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HEADQUARTERS
142D ENGINEER COMBAT BATTALION
Camp Gruber, Oklahoma

U N I T H I S T O R Y
14 July 43 - 31 Dec 43

a. Original Unit
(1) 142d Engineer Battalion (Combat)
(2) Date of Activation: 14th July 1943.
(3) Place of Activation: Camp Gruber, Okla.
(4) Authority: Ltr WD TAGO file AG 320.2 (3-29-43) OB-I-GNGCT-M, April 2, 1943, and Section III, GO 59, Hqs. Third Army, 10 Ju 1943. General Order No. 1, Hq 42d Inf Div. and General Order No. 1, Hq 142d Engr. Bn. (copies atchd)
(5) Original cadre of 63 men transferred from 327th Engineer Battalion (Combat) per Special Orders, 129 Hq 102d Inf. Div. Camp Maxey, Texas dated 10 June 1943. 35 additional personne by transfer from Service Commands and various units and 599 from reception centers.

b. Activated under T/O 5-15, dated 15 April 1943. Reorganized under T 5-15 dated 15th July 1943, necessitating only minor changes.

c. Strength, commissioned, and enlisted:

(1)	July 14, 1943	30 Officers	98 Enlisted Men
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(c)	Sept 30, 1943	Increase 2 Off	542 Enlisted Men
(d)	Oct 31, 1943	Increase 2 Off	9 Enlisted Men
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(f)	Dec 31, 1943	Decrease 2 Off	8 Enlisted Men
(2)	Strength Dec 31, 1943	32 Officers	642 Enlisted M

d. Stations:-
Remained at Camp Gruber, Okla, as permanent station throughout t period.

e. Training:-
Began Individual Training Period: 8th October 1943.

f. Campaigns: None

g. Battles: None

h. Commanding Officers in important Engagements: No Engagements.

i. Losses in Action: None

j. Former and present members who have distinguished themselves in None known.

k. Photographs of personnel, important scenes, or events.
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14 July 1943.

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 1)

I ACTIVATION OF THE 142D ENGINEER COMBAT BATTALION. In compliance with Letter, WD TAGO, file AG 320.2(3-29-43) OB-I-GNGCT-M, 2 April 1943 Subject: - "Activation of the 42d Infantry Divsion," and pursuant to Section III, GO #59, Headquarters Third Army, 10 June 1943, and Section I GO #1 Hq 42d Infantry Division dated 14 July 1943, The 142d Engineer Combat Battalion (consisting of the following organizations) is activated this date at this station: -

Organization	T/O 1 March 1943	T/E 1 March 1943
Company "A"	5-17	5-17
Company "B"	5-17	5-17
Company "C"	5-17	5-17
Hq & Serv Company	5-16	5-16
Medical Detachment	5-15	5-15

II ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND. Under the provisions of paragraph 5, AR 600-20 and ltr. TAGO file AG 210.31 (4-14-43) PO-A dated 16 April 1943, Subject: "Orders," the undersigned hereby assumes command of the 142d Engineer Combat Battalion.

III. OPENING OF HEADQUARTERS, 142D ENGINEER COMBAT BATTALION. Headquarters, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, opened at this station at 0001 this date.

Ellis O. Davis

ELLIS O. DAVIS,
Major, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion,
Commanding.

Distribution:
5 - C.G.
2 - Ea. Co.
1 - Med. Det.
2 - Ea. O. Concerned
1 - Ea. O. 201 Concerned
1 - S-4
1 - File