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HEADQUARTERS 79TH INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO 79, U. S. Army

16 July 1944

SUBJECT: Weekly Summary Report of Activities of a TD Bn.

TO: Hq VIII Corps Artillery (Attn: AT Officer).

1. The following is the weekly Summary Report of the 813 TD Bn for the period 090600-160600:

a. Statistical Data.

- 1. Guns lost due to enemy action . . . . . 1.
- Guns lost due to mechanical failure . . . . . 0.
- Guns recovered . . . . . 0.
- Guns repairable . . . . . 1.
- Guns not repairable . . . . . 0.
- 2. Casualties . . . . . 20 (incl 4 Officers).
- 3. Enemy materiel destroyed . . . . . None observed.
- Enemy materiel captured. . . . . One German SP 75mm Gun, 1 German Bazooka, two Radio sets (one similar to SCR 610); one similar to Walkie-Talkie).
- 4. Prisoners (Enemy) . . . . . 2.

b. Attachments and Employments.

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- 9-10 July 44 813 TD Bn in support of 79 Inf Div.
- 9-10 July 44 Co A relieved Co C in area S of MONTGARDEN to support 313 Inf and 315 Inf.
- Co B supported 314 Inf in atk on LA HAYE DU PUIITS, fired 60 rds HE area LA HAYE DU PUIITS.
- Rcn Co on observation and liaison missions with route rcn in forward areas.
- Co C (see above) received very heavy shelling in position area about 1300 yds SW of MONTGARDEN.
- 11-12 July 44 813 TD Bn in general support of 79 Inf div.
- Co A in support 315 Inf.
- Co B in support 314 Inf.
- Co C in support 313 Inf - fired 300 rds of 3" HE indirect fire on pts 187731, 182760, 181771.
- Rcn Co engaged in liaison and road terrain rcn.
- Rcn Co CO maintains Air-Gnd liaison for Bn in a FA obsn plane.
- 13 July 44 Co A engaged in indirect fire (2d and 3d plats); fired 324 rds of 3" HE indirect fire on points 181770, 182760, 181731, 190715, 232724, 208713. 1st plat with 315 Inf at HILL 84.
- 14 July 44 Co A fired 90 rds of HE (3") on Conc Pt 190715 harrassing fire from 2130-2400 hrs. Co C fired 45 rds of 3" HE harrassing fire on Conc Pt 187731 fr 2200-2400 hrs.
- Rcn Co continued rcn of routes and position area N of AY RIVER.
- Co B fired 288 rds HE direct fire (LESSAY area).



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Ltr, 79 Div, to Hq VIII Corps Arty (Attn: AT O), sub: Weekly Summary Report of Activities of a TD Bn, dtd 16 July 44, cont'd.

14-15 July 44 Position of Bn unchanged.  
 Co A in Bn reserve; to remain in present location w/two plats prepared for indirect fire.  
 Co B to lead if Div echelons to the E remains in present location.  
 Co C leads if Div echelons to the W, one Plat to remain in present location for indirect fire. One plat removed by infiltration at 2030 14 July 44 to position vic HIERVILLE-LE-BOT. One plat to remain in position area E of LA TRAVERSERIE.  
 Ren Co, no change in mission.

15 July 44 to 0600 16 July 44 Co A fired 48 rds (15 July), 12 rds (16 July), total 60 rds indirect fire, harrassing fire on Pts 181731, 190715.  
 Co B furnishing AT defense in depth for Div AT guns in direct support of 315 Inf.  
 Co C ordered to echelon its CP to vic of CP of 315 Inf. 3d plat Co C moved to 179797.  
 Maintenance; cleaning, lubricating, servicing, and inspection of all Bn vehicles and arms ordered completed by 1800 hrs 15 July 44. Also inspection for completeness of T/E equipment to be held by plats on morning of 15 July; check and replenishing of Basic Loads Class I, III, and V.

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