

**"G" COMPANY JOURNAL
640th Tank Destroyer Battalion**

9 Jan. 45.

Disembarked at LINGAYEN, LUZON from USS KNCH, 1045.

15 Jan. 45.

Left LINGAYEN, LUZON, P.I. 0830, arrived AGUIAR, LUZON, P.I. 1800.

21 Jan. 45.

Left AGUIAR, LUZON, P.I. 0900, this date, arrived CAMILING, LUZON, P.I. 1730,
21 Jan. 45. permanent change of station V000.

22 Jan. 45.

Left CAMILING, LUZON, P.I. 0900 this date, arrived TARIAC, LUZON, P.I. 1200,
22 Jan. 45. Permanent change of station V000.

23 Jan. 45.

Left TARIAC, LUZON, P.I. 0700 this date, arrived DOLORES, LUZON, P.I. 1730,
23 Jan. 45. Permanent change of station V000. Coordinates (834.2-1859.7)
Map Luzon, 1:50,000.

24 Jan. 45.

Attached to 160th Infantry Regiment 0930 V000 left DOLORES, LUZON, P.I. 0945,
arrived BAMBAN, LUZON, P.I. 1100 24 Jan. 45 V000. 1st and 3rd Platoons attached
to 2nd Battalion, 160th Infantry Regiment at 1200 to support assault on high
ground, against enemy fortified positions. Coordinates (830.3 - 1845.4) Map
Luzon, 1:50,000. Returned to Regimental control 1600 24 Jan. 45. 2nd Platoon
attached to 3rd Battalion, 160th Infantry Regiment at 1200 to support assault on
high ground against enemy fortified positions. Coordinates (830.3 - 1847.25) Map
Luzon, 1:50,000. Returned to Regimental control at 1745 24 Jan. 45. Company
bivouac area coordinates (831.6 - 1849.3) Map Luzon, 1:50,000.

25 Jan. 45.

2nd Platoon attached to 2nd Battalion, 160th Infantry Regiment to continue support
of assault on high ground against enemy fortified positions. Coordinates (830.3 -
1847.25) Map Luzon, 1:50,000. Returned to Regimental control 1600 25 Jan. 45.
1st Platoon attached to 1st Battalion, 160th Infantry Regiment to continue support
of assault on high ground against enemy fortified positions. Coordinates (829.8 -
1843.6) Map Luzon, 1:50,000. Returned to Regimental control 1700 25 Jan. 45.
Left BAMBAN, LUZON, P.I. 1800 arrived CAPAS, LUZON, P.I. 2000 V000. Coordinates
(834.4 - 1854.5) Map Luzon, 1:50,000.

26 Jan. 45.

3rd Platoon attached to 3rd Battalion, 160th Infantry Regiment to continue support
of assault on high ground against enemy fortified positions. Coordinates (830 -
1846 to 824.3 - 1845.7) Map Luzon, 1:50,000. Returned to Regimental control 1700
26 Jan. 45.

30 Jan. 45.

Attached to 108th Infantry Regiment 0700 to support assault on high ground by 3rd
Battalion, 108th Infantry Regiment. Coordinates (829.5 - 1849.5) Map Luzon, 1:50,-
000. Released from attachment 108th Infantry Regiment 1345 V000.

31 Jan. 45.

Company attached 160th Infantry Regiment 0700 to support assault against enemy dug-in positions. Coordinates (826-1841) Map Luzon, 1:50,000. 2nd Platoon committed 0700. 1st and 3rd Platoons committed 1230 as reserves. Company released from attachment 160th Infantry Regiment and attached to 40th Infantry Division 1730 V000.

1 Feb. 45.

Left CABAS, LUZON, P.I. 0015 arrived PINAGPANAAN, LUZON, P.I. coordinates (874.7 - 1881.0) Map Luzon 1:50,000. Permanent change of stations. Distance traveled 60 miles.

2 Feb. 45.

Left PINAGPANAAN, LUZON, P.I. 1730, arrived CABANATUAN, LUZON, P.I. coordinates (879.5 - 1874.3) Map Luzon, P.I. 1:50,000. 1830 Permanent change of station. V000.

9 Feb. 45.

Left CABANATUAN, LUZON, P.I. 0700, arrived VADEFUENTE, LUZON, P.I. 0800. Coordinates (878.2 - 1876.5) Map Luzon, 1:50,000. Permanent change of station V000.

10 Feb. 45.

Left VADEFUENTE, LUZON, P.I. 1130, arrived river crossing HIGAA RIVER, coordinates (873.3 - 1897.4) Map Luzon, 1:50,000 1745. Permanent change of station V000.

11 Feb. 45.

Left coordinates (873.3 - 1897.4) 0730, arrived ROSARIO HEIGHTS EXTENSION, LUZON, P.I. 1200. Coordinates (888.1 - 1768.7) Map Luzon, 1:50,000. Permanent change of station V000.

12 Feb. 45.

Left ROSARIO HEIGHTS EXTENSION, LUZON, P.I. 1230, arrived coordinates (853.7 - 1809.4) Map Luzon, 1:50,000, 1700. Permanent change of station. V000.

13 Feb. 45.

Left coordinates (853.7 - 1809.4) 0800, arrived coordinates (813.5 - 1796.6) Map Luzon, 1:50,000, 1230. Permanent change of station V000. 2nd Platoon attached to 149th Infantry Regiment to assault enemy fortified positions, 1400 V000.

14 Feb. 45.

Company minus 2nd Platoon left coordinates (813.5 - 1796.6) Map Luzon, 1:50,000, arrived vicinity SAMAL, LUZON, P.I. coordinates (827 - 1787.8), 1730. Permanent change of station V000. Distance traveled 16 miles. 2nd Platoon continued support of 149th Infantry Regiment. Destroyed 1 enemy medium tank, 3 pill boxes, 8 light machine guns (aircraft type), after clearing of enemy positions, resulting in contact being made between 149th Infantry Regiment moving west and other elements of 38th Infantry Division moving east, the platoon was released from 149th Infantry Regiment, V000, and returned to Company "C", 640th TB Bn. at 1800.

18 Feb. 45.

Company left area at coordinates (827 - 1787.8) Map Luzon 1:50,000 arrived BALANGA, BATAAN, LUZON, P.I. coordinates (828.5 - 1775.4) Map Luzon, 1:50,000. Distance traveled 9.2 miles. Company attached to 149th Infantry Regiment for rations. Company attached to XI Corps for operations.

20 Feb. 45.

3rd Platoon attached to 1st Infantry Regiment 1100 V000. Present location coordinates (813.8 - 1768.9).

1st Platoon moved to vicinity RJ coordinates (820.5 - 1770.4) on road block mission, 1800, V00G.

22 Feb. 45.

3rd Platoon released from attachment to 1st Infantry Regiment 0900. Returned to Company control and arrived at Company bivouac area 1400. 1st Platoon released from road block mission and returned to Company bivouac area 1130.

23 Feb. 45.

1st Platoon attached to 149th Infantry Regiment per FO #14, Hq. 38th Infantry Division, 23 Feb. 45.

24 Feb. 45.

Left BALANGA, BATAAN, LUZON, P.I. 0630, arrived vicinity HERMOSA, BATAAN, LUZON, P.I. 1130, coordinates (821.8 - 1794.7) Map Luzon 1:50,000. Distance traveled 16.2 miles. 1st Platoon left BALANGA, BATAAN, LUZON, P.I. 1100 arrived BAGAC, BATAAN, LUZON, P.I., 1300, coordinates (810.3 - 1766.1) Map Luzon 1:50,000. 1st Platoon fired on nine enemy caves and filled openings with dirt. No known enemy dead.

2 Mar. 45.

1st Platoon left BAGAC, BATAAN, LUZON, P.I. coordinates (810.3 - 1766.1) arrived DINALUPIHAN, BATAAN, LUZON, P.I. coordinates (819.5 - 1799.5) Map Luzon, 1:50,000.

3 Mar. 45.

3rd Platoon security section assigned patrol mission commencing KULIS, BATAAN, LUZON, P.I. coordinates (821.3 - 1795.35) and proceeding southwest. Contact was made at 1100 with 3 enemy foot troops, coordinates (818 - 1793.6) Map Luzon, 1:50,000. 2 enemy killed, 1 escaped wounded. 1 U.S. rifles caliber .30 M1917 (Enfield) captured.

4 Mar. 45.

Reconnaissance continued on road net vicinity coordinates (818 - 1793) Map Luzon, 1:50,000 by 3rd Platoon. No contact.

5 Mar. 45.

Reconnaissance patrols continued. No contact.

7 Mar. 45.

Company attached to 3rd Battalion, 149th Infantry Regiment per FO #16 Hq. 38th Infantry Division, APO #38, dated 7 March 45.

8 Mar. 45.

Company left HERMOSA, BATAAN, LUZON, P.I., 0630, arrived FORT STORSENBERG, LUZON, P.I., 1300 coordinates (826.5 - 1836.7) Map Luzon, 1:50,000. Permanent change of station. Distance traveled 42 miles.

11 Mar. 45.

2nd Platoon supported 1st Battalion, 149th Infantry Regiment in mopping up operations at coordinates (819.5 - 1844.6) Map Luzon, 1:50,000.

12 Mar. 45.

Continued support was given the 1st Battalion by the 2nd Platoon. Six of the enemy were killed and one mortar position was destroyed by gun fire. No check was made for any enemy killed at this position, but the mortar was in action at the time it was fired on. This action took place at SUAR LEAF MOUNTAIN.

13 Mar. 45.

Our second platoon spearheaded another drive on SUGAR LOAF MOUNTAIN. Caves and gun positions were fired on and three caves were completely destroyed by 3" gun fire. One of the enemy was known as killed at this time. While on patrol duty with the infantry, TD Commander J. Tice and tank drivers Howel G. Wright were caught in a mine explosion. They were just passing a cave when the explosion occurred. Shell fragments caused Sgt. Tice to be slightly wounded while Tec 4 Wright was seriously wounded. They were rushed to a portable surgical hospital and treated. Tec 4 Wright died of his wounds at 2:30 the same day. Section Sgt. A.J. Howald was grazed by a bullet in the earlier action. He was treated and sent back to duty.

18 Mar. 45.

Company was relieved of its assignment with 149th Infantry Regiment and rejoined the Battalion at the WACK WACK COUNTRY CLUB, LUZON, P.I. at 1500.