

HEADQUARTERS
629TH TANK DESTROYER BATTALION
APO 230 U. S. ARMY

24 September 1944

SUBJECT: Report After/After Action Against Enemy - Period: 1-31 August 1944.

THRU : Commanding Officer, 3rd Tank Destroyer Group.

TO : Adjutant General, Washington, D. C.

1. During period 1-31 August 1944, this battalion was assigned to First US Army and attached to Corps, Divisions and Groups as follows:

- a. 1 Aug - 7 Aug 1944 - attached to V Corps with further attachment to 3rd Tank Destroyer Group in V Corps reserve.
- b. 7 Aug - 25 Aug 1944 - attached to VII Corps with further attachment as follows:
 - (1) 7 Aug to 13 Aug 1944 attached to 30th Infantry Division.
 - (2) 13 Aug to 15 Aug 1944 attached to 1st Tank Destroyer Group.
 - (3) 15 Aug to 25 Aug 1944 attached to 9th Infantry Division.
- c. 25 Aug to 31 Aug 1944 attached to V Corps with further attachment as follows:
 - (1) 25 Aug to 29 Aug 1944 attached to 3rd Tank Destroyer Group.
 - (2) 29 Aug to 31 Aug 1944 attached to 5th Armored Division, with further attachment to Combat Command ("A"), 5th Armored Division.

2. No indirect fire missions were performed during the period covered by this report.

3. Anti-tank missions performed 8-31 August 1944 as follows:

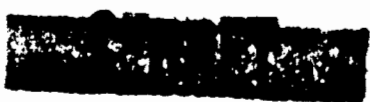
a. 8-13 August 1944, this battalion operated in direct support of the infantry elements of the 30th Infantry Division, taking under direct fire, enemy armor, emplaced machine guns, emplaced mortars, and anti-tank artillery (88mm guns), and spearheading local attacks for 30th Infantry Division between St. Barthelemy and Romagny in the Mortain (France) sector.

(1) Destruction and/or damage claimed against enemy equipment and installations:

- (a) Mark VI tank, damaged - - - - - 1
- (b) Mark V tank, destroyed - - - - - 5
- (c) Mark V tank, destroyed - - - - - 1
- (d) Mark IV, destroyed - - - - - 1
- (e) Mark IV, damaged - - - - - 1
- (f) Mark III, destroyed - - - - - 1

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- (g) Personnel carrier (2 track), destroyed - - - - - 5
- (h) Enemy OP destroyed - - - - - 1
- (i) Enemy OP destroyed - - - - - 1
- (j) Machine guns destroyed - - - - - 7
- (k) Enemy strong point (manned by 10 men) destroyed - - 1
- (l) Rocket launcher destroyed - - - - - 1
- (m) Flame throwers destroyed - - - - - 2

(2) Effect of enemy action against this battalion.

- (a) M-10's destroyed (by mortar fire) - - - - - -1
- (b) M-10's damaged (repairable) - - - - - -6
- (c) M-8's destroyed (hit friendly, unguarded, unmarked, unreported mine field, and subsequently taken under enemy fire) - - - - - -1
- (d) M-8's damaged (repairable) - - - - - -1
- (e) Personnel casualties:
 - (1) Killed - - - - - -6
 - (2) Wounded - - - - - -54
 - Total - - - - - -60

b. 15 Aug to 25 Aug 1944, this battalion provided anti-mechanized defense for 9th Infantry Division flanks.

- (1) Patrol of Hq Co. and Recon Co. captured three (3) prisoners (2 officers, 1 private soldier) - vicinity Magny-le-Desert.
- (2) No enemy armored or anti-mechanized action encountered during this period.

c. 29 Aug to 31 Aug 1944, this battalion reinforced elements of Combat Command (A), 5th Armored Division on march NE from Paris to Crepy-eu-Valois, France.

- (1) Co. A attached to Task Force - "Bourton"
- (2) Co. B attached to Task Force - "Boxley"
 - (a) Co. D took five (5) prisoners in vicinity of Crepy-eu-Valois, 31 August 1944.
- (3) Co. C held in reserve and marched with Combat Command A trains.
 - (a) Attached to and joined Combat Command B, 5th Armored Division at Baren, France.

For the Commanding Officer:

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 Adjutant

