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46TH MEDICAL BATTALION, ARMORED  
A.P.O. 254, U.S. Army

1 February 1944.

BATTALION HISTORY 1 JANUARY - 31 JANUARY 1944

On the tenth of January the Battalion arrived in the United Kingdom at three ports. At 0230, 11 January 1944 the entire Battalion arrived at the present Camp. Training schedules were immediately set up and training was resumed.

An area bounded by Lacock, Wells and Gillingham on the map, was given the Battalion for a thorough reconnaissance. This reconnaissance is being carried out three days a week by the Collecting Platoons and all members are gaining proficiency in finding their way about in strange country.

All medical supplies have been received and except for vehicles all items of T/E equipment have either been received or are on requisition.

Twenty-six ambulance drivers were placed on Special Duty with the Medical Detachments of the Division for the purpose of evacuating patients to the Station Hospital.

The morale of the unit is good due to the extensive recreational program. Furloughs, passes, dances, shows and recreational convoys are given weekly for the benefit of the men.

The Division Surgeon held a meeting for all Medical Officers Wednesday, 26 January 1944, at which time all problems encountered in medical evacuation, sanitation, etc., were straightened out. Schools for Medical Officers were announced and two Medical Officers from the Battalion were ordered to school at Tavistock, Devon.

For the Battalion Commander:

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