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HEADQUARTERS
 703RD TANK DESTROYER BATTALION
 APO 230, U.S. Army

GWB/jgd

1 May 1945

- A. UNIT: 703RD TANK DESTROYER BATTALION.
- B. CHANGES IN ORGANIZATION:
 - 1. None - Battalion remained attached to Third Armored Division.
- C. STRENGTH:

31 Mar 45:	34	Officers	-	1	W.O.	-	593	EM
30 Apr 45:	33	Officers	-	1	W.O.	-	588	EM
DECREASE:		1	Officers				5	EM
- D. STATIONS: Does not apply (see narrative for locations).
- E. MARCHES: Does not apply (see narrative for details).
- F. CAMPAIGNS:
 - 1. WESTERN GERMANY
 From: 1 Apr 45 to 30 Apr 45
- G. BATTLES: (see narrative).
- H. COMMANDING OFFICERS:

Battalion Commander :	Lt Col Wilbur B. SHOWALTER
"A" Company Commander :	Captain John W. Cole
	From: 1 Apr to 23 Apr 45
	1st Lt Ralph L. HENDERSON
	From: 23 Apr to 30 Apr 45
"B" Company Commander :	Captain Henry P. GOSCH
"C" Company Commander :	Captain Donald W. SIBERT
Rcn Company Commander :	Captain Jack V. MURRAY
Hq Company Commander :	Captain Sydney S. SMITH
- I. LOSSES IN ACTION:

Battle Casualties

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

None

"A" COMPANY

Langbecker, Elmer W., 36213432	Tec 4	20 Apr	LWA
Creviston, Ray J., 36234935	Tec 5	20 Apr	LWA
Lesczynski, Henry, 32214090	Pfc	20 Apr	LWA

I. Losses In Action: (cont'd)

BATTLE CASUALTIES

"B" COMPANY

Petrekovich, Frederick J., 36078041	S/Sgt	8 Apr	KIA
Langerveld, Richard Jr., 36183772	Cpl	14 Apr	LWA
DeMarco, Frank J., 32200033	Tec 5	17 Apr	KIA
Freddice, Donald C., 32943347	Pfc	17 Apr	SWA
Greenan, John M., 32233504	Cpl	17 Apr	LWA
Collins, Thomas S., 38417780	Cpl	17 Apr	LWA
Clark, John H. Jr, 33859221	Pfc	18 Apr	LWA

"C" COMPANY

Wilkins, Waymen, 14011068	Pfc	15 Apr	LWA
Weir, William F. Jr., 38346342	Pfc	14 Apr	LWA

RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY

Edwards, John E., 01824153	2d Lt	29 Mar	KIA
Buegeler, Elbert L., 38157439	Pfc	30 Mar	LWA
Paulachok, Nicholas, 33143895	Tec 5	29 Mar	KIA
Anderson, William C., 34284984	Pfc	29 Mar	LWA
Burch, Wilbur F., 37010574	Pfc	29 Mar	LWA
Marmino, Angelo J., 36078265	Pfc	17 Apr	LWA
Murray, James A., 33153123	Pfc	17 Apr	KIA

MEDICAL DETACHMENT

None

NON-BATTLE CASUALTIES

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

None

"A" COMPANY

Holland, Patrick T., 35304950	Tec 5	30 Mar	Slight Injury
Miller, Frank L., 32213659	Sgt	13 Apr	Disease Slight
Thornhill, Orval W., 20846792	S/Sgt	17 Apr	Disease Slight
Cole, John W., 0450469	Capt	23 Apr	Slightly Injure
Rugiroli, Victor J., 36116499	1st Sgt	23 Apr	Slightly Injure
Bretschneider, Lawrence T., 33139592	Cpl	24 Apr	Slightly Injure (SIW)

"B" COMPANY

Grasso, Anthony, 42008185	Pfc	27 Mar	Slightly Injure
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"C" COMPANY

Gay, Roster O., 34078808	S/Sgt	19 Apr	Slightly Injure
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RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY

Buvit, Louis J., 33153492	Tec 5	16 Apr	Slightly Injure
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PROMOTION OF OFFICERS - None

J. CITATIONS:

CAPT HENRY F BOSCH JR 01012130, awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in action against the enemy in Germany on 14 April 1945.

1ST LT JAMES H ROBERTS 01012301, awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in action against the enemy in Germany on 17 April 1945.

Cpl James S Ayala 38120545, awarded the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in action against the enemy in Germany on 3 March 1945.

1st Sgt Frank A Galante 32158058, awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in action against the enemy in Germany on 3 March 1945.

S/Sgt Roster O Gay 34078808, awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in action against the enemy in Belgium on 22 December 1944.

Ted 4 James L Clawson 37016880, awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 3 March 1945.

Sgt R C Gore 14007190, awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in action against the enemy in Germany on 4 March 1945.

Sgt Norman E Ramsden 33143869, awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in action against the enemy in Germany on 2 March 1945.

Cpl Frank R Ebbs 32233688, awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in action against the enemy in Germany on 4 March 1945.

Cpl Clinton S Reid 38072299, awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in action against the enemy in Belgium on 22 December 1944.

K. Photographs:
None.

For the Commanding Officer:

Merle L. Goodrich
MERLE L. GOODRICH
Major, 703d TD Bn
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Incls: Four (4)

1. Summary (narrative) of Operations, Month of April 1945.
2. Summary of Medical Activities.
3. True copy of Unit Journal
4. Compilation of enemy equipment destroyed, to date.