

MILITARY POLICE PLATOON
83d Infantry Division
APO 83, U.S. Army

DECLASSIFIED
Authority NND 735017
By MR NARA Date 11-7-00

10 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Platoon History.

TO : Commanding General, 83d Infantry Division, APO 83, U.S. Army.

1. The following is the history of the Military Police Platoon, 83d Infantry Division for the calendar year of "1944" as prescribed in AR 345 - 105, paragraph 11 b, (1) dated 18 November 1929:

a. Original Unit:

No change.

b. Changes in Organization:

Platoon strength reduced from three (3) officers and seventy (70) enlisted men to three (3) officers and sixty-eight (68) enlisted men per letter AG 320.3 Headquarters Third United States Army, Subject: Reduction of Basic Privates in Table of Organization Units dated 12 June 1944. Platoon authorized one (1) additional second lieutenant and thirty-three (33) additional enlisted men effective 1 October 1944 per letter AG 320.2 GNMCC Headquarters Third United States Army dated 26 September 1944. Platoon authorized additional overstrength of twenty-nine (29) privates per letter 320.2 (AGCL) Headquarters First United States Army dated 23 November 1944. Total strength authorized on 31 December 1944: four (4) officers and one hundred and thirty (130) enlisted men.

c. Strength, Commissioned and Enlisted:

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted Men</u>
Strength on 1 January 1944	4	64
Net increase for the month of January 1944	0	2
Net decrease for the month of January 1944	1	0
Strength on 31 January 1944	3	66
Strength on 1 February 1944	3	66
Net increase for the month of February 1944	0	6
Net decrease for the month of February 1944	0	1
Strength on 29 February 1944	3	71
Strength on 1 March 1944	3	71
Net increase for the month of March 1944	0	2
Net decrease for the month of March 1944	0	2
Strength on 31 March 1944	3	71
Strength on 1 April 1944	3	71
Net increase for the month of April 1944	0	0
Net decrease for the month of April 1944	0	1
Strength on 30 April 1944	3	70

383-MP-0.1

Hyman C. Ref
2 Aug 1987
Master

Incl 16

Strength, Commissioned and Enlisted continued:

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted Men</u>
Strength on 1 May 1944	3	70
Net increase for the month of May 1944	0	1
Net decrease for the month of May 1944	0	0
Strength on 31 May 1944	3	71
Strength on 1 June 1944	3	71
Net increase for the month of June 1944	0	10
Net decrease for the month of June 1944	0	2
Strength on 30 June 1944	3	79
Strength on 1 July 1944	3	79
Net increase for the month of July 1944	0	35
Net decrease for the month of July 1944	0	14
Strength on 31 July 1944	3	100
Strength on 1 August 1944	3	100
Net increase for the month of August 1944	1	1
Net decrease for the month of August 1944	1	2
Strength on 31 August 1944	3	99
Strength on 1 September 1944	3	99
Net increase for the month of September 1944	1	2
Net decrease for the month of September 1944	2	3
Strength on 30 September 1944	2	98
Strength on 1 October 1944	2	98
Net increase for the month of October 1944	1	1
Net decrease for the month of October 1944	0	5
Strength on 31 October 1944	3	94
Strength on 1 November 1944	3	94
Net increase for the month of November 1944	3	6
Net decrease for the month of November 1944	1	0
Strength on 30 November 1944	5	100
Strength on 1 December 1944	5	100
Net increase for the month of December 1944	1	32
Net decrease for the month of December 1944	0	3
Strength on 31 December 1944	6	129

d. Changes of Station:

Thirty-four (34) enlisted men departed Camp Breckinridge, Kentucky 25 March 1944 and arrived at Camp Shanks, New York 27 March 1944. The balance of the Platoon departed Camp Breckinridge, Kentucky 30 March 1944 and arrived at Camp Shanks, New York 31 March 1944. Platoon departed Camp Shanks, New York 5 April 1944 and boarded U.S. Army Transport George Washington in New York harbor. The Platoon left New York harbor 6 April 1944 and arrived in Liverpool, England 19 April 1944; left Liverpool, England 19 April 1944 and arrived at Keele Hall, Stafford, England 20 April 1944.

Changes of station continued:

Platoon departed Keele Hall, Stafford, England 16 June 1944 and arrived at Camp Amesbury, England 16 June 1944; left Camp Amesbury, England 16 June 1944 and arrived at Guersney Camp C - 13 16 June 1944; left Guersney Camp C - 13 17 June 1944 and arrived at Southampton, England and boarded U.S. Army Transports for France 17 June 1944. Platoon left Southampton, England harbor 18 June 1944 and arrived off the coast of France 19 June 1944. It disembarked at the Omaha Beach Head on 25 June 1944.

The Platoon served in France from 25 June 1944 to 23 September 1944; served in Luxembourg from 24 September 1944 to 3 December 1944. On 4 December 1944 three (3) officers and thirty-seven (37) enlisted men left Luxembourg and arrived in Germany 4 December 1944. The balance of the Platoon left Luxembourg 6 December 1944 and arrived in Germany 6 December 1944. The Platoon served in Germany from 6 December 1944 to 26 December 1944 and served in Belgium from 27 December 1944 to 31 December 1944.

e. Marches:

Usual training marches.

f. Campaigns:

1. Participated in the Normandy Campaign 4 July 1944 to 24 July 1944 letter AG 200.6 OFGA Hq European Theater of Operations dated 24 October 1944.

2. Subsequent campaigns not yet officially designated:

a. Northern France Campaign 4 August 1944 to 14 September 1944.

b. Germany Campaign 25 September 1944 to present.

g. Battles:

None have been officially designated.

h. Commanding Officers in Important Engagements:

George Ogilvie, Major, 0445620, CMP, has been the commanding officer for the entire year.

i. Losses in Action, Officers and Enlisted Men:

Officers:

None.

Enlisted Men:

1. Private John C. Evans, 33613006 was killed in action in Germany on 16 December 1944.

2. The following named EM were wounded in action and have not yet returned to duty:

Private Vincent A. Berardi, 33628377, LWA 16 December 1944 in Germany.

DECLASSIFIED
 Authority NND 735017
 By MR NARA Date 11-4-00

j. Former and Present Members Who Have Distinguished Themselves
 in Action:

Major George Ogilvie - Bronze Star - Meritorious service.

k. Photographs of Personnel, Important Scenes or Events:

From 1 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 fifteen thousand three hundred and eighty-one (15381) prisoners of war were processed through the prisoner of war cage operated by the Police Section of this organization. A break down of the above item is as follows:

Officers	38
Non commissioned officers	236
Privates	14748
Refugees	308
Others	51



George Ogilvie
 GEORGE OGILVIE,
 Major, CMP,
 Commanding.