Miller, Technicians 4th Grade R. G. Berg, J. F. Irvin, H. B. Mayes, Cpls. E. M. Ellison, J. W. Kindred, J. C. Winkles, Technician 5th Grade C. W. Allgood.

Third row: Technicians 5th Grade E. P. Barto, R. H. Belk, J. B. Blake, E. C. Casper, J. Chapman, W. M. Cox, G. Duga, G. O. Glover, J. E. Kuenzli.

Fourth row: Technicians 5th Grade V. O. Quick, C. Rutledge, L. C. Shook, W. A. Spaeth, R. T. Stephens, J. A. Sweatt, W. Watkins, PFC's H. R. Benton, I. C. Bice. First row: PFC's J. T. Black, R. Brown, H. R. Bunn, J. W. Copeland, J. V. Daugherty, L. G. Duncan, V. P. Frabbiele.

Second row: PFC's J. L. Furtick, W. H. Grimsley, R. R. Hooper, C. E. King, R. A. Lott, J. W. Martin, T. M. McAbee.

Third row: PFC's D. H. McCollough, J. L. Moore, C. D. Parkerson, W. W. Parrish, F. O. Pitts, C. W. Rawls, C. Rosales.

Fourth row: PFC's G. N. Taylor, M. T. Townsend, E. W. Underwood, Jr., W. H. Hunnicutt, Pvts. P. Bankston, J. T. Brown, J. B. Cone.

Fifth row: Pvts. W. H. Crowe, P. H. Dunson, G. A. Emory, L. M. Farris, W. G. Godfrey, P. Hobbs, J. W. Johnson.

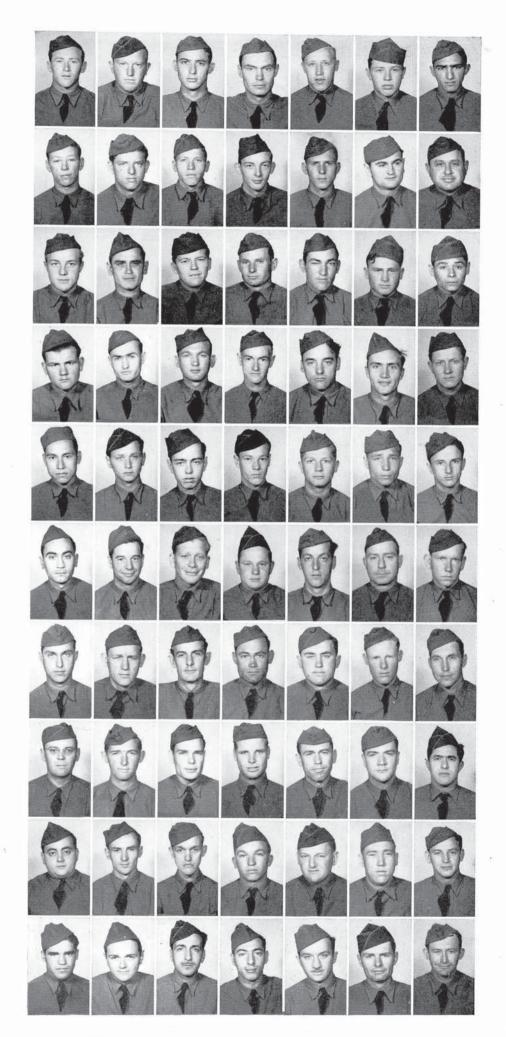
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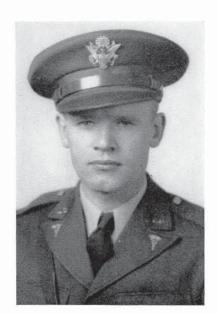
Seventh row: Pvts. L. E. Southerland, D. Sowers, W. H. Sullivan, C. G. Thompson, J. E. Wall, J. E. Wilder, National Guard Stf. Sgt. M. L. Harris.

Eighth Row: Stf. Sgt. W. A. Rambo, Sgts. R. G. Bradley, E. F. Rounsavall, Technician 4th Grade F. R. Hargus, Cpl. G. V. Wood, Selective Service Trainees: Technicians 4th Grade G. S. Donahue, J. C. Taylor.

Ninth row: Technicians 5th Grade C. J. Casta, F. J. Grudzien, M. O. Pethick, PFC's L. E. Davis, E. S. Halibozek, L. R. Heath, J. D. Walton.

Tenth row: Pvts. M. P. Caruso, A. V. Dauterman, A. R. Fusca, I. Peris, H. R. Tucci, Regular Army Reserve Sgts. A. T. Pinter, B. B. Welch.





H. Lee Hall Ist Lieutenant Commanding, Medical Detachment

MEDICAL DETACHMENT

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Maurice C. Rudens 1st Lieutenant



Stf. Sgt. O. E. Barry, Cpl. C. J. Handschuh, Pvts. G. Blanco, L. Boyle, C. H. Lung, C. R. Wood.



Taking blood test, Medical Detachment.



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Capt. Mastin and Mr. Sgt. Chelette in Administration office, Hq.
 Co. 2. Reconnaissance party advancing under cover, Recon. Co. 3.
 On march, Hq. Co. 4. Plans and training section, Hq. Co. 5. Supply section, Hq. Co. 6. Radio class, Hq. Co. 7. Co. C. P. in camouflaged position, Recon. Co. 8. Pioneer section at work, Recon. Co.

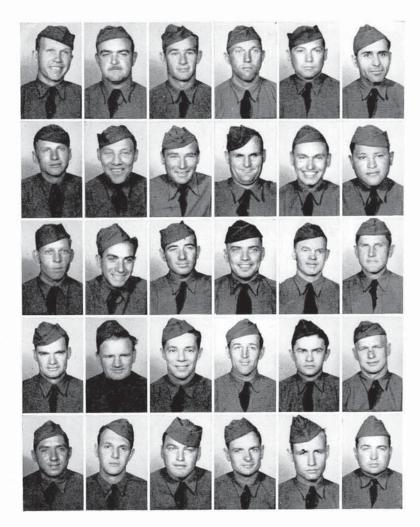
LeRoy C. Henderson 1st Lieutenant Commanding, Company A

COMPANY A

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James L. Nammack 2nd Lieutenant



First row: 1st Sgt. L. N. Leerskov, Stf. Sgts. C. A. Harkins, C. T. Mead, W. O. New, C. D. Pyle, F. Seaveno.

Second row: Sgts. W. W. Bell, A. E. Delp, J. H. Harrist, E. F. Haynes, D. L. Holl, J. Kaniatobe.

Third row: Sgts. V. R. Knight, J. Malarae, J. H. B. Redus, R. W. Ryan, B. A. Slaton, H. J. Stroud.

Fourth row: Sgt. L. O. Taylor, Technicians 4th Grade G. B. J. Flynn, J. Katulka, J. P. Marcelonis, C. H. Orendorff, Jr., C. H. Srock.

Fifth row: Cpls. F. A. Brindis, Jr., W. Burkhart, R. D. Duncan, J. A. Edmundson, R. G. Freeman, Jr., W. V. Halsey.

First row: Cpls. P. Hill, C. P. Keegan, R. M. Keepelman, R. E. Leadbetter, H. C. Munden, J. T. Nupp, L. M. Penny, C. E. Rhoades, F. E. Schaich.

Second row: Cpl. H. C. Terry, Technicians 5th Grade O. Berger, C. E. Bouder, J. N. Canataro, J. E. Gasaway, P. Grovanz, Jr., C. C. Hare, W. C. Heaton, L. Heckman.

Third row: Technicians 5th Grade A. J. Heichel, E. S. Hindman, E. Horton, R. A. Hunter, J. L. Karaschak, W. M. Kershner, E. O. Kitelinger, C. A. Knable, L. W. Lorincy.

Fourth row: Technicians 5th Grade J. F. Malloy, J. D. Mitchell, N. Paulish, W. C. Paulowitch, J. B. Pitcock, J. Radu, W. C. Ross, L. Scheidy, M. E. Searnock.

Fifth row: Technicians 5th Grade C. I. Seiger, F. P. Shioleno, J. C. Shugars, L. N. Southard, A. J. Spataccino, R. L. Stewart, L. T. Thel, B. Wilson, PFC S. P. Arbutina.

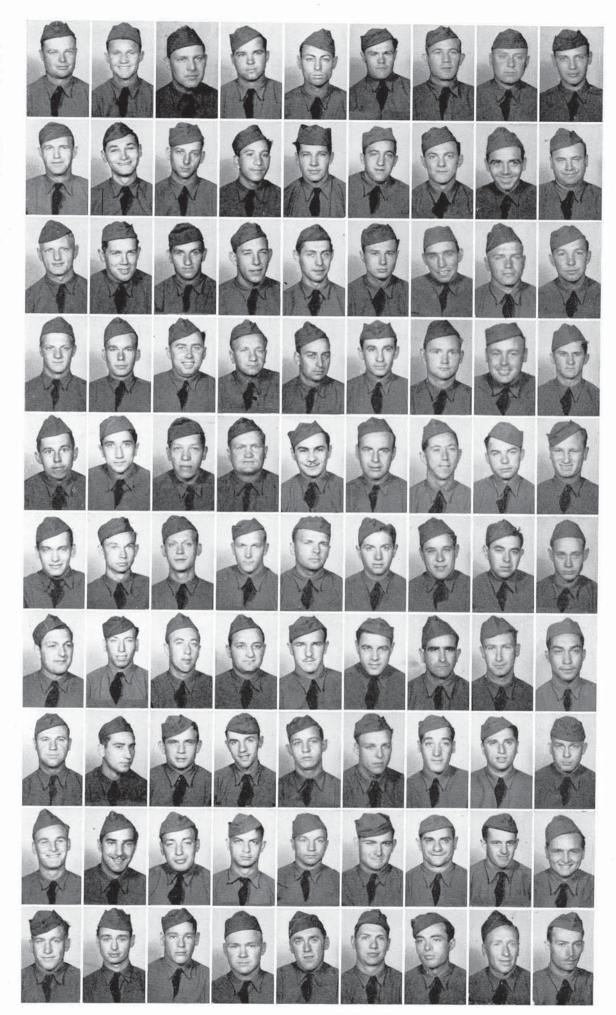
Sixth row: PFC's J. J. Bettendorf, E. R. Boggan, J. K. Bywater, J. F. Carpenter, J. J. Domagalski, L. Frugoli, J. W. Huber, J. M. Martinez, J. W. Miley.

Seventh row: PFC's J. Pasternak, A. J. Pettie, C. K. Rager, L. A. Santamaria, J. Tomko, Jr., S. D. Trozzi, Pvts. W. L. Ash, H. Baumgarten, M. Canady.

Eighth row: Pvts. J. T. Claxton, J. H. Conrad, J. Davis, B. J. Digman, C. W. Farr, I. R. Fischer, S. Gambino, R. Gertz, L. E. Godsey.

Ninth row: Pvts. W. R. Haber, W. T. Jackson, N. Kaplan, C. L. Mackey, A. Matzura, R. H. Morris, I. P. Moyer, D. J. Nugent, T. Pezzano.

Tenth row: Pvts. I. W. Roycroft, L. E. Talcott, C. Thompson, L. L. H. Toney, J. J. Voytko, R. D. Wall, V. Wallace, E. G. Wilbor, J. E. Zongora.

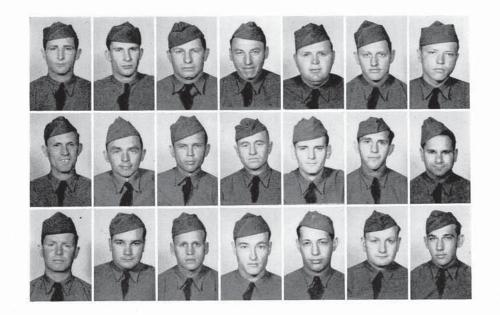




George C. Warner 1st Lieutenant Commanding, Company B

COMPANY B

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First row: 1st Sgt. M. F. Hargett, Stf. Sgts. C. L. Holloway, Jr., W. J. Lloyd, P. M. O'Brien, Jr., W. E. Wisdom, Sgts. B. R. Bolin, A. W. Hawthorne.

Second row: Sgts. B. P. Killingsworth, S. A. Kuznier, A. R. Morgan, F. A. Neasbitt, W. L. Strong, Technicians 4th Grade D. A. Dowdy, S. Kind.

Third row: Cpls. E. S. Henning, O. R. Holbrook, M. L. Lee, Z. A. Zett, Technicians 5th Grade A. Granoff, E. C. Weinman, PFC W. F. Soltow.

COMPANY C

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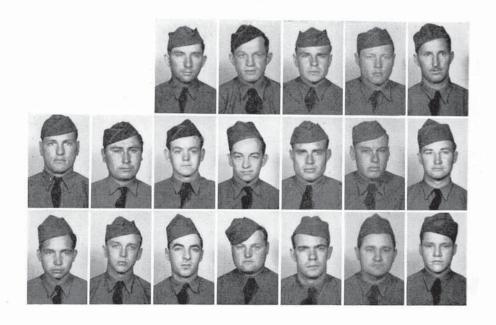


ROBERT P. GARDNER
1st Lieutenant
Commanding,
Company C

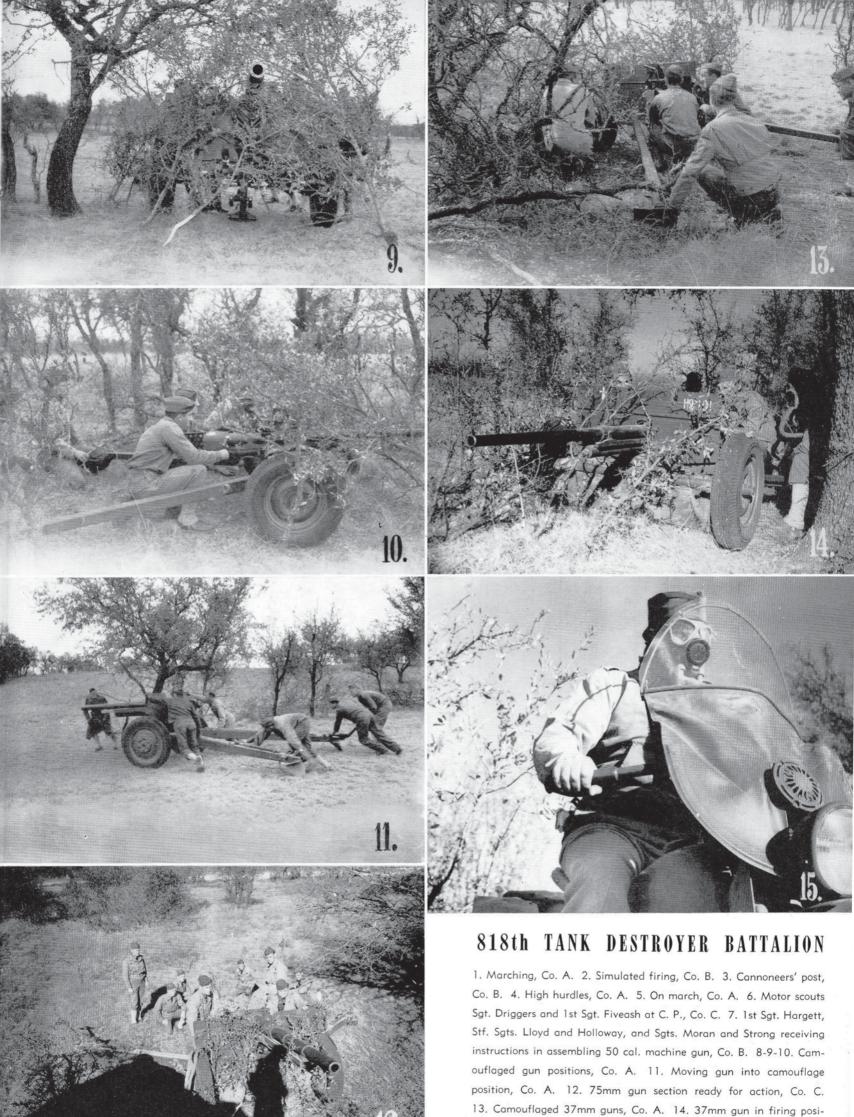
First row: 1st Sgt. R. L. Fiveash, Stf. Sgts. J. W. Baker, A. A. Foxx, E. W. Hawthorne, C. Mitchell.

Second row: Sgts. J. R. Carothers, F. L. Hart, V. C. Hensley, F. E. Johnson, J. G. Mosley, G. C. McGuyer, G. W. Reppond.

Third row: Technicians 4th Grade C. W. Cochran, F. E. Reavis, Jr., Cpls. E. J. Connelly, B. Driggers, F. A. Leonardi, PFC's B. F. Inks, C. E. Moses.







tion, Co. C. 15. "Looking for trouble," Co. C.