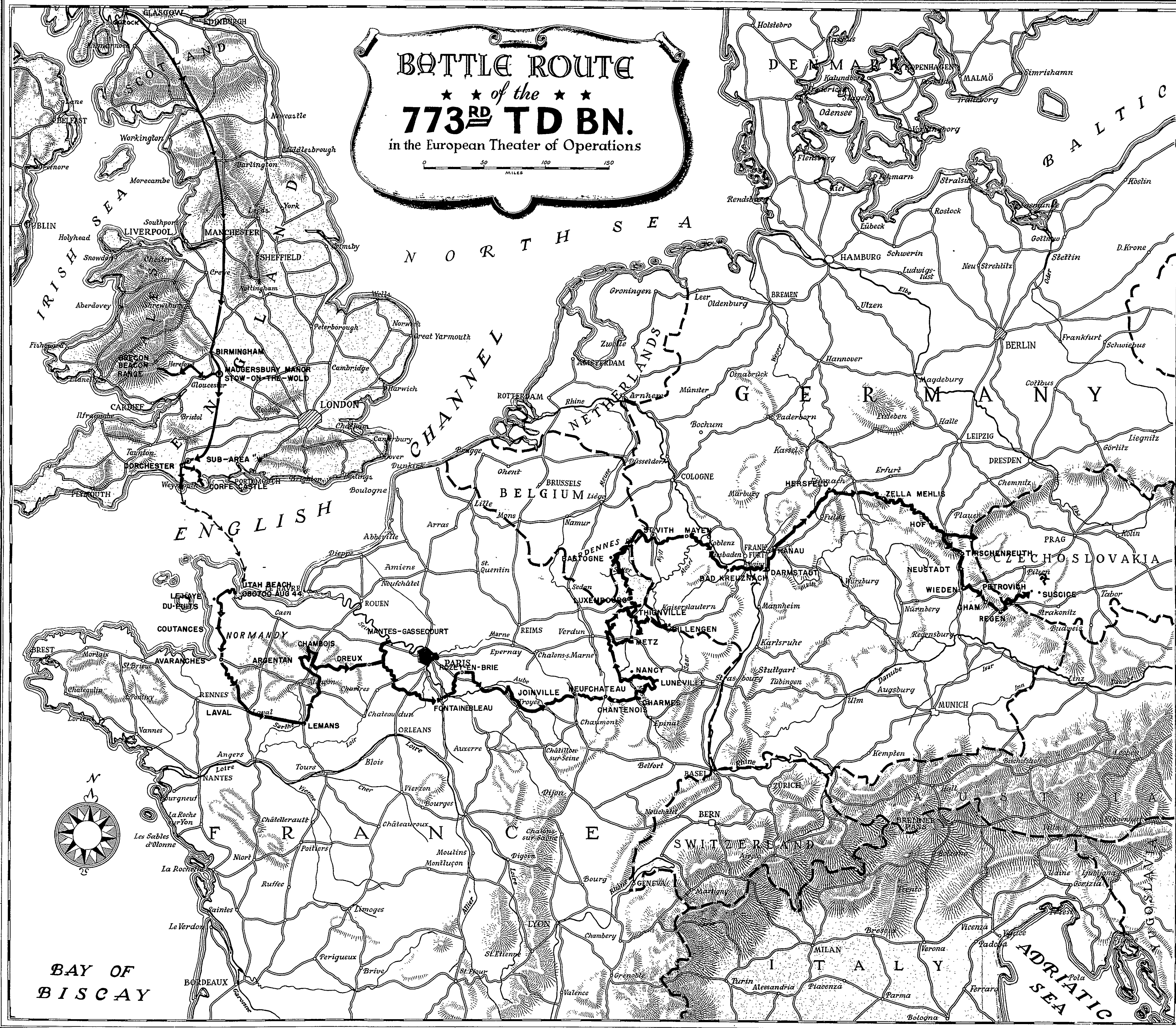


BATTLE ROUTE  
of the  
773<sup>RD</sup> TD BN.  
in the European Theater of Operations



**ENGLAND**  
7 February - 8 August 1944  
The battalion departed from the AQUITANIA at GOUROCK, SCOTLAND on the 7th of February. After a month's stay at MAUGHERSBURY MANOR, STOW-ON-THE-WOLD near OXFORD, the battalion was alerted to move to SOUTH WALES. On the 1st of March, the battalion was alerted to move to SOUTH WALES. On the 1st of March, the battalion was alerted to move to SOUTH WALES.

**ROAD TO BATTLE**  
7 - 15 August 1944  
The battalion, minus C Company and part of B Company, landed on UTAH BEACH near ST. GERMAIN DE VARREVILLE at 2200 hours on the 7th. The remainder of the battalion landed at 1200 hours the same day on OMAHA BEACH near ST. LAURENT SUR MER. Assembling at LAHAIE, DUTCH, a 40 mile march was made through an enemy air attack.

**ARGENTAN-FALAISE GAP**  
10 - 22 August 1944  
Here in its initial baptism of fire, all elements of the battalion, including Headquarters Company, held a thin line of defense until the arrival of the 8th and 9th Divisions, the 8th on the following day. Assigned to the V Corps, part of the 1st Airborne Division, and in support of the 10th Division, the battalion fought day and night to cut through and hold the FALAISE GAP. During this period, the battalion held and attacked relentlessly until the shattered remnants of the German Second Army had surrendered. As a result of the courageous determination and convictions of the German Second Army, the battalion was awarded the Presidential Unit Citation. The official toll taken by the battalion was 41 enemy tanks, 22 other vehicles, 4000 prisoners, and many artillery pieces destroyed. Hundreds of enemy personnel were killed or captured.

**ON TO PARIS**  
22 August - 9 September 1944  
Re-assigned to the XV Corps, THIRD ARMY, the battalion moved from I.E. BOIG ST. LEONARD, FRANCE, eastward to BREVAL. There B Company, less one gun platoon, re-entered the 8th ID in support of the 20th Division's bridgehead over the SEINE RIVER, north of PARIS at MANTES-GASSECOURT. Reconnaissance Company reconnoitered routes and cleared the way for the 20th Division's advance. Two days later, on the 26th of August, the battalion was relieved and moved south and east to BRYEN-LE-CHATEL in preparation for the movement of the 1st Airborne Division. During this period the battalion moved south and east to BRYEN-LE-CHATEL in preparation for the movement of the 1st Airborne Division.

**CHARMES-THE MOSELLE**  
10 September - 15 October 1944  
The 7th Division with the battalion in support, one tank company with each of the three combat regiments, 24th and 25th, drove eastward to the MOSELLE RIVER. Through the fighting proved that the drive gathered momentum passing through CLUSEVON, OLLIVILLE, LA POZZE, and POISSY, with the goal, CHARMES, France, on the 12th of September. On the 16th, the 7th Division's advance was halted by the MOSELLE RIVER. The 7th Division's advance was halted by the MOSELLE RIVER. The 7th Division's advance was halted by the MOSELLE RIVER.

**METZ - MOSELLE**  
16 October - 19 November 1944  
After a few days in Corps reserve the battalion was re-assigned to the 7th Division and moved north to JARVIS. On the 26th the unit was attached to the XV Corps, attached to the 7th Division, and moved south to the MOSELLE RIVER south of METZ, and took over defensive positions near the town of METZ. On the 3rd of November and now with the 7th Division again, the battalion supported their crossing of the MOSELLE. The first infantry elements made a successful crossing over the flood-swept area. With several attempted failures, being washed away, they were rugged and two of the company's M4's were lost. The 7th Division's advance was halted by the MOSELLE RIVER.

**SAAR RIVER CROSSING - DILLINGEN**  
20 November 1944 - 6 January 1945  
Still in support of the 7th Division, the battalion moved east and by the 30th of November all enemy were cleared from the town and west of the SAAR RIVER. Beyond the town of DILLINGEN, the battalion moved east and by the 30th of November all enemy were cleared from the town and west of the SAAR RIVER. Beyond the town of DILLINGEN, the battalion moved east and by the 30th of November all enemy were cleared from the town and west of the SAAR RIVER.

**LUXEMBOURG - ARDENNES**  
6 - 20 January 1945  
To help stem the surge of Von Rundstedt's counter-attack, the battalion moved north to the snow-choked mountains of the ARDENNES. On the 10th of January, the battalion moved north to the snow-choked mountains of the ARDENNES. On the 10th of January, the battalion moved north to the snow-choked mountains of the ARDENNES.

**SIEGFRIED LINE - RHINE**  
30 January - 22 March 1945  
On the 30th the Division crossed the south, defended OUR RIVER in the thick cold of dead winter and reached the Siegfried Line. The 7th Division's advance was halted by the MOSELLE RIVER. The 7th Division's advance was halted by the MOSELLE RIVER. The 7th Division's advance was halted by the MOSELLE RIVER.

**GERMANY - CZECHOSLOVAKIA**  
22 March - 9 May 1945  
On the 22nd the Division crossed the ODER RIVER and the attack on FRANKFURT began. The 7th Division's advance was halted by the MOSELLE RIVER. The 7th Division's advance was halted by the MOSELLE RIVER. The 7th Division's advance was halted by the MOSELLE RIVER.

**FINAL COUNT**

Tanks Destroyed	41
Other Vehicles Destroyed	22
Prisoners Taken	4000
Artillery Pieces Destroyed	100
Enemy Personnel Killed or Captured	1000