

OFFICIAL ORDER
NUMBER 328

23 November 1944

EXTRACT

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2. By direction of the President and pursuant to authority contained in Circular 94, Headquarters NATOUSA, dated 2 August 1944, the following officers having clearly demonstrated their fitness for promotion by outstanding performance in actual combat, are temporarily promoted in the Army of the United States to grades indicated, effective this date. Date of rank is date of this order unless otherwise indicated after name. These promotions unless sooner terminated, terminate automatically at the expiration of the emergency and six months thereafter, at which time the officers will revert to their permanent grade. No oath of office or acceptance is required. In accordance with the provisions of Public Law 746, 77th Congress, promotion is deemed to have been accepted as of date of this order, and under the provisions of the same law officers are entitled to receive pay and allowances of the higher grade from such date.

2D LT TO 1ST LT

JOHN L. WIGGINS, JR., 01016431, Inf

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By command of Lieutenant General CLARK:

A. M. GRUENTHER,
Major General, G. S. C.,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

M. F. Grant
M. F. GRANT,
Colonel, A. G. D.,
Adjutant General.

NOTE: Three copies of orders sealed with the official seal of this headquarters for immediate delivery to officer referred to above, two of these are for file with his pay account.



Army of the United States

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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This is to certify that

JOHN L WIGGINS JR 01 016 431 1st Lieutenant

Headquarters Company 757th Tank Battalion

*honorably served in active Federal Service
in the Army of the United States from*

27 February 1943 to 27 November 1945

Given at Convalescent Hospital, Camp Pickett, Virginia

on the 27th *day of* November 1945

NORTH CAROLINA

WILSON COUNTY

FILED FOR REGISTRATION

AT 9-35 O'CLOCK A.M. 8 DAY OF

Feb 1946 AND RECORDED

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REGISTER OF DEEDS

Ben L. Boynton
BEN L BOYNTON
Lt Col-MC

**Headquarters
The Armored Force School
Fort Knox, Kentucky**

IN REPLY
REFER TO

201 Wiggins, John Lawrence, Jr.

February 27, 1943

Subject: Temporary Appointment.

*To: 2nd. Lt. John Lawrence Wiggins Jr. A 01016431
Army of the United States.*

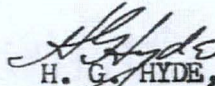
1. The Secretary of War has directed me to inform you that the President has appointed and commissioned you a temporary Second Lieutenant, Army of the United States, effective this date, in the grade shown in the address above. Your serial number is shown after A above.

2. This commission is to continue in force during the pleasure of the President of the United States for the time being, and for the duration of the present emergency and six months thereafter unless sooner terminated.

3. There is inclosed herewith a form for oath of office which you are requested to execute and return. The execution and return of the required oath of office constitute an acceptance of your appointment. No other evidence of acceptance is required. This letter should be retained by you as evidence of your appointment.

By command of Brigadier General Henry:

*Inclosure:
Form for oath of office.*


H. G. HYDE,
Lt. Col. (Inf) Armored Force,
Secretary.

1st Lt. John L.
Wiggins, Jr





OCS Fort Knox, KY

John L. Wiggins, Jr.

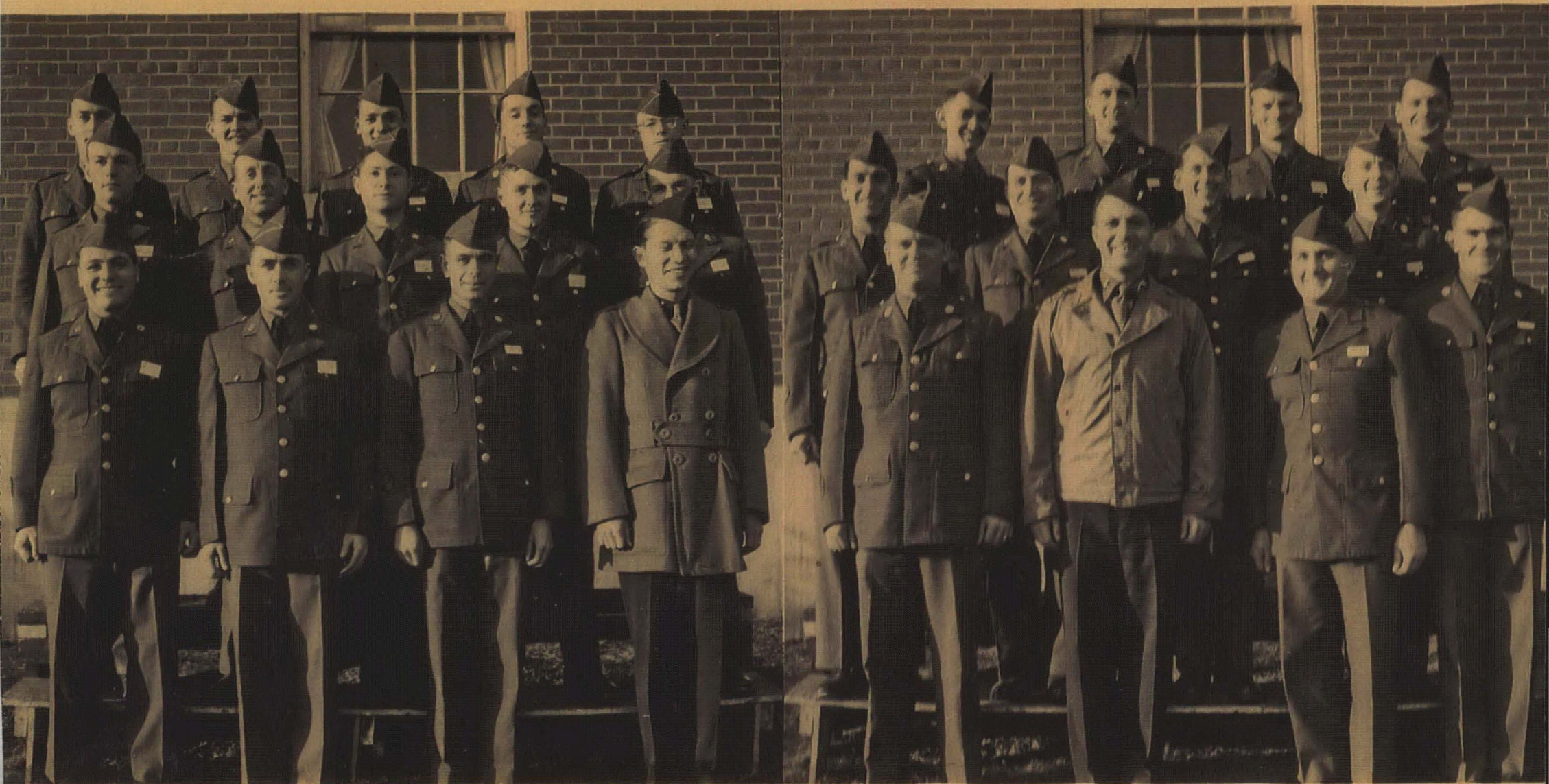
1st Person on second row in left picture. The class was commissioned on 2/27/1943. Jack's ~~second~~ cousin Herbert Ellis graduated two weeks earlier. Herbert was killed in the Battle of the Bulge on 1/9/1945. Jack served in North Africa and Italy. He served in the 757th Tank Battalion in General Montebell's Fifth Army. His tent platoon provided indirect fire support (over)

For Tree Tender Units, Jack survived the war and died at age 90 on 8/15/2005.
His brother, William, fought in Northover Europe with the 101st and 82nd Airborne
and, also, survived.

Information provided by:

John L. (Jack) Lewis III

3/10/2010



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MILITARY RECORD AND REPORT OF SEPARATION

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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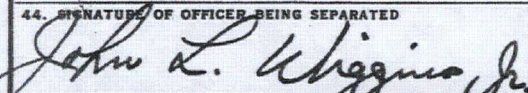
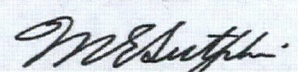
1. LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL-			2. ARMY SERIAL NUMBER		3. AUS. GRADE	4. ARM OR SERVICE	5. COMPONENT
Wiggins Jr John L			01 016 431		1 Lt	INF	AUS
6. ORGANIZATION			7. DATE OF RELIEF FROM ACTIVE DUTY		8. PLACE OF SEPARATION		
Headquarters Company 757th Tank Battalion			27 Nov 45		Convalescent Hospital Camp Pickett, Virginia		
9. PERMANENT ADDRESS FOR MAILING PURPOSES					10. DATE OF BIRTH	11. PLACE OF BIRTH	
107 Daniel St, Wilson N C					5 July 1915	Wilson N C	
12. ADDRESS FROM WHICH EMPLOYMENT WILL BE SOUGHT					13. COLOR EYES	14. COLOR HAIR	15. HEIGHT
See 9					Brown	Black	5'8"
					16. WEIGHT	17. NO. OF DEPENDENTS	
					155 LBS.	1	
18. RACE		19. MARITAL STATUS		20. U.S. CITIZEN		21. CIVILIAN OCCUPATION AND NO.	
WHITE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGRO <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (specify) <input type="checkbox"/>		SINGLE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (specify) <input type="checkbox"/>		YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		Salesman, Automobile 01.851	

MILITARY HISTORY

SELECTIVE SERVICE DATA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	22. REGISTERED YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	23. LOCAL S. S. BOARD NUMBER	24. COUNTY AND STATE Wilson N C	25. HOME ADDRESS AT TIME OF ENTRY ON ACTIVE DUTY See 9
26. DATE OF ENTRY ON ACTIVE DUTY 27 February 1943		27. MILITARY OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALTY AND NO. Mortar Platoon Ldr 1205 Assault Gun Platoon Ldr 1207		
28. BATTLES AND CAMPAIGNS Apennines Rome-Arno Volturno-Rome				
29. DECORATIONS AND CITATIONS Three (3) Battle Stars				
30. WOUNDS RECEIVED IN ACTION None				
31. SERVICE SCHOOLS ATTENDED Armd Force OCS # 23		32. SERVICE OUTSIDE CONTINENTAL U. S. AND RETURN		
		DATE OF DEPARTURE 17 June 43	DESTINATION European	DATE OF ARRIVAL 25 June 43
		15 May 45	U S	24 May 45
33. REASON AND AUTHORITY FOR SEPARATION				
34. CURRENT TOUR OF ACTIVE DUTY				
CONTINENTAL SERVICE			FOREIGN SERVICE	
YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS	YEARS	MONTHS
	7	9	1	11
				8
35. EDUCATION (years)				
GRAMMAR SCHOOL		HIGH SCHOOL		COLLEGE
8		4		1

INSURANCE NOTICE

IMPORTANT IF PREMIUM IS NOT PAID WHEN DUE OR WITHIN THIRTY-ONE DAYS THEREAFTER, INSURANCE WILL LAPSE. MAKE CHECKS OR MONEY ORDERS PAYABLE TO THE TREASURER OF THE U. S. AND FORWARD TO COLLECTIONS SUBDIVISION, VETERANS ADMINISTRATION, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.									
36. KIND OF INSURANCE			37. HOW PAID		38. Effective Date of Allotment Discontinuance	39. Date of Next Premium Due (one month after 38)	40. PREMIUM DUE EACH MONTH	41. INTENTION OF VETERAN TO	
Nat. Serv.	U.S. Govt.	None	Allotment	Direct to V.A.				Continue	Continue only
X			X		30 Nov 1945	31 Dec 45	* 6.90	X	*

		RIGHT THUMB PRINT		43. REMARKS (This space for completion of above items or entry of other items specified in W. D. Directives)	
44. SIGNATURE OF OFFICER BEING SEPARATED		45. PERSONNEL OFFICER (Type name, grade and organization - signature)			
		M. E. SUTPHIN Captain - MAC			



1st Lt. John L. (Jack) Wiggins, Jr. Rome, 1985