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 HEADQUARTERS 813TH TANK DESTROYER BN (SP)
 APO # 403 U. S. ARMY.

66 14 DEC 1944

TANK DESTROYER DAILY REPORT

TD Report No. 98 From 13 1801 DEC 1944 to 14 1800 DEC 1944

1. ATTACHMENTS: Battalion attached to 79 INF DIV

2. STATUS OF PRIMARY WEAPON AND AMMUNITION:

a. Primary Weapon:

Co.	Operational at close of Period.	Completely lost by enemy action for period	DEADLINE		REMARKS
			Repairable 24 Hours	More than 24 hours	
A	6		5	1	<i>Stuck in mud</i>
B	10		1		
C	11				
Total	27		6	1	

b. Ammunition:

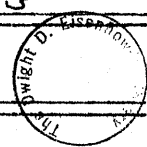
Type	On Hand Beginning of period	Drawn During Period	Totals	Expended During Period	On Hand end of period	Fuzes on hand at End of Period
AP						M48 1735
APC	1223				1223	M48A1
APCBDF	99				99	M51A3
SMOKE	193				193	M54 350
HE	1735				1735	M66 M68 T105 175

3. RESULTS OF ACTION OF THE ENEMY:

a. For Period:

Co.	TOTALLY DESTROYED OR CAPTURED FOR THE PERIOD											
	III	IV	V	VI	SP	Com bat veh	GP veh	Towed AT Guns	Towed Arty Pieces	Pill Boxes	MG Nests	PWs Capt.
A												
B												
C											1	
HQ												3
Total											1	3

b. Total to Date:



Co.	TOTALLY DESTROYED OR CAPTURED UP TO DATE											
	III	IV	V	VI	SP	Com bat veh	GP veh	Towed AT Guns	Towed Arty Pieces	Pill Boxes	MG Nests	PWs Capt.
A		7	4	1	4	2	10	3		7	2	130
B		7	4	1	3	1	5	2		1	1	61
C			9	7		1	7	3			2	55
RCN			1			1	6			5		331
HQ												95
Total		24	15	2	9	3	28	8		13	5	672

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4. STATUS: Bn CP located at 229340 Rear Position at 162256

A Co. CP	<u>241365</u>	Platoons	<u>Same as CP</u>	<u>285414</u>	<u>Same as CP</u>
B Co. CP	<u>266345</u>	Platoons	<u>Same</u>	<u>as CP</u>	
C Co. CP	<u>267375</u>	Platoons	<u>289394</u>	<u>274313</u>	<u>292400</u>
Rcn Co. CP	<u>178338</u>	Platoons	<u>241365</u>	<u>275329</u>	<u>267375</u>

5. OPERATIONS FOR PERIOD: (Brief summary including mention of excessive personnel losses which affect efficiency)

Bn. continued attack in support of the 73th Div.; considerable gain being made during the period. Co's. all reported intense mortar and artillery shelling in their areas.

No targets fired on during period.

During previous 24hrs. 1st. Plt. C Co. destroyed one enemy machine gun nest and 1st. Plt. Rcn. Co. captured 3 prisoners and killed another.

6. NOTEWORTHY COMBAT LESSONS AND EXPERIENCES:

Herbert [unclear] Capt
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 HEADQUARTERS 813TH TANK DESTROYER BN (SP)
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 66 15 DEC 1944

TANK DESTROYER DAILY REPORT

TD Report No. 99 From 14 1801 DEC 1944 to 15 1800 DEC 1944

1. ATTACHMENTS: Battalion attached to 19 INF DIV

2. STATUS OF PRIMARY WEAPON AND AMMUNITION:

a. Primary Weapon:

Co.	Operational at close of Period.	Completely lost by enemy action for period	DEADLINE		REMARKS
			Repairable 24 Hours	More than 24 hours	
A	8			4	
B	11				
C	11				
Total	30			4	

b. Ammunition:

Type	On Hand Beginning of period	Drawn During Period	Totals	Expended During Period	On Hand end of period	Fuzes on Hand at End of Period
AP						M48 1735
APC	1223				1223	M48A1
APCBDF	99				99	M51A3
SMOKE	193				193	M54 350
HE	1735				1735	M66 M68 T105 175

3. RESULTS OF ACTION OF THE ENEMY:

a. For Period:

Co.	TOTALLY DESTROYED OR CAPTURED FOR THE PERIOD											
	III	IV	V	VI	SP	Com bat veh	GP veh	Towed AT Guns	Towed Arty Pieces	Pill Boxes	MG Nests	PWs Capt.
A												
B												
C												
HQ												
Total												

b. Total to Date:

Co.	TOTALLY DESTROYED OR CAPTURED UP TO DATE											
	III	LV	V	VI	SP	Com bat veh	GP veh	Towed AT Guns	Towed Arty Pieces	Pill Boxes	MG Nests	PWs Capt.
A		7	4	1	4	2	10	3		7	2	130
B		7	4	1	3	1	5	2		1	1	61
C		9	7		1		7	3			2	55
RCN		1			1		6			5		331
HQ												95
Total		24	15	2	9	3	28	8		13	5	672

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4. STATUS: Bn CP located at NIEDERROEDERN Rear Position at SOUFFLENHEIM
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A Co. CP	<u>266415</u>	Platoons	<u>285413</u>	<u>295420</u>	<u>255375</u>
B Co. CP	<u>266345</u>	Platoons	<u>Same as CP</u>		
C Co. CP	<u>267375</u>	Platoons	<u>325419</u>	<u>267375</u>	<u>325419</u>
Rcn Co. CP	<u>243364</u>	Platoons	<u>266415</u>	<u>275327</u>	<u>243364</u>

5. OPERATIONS FOR PERIOD: (Brief summary including mention of excessive personnel losses which affect efficiency)

Bn. continued the attack in support of the 7th. Div.; Foremost elements reaching the town of Lauterbourg (083418). These platoons reported considerable artillery and mortar shelling in their areas.

During the period, the End. Plt. of B Co. worked with the 117th Cavalry to help repel an enemy armor attack in their sector.

At the close of the period all elements in commanding positions, temporarily halted because of blown bridges, ready to resume the attack.

6. NOTEWORTHY COMBAT LESSONS AND EXPERIENCES:

Herbert M. [Signature]
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 APO # 403

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TANK DESTROYER DAILY REPORT

TD Report No. 100 From 15 1301 DEC 1944 to 16 1800 DEC 1944

1. ATTACHMENTS: Battalion attached to 79 INF DIV

2. STATUS OF PRIMARY WEAPON AND AMMUNITION:

a. Primary Weapon:

Co.	Operational at close of Period	Completely lost by enemy action for period	DEADLINE		REMARKS
			Repairable 24 Hours	More than 24 hours	
A	10			2	
B	11				
C	11				
Total	32			2	

b. Ammunition:

Type	On Hand Beginning of period	Drawn During Period	Totals	Expended During Period	On Hand end of period	Fuzes on Hand at End of Period
AP						M48 1735
APC	1223				1223	M48A1
APCBDF	99				99	M51A3
SMOKE	193				193	M54 350
HE	1735				1735	M36 M38 T105 125

3. RESULTS OF ACTION OF THE BATTAL:

a. For Period:

Co.	TOTALLY DESTROYED OR CAPTURED FOR THE PERIOD											
	III	IV	V	VI	SP	Dom bat veh	CP veh	Towed AT Guns	Towed Arty Pieces	Pill Boxes	MG Nests	PWs Capt.
A												
B												
C												
HQ												
Total												

b. Total to Date:



Co.	TOTALLY DESTROYED OR CAPTURED UP TO DATE											
	III	IV	V	VI	SP	Dom bat veh	CP veh	Towed AT Guns	Towed Arty Pieces	Pill Boxes	MG Nests	PWs Capt.
A		7	4	1	4	2	10	3		7	2	130
B		7	4	1	3	1	5	2		1	1	61
C		9	7		1		7	3			2	55
HQ		1			1		6			5		1331
Total		24	15	2	9	3	28	8		13	5	672

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4. STATUS: Bn CP located at 229340 Rear Position at 162256

A Co. CP	<u>266415</u>	Platoons	<u>285413</u>	<u>295420</u>	<u>266415</u>
B Co. CP	<u>266415</u>	Platoons	<u>Same as CP</u>		
C Co. CP	<u>285395</u>	Platoons	<u>325419</u>	<u>285395</u>	<u>325419</u>
Rcn Co. CP	<u>243364</u>	Platoons	<u>266415</u>	<u>243364</u>	<u>275327</u>

5. OPERATIONS FOR PERIOD: (Brief summary including mention of excessive personnel losses which affect efficiency)

Bn. continued in support of the 79th. Inf. Div.

During the period, gun companies improved their positions as much as was possible but were held up by blown bridges at 385420 and 295420. Platoons all reported considerable artillery fire in their areas.

No targets fired on during period, and all elements closed in, coordinated, and ready to resume the attack at the close of the period.

6. NOTEWORTHY COMBAT LESSONS AND EXPERIENCES:

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66 17 DEC 1944

TANK DESTROYER DAILY REPORT

TD Report No. 101 From 16 1801 DEC 1944 to 17 1800 DEC 1944

1. ATTACHMENTS: Battalion attached to 191 INF DIV

2. STATUS OF PRIMARY WEAPON AND AMMUNITION:

a. Primary Weapon:

Co.	Operational at close of Period.	Completely lost by enemy action for period	DEADLINE		REMARKS
			Repairable 24 Hours	More than 24 hours	
A	9		1	2	
B	11		1		
C	10		1		
Total	30		3	2	

b. Ammunition:

Type	On Hand Beginning of period	Drawn During Period	Totals	Expended During Period	On Hand end of period	Fuzes on hand at End of Period
AP						M48 1735
APC	1223			38	1195	M48A1
APCBDF	99				99	M51A3
SMOKE	193				193	M54 350
HE	1735				1735	M66
						M68
						T105 175

3. RESULTS OF ACTION OF THE ENEMY:

a. For Period:

Co.	TOTALLY DESTROYED OR CAPTURED FOR THE PERIOD											
	III	IV	V	VI	SP	Com bat veh	GP veh	Towed AT Guns	Towed Arty Pieces	Pill Boxes	MG Nests	PWs Capt.
A												
B												
C										2		
RCN												
HQ												
Total										2		

b. Total to Date:

Co.	TOTALLY DESTROYED OR CAPTURED UP TO DATE											
	III	IV	V	VI	SP	Com bat veh	GP veh	Towed AT Guns	Towed Arty Pieces	Pill Boxes	MG Nests	PWs Capt.
A		7	4	1	4	2	10	3		7	2	130
B		7	4	1	3	1	5	2		1	1	61
C		9	7		1		7	3		2	2	55
RCN		1			1		6			5		331
HQ												95
Total		24	15	2	9	3	28	8		15	5	672

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4. STATUS: Bn CP located at NIEDERROEJERN 229240 Rear Position at SOUFFLENHEIM 162256

A Co. CP	266415	Platoons	292429	292429	266415
B Co. CP	295425	Platoons	330448	315445	295425
C Co. CP	325418	Platoons	325418	349445	339450
Res Co. CP	293420	Platoons	299422	299422	293420

5. OPERATIONS FOR PERIOD: (Brief summary including mention of excessive personnel losses which affect efficiency)

The Bn. continued the attack in support of the 73th. Div. All elements advanced providing anti-tank defense and over-watching fire power.

C Co. 2nd. Plt knocked out an enemy pill box at 346457 and the 3rd. Plt. knocked one out at 34446.

Lt. Tuck C Co. 3rd. Plt. Leader wounded quite seriously in the neck by a sniper's bullet.

B Co. 1st. and 2nd Plts. advanced and improved their positions considerably. The 3rd. Plt. fired on a reported enemy tank position at 300450; Results of fire unknown.

Res. Co., given a mission of screening the left flank of the 314th. Inf. Regt., was also very active. The 1st. and 2nd. Plts. patrolled roads in forward areas, removed a road block at 358458, and also turned in the report on the one enemy tank.. These Plts. also set up road blocks, before buttoning down for the night, at 299447.

At the close of the period all elements closed in, coordinated, and ready to resume the attack.

6. NOTEWORTHY COMBAT LESSONS AND EXPERIENCES:

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66 18 Dec 1944

TANK DESTROYER DAILY REPORT

TD Report No. 102 From 17 1301 DEC 1944 to 18 1800 DEC 1944

1. ATTACHMENTS: Battalion attached to 79 INF DIV

2. STATUS OF PRIMARY WEAPON AND AMMUNITION:

a. Primary Weapon:

Co.	Operational at close of Period.	Completely lost by enemy action for period	DEADLINED		REMARKS
			Repairable 24 Hours	More than 24 hours	
A	9		1	2	
B	11			1	
C	10		1		
Total	30		2	3	

b. Ammunition:

Type	On Hand Beginning of period	Drawn During Period	Totals	Expended During Period	On Hand end of period	Fuzes on hand at End of Period
AP						M48 1681
APC	1195			42	1153	M48A1
APCBDF	99				99	M51A3
SMOKE	193				193	M54 350
HE	1935			54	1681	M36 M38 T105 175

3. RESULTS OF ACTION OF THE ENEMY:

a. For Period:

Co.	TOTALLY DESTROYED OR CAPTURED FOR THE PERIOD											
	III	IV	V	VI	SP	Com bat veh	GP veh	Towed AT Guns	Towed Arty Pieces	Pill Boxes	MG Nests	PWs Capt.
A												
B										1		
C										1		
RCN												
HQ												
Total										2		

b. Total to Date:

Co.	TOTALLY DESTROYED OR CAPTURED UP TO DATE											
	III	IV	V	VI	SP	Com bat veh	GP veh	Towed AT Guns	Towed Arty Pieces	Pill Boxes	MG Nests	PWs Capt.
A		7	4	1	4	2	10	3		7	2	130
B		7	4	1	3	1	5	2		2	1	61
C		9	7		1		7	3		3	2	55
RCN		1			1		6			5		331
HQ												95
Total		24	15	2	9	3	28	8		17	5	672

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4. STATUS: Bn CP located at 229340 Rear Position at 162256

A Co. CP	<u>266415</u>	Platoons	<u>269466</u>	<u>292429</u>	<u>292429</u>
B Co. CP	<u>295425</u>	Platoons	<u>330448</u>	<u>315445</u>	<u>295425</u>
C Co. CP	<u>325418</u>	Platoons	<u>325418</u>	<u>349445</u>	<u>339450</u>
Res Co. CP	<u>293420</u>	Platoons	<u>299422</u>	<u>299422</u>	<u>293420</u>

5. OPERATIONS FOR PERIOD: (Brief summary including mention of excessive personnel losses which affect efficiency)

The Bn. continued the attack with the 79th. Div., very little gain being made during the period.

All gun Co. platoons reported considerable artillery and mortar shelling in their areas.

Res. Co., 1st. and 2nd. Plts. did considerable patrolling in the general vic. of 300450. The Plts. contacted a 50 man enemy patrol at 310452. Before buttoning down for the night these Plts. established a road block at 292442.

C Co., 2nd. Plt., moved into position during the day to fire on enemy Seigfried Line barbed-wire entanglements and foxholes. Results of fire very favorable, sandy soil covered enemy up and when he attempted to rise he became an easy target for supporting infantry. The Plt. knocked out an enemy pill box at 334453.

B Co., 1st. Plt., moved into a position to fire on enemy pill-boxes and personnel. The platoon knocked out a pill box at 355457 and killed a number of enemy infantry. This platoon was pinned down temporarily by small arms fire but withdrew successfully to a selected direct fire position.

A Co. in static direct fire positions, reported no activity during the period.

6. NOTEWORTHY COMBAT LESSONS AND EXPERIENCES:

Herbert M. [Signature]
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 HEADQUARTERS 813TH TANK DESTROYER BN (SP)
 APO # 403 U. S. ARMY.

66 18 DEC 1944

TANK DESTROYER DAILY REPORT

TD Report No. 103 From 18 1801 DEC 1944 to 19 1800 DEC 1944

1. ATTACHMENTS: Battalion attached to 79 INF DIV

2. STATUS OF PRIMARY WEAPON AND AMMUNITION:

a. Primary Weapon:

Co.	Operational at close of Period.	Completely lost by enemy action for period	DEADLINED		REMARKS
			Repairable 24 Hours	More than 24 hours	
A	10		1	1	
B	11		1		
C	10		1		
Total	31		3	1	

b. Ammunition:

Type	On Hand Beginning of period	Drawn During Period	Totals	Expended During Period	On Hand end of period	Fuzes on Hand at End of Period
AP						M48 1762
APC	1153	350	1503	244	1259	M48A1
APCBDF	99				99	M51A3
SMOKE	193				193	M54 350
HE	1681	310	1991	229	1762	M66
						M68
						T105 175

§. RESULTS OF ACTION OF THE ENEMY:

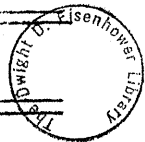
a. For Period:

Co.	TOTALLY DESTROYED OR CAPTURED FOR THE PERIOD											
	III	IV	V	VI	SP	Com bat veh	GP veh	Towed AT Guns	Towed Arty Pieces	Pill Boxes	MG Nests	PWs Capt.
A												
B										1		
C												2
RGN												
HQ												
Total										1		2

b. Total to Date:

Co.	TOTALLY DESTROYED OR CAPTURED UP TO DATE											
	III	IV	V	VI	SP	Com bat veh	GP veh	Towed AT Guns	Towed Arty Pieces	Pill Boxes	MG Nests	PWs Capt.
A		7	4	1	4	2	10	3		7	2	130
B		7	4	1	3	1	5	2		3	1	61
C		9	7		1		7	3		3	2	55
RGN		1			1		6			5		333
HQ												95
Total		24	15	2	9	3	28	8		18	5	674

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4. STATUS: Bn CP located at 229340 Rear Position at 162256

A Co. CP	<u>266415</u>	Platoons	<u>269466</u>	<u>285465</u>	<u>292429</u>
B Co. CP	<u>295425</u>	Platoons	<u>330448</u>	<u>315445</u>	<u>300450</u>
C Co. CP	<u>325418</u>	Platoons	<u>349445</u>	<u>339450</u>	<u>339450</u>
Rcn Co. CP	<u>293420</u>	Platoons	<u>Same as CP</u>		

5. OPERATIONS FOR PERIOD: (Brief summary including mention of excessive personnel losses which affect efficiency)

The Bn. continued the attack in support of the 79th. Inf. Div.

All Co.'s reported extremely heavy mortar and artillery fire with enemy infantry resisting stubbornly.

C Co., working in close support of the 313th. Inf. Regt., used its M-10's for the purpose of knocking down barbed wire entanglements and trees, making paths affording our infantry a means of passage. 3rd. Plt. of this company crossed an anti-tank ditch vic 348443 and did a considerable amount of firing on enemy personnel with favorable results. 2nd. Plt. also did considerable firing during the day as did the 1st. Plt. which was committed in expectation of a tank attack.

B Co., working with the 314 Inf. Regt., was also active firing mostly on enemy personnel and enemy pill boxes. The 1st. Plt. destroying a pill box at 355458.

A Co. Plts. in well forward direct over-watching positions, fired on no enemy targets during the period.

6. NOTEWORTHY COMBAT LESSONS AND EXPERIENCES:

Robert M. ... Capt
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66 Dec. 20 1944

TANK DESTROYER DAILY REPORT

TD Report No. 404 From 1801 Dec 1944 to 20 1800 Dec 1944

1. ATTACHMENTS: Battalion attached to 79 Inf Div

2. STATUS OF PRIMARY WEAPON AND AMMUNITION:

a. Primary Weapon:

Co.	Operational at close of Period	Completely lost by enemy action for period	DEADLIED		REMARKS
			Repairable 24 Hours	More than 24 hours	
A	10		1	1	
B	11			1	
C	7		2	2	
Total	28		3	4	

b. Ammunition:

Type	On Hand Beginning of period	Drawn During Period	Totals	Expended During Period	On Hand end of period	Fuzes on Hand at End of Period
AP						M48 1750
APC	1259				1259	M48A1
APCEDF	93				93	M51A3
SMOKE	193				193	M54 350
HE	1762			26	1736	M66
						M68
						T105 175

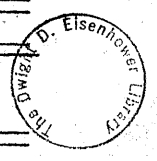
3. RESULTS OF ACTION OF THE BATTERY:

a. For Period:

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Co.	TOTALLY DESTROYED OR CAPTURED FOR <u>TO DATE</u>											
	III	IV	V	VI	SP	Com bat veh	GP veh	Towed AT Guns	Towed Arty Pieces	Pill Boxes	MG Nests	PWS Capt.
A		7	4	1	4	2	10	3		7	2	130
B		7	4	1	3	1	5	2		3	1	61
C		9	7		1		7	3		3	2	53
RCN		1			2		6			5		333
HQ												98
Total		24	15	2	9	3	26	6		18	5	674

b. Total TO DATE For Period



Co.	TOTALLY DESTROYED OR CAPTURED <u>TO DATE</u> For Period											
	III	IV	V	VI	SP	Com bat veh	GP veh	Towed AT Guns	Towed Arty Pieces	Pill Boxes	MG Nests	PWS Capt.
A												
B												
C												
RCN												
HQ												
Total												

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4. STATUS: Bn CP Located at 228540 Rear Position at 162258

A Co. CP	<u>266415</u>		Platoons	<u>269466</u>	<u>265403</u>	<u>265403</u>
B Co. CP	<u>295425</u>	<u>295425</u>	Platoons	<u>280448</u>	<u>315445</u>	<u>300450</u>
C Co. CP	<u>295413</u>	<u>325418</u>	Platoons	<u>249443</u>	<u>339450</u>	<u>349450</u>
Ren Co. CP	<u>209415</u>	<u>266415</u>	Platoons	<u>Sameas CP</u>		

5. OPERATIONS FOR PERIOD: (Brief summary including mention of excessive personnel losses which affect efficiency)

The Bn., in support of the 79th. Div., went into static direct fire positions during the period. Co's. reported continued heavy artillery and mortar fire in their areas.

A Co., six guns from the 2nd. and 3rd. Plts., went into their secondary mission at 265403 in direct support of Div. Arty. During the day the guns were adjusted in preparation for firing on targets in the vicinity of Buchelburg (319470) during the night.

B Co. Plts. continued in their over-watching direct fire positions and fired on one enemy target, personnel at 238465, during the period.

Ren. Co. was assigned a mission at 1300 hrs, to do aggressive Ren. work in the entire Div. sector. This work to consist of information on all permanent bridges and roads in the sector.

6. NOTEWORTHY COMBAT LESSONS AND EXPERIENCES:

Robert M. ...
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