### WAR DIARY

**Unit:** 7th Bn Royal Tank Regiment

**Commanding Officer:** Lieut Col. C. Gifford

| Month and Year | 1944.
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| Date | 9.8.44.
| Time | 0230.
| Place | Fied.
| Event | P. Bn. moved out to FED. COLTIVILLE 386E3.

| Date | 10.8.44.
| Time | 0130.
| Place | Fied.
| Event | P. Bn. moved to S. Lrld & track junct 396.636 to rd junct 396.646. C.L. 396.646 to 386E3 to bp track from 396.636 to pt 112. Left by rd from 396.646 rd and track junct 396.635.

C Sqn with 4 Mk L.I. Right
A Sqn with 4 Mk L.I. Left
B Sqn with 7 tanks in reserve.

Objective: Right pt 112. Left Rd Stavilla 396E3.

Gp to be run between 0100 hrs within limits of Bn.

The attack on the left was completely successful by 1230 hrs.

On the right progress held up on line of rd north of Pt 112. The SW slopes of Hill 112 could not be reached owing to approx. 8 gun in MGs and Pz. Major Howard-Jones assumed command of Lt Col. C. Gifford being wounded at approx. 1200 hrs. The Bn remained on call on the reverse slopes of Hill 112 and was released to rear rally 396.640 at approx. 2000 hrs. 9 Sign. and Rem. tanks knocked out. 3 Churchill guns.

Casualties:

- Officers:
  - Lieut J. Allen: Killed
  - Lieut. A. Clare: Killed
  - Lieut. J. Duthie: Killed

- O/S:
  - 1 Killed
  - 9 Wounded
  - 3 Milled

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