AFTER-ACTION REPORT 01 - 31 MAY 1943

At beginning of period, 705 Tank Destroyer Battalion attached to 11th Armored Division, Company A, 705 TD BN attached to GCA, 11th Armored Division, Company B, 705 TD BN attached to GCA, 11th Armored Division.

01 May 43 - 705 TD BN (-) moved out of Freyung 02639 at 1115, closed in Sonnen 04026 at 1530. Co. C and Reconnaissance Co. established perimeter defense of the town. Co. B remained in Waldkirchen 03131, no enemy contact. Co. A GP and 1st Platoon left Kasby at 1100 with GCA Hqs., moved to Fielstein (535204). 2nd Platoon left Schoenberg at 0900 with G Troop 41st Cav Sqd., moved to Oeppping (576192). Fired 8 rds. 76mm, 200 rds. .30 cal. at enemy troops. No casualties. 3rd Platoon left Wegscheid at 0900 with 55th Arm Inf BN, moved to Oeppping.

02 May 43 - 705 TD BN (-) moved out of Sonnen at 1300, closed in Wegscheid at 2006. Established perimeter defense of the town. Co. 3rd Platoon contacted enemy, fired at enemy forward observer in watch tower, expending 15 rds. HE 76mm, resulting in the complete destruction of the observation point. Co. A GP and 1st Platoon left Fielstein at 0945, marched 10 miles to Henning (610130). 2nd Platoon left Oeppping at 0900 with 41st Cav., moved to Neufelden (522066). Fired 12 rounds 76mm HE and large quantity of .30 cal. ammunition at enemy troops and positions. No casualties. 3rd Platoon left Oeppping at 0900, moved with 55th Arm Inf BN to Neufelden, no enemy contact.

03 May 43 - 705 TD BN (-) moved out of Wegscheid at 1330, closed in Kehrbach, Austria 0606162 at 1730. Established perimeter defense of the town. Company B no enemy contact. Co. A 2nd Platoon left Neufelden at 0830, moved with G Troop 41st Cav Sqd to Rottenegg (730945), firing 20 rounds 76mm HE and 550 rds. .30 cal. ammunition at enemy troops and positions. No casualties. Up and 1st Plt. moved to coor. 638975, 3rd Plt. to coor. 633975.

04 May 43 - 705 TD BN (-) moved out of Kehrbach at 1300, closed in Neufelden, Austria 06206 at 1730. Established perimeter defense of the town. GP and 1st Plt. of Co. A moved to Gramastetten with GCA Hqs. 3rd Plt. moved to Gramastetten with 55th Arm Inf BN. 2nd Plt. left Rottenegg with 41st Cav. and moved to Fichtner, no enemy contact. Company B no enemy contact.

PICKET CHANGE Co. (-) moved out of Neufelden at 1345, closed in Ob Neufelden 06206 at 1730. Established perimeter defense of the town. GP and 1st Plt. of Co. A moved to Gramastetten with GCA Hqs. 3rd Plt. moved to Rottenegg with 41st Cav. and moved to Fichtner, no enemy contact. Company B no enemy contact.

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BY AUTHORITY OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

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Hellmonsodt (849046). 2nd Platoon moved to Linz with 41st C.V. At 1600 withdrew from Linz to Sichern (890022). No casualties. 3rd Platoon left Gramastetten at 0000 and moved to Sideonau (883055) with 55th Inf. A. No enemy contact.

06 May 45 - 705 TD BN (-) moved out of Ob Neukirchen at 0515, cleared road to Kirchschlagn 8300, completing mission of clearing Kirchschlagn and closing into town by 0615. A platoon of Co.C and a platoon of 4tn Co. cleared road to Unt Geneg 8301, and a platoon of 4tn Co. cleared road to Wildberg 8559. One platoon of Co.C and one section of 4tn Co. which remained in Ob Neukirchen for purpose of providing security to 133 Engineers, closed in Kirchschlagn at 1330. At approx. 1600, Co.C destroyed a mortar position at coord. 854000 by direct fire. During the day 26 prisoners taken, 7 enemy killed.

705 Tank Destroyer Battalion (-) remained in Kirchschlagn until 16 May, Co.A attached to GDA remained in Hellmonsodt, Co.B attached to GDA, located in Altenburg. Following VE day, time devoted to handling of displaced persons and prisoners of war.

16 May Battalion moved to Urfahr, Austria, established a number of road blocks on the perimeter of the city to regulate flow of DPs and to maintain order, also established a prisoner of war canteen and displaced persons collecting point. Remainder of period devoted to occupational duties.