

HEADQUARTERS
648th TANK DESTROYER BATTALION
APO 403, U. S. Army

8 December 1945

SUBJECT: Unit History, 1 July-3 December 1945 inclusive.

TO :

1. July - 11 July 1945 - Usual organizational duties.

12 July, 1945 - Headquarters Co.; 8 Officers and 77 enlisted men assigned from 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion; 6 Officers and 78 EM transferred and assigned from the 610th Tank Destroyer Battalion; 6 Officers and 78 14 EM enlisted men were transferred to 610th Tank Destroyer Battalion.

Company "A": 4 Officers & 72 EM assigned from 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion.

Company "B": 13 EM transferred to 610th Tank Destroyer Battalion; 3 Officers and 93 EM transferred to 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion; 4 Officers and 87 EM were assigned and joined from 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion; 1 Officer and 8 EM were assigned from 610th Tank Destroyer Battalion.

13 July 45 to 21 July 45 inclusive; usual organizational duties.

22 July 1945 - Reconnaissance Co; 19 EM transferred to 54th Reinf Depot.
Company "C"; 10 EM transferred to 36th Reinf Depot.

23 July 1945 to 31 July 1945 inclusive; usual organizational duties.
1 Aug., '45; 7 EM transferred to 610th Tank Destroyer Battalion.

2 August 1945 to 3 August 1945 inclusive; usual organizational duties.

4 August 1945; Reconnaissance Co; 63 EM were transferred to the 384th Field Artillery Battalion.

Company "C"; 5 EM transferred to 383d Field Artillery Battalion.

Company "B"; 1 Officer & 65 EM transferred to 383d Field Artillery Battalion.

Headquarters Co; 30 EM transferred to 383 Field Artillery Battalion, and 37 EM transferred to 384th Field Artillery Battalion.

5 August 1945 to 4 September 1945 inclusive; usual organizational duties.

5 September 1945; 2 Officers transferred to 17th Reinf. Depot. 19 EM were transferred to 15th Tank Battalion.

6 Sept '45 to 7 Sept '45 inclusive; usual organizational duties.

8 September 1945; Company "B"; 15 EM transferred to 15th Tank Battalion.

9 September 1945 to 30 September 1945 inclusive: Usual organizational duties.

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Hq. Co.,

1 October 1945; /36 EM assigned from 788th Engr. Pet. Dist. Co.; 17 EM assigned from 97th Sig. Bn.; 6 EM asgd. from 432nd Md. Bn; 3 EM asgd fr Hq XV Corps.

2 October 1945; Hq., Co.; 11 EM asgd from 391st AAS AW Bn; 5 EM asgd fr 26th Inf; 6 EM asgd fr 15th Tank Bn; 1 EM asgd fr 450th Med Col Co; 1 EM asgd from 1st Engr CombT Bn.

Reconnaissance Co; 20 EM asgd fr 16th Reinf Depot; 25 EM asgd fr 895th AAA AW Bn;.

Company "A"; 26 EM asgd fr 134th Chem Mtr. Co.; 17 EM asgd fr 391st AAA AW Bn; 17 EM asgd fr 353rd AAA Searchlight Bn.

Company "B"; 9 EM asgd fr 134th Chem Mtr Co; 26 EM asgd fr 135th Chem Mtr Co; 26 EM asgd fr 133rd Chem Mtr Co; 11 EM asgd and jd fr 132 Chem Mtr Co.

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3 October 1945; Reconnaissance Co; 24 EM asgd & jd fr 70th Tank Bn.

Company "A"; 22 EM asgd fr 70th Tank Bn.

Company "B"; 12 EM asgd & jd fr 70th Tank Bn; 10 EM asgd fr 68th Tank Bn.

Company "C"; 58 EM asgd fr 15th Tank Bn; 51 EM asgd fr 68th Tank Bn.

Entire battalion departed Coor ~~00~~ WO-335985 Zirndorf, Germany at 2200 hrs enroute to AAC, Cp Chicago Arr Coor O-167160 Cp Chicago at 1100 hrs dist travelled 435 miles Preparing for redeployment to United States for deactivation.

4 October 1945 to 12 October 1945 inclusive; Preparing for redeployment to US.

13 October 1945; "38 EM trfe to 88th Cav Rcn Sq (M) 8th Armd Div; 33 EM asgd fr 130th Armd Ord Maint Bn.(Hq Co.)"; Reconnaissance Co; 22 EM asgd fr 53rd Engr Bn; 37 EM trfd to 58th Cav Rcn Sq, 8th Armd Div.;

Company "A" 32 EM trfd to 88th Cav Recn Sq; 23 EM asgd fr 53rd Armd Engr Bn.

Company "B" 33 EM asgd to 88th Cav Rcn Sq; 23 EM asgd fr 130th Armd Ord Bn.

Company "C" 26 EM trfd to 88th Cav Rcn Sq.; 13 EM asgd fr 130th Armd Ord Div.(Maint)

14 October 1945 to 26 October 1945 inclusive; Preparing for redeployment to United States.

27 October 1945; Hq Co., 70 EM trfd to 200th FA Bn, 74 EM asgd fr 603rd TD Bn.

Rcn. Co., 53 EM trfd to 200th FA Bn, 42 EM asgd fr 447th Ord Ham Co.

Company "A", 54 EM trfd to 200th FA Bn.; 62 EM asgd fr 603d TD Bn.

Company "B" 53 EM trfd to 200th FA Bn.; 43 EM asgd fr 603d TD Bn.

Company "C" 18 EM trfd to 200th FA Bn.; 6 EM asgd fr 603d TD Bn.; 22 EM asgd fr 447th Ord Ham Co.

28 October 1945 to 4 Nov 1945 inclusive; Preparing for redeployment to U.S.

5 November 1945; Major John J Murphy, O-504989, asgd & jd fr 811th Sig. Port Sv. Co. and assumed command.

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6 November 1945; Company "A", 11 EM asgd fr 376th AAA AW Bn.
Company "B", 13 EM asgd fr 376th AA A AW Bn.
Company "C", 14 EM asgd fr 376th AAA AW Bn.

7 November 1945; to 20 November 1945 inclusive; Preparing for redeployment to US.

21 November 1945; Hq. Co., 35 EM trfd to 187th FA Bn.
Reconnaissance Co., 25 EM trfd to 187th FA Bn.
Company "B", 18 EM trfd to 187th FA Bn.
Company "C", 12 EM trfd to 187th FA Bn.

22 November 1945; Battalion departed Coor O-167160 Cp Chicago at 1700 hours enroute to Calas Staging Area, Calas, France by RR. Arrived Coor BT-4333 Calas, France 0400 hours 25 November 1945.

26 November to 27 November 1945 inclusive; Preparing for redeployment to US.

28 November 1945; Hq Co., 27 EM asgd fr A/U Co A, 1st S/A Bn.
Reconnaissance Co, 28 EM asgd fr A/U Co A 1st S/A Bn.

29 November 1945; Preparing for redeployment to U.S.

30 November 1945; Company "B", 16 EM asgd fr Hq Co, 1st S/A Bn.

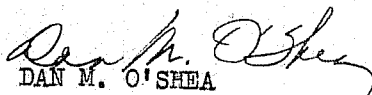
1 Dec '45 to 2 Dec '45 inclusive; Preparing for redeployment to U.S.

3 December 1945; Departed from Calas Staging Area for United States aboard the U.S.A.T. J. W. Mc Andrew.

The original personnel of this organization were all transferred to other units by the redeployment process. The majority of the personnel currently assigned, joined at Camp Chicago Assembly Area Command APO 513 U.S. Army on or after 26 October 1945.

A thorough and complete search of the files and records of this battalion did not reveal any facts which would serve as a basis for a unit history. The above data was taken from the Morning Reports of this organization for the period 1 July 1945 to 3 December 1945, being the only available source of information.

For the Commanding Officer;


DAN M. O'SHEA
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