HEADQUARTERS 905TH FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION APO #80, c/o Postmaster, New York, N.Y.

4 September 1944

SUBJECT: Reports After Action Against Enemy.

: The Adjutant General, Washington, D.C.

- 1. Transmitted herewith is the Report After Action Against the Enemy, in four sections, for the month of August 1944 for this Battalion in accordance with paragraph 10, AR 345-105 as amended by change 3 and memo #64 Headquarters 80th Infantry Division dated 24 August 1944.
- 2. Unit and staff journals, together with their supporting documents, are attached.

For the Commanding Officer:

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#1 - Section I

#2 - Section II

#3 - Section III

#4 - Section IV

#5 - Unit and Staff Journals

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Section I: Summary of Daily Operations and Action.

This unit arrived in France 6 August 1944 and went to an assembly area near

the landing beach.

9 August the Battalion arrived in an assembly area near Soulee. While in the assembly area we received a mission of reinforcing the fires of the 314th Field Artillery Battalion who was in direct support of the 318th Infantry Regiment. The mission was accomplished on 10 August with no opposition and this unit went to a rendezvous at Rurelle-en-Champ.

Il August this unit proceeded to LeMans with the 319th Infantry Regiment and took up a defensive position to defend the supply lines for the 2nd French Armored Division, 5th Armored Division, 79th and 90th Infantry Divisions on their drive to the North. This position was maintained until 14 August when a move was made

to Angers.

15 August arrived at Angers and took over defense of south flank of 3rd Army, relieving the 50th Field Artillery Battalion of the 5th Division. The 319th Combat Team mission was to set up a 360 degree defense of Angers and especially the Loire River, south of Angers. Several enemy instalations were seen and destroyed by our Artillery fire. This mission was continued until the 319th Combat Team was relieved by the 329th Combat Team of the 83rd Infantry Division on 19 August.

20 August this unit moved to a bivouac North East of Angers.

- 21 August the 319th Combat Team was ordered to move to the vicinity of Orleans and upon arrival, 22 August, was assigned the mission of defending a 45 mile river front (Loire River), extending from Orleans to the South East. Batteries were decentralized for this mission and attached to Infantry Battalions. Artillery Battalion Headquarters consisted of a CP at Infantry Regimental Headquarters.
- 25 August this unit was directed to move to position in vicinity of Mayaux-Lodges and assigned mission of reinforcing fires of the 314th Field Artillery Battalion. Crossed the Seine and Aube rivers.

28 August CP in vicinity of Chalons.

- 30 August relieved of above mission and proceeded to bivouac area North of Chalons.
- 31 August attached to 318th Combat Team for motorized advance to the East. Bivouac for the night at Bar-le-Duc.

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