

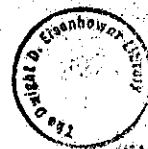
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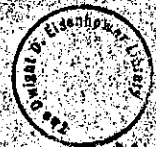
- 1 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Recon. Company Hq. and Medical Detachment remained in bivouac area 1 Mile NW of Kalterherberg, Germany K-912145. Company "A" remained in bivouac position 1 1/2 Mi. W. of Kalterherberg, Germany, K-916139. 1st Platoon Company "A" fired eleven missions, registered on base point and fired interdiction fire. 2nd Platoon Company "A" fired eleven missions, registered on base point and fired interdiction fire. 3rd Platoon Company "A" fired 13 rounds HE interdiction fire. Effect of fire unknown. Company "B" left bivouac area 3/4 miles SE of Schoppen, Belgium at 0900 hours and arrived at new bivouac area 1 1/2 miles SE of Kalterherberg, Germany K-952129 at 1400 hours. Co. "C" Hq. G.P. and 3rd Platoon remained in bivouac 1/4 mile W. of Camp Eisenborn, Belgium K-087085. Commanding Officer, Company "C", FDC team, 1st and 2nd Platoons moved North approximately 8 miles and set up indirect fire positions N. of Camp Eisenborn, Belgium. 1st and 2nd Platoons, Company "C" fired indirect fire missions with the 95th FA Bn. M-36 Tank Destroyers arrived to replace the M-10's. Weather Cloudy. Health of Troops Excellent.
- 2 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "C", Recon. Company Hq. and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac positions. Hq. Co. Transportation Platoon turned in Diesel fuel due to change in Destroyers. Maintenance Platoon checked new M-36 Tank Destroyers. 1st and 2nd Platoons, Company "A" fired 32 rounds of Interdiction fire. 3rd Platoon, Company "A" fired 46 rounds of interdiction fire. Entire Company "A" fired one time-on-target mission. Effect unknown. Company "B" attached to OCA. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Platoons, Company "B", left bivouac area 1 1/2 Mi. SE of Kalterherberg, Germany and arrived at assembly area 3/4 mile NW of Neudorf, Belgium K-840317 at 1325 hours. Hq. Section, Company "B", remained in bivouac 1 1/2 Miles SE of Kalterherberg, Germany K-952129. 1st and 2nd Platoon, Company "C", registered on base point at 0600 hours and fired concentrations from 0200 to 0935 hours. Interdiction fire of 6 rounds per hour from 1000 to 1800 hours and from 2000 to 2400 hours. Fired one concentration on enemy battery at 2215 hours. Weather Fair. Health of Troops Excellent.
- 3 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Hq. Company, Company "A", Company "B", Company "C" less 2nd and 3rd Platoons, Recon. Company Hq. and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac positions. 1st and 2nd and 3rd Platoons, Company "A", fired 267 rounds HE ammunition on firing missions including registration on base point, interdiction fire and time-on-target fire. Effect of fire unknown. 2nd Platoon, Company "C", moved from indirect fire position NE about 15 miles to set up road block with Troop "F", 38th Cavalry. 3rd Platoon, Company "C", moved from bivouac area 1/4 mile W. of Camp Eisenborn to replace 2nd Platoon in indirect fire positions. Weather Fair. Health of Troops Excellent.
- 4 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Company "C", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac positions. Company "A" fired one time-on-target mission and 2nd Platoon also fired 82 rounds registration and interdiction fire. Effect of fire unknown. Sgt. Stanley J. Lada, Company "A", S/A 3 November 1944, DOW 4 Nov. 1944. Battalion Commander and S-2 visited Company "B" positions. Weather Fair. Health of Troops Excellent.



- 5 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Company "C", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac areas. Company "A" fired one time-on-target mission. 2nd Platoon, Company "A" fired two interdiction fire missions. 3rd Platoon fired three interdiction fire missions. Effect of fire unknown. 1st and 3rd Platoons fired interdiction fire and time-on-target fire. Battalion Commander and S-2 visited Company "B". Weather Fair. Health of Troops Excellent.
- 6 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Company "C", Company Hq. Hon. Co. and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac areas. Company "A" fired five time-on-target missions. 1st Platoon, Company "A" fired 4 interdiction missions. 2nd and 3rd Platoons, Company "A" each fired one interdiction fire mission. Results unknown. Battalion Commander and S-2 visited all companies. Weather Rain. Health of Troops Excellent.
- 7 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Company "C", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac areas. 1st and 3rd Platoon, Company "A", each fired one interdiction fire mission and the 2nd Platoon, Company "A", fired five interdiction fire missions. Battalion Commander and S-3 visited all companies. Weather Rain. Health of Troops Excellent.
- 8 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in bivouac areas. Company "A" left bivouac area 1 1/2 miles W. of Kalterherberg, Germany at 0900 hours and arrived at new bivouac area 2/3 miles NW of Naeren, Belgium, K-845125 at 1315 hours. Company attached to GCA. 1st and 2nd Platoons, Company "A", attached to 34th Tank Battalion. 3rd Platoon, Company "A", attached to 66th Infantry. Company "B" relieved of attachment to GCA. Left bivouac area 3/4 miles N of Heudorf, Belgium at 0910 hours and arrived at new bivouac area 1 1/2 miles NW of Kalterherberg, Germany at 1130 hours. Company attached to 95th FA Bn. Company "C" O.P. and Headquarters Section moved from bivouac area 1/2 Mi. W. of Camp Eisenborn, Belgium to Company position 1 Mile SE of Kuchelscheid, Belgium. 1st and 3rd Platoons, Company "C" fired interdiction fire and registered on base point. Battalion Commander visited all Companies. Weather Cloudy. Health of Troops Excellent.
- 9 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Reconnaissance Company Headquarters Company "A", Company "C" and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac positions. Company "B" Headquarters Section and 2nd Platoon remained in bivouac position. 1st and 3rd Platoon, Company "B", on indirect firing mission 1/2 mile West of Kalterherberg, Germany. Company "C" Headquarters, FDC, 1st and 3rd Platoons moved from indirect fire positions 1 Mile SE of Kuchelscheid, Belgium back to bivouac area 1/4 mile West of Camp Eisenborn, Belgium. Company "C" Hon. Platoon and 2nd Platoon moved from road block position back to bivouac area. Weather Snow. Health of Troops Excellent.
- 10 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "C", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac areas. Company "B" Headquarters Section and 2nd Platoon left bivouac area 1 1/2 Miles NW of Kalterherberg, Germany at 1400 hours and arrived at new bivouac area 1 1/2 miles SE of Kalterherberg, Germany at 1500 hours. Firing Platoons in position for indirect fire missions. Battalion Commander and S-2 visited all Companies. 7 enemy artillery shells fell in Battalion Bivouac Area. Weather Snow. Health of Troops Excellent.

- 11 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac area. Company "A" attached to CCA for anti-tank defense. 1st Platoon further detached to 47th FA for reinforcing fire. 2nd Platoon to Co. "B", 34th Tank Battalion. 3rd Platoon to 46th Infantry. Company "B" fired indirect fire missions. Company "B" relieved of attachment to 95th FA Bn. and attached to 71st FA Battalion. Company "C" moved from bivouac area 1/4 mile W. of Camp Kiesenborn, Belgium at 1345 hours to new bivouac position 1 Mi. NW of Walhorn, K-792323, arriving at 1500 hours. Company "C" attached to CCB. Weather Snow. Health of Troops Excellent.
- 12 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Company "C", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters, and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac area. Company "B" fired indirect fire missions. Battalion Commander and S-2 visited firing companies. Weather Snow. Health of Troops Excellent.
- 13 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Company "C", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac areas. Company "B" firing platoons remained in position and fired indirect fire missions. Company "B" 1st and 2nd Platoons with 71st F.A. Battalion and 400th F.A. Battalion for reinforcing fire support. Company "B" 3rd Platoon in reserve. Weather Snow. Health of Troops Excellent.
- 14 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Company "C", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac positions. Company "A" 1st Platoon fired 60 rounds HE interdiction fire. Results Unknown. Battalion Commander visited all Firing Companies. Weather Snow. Health of Troops Excellent.
- 15 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Company "C", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac positions. Company "A" 1st Platoon fired 31 rounds interdiction fire. Results unknown. Company "B" firing platoons in indirect firing positions. Fired indirect fire missions. Weather snow. Health of troops Excellent.
- 16 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Company "C", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac area. Company "A" 1st Platoon fired 31 rounds of interdiction fire. Company "B" firing platoons remained in firing positions. Company relieved of indirect fire missions. Battalion Commander and S-3 visited all companies. Weather Fair. Health of Troops Excellent.
- 17 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "C", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac area. Company "A" less 1st Platoon moved from bivouac area 2/3 Mi. NW of Saaken, Belgium at 0900 hours and arrived at new bivouac area 1 1/2 Mi. S. of Walhorn, Belgium, K-823272 at 1100 hours. 1st Platoon, Company "A" fired 60 rounds of interdiction fire. Results unknown. Company "B" left bivouac area 1 1/2 miles SW of Kalterherberg, Germany at 1130 hours. Hq. Platoon, 2nd and 3rd Platoons arrived at new bivouac area 2 1/2 miles W. of Rotzell, Germany, K-857274, at 1800 hours. Company "B" attached to CCB. Major Patalive visited all companies. Captain Sparks left to find bivouac area for Forward and Rear Echelon. Weather Fair. Health of Troops Excellent.





- 18 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company less Maintenance and Transportation Platoons, Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment left bivouac area 1 Mi. NW of Kalterherberg, Germany at 0830 hours and arrived at new bivouac position at Rotzen, Germany, K-917292 at 1145 hours. Company "A" remained in bivouac position. Company "A" attached to OOA for anti-tank defense. 1st Platoon. Company "A" fired 60 rounds NE interdiction fire. Results unknown. Company "B" left bivouac area 2 1/2 miles West of Rotzen, Germany, K-896291 at 1900 hours and arrived at new area 2 Mi. West of Rotzen, Germany at 1630 hours. Headquarters, 2nd and 3rd Platoons attached to 71st F.A. Battalion. 1st Platoon still under Company control and located 2 Mi. West of Mutzenich, Germany. Company "C" remained in bivouac 1 Mile NW of Walhorn. Weather Fair. Health of Troops Excellent.

- 19 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company less Maintenance and Transportation Platoons, Company "A", Company "B", Company "C", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac areas. 1st Platoon. Company "A" fired 60 rounds NW interdiction fire. Results unknown. Company "B" 1st Platoon remained in position 2 Miles W. of Mutzenich. Weather Fair. Health of Troops Excellent.

- 20 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company less Maintenance and Transportation Platoons, Company "A", Company "B", Company "C", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac positions. Headquarters Company Maintenance and Transportation Platoons left Kalterherberg, Germany at 0945 hours and arrived and joined company at 1200 hours at Rotzen, Germany. Company "A" fired interdiction fire. Results unknown. Company "B" 1st Platoon on road block mission. 2nd and 3rd Platoons fired interdiction fire. Results unknown. S-3 visited all firing companies. Weather Rain. Health of Troops Excellent.

- 21 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Company "C", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac area. Company "A" and Company "B" fired interdiction fire on enemy. Results unknown. Battalion Commander visited all Companies. Weather Rain. Health of Troops Excellent.

- 22 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Company "C", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac areas. Company "A" and Company "B" fired interdiction fire during entire day. Results unknown. Weather Cloudy. Health of Troops Excellent.

- 23 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Company "C", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac areas. Company "A" fired 44 rounds of interdiction fire. Company "B" fired 8 missions time-on-target totalling 47 rounds. Results unobserved. 1st Lt. Robert C. Jones, O-1822013, AUS, promoted to Captain per Par. 1, 30 322, Hq. FUSA, dated 23 Nov. 1944. Battalion Commander visited all firing companies. Weather Fair. Health of Troops Excellent.

- 24 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac area. Company "A" fired 30 rounds NE interdiction fire and Platoon Volley of 36 rds. Results unknown. Company "B" fired 6 time-on-target concentrations totalling 54 rounds and 4 concentrations interdiction fire totalling 75 rounds. Company "C" moved from bivouac area 1 Mi. NW of Walhorn and arrived at new bivouac area

1 1/2 miles SW of Rahotrath, Belgium at 1430 hours. Left Rahotrath, Belgium at 1500 hours for assembly area near Rotgen, Germany, arriving at 1745 hours. Battalion Commander visited all firing companies. Weather Rain. Health of Troops Excellent.

- 25 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac positions. Company "A" fired 61 rounds of interdiction fire and platoon volley of 56 rounds. Company "B" fired 4 concentrations TOT, totalling 70 rounds and 5 concentrations interdiction fire totalling 119 rds. Company "C" moved from assembly area in Rotgen, Germany at 0230 hours with CGR to furnish anti-tank defense in CGR's attack on Hurtgen, Germany. 3-3 visited Company "C". Weather Rain. Health of Troops Excellent.
- 26 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Recon. Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac area. Company "A" fired 7 rounds registration, 5 missions TOT and 2 interdiction fire missions. Results unobserved. Company "B" fired six missions TOT and 3 missions interdiction fire. Company "C" remained in position in vicinity of Hurtgen, Ger. attached to CGR. Cpl. Casimer Wydzyszanski, 33161329, Company "C", KIA and Sgt. William J. Kane, Company "C", 13093696, LWA near Hurtgen. Battalion Commander visited all companies. Weather Rain. Health of Troops Excellent.
- 27 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Company "C", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac positions. Company "A" fired one TOT mission and 6 interdiction missions. Company "C" remained as anti-tank defense for CGR. Bn. Commander visited all companies. Weather Cloudy. Health of Troops Excellent.
- 28 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "A", Company "B", Company "C", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac positions. Company "A" fired 6 TOT missions and 3 interdiction fire missions. Company "B" fired 2 TOT missions and 3 interdiction fire missions. Company "C" remained with CGR. Weather Fair. Health of Troops Excellent.
- 29 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "B", Company "C", Company "A", Reconnaissance Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac positions. Company "A" fired 2 TOT missions and 3 interdiction fire missions. Company "B" fired 3 interdiction fire missions and 2 missions registration fire. Company "C" attached to CGR. Weather Fair. Health of Troops Excellent. Bn. Commander visited all firing companies.
- 30 Nov. - Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Company "B", Company "C", Recon. Company Headquarters and Medical Detachment remained in respective bivouac positions. Company "A" left bivouac position 1 1/2 Mi. S. of Balhorn, Bel. at 0800 hours and arrived at new bivouac area 3/4 Mi. E. of Zweifall at 1115 hrs. Company "B" fired one TOT mission and 6 interdiction fire missions. Company "C" remained with CGR. Cpl. Herman Barth, 20315041, Company "C", KIA and Sgt. Samuel Angello, 32108285, Company "C", LWA near Kleinbau, Germany. Bn. Commander visited all companies. Battalion, less Company "C" with CGR, relieved of assignment to V Corps and assigned to VII Corps effective 1200 hours 29 November 1944.

