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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 1 June 1944

To: 2400 1 June 1944

Place: 047448

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Bn CP vicinity 047448, closing at 2100 hrs. Co A CP vicinity 060485 2 platoons at 050506, 1 platoon at 056492. Co B at 024505. Co C no change. Ren Co no change. Rear echelon at 055438, closing at 1200 hrs. Co A expended 80 rds HE at bldgs to NW of their position. Co B & Co C protecting this sector in anti-tank positions. One (1) M-10 Co A knocked out by enemy fire vicinity 056492. Co A made direct hits on buildings with good results. Weather: Clear and Warm.	
1800		1	1800	Pvt Raymond B. Bloms, 20745026 SNA by enemy arty fire. Sgt Louis M. Lacassie, 39231795, LWA by enemy arty fire this date. Sgt Clement S. Landaker, 37169986, & Cpl Olen O. Nation, 37151428, LWA by enemy arty this date. All EM evacuated. See Annex "A" and "B"	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 2 June 1944

To: 2400 2 June 1944

Place: 033488

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Co A at 033488, Co B at 002523, Co C at 020510, Rcn Co at 052438, closing at 1000 hrs. Bn CP at 033488 (vic N of Lariano, Italy) Rear echelon at 055483. Estimated 60 to 75 enemy killed by direct fire of Co A. Thirty-one prisoners turned into PW Cage - captured by Co A in period ending 1800 hrs, 1 Jun 44 Co B and Co C supporting Infantry and in anti-tank positions supporting Division Sector. Weather: - Clear and Warm.	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 3 June 1944

To: 2400 3 June 1944

Place: 011522

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	<p>Bn CP at 011522, closing at 1620 hrs. Co A vicinity 938557, Co B at 979567, Co C at 934578. Ren Co vicinity 021507, closing at 1700 hrs. Rear echelon at 033488, closing at 1500 hrs. Co A, B, & C advancing forward and continuing support of attack east of Rome, Italy. Co B expended 8 rds HE at suspected enemy positions.</p> <p>Weather: - Warm.</p>	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 4 June 1944

To: 2400 4 June 1944

Place: 877581

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800		2	1800	Pvt Jim Tom, Jr. 38011426, LWA this date by enemy arty fire. EM evacuated. See Annex "A" & "B"	
1900			1900	Co A vicinity 824621, Co B - 2 platoons vicinity 889579, 1 platoon 807645, Co C at 812599. Rcn Co at 877581, Rear echelon at 882577. Bn CP at 877581. 4 guns Co B atchd to Tank Force with mission of enter- ing Rome, Italy, & capturing three bridges crossing Tiber River. Co A expended 130 rds HE and 15 AP as of 1800 hrs 3 Jun 1944 at targets in sector supporting advancing tanks. Co A captured from 75 to 80 PW's as of 1800 hrs 3 June 1944 vicinity 951543. Co A captured 140 PW's as of 1400 hrs 4 June 1944, vicinity 824621. Co A destroyed 2 self-prop- elled enemy (170's) vicinity of 951543. Weather: - Clear and Warm.	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 5 June 1944

To: 2400 5 June 1944

Place: 734697

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Bn CP vicinity 734697(Rome). Co A vicinity 697710, 6 guns at 697-717, 6 guns at 727707. Co "B" and "C" in Rome, Italy. Remainder of Bn no change. Co A in support of 339th Infantry. Weather: Clear & Warm.	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 6 June 1944

To: 2400 6 June 1944

Place: 676792

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Bn CP vicinity of 676792, closing at 1300 hrs. Co A - 6 guns vicinity 665845, 6 guns vicinity 642-808. Co B & C vicinity 673760. Ren Co vicinity 713714, rear echelon at 692712. Co A in support of Combat Team No. 9. Co A expended 200 rds HE direct fire at targets in sector. Co B and C general support - anti-tank defense in of Division zone. Co A destroyed one Mark VI tank by direct fire at 660814 at 1430 hrs 6 June 1944. Weather: Clear & Warm.	
1800		3	1800	2nd Lt John B. Haywood, 01703035, & Sgt Charles A. Anderson, 37169951, SNA this date by enemy arty fire. Tec 5 Dahlen M. Jensen, 20761008, LNA by enemy arty fire this date. All evacuated. See Annex "A" and "B"	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 7 June 1944

To: 2400 7 Juen 1944

Place: 626913

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	<p>Bn CP vicinity 626913, Co A at 640905, Co B - 1 platoon at 590975 1 platoon headed for vicinity Monterosi, Italy. Co C - 1 platoon 590923, 1 platoon vicinity 610925, 1 platoon vicinity 590921. Ren Co at 626913. Rear echelon 626913. Co B in support of 337th Infantry. Co C in support of 338th Infantry. Co B expended 68 rds HE and three Ap at targets in its sector. Co B destroyer one (1) Mark IV tank vicinity Monteroni, Italy, at 1700 hrs.</p> <p>Weather: - Clear and Warm</p>	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 8 June 1944

To: 2400 8 June 1944

Place: 582063

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	<p>Co A and C in general vicinity 582063. Co B vicinity 597010, Rcn Co vicinity 601032. Rear Echelon at 592038, Bn GP at 582063. Co A and C under control of Task Force. Co B in support of 337th Infantry.</p> <p>Weather: Clear and Warm.</p>	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 9 June 1944

To: 2400 9 June 1944

Place: 518118

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2100			2100	Bn CP vicinity 518118(Ronciglione, Italy) alsoing at 2000 hrs. Co A vicinity 527137, Co G vicinity 503197. Remainder of Bn - no change. Weather: Clear and Warm.	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 10 June 1944

To: 2400 10 June 1944

Place: 518118

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Co C at 518127. Remainder of Bn No Change. Bn prepared to move to assembly area, to be designated by 85th Inf. Division. Weather: Clear and Warm.	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 11 June 1944

To: 2400 11 June 1944

Place: 518118

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	<p>Co A at 527137, Co B at 597010, Co C at 518127, Rcn Co at 601032, Rear echelon at 582063, Bn CP at 518118. Bn is detached from 85th Division and II Corps and atchd to IV Corps Artillery in Corps anti-tank reserve as of 1200 hrs June 11, 1944.</p> <p>Weather: Clear and Warm.</p>	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 12 June 1944 0001

To: 12 June 1944 2400

Place: 083140

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Bn in assembly area (designated by IV Corps) at 083140 (vicinity Mentalto, Italy, elseing at 1515 hrs) Weather: Clear and Warm	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 13 June 1944 0001

To: 13 June 1944 2400

Place: 083140

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	No Change. Weather: Partly cloudy.	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 14 June 1944

To: 2400 16 June 1944

Place: 083140

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	No Change. Weather: Clear and Warm	
		<u>15 June 1944</u>			
1800			1800	No Change. Weather: Clear and Warm	
		<u>16 June 1944</u>			
1800			1800	No Change. Weather: Partly cloudy and scattered showers.	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 19 June 1944

To: 2400 19 June 1944

Place: Near Grosseto, Italy

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Bn enroute to new assembly area vicinity of Grosseto, Italy, at 1200 hrs. Closed in assembly area at 1600 19 June 1944. Weather: Scattered Showers	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 20 June 1944

To: 2400 20 June 1944

Place: Near Grosseto, Italy.

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Bn on 30 minute alert as of 0730 hrs. Rcn Co reconnoitered for gun positions in areas N of Grosseto, designated for firing Companies. Weather: Scattered Showers.	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 21 June 1944

To: 2400 21 June 1944

Place: Near Grosseto Italy.

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Co. "C" at 739800 and atchd to 1st Armd Div as of 0645 hrs this date.	
1800		5	1800	S/Sgt Walter A. Binsz, 37170105, and Sgt Oliver J. Stevens, 3113- 1235, LWA this date by enemy arty fire. EM not evacuated. See Annex "A" & "B" Weather: Clear and Warm	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 22 June 1944

To: 2400 22 June 1944

Place: Near Grosseto, Italy

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Bn alerted and to be committed by Task Force Ramey. Weather: Partly Cloudy and scattered showers.	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 23 June 1944

To: 2400 23 June 1944

Place: 765754

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Bn CP vicinity 765754, Co A at 745845, Co B at 755841, Co. C CP at 785843, 1 platoon 720890, one platoon at 802859, one platoon at 740860. Ren Co at 750718, Rear echelon at 735708. Co A and B to support attack of Task Force Ramey. Co C supporting 81st Ren Squadron. Weather: Clear and Warm.	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 24 June 1944

To: 2400 24 June 1944

Place: 732799

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Bn CP vicinity 732799(Batignano) Co A at 750847, Co B at 752847, Co C at 750920, Rcn Co at 750810 rear echelon at 732799. Co C capt- ured 4 prisoners of war and destroyed three 75mm anti-tank guns in vic- inity of Civitella, Italy at 1530 hrs, direct fire expending 60 rds HE and 12 rds AP. Unknown number of enemy killed by direct fire. Weather: Clear and Warm.	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 25 June 1944

To: 2400 25 June 1944

Place: 732799

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Co C CP at 700900(Tarniella) one platoon vicinity of 710899, one platoon vicinity 721894, one platoon vicinity 736910. Remainder of Bn - no change. Co C expended 22 rds HE at bldgs in sector supporting 81st Ren Squadron.	
2000		6	2000	Sgt Sigval M. Carlson, 20745774, Sgt Francis N. Zerr, 20745750, and Tec 5 Norman C. Tutoit, 37081830 KIA this date by enemy mine. S/Sgt Reuben W. Jodsaas, 20745762, LWA this date by enemy mine. Sgt Jodsaas not evacuated. See Annex "A" & "B" Weather: Partly Cloudy and Warm.	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 26 June 1944

To: 2400 26 June 1944

Place: 732799

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	No Change. Weather: Partly Cloudy and Rain.	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 ~~732x~~ 27 June 1944

To: 2400 27 June 1944

Place: 732799

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Co C - 2 guns vicinity 757975, 2 guns vicinity 768979 blocking road, one platoon now advancing up road towards Monticiano in support of 81st Ren Squadron. One platoon in reserve vicinity 727919. Co C CP vicinity 7391, remainder of Bn No Change. Weather: Partly Cloudy and Warm.	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 28 June 1944

To: 2400 28 June 1944

Place: 732799

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	Co A CP vicinity 701988, 2 platoons vicinity 688984, Co C CP vicinity 701988, 2 guns vicinity 698905, 2 guns vicinity 784978. Remainder of Bn - No Change. Co A relieving Co C as of 1500 hrs supporting advance of 81st Rcn Co. One platoon Co C expended 34 rds HE at targets vicinity 701024 direct fire. Good effect on enemy Inf. Assembly area. Weather: Partly Cloudy and Warm.	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 29 June 1944

To: 2400 29 June 1944

Place: 318986

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
2000			2000	<p>Bn CP and rear echelon vicinity of 318986, closing at 1900 hrs. Co A vicinity Monticiano, Italy. Co B vicinity 325992. Co C enroute to assembly area vicinity 320990 fr Monticiano. Ren Co at 295055 vicinity of Montiverdi. Co A expended 32 rds HE in support of 81st Ren Squadron, one M-10 Co A destroyed by land mine vicinity of Monticiano, Italy.</p> <p>Weather: Clear and Warm.</p>	

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Organization: 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion

From: 0001 30 June 1944

To: 2400 30 June 1944

Place: 318986

Time		Serial No.	Time Dated	Incidents, Messages, Orders	Action Taken
In	Out				
1800			1800	<p>Co A CP vicinity 682027, 1 platoon vicinity 705078, 1 platoon at 692-079, 1 platoon at 671098. Ren Co in assembly area vicinity 3299 with remainder of Bn S of Montevardi. Co A still supporting 81st Rea Squad. 1 platoon Co A doing observed fire against enemy infantry and guns vicinity 707089. Resistance strong at present. Co A fired on town of Pentolina (705048) at 1700 hrs 29 June 1944, firing on enemy Inf. known to have been in blgds. Enemy anti-tank gun later found in town knocked out by HE.</p> <p>Weather: Clear and Warm.</p>	

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**Pvt Raymond B. Bloms, 20745026, SWA by enemy arty
fire this date. Sgt Louis M. Iacassia, 39231795,
LWA by enemy arty fire this date. Sgt Clement S.
Landaker, 37169986, & Cpl Olen O. Nation, 37151428,
LWA by enemy arty fire this date. All EM evacuated.**

CO Co "A" 776th TD Bn

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DATE **4 June 1944**

To **CO 776th TD Bn (Att: S-1)**

Pvt Jim Tom, Jr. 38011426, LMA this date by

enemy artillery fire. EM Evacuated.

CO Co "A" 776th TD Bn

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No. 3	DATE 6 June 1944	
To CO 776th TD Bn., Att: S-1		
<p>2nd Lt John B. Haywood, 01703035, and Sgt Charles A. Anderson, 37169951, SNA this date by enemy Arty fire. Tec 5 Dahlen M. Jensen, 20761008, LNA by enemy arty fire this date. All evacuated.</p>		
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To **CO 776th TD Bn., Att: S-1**

2nd Lt. John B. Haywood, 01703035, SWA by enemy

arty fire on 6 June 1944, DOW, 7 June 1944 at the

10th Field Hospital.

Surgeon, 776th TD Bn

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DATE **21 June 1944**

To **CO 776th TD Bn., AttP-S-1**

S/Sgt Walter A. Binsz, 37170105, and Sgt Oliver

J. Stevens, 31131235, LWA this date by enemy

arty fire. EM not evacuated.

CO Co. "C" 776th TD Bn

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No. 6	DATE 25 June 1944	
To CO 776th TD Bn., Att: S-1		
Sgt Sigval M. Carlson , 20745774, Sgt Francis N.		
Zerr , 20745750, and Tec 5 Norman C. Dutoit , 3708-		
1830, KIA this date by enemy mine. S/Sgt Reuben W.		
Jodsaas , 20745762, LWA this date by enemy mine.		
Sgt Jodsaas not evacuated.		
CO Co. "B" 776th TD Bn		2000
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Month of June 1944

CASUALTY REPORT

BATTLE CASUALTIES

1 June 1944

Pvt Raymond B. Bloms	20745026	SWA
Sgt Louis M. Lacassie	39231795	LWA
Sgt Clement S. Landaker	37169986	LWA
Cpl Olen O. Nation	37151428	LWA

4 June 1944

Jim Tom, Jr. Pvt	38011426	LWA
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6 June 1944

2nd Lt. John B. Haywood	01703035	SWA
Sgt Charles A. Anderson	37169951	SWA
Tec 5 Dahlen M. Jensen	20761008	LWA

18 June 1944

2nd Lt. John B. Haywood	01703035	DOW (7 June 1944)
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25 June 1944

Sgt Sigval M. Carlson	20745774	KIA
Sgt Francis N. Zerr	20745750	KIA
Tec 5 Norman C. Dutoit	37081830	KIA

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