

630th TD Bn (SP)

Activated: 15 Dec 41 at Ft Jackson, S.C.

Arrived: England 12 Jun 44; France 24 Jul 44; Belgium; Germany (no dates).

Left Belgium 20 Mar 46; arrived NYPE 29 Mar 46.

Inactivated: 31 Mar 46, at Cp Kilmer, N.J.

BATTLE CREDITS: Normandy; N. France; Ardennes-Alsace; Rhineland; Central Europe.

COMBAT HIGHLIGHTS

24 Jul 44 630th TD Bn debarked at Omaha Beach, France, 24 Jul 44, attached to  
1 Nov 44 FUSA, sub-att. XIX Corps, sub-att. 28th Inf Div. Div committed to  
action 28 Jul, objective Percy, France.

29 Jul CP at St Lo.  
30-31 Jul Bn moved to Canisy and Bretonniere under shell fire.  
1-2 Aug 44 Bn attached to 803d TD Bn and 28th Inf Div, both in general  
support of 28th Inf Div Arty. The companies of the Bn supported  
109th Inf CT, 110th Inf CT and 112th Inf CT.

11 Aug 44 Stationed near Gathemo, France.

17-20 Aug In location near Germany. Maintenance on guns, small arms and  
vehicles.

20 Aug Moved to Vernueil.

21 Aug 44 Advanced to Elbeuf where heavy resistance was met.

28 Aug 44 Moved to Versailles.

29 Aug 44 Bn located near Compiègne. 2061 rounds expended during month.

2 Sep 44 Bn CP moved north through Pont Ste Maxence to Ath, Belgium,  
attached to V Corps in support of 28th Inf Div Arty.

3 Sep 44 Reached Nauroy, with companies deployed nearby.

4 Sep 44 Moved between Laon and Bethel; performed normal support mission  
against little resistance.

6 Sep 44 Bn CP closed near Boulzicourt.

8 Sep 44 Bn CP at Florinville.

9-10 Sep 44 24 rounds of HE fired.

10-17 Sep 44 Bn moved, placed Div in North Luxembourg, west of Our R. and  
Siegfried Line against steady enemy resistance.

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- 18 Sep 44 Strong resistance at Kesfeld. Met enemy counter-attacks during rest of month.
- 1 Oct 44 Moved to assembly area near Camp Elsenborn, Belgium.
- 9 Oct 44 Bn given orders to support 110th Inf to protect Div north flank.
- 24 Oct 44 Bn assembled vic Cp Elsenborn.
- 26 Oct 44 Began move to new area of 28th Inf Div, Eupen, Belgium and Rotgen, Germany.
- 28-29 Oct Bn CP moved to Mularshutte, Germany.
- 30-31 Oct 44 Many rounds of HE fired near Hurtgen.
- 1-30 Nov 44 Light resistance met in Vossenach area. The 630 TD Bn continued support of 28th Inf Div, attached to V Corps and the 109th, 110th and 112th RCT's were still supported by Companies A, B, and C.
- 5-12 Nov In TD defense on Vossenach ridge and Germeter Road. Enemy activity moderate to heavy.
- 20 Nov Bn moved from Mularshutte, to west of Our R. on Luxembourg-Germany border and went under VIII Corps control. No contact with enemy thru Nov 30. HE and HERC fired during month. CP at Bogen, Lux.
- 1 Dec 44 Bn attached to 28th Inf Div, VIII Corps, First U.S. Army, in sector from Sevenig, Germany to Echternach, Luxembourg.
- 10 4 Dec Cos A, B and C with drawn for an intensive training program.
- 10 Dec 44 Bn CP moved to Weicherdange.
- 16 Dec 44 Companies in normal TD roles against German drive into Belgium.
- 17 Dec 44 CP moved to Kaphoscheid.
- 18 Dec 44 Defended Kaphoscheid. Moved to Hamville and on to Longvilly. Wiltz attacked with six guns of Bn in defense of town. Results unknown. During period 16-24 Dec 44, 28th Inf Div and 630th TD Bn placed under control of Third United States Army (VIII Corps).
- 24 Dec 44 Bn CP and Co B were under operational control of 7th TD Group to hold Libramont-Recogne road net. Moved back to Libramont for the night.

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- 27 Dec 44 7th TD Group and 630th TD Bn placed under operational control of 28th Inf Div to form screen to north and northwest of Recogne and defend road intersection.
- 1 Jan 1 Jan 45, 630th TD Bn minus Co C, attached to 17th Airborne Div.  
31 May 45
- 2 Jan 45 3 CP at Neufchateau, Belgium and moved to Morhet, Belgium 3 Jan 45.
- 4 Jan 45 Heavy resistance near Monty.
- 11 Jan 45 Moved to Petitvoir, Belgium.
- 18 Jan 45 Moved to St Die, France, attached to 28th Inf Div under operational control of II French Corps, First French Army.
- 19 Jan 45 Bn CP at St Marie-Aux-Mines, France.
- 1 Feb 45 Bn attached 28th Inf Div, assigned Twelfth Army Group, attached Sixth U.S. Army Group, sub-att. to Seventh U.S. Army. 28th Inf Div attached to XXI U.S. Corps and under operational control of 1st French Army, occupied position on a line from Levaltin to ~~ene~~ canal just east of Houssen, France. Elements still supported 109th, and 112th Inf RCT.
- 2 Feb 45 Assisted in capture of Colmar, France; advanced to Rhine R. One element occupied indirect fire positions in support of 229th FA Bn.
- 12-13 Feb 45 Bn in vic of Pfaffenheim, France and moved to Euville, France; reverting to operational control of Seventh U.S. Army. Attached to 28th Inf Div under control of 28th Div Arty for movement only.
- 18 Feb 45 Assigned to First U.S. Army, attached V Corps.
- 20 Feb 45 Moved near Liege, Belgium.
- 21-23 Feb 45 28th Inf Div relieved 2d U.S. Inf Div along line Scheuren-Hellenthal, Germany. 21 Feb 45, Bn CP at Montefort, Belgium. 22 Feb, moved to Hofen, Germany. 23 Feb 45, Bn CP moved to Wehlescheid.
- 1-31 Mar 45 630th TD Bn attached 28th Inf Div, V Corps, First U.S. Army in general sector Scheuren-Harperscheid-Bronsfeld-Hellenthal, Germany 11 Mar 45, CP at Blankenheim, Germany. 13 Mar, moved near Mommenheim, France, attached to Seventh Army. Attached VI Corps, attached VI Corps Arty and further attached to 13th FA Brig. 15-22 Mar 45, attached to VI Corps and sub-att. to 13th FA Brig. Supported VI Corps north into Saar Basin. Total of 9220 rd of HE. 23 Mar, Bn moved to vic Trois-Fontaines, France. De-

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tached from VI Corps. 23-31 Mar, Bn in training. Bn reorganized 31 Mar 45 as TD Bn (SP) and prepared for move 1 Apr to V Corps, First U.S. Army vic Mendig, Germany.

1-30 Apr 45

Bn assigned to Fifteenth U.S. Army, attached XXIII Corps, 28th Inf Div, sub-att. to 28th Inf Div Arty. Attached Seventh Army vic Trois-Fontaines, France. 2 Apr, moved vic Westerbürg, Germany, began maintenance and preparation for future operations. 8 Apr 45, Bn attached 8th TD Group and attached XVIII Airborne Corps. 11 Apr, moved near Brol, Germany. 12 Apr, attached to 13th Armd Div and operated with it on attack into Ruhr pocket to the Rhine. Advance rapid. During operations in the Ruhr, 278 rds of HE and 98 rds of APC expended. 18 Apr, Bn assembled vic Mettman, Germany and detached from 13th Armd Div and attached to 97th Inf Div. 19 Apr, moved to vic Kupperdreh, Germany. 20 Apr, reverted to control of XVIII Airborne Corps and moved to Dierinchausen, Germany. 22 Apr, moved to Wolfstein, Germany, to control of 28th Inf Div. 24 Apr, moved to Worms to relieve element of 141st Inf. 26 Apr, Bn relieved by 112th Inf Regt and moved to Zwiëbrücken, relieved 447th AAA Bn. 27-30 Apr, functioned in Military Government.

1-31 May 45

Mission to secure the Landkreis of Zweibrücken. Bn at Nied-Auerbach, attached 28th Div Arty, 28th Div Inf, XXIII U.S. Corps, Fifteenth U.S. Army.