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S-3 Report

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 702nd Tank Destroyer Battalion

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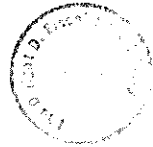
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1. Our front lines: Fluid. See attached overlay.
2. Location of troops: Battalion CP and Combat trains: 440486. Company "A" plus one platoon Ren Co: Vicinity Ville-Baudon. Company "B" plus one platoon Ren Co: Vicinity Les Grands. Company "C" plus one platoon Ren Co: Vicinity La Denisiere.
3. Location of Adjacent units and supporting troops: See attached overlay.
4. Weather and visibility: Does not apply.
5. Our operations for the period: Moved from vicinity of Balleroy to defensive position vicinity of Livry, relieved British anti-tank units along that line (022300 July). Indirect fire mission given one company under control of Polygon. Approximately 165 missions fired by companies "A" and "B" during period: 6-17 July 1944. Relieved from front lines 17 July 1944. Two officers and twenty enlisted men casualties during above period. One M-10 damaged and replaced. From 18-25 July 1944, unit in bivouac at coordinates 671748 preparing for future operations.
 26 July battalion, less one company (Company "C" and one platoon Ren Co atchd to CCB) attached to CCA for attack on VII Corps front, 171716
 En less Company "C" moved into assembly area at 274718 and moved in two columns of CCA. Assisted in taking of first objective, assembly area at 648543. Two M-10's temporarily out of action. Seven wounded, one killed.
 Assisted in anti-tank defense of assembly area CCA and fired indirect fire mission on Villervoudon during day 27 July 1944.
 Alerted at 281500 and moved out at 2200 in three columns in CCA, attack towards south and remainder of Battalion less Company "C", attached CCB in center column. In attack motion during 29 July 1944, all elements of Battalion, less Company "C" reassigned to West column on 30 July 1944. Attack continued 31 July 1944.
 Company "B", less one platoon, supported by 22nd Infantry, formed AT defense line below La Denisiere throughout day 31 July 1944.
 One platoon Company "B" (3 guns) stationed at Villeboudon. Received heavy shell fire throughout day. One enemy machine gun nest destroyed (further check on 58 silenced at Moyon on 29th by same platoon showed it had been knocked out; credit given)
 Company "A" in position north of Beaucoudray to protect CCA assembly area during attack phase. Had further mission of moving forward to protect first objective when taken. Heavy shellfire during day 31 July 1944. (One casualty suffered by Reconnaissance Company, one by Company "A")
6. Combat efficiency: Excellent: Short one M-10, Company "B" (expected return shortly); several trailers, and one 1 1/2 ton truck.
7. Results of operations: Assisted in drive of Second Armored Division on mission of breakthrough to shoth. Eleven enemy tanks destroyed, approximately thirty prisoners taken.

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