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## **Cpl. Horace Thompson** In Battles of France

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Sixth Army Group, France.--Few tank destroyer battalions can match the record of the 813th Tank Destroyer Battalion, which aided the American breakthrough from Normandy to the Seine River and is now pounding the last ap-proaches to the Reich.

Since its arrival in France on D-plus-21, this veteran unit of which Cpl. Horace Thompson of Saluda is a member, has eliminated from the German rosters: 600 soldiers, 26 general purpose vehicles, 25 Mark IV tanks, 11 Mark V tanks, two Mark VI tanks, 10 self-

pelled guns, eight pillboxes, anti-tank guns, and three machine guns.

In a single operation one 813th T. D. company knocked out 13 Mark IV tanks and two Mark VI tanks, two half-tracks, two large trucks and one mortar, probably silenced one self-propelled gun, and killed 80 Germans. .

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wilson have received word that their son, Pfc. Calvin C. Wilson, is missing in

action in Germany. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bennett have received word that their son. Pvt. Horace Bennett, is missing in action in Germany.

Mrs. Albert Jackson received Continued on Back Page\_\_\_\_\_

## **McDonald Introduces Bill To Change Commissioners Terms**

Representative W. H. McDonald of Polk County has introduced the following bill which changes the County Commissioners term of office from six years to two or four depending on candidates' popular vote:

"A Bill to Be Entitled an Act to Re-Establish the Terms of Office of the Members of the Board of Commissioners of Polk County-"The General Assembly of North

Carolina do enact:

"Section 1. At the next biennial election to be held in the County of Polk there shall be elected three Commissioners for said County, the one receiving the highest vote to serve for a term of \_our years, the other two for a term of two years, and until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

"Section 2. Such terms of office for County Commissioners for the County of Polk shall apply to each subsequent biennial election held in said County, two Commissioners to be elected, the one receiving the greater vote to serve for a term of four years.

"Section 3. The terms of office of all Commissioners of Polk County heretofore elected shall terminate upon the election and qualification of the three Commissioners provided for in Section one of this Act.

Section 4. Chapter four hundred and fifty of the Public-Local Laws of one thousann' nine hundred and thirt -three, and all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act are hereby .-- Continued on Back Page\_