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HEADQUARTERS 631ST TANK DESTROYER BATTALION
APO 403 U S Army

23 February 1945

SUBJECT: Organization History.

TO : The Adjutant General, Washington 25, D. C.

In compliance with AR 345-105, forwarded herewith is a history of this organization for the year of 1944.

For the Battalion Commander:

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✓ Incl: History of 631st
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1944 HISTORY

631ST TANK DESTROYER BATTALION (TOWED)

1. In compliance with AR 345-105, as amended, history of this organization for the year 1944 is submitted.

a. Original Unit: No Change.

b. Changes in Organization: Change 1 to T/O 18-35, 28 March 1944, resulted in the loss of Dental Officer and Dental Technician. WD Circular No. 201, 1944, resulted in the loss of 5% of basic privates (35 EM).

c. Strength, Commissioned and Enlisted:

	Hq & Hq Co		Co "A"		Co "B"		Co "C"		Med Det		Total			
	O	WO	O	EM	O	EM	O	EM	O	EM	O	WO	EM	
1 Jan 44	22	1	189	11	216	11	216	10	217	2	22	56	1	859
31 Jan 44	20	1	189	11	216	11	212	11	207	2	22	55	1	846
1 Feb 44	20	1	190	11	215	11	212	11	207	2	22	55	1	846
29 Feb 44	22	1	187	12	214	11	209	11	206	2	22	58	1	838
1 Mar 44	22	1	187	12	214	11	209	11	206	2	22	58	1	838
31 Mar 44	16	2	156	5	197	6	196	6	197	2	17	35	2	763
1 Apr 44	16	2	156	5	197	6	196	6	197	2	17	35	2	763
30 Apr 44	15	2	156	5	197	5	198	5	197	2	17	32	2	765
1 May 44	15	2	156	5	197	5	197	5	197	2	17	32	2	765
31 May 44	15	2	160	5	197	5	197	5	197	2	17	32	2	768
1 Jun 44	15	2	160	5	197	5	197	5	197	2	17	32	2	768
30 Jun 44	15	2	157	5	196	5	197	5	197	1	17	31	2	764
1 Jul 44	15	2	157	5	196	5	197	5	197	1	17	31	2	764
31 Jul 44	15	2	148	5	189	5	188	5	188	1	16	31	2	729
1 Aug 44	15	2	148	5	189	5	188	5	188	1	16	31	2	729
31 Aug 44	15	2	147	5	188	5	187	5	188	1	16	31	2	726
1 Sep 44	15	2	147	5	188	5	187	5	188	1	16	31	2	726
30 Sep 44	15	2	149	5	188	5	188	5	188	1	16	31	2	729
1 Oct 44	15	2	149	5	188	5	188	5	188	1	16	31	2	729
31 Oct 44	15	2	149	5	188	5	188	5	187	1	16	31	2	728
1 Nov 44	15	2	149	5	188	5	188	5	187	1	16	31	2	728
30 Nov 44	15	2	149	5	188	5	186	5	187	1	16	31	2	726
1 Dec 44	15	2	149	5	188	5	186	5	187	1	16	31	2	726
31 Dec 44	14	2	143	5	167	5	168	5	168	1	15	30	2	651

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d. Stations:

- 1 Jan 44 Camp Shelby, Miss. (Permanent Station since 2 April 1943)
- 17 Mar 44 Advance Detachment (1 O 1 WO 1 EM) left Camp Shelby Miss by rail for NYPE for further movement by water Transportation to New Permanent Station.
- 20 Mar 44 Advance Detachment arrived, Fort Hamilton, New York (NYPE).
- 22 Mar 44 Advance Detachment embarked for overseas destination.
- 10 Apr 44 Advance Detachment arrived at overseas destination.
- 13 Apr 44 Battalion (- Adv Det) left Camp Shelby, Miss by rail for NYPE for further movement by water Transportation to New Permanent Station.
- 15 Apr 44 Battalion (- Adv Det) arrived Camp Kilmer, New Jersey (NYPE).
- 13 May 44 Battalion (- Adv Det) left Camp Kilmer, N. J. by rail for Fort Dix N. J. for Temporary Change of Station. Arrived Ft Dix same date.
- 20 Jul 44 Battalion (- Adv Det) left Fort Dix, N. J. by rail for Camp Kilmer, N. J. for Temporary Change of Station. Arrived Camp Kilmer same date.
- 23 Jul 44 Battalion (- Adv Det) left Camp Kilmer, N. J. for Staten Island, N Y and boarded transport same date. Travel by rail and water.
- 26 Jul 44 Battalion (- Adv Det) sailed from Staten Island, N. Y. on USS General J. R. Brooke for overseas destination.
- 5 Aug 44 Battalion (- Adv Det) arrived Gourock Scotland, disembarked and boarded train for England.
- 6 Aug 44 Battalion (- Adv Det) arrived Llanmartin, Monmouthshire, England (New Permanent Station).
- 27 Aug 44 Battalion left Llanmartin England for Dorchester, Dorset, England New Temporary Station and arrived same date.
- 29 Aug 44 Battalion left Dorchester England for Weymouth, England, New Temporary Station, arrived same date and boarded ships for France.
- 31 Aug 44 Battalion arrived Utah Beach, France and disembarked for Continental Operations and New Permanent Station.

e. Marches:

- 31 Aug 44 Motor March from Utah Beach, France to Landivy, France, distance traveled 95 miles. Enroute to join Third U S Army. Weather- clear, roads - good.

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e. Marches: (Cont'd)

- 1 Sep 44 Motor March from Landivy, France to Droue, France, distance traveled 125 miles. Enroute to join Third U S Army. Weather - clear, roads - good.
- 7 Sep 44 Motor March from Droue, France to Vernoy, France, distance traveled 115 miles. Enroute to join Third U S Army. Weather - clear, roads - good.
- 11 Sep 44 Motor March from Vernoy, France to Ronvaux, France, distance traveled 165 miles. Enroute to join Third U S Army for new assignment. Weather - cold and clear, roads - good.
- 13 Oct 44 Motor March from Ronvaux, France to Nancy, France, distance traveled 55 miles. Assignment to mission. Weather - clear, roads - good.
- 17 Dec 44 Motor March from Nancy France to St Avoild France, distance 55 miles. Assignment to new mission. Weather - cloudy, roads - good.
- 19 Dec 44 Motor March from St Avoild France to Nancy France, distance 55 miles. Change in assignment. Weather - cloudy, roads - good.
- 28 Dec 44 Motor March from Nancy France to Luxembourg, Luxembourg, distance 105 miles. New assignment. Weather - cold and cloudy, roads - wet and slippery.

f. Campaigns:

- (1) Northern France. 31 Aug 44 to 14 Sep 44.
Purpose: For the Defeat of Germany.
Authority Ordering: Ltr Hq ETOUSA, 31 Jan 45, file AG 200.6
OpGA, Sub: Battle Participation Awards.
- (2) Germany. 15 Sep 44 to (date to be announced).
Purpose: For the Defeat of Germany.
Authority: Ltr Hq ETOUSA, 24 Dec 44, file AG 200.6 OpGA
Sub: Battle Participation Awards.

g. Battles: None

h. Commanding Officers in Important Engagements: No Change.

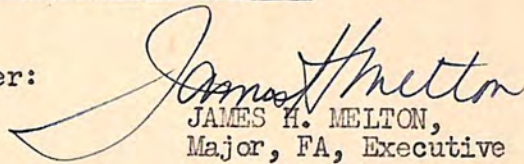
i. Losses in Action; Officers and Men: None.

j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in action: None.

k. Photographs of personnel, important scenes or events: None

For the Battalion Commander:

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