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Saw your note in the AARP and will give you some info about myself, my association w/ the TD's, etc.

I was a 2nd Lt in mar '40 w/ the 19th FA Bn, a part of the 5th Inf Div. We were at Ft. Knox in 1940 and late '40 the entire 5th Div assembled at Ft. Custer, Mich.

Spring '41 the 605th AT Bn was formed from parts of the 19th, 21st & 46th FA Bn. Later on we became the 605th TD Bn.

In 1942 we moved to Camp Hood, Texas out in the "boonies" and after a while moved into Ft. Hood proper. Became School Troops, eventually went to Ft. Jackson, S.C. & became part of the 13th TD Gp. At that time I became S-2 of the Gp - we had three Bns.

Eventually the entire Gp plus Bns went to Seattle and ended up in Hawaii in 1944. From there we all went to the Phillipines in 1945, had about 30 days of patrolling & were part of 8th Army when the war ended in sept '45.

We then took over the administr'n

of the island of Mindoro, airports, docks, everything. We were attached to the 96th Inf Div who had just come back from the Okinawa campaign - a great, great bunch of people.

Early 1946 we came back to the States and disbanded at Ft. Mac Arthur near ~~S~~^{San} Pedro, Calif.

I believe somewhere I have a history of the 605th TD Bn. While I went east with the 13th TD GP, they went to Europe and had a fine combat record - believe as part of the 3rd Army, crossed the Rhine, etc. If I find the 605th history I will send it to you, if you are interested.

Incidentally, I was discharged in '47 as a Lt. Col, am an engineer & had an office in S.F. at Montgomery & Bush from '56-'64 and lived in Orinda. Sure enjoyed those years out there.

Am retired doing part time work consulting and hope to stop working in a few years.

Hope this is what your looking for.

Respectfully,
