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HEADQUARTERS 1142D ENGINEER COMBAT GROUP  
APO 339, UNITED STATES ARMY  
**CLASSIFICATION**  
**CANCELLED**  
AFTER ACTION REPORT  
BY AUTHORITY OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL  
*William M. ... 2/June 46*  
**DOWNGRADING COMMITTEE**

AFTER ACTION REPORT

N. 7.

5 June 1945  
1/4 Mi West Ermsinghausn,  
Germany.

MAPS: GSGS 4416, Sheet R-1, Scale 1:100,000.  
GSGS 4416, Sheet Q-1, Scale 1:100,000.

1. Not applicable.
2. a. Not applicable.
- b. See Overlay No. 1.
- c. Not applicable.



d. Throughout the month of May 1945, Hq & Hq Co, 1142d Engr C Gp was actively engaged in the supervision of general and special engineer work in its assigned area of responsibility in the Army Area of Ninth United States Army and Corps Area of XVI Corps and XIX Corps.

During the Month of May the following units were attached to this command:

147th Engr C Bn attached for entire month.

172d Engr C Bn attached for entire month.

208th Engr C Bn attached for entire month.

\*278th Engr C Bn attached for entire month. Detached eff 311800B May 45. AUTH: Engr Opn O #284, NUSA, dtd 2 Jun 45.  
\* Scheduled to move to Comm Zone 1 Jun 45. TWX, KX 21512, NUSA, dtd 29 May 45.

\*\* 999th Engr Tdwy Br Co attached for entire month. Detached eff 311800B May 45. AUTH: Engr Opn O #284, NUSA, dtd 2 Jun 45.  
\*\* Scheduled to move to Comm Zone 2 Jun 45. TWX, KX 21512, NUSA, dtd 29 May 45.

1355th Engr Dp Trk Co attached 061200B May 45. Engr Opn O #256, NUSA, dtd 061330B May 45. Now on alert status for redeployment through United States. TWX, KX 21147, NUSA, dtd 25 May 45.

1451st Engr Dp Trk Co attached for entire month. Now on alert status for redeployment through United States. TWX, KX 21147, NUSA, dtd 25 May 45.

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625th Engr LE Co attached for entire month.

2726th Engr LE Co attached 241800B May 45. AUTH: Engr Daily Sit Rpt #260, dtd 251500B May 45. Now on alert status for re-deployment to Pacific. AUTH: TWX, KX 21081, dtd 24 May 45.

1503d Engr WS Co detached and moved for redeployment to Pacific on 31 May 45. AUTH: TWX, KX 21626, NUSA, DTD 30 May 45.

969th Engr Maint Co attached for administration only, eff 211800B May 45. AUTH: Engr Opn O #277, dtd 261430B May 45, NUSA.

1961st Engr Avn Dep Co attached for administration only, eff 261800B May 45. AUTH: Engr Opn O #277, dtd 261430B May 45, NUSA.

1214th Engr Fire Fighting Plat attached for administration only, eff 261800B May 45. AUTH: Engr Opn O #277, dtd 261430B May 45, NUSA.

During the month of May this Group was principally engaged in bridge construction inventorying and hauling engineer supplies & materials, completion of the war criminal camp at Recklinghausen, road maintenance, and loading 1" and 2" lumber on RR cars for shipment to ASCZ to be used in crating equipment for overseas shipment. A total of 2,783,145 bd ft were hauled. Shortly after V-E day, a schedule of organized athletics for all units was put in effect in conjunction with work assignments.

In addition to its continuous mission of conducting all engineer work required in its assigned area, Hq & Hq Co, 1142d Engr C Gp received numerous additional task assignments, both in and outside of its assigned area, from the Engineer, Ninth United States Army. A complete recapitulation of these additional assignments is included in Annex I to this report.

e. Combat efficiency: EXCELLENT.

f. Results of operations during period: Principal and secondary routes maintained and general engineer work conducted in assigned area. Additional tasks completed as shown in Annex 1.

### 3. ADMINISTRATIVE:

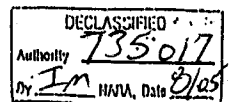
a. Status of strength of Hq & Hq Co and replacements needed: The strength of the unit as of 312400B May 45 was 70 EM, 8 enlisted men attached and 16 officers.

b. Casualties:

Killed - 0	Sick - 3
Gassed - 0	Wounded - 0
Captured - 0	Missing - 0

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- c. Prisoners captured: None.
- d. Evacuation: Normal.
- e. Location of supply and evacuation establishments of interest:  
Not applicable.
- f. Status of Supply:
  - Class I - Two day's supply on hand at all times.
  - Class II - Authorized T/E allowances on hand at all times.
  - Class III - Supply on hand at all times for 50 operational miles.
  - Class IV - Normal.
  - Class V - 100% basic load on hand as prescribed by Hq NUSA.

Engineer spare parts -- None required.

4. None.

*Frank I. Pethick Jr.*  
FRANK I. PETHICK, JR  
Colonel, 1142d Engr C Gp  
Commanding

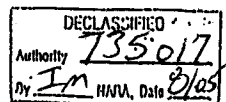
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- Incl #1 - Annex #1 Special task assignments.
- Incl #2 - Overlay #1 Area assignments and CP locations.
- Incl #3 - Overlay #2 Water Point location.

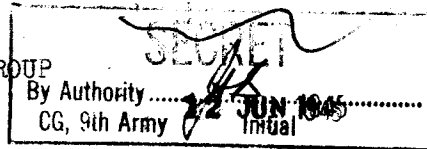
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HEADQUARTERS 1142D ENGINEER COMBAT GROUP  
APO 339, UNITED STATES ARMY



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9 June 1945  
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SUBJECT: Transmittal of Reports

TO : Commanding General, Ninth United States Army, APO 339, U.S. Army

Transmitted herewith After Action Reports for month of May for the following units:

- ✓ Hq & Hq Co 1142d Engr C Gp
- ✓ 147th Engr C Bn
- ✓ 172nd Engr C Bn
- ✓ 208th Engr C Bn
- ✓ 1355th Engr Dp Trk Co
- ✓ 1451st Engr Dp Trk Co
- ✓ 625th Engr L.E. Co
- ✓ 440th Engr Parts Supply Plat
- ✓ 2726th Engr L.E. Co
- ✓ 969th Engr Maint Co

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*Kenneth T. Keirstead*  
KENNETH T. KEIRSTEAD  
Captain, CE  
Adjutant

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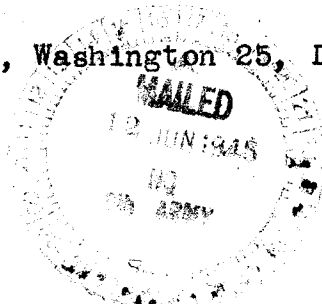
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After Action 1961st Engr Avn Dep Co ✓  
After Action 1214th Engr Fire Fighting Plat ✓

314.7 GNMAG 1st Ind.  
HEADQUARTERS NINTH US ARMY, APO 339, US Army, 12 June 1945

THRU: Commanding General, European Theater of Operations US Army,  
APO 887, US Army.

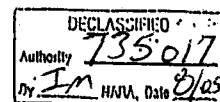
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\* INIT: *[Signature]*  
\* DATE: 4 May 1945  
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HEADQUARTERS 1142D ENGINEER COMBAT GROUP  
APO 339, UNITED STATES ARMY

AFTER ACTION REPORT

No. 6

4 May 1945  
1/4 Mi West Ermsinghausn,  
Germany.

MAPS: GSGS 4416, Sheet R-1, Scale 1:100,000.  
GSGS 4416, Sheet Q-1, Scale 1:100,000.

1. Not applicable.
2. a. Not applicable.
- b. See Overlay No. 1.
- c. Not applicable.

d. Throughout the month of April 1945, Hq and Hq Co, 1142d Engr C Gp was actively engaged in the supervision of general and special engineer work in its assigned area of responsibility in the Army Area of Ninth United States Army and Corps Area of XVI Corps.

During the month the following units were attached to this command:

- 172d Engr C Bn attached for entire month.
- 208th Engr C Bn attached for entire month.
- 278th Engr C Bn attached for entire month.
- 1451st Engr Dp Trk Co attached for entire month.
- 1503rd Engr Water Supply Co attached for entire month.

- 1st Plat reld fr atchmt to 1961st Engr Avn Dep Co 13 Apr 45. AUTH: VO, Engr Sec, NUSA.
- 2d Plat reld fr atchmt to 1961st Engr Avn Dep Co 21 Apr 45. AUTH: VO, Engr Sec, NUSA.
- 2d Plat attached XVI Corps 6 Apr 45. AUTH: Engr Daily Sit Rep, Hq, NUSA, dtd 6 Apr 45.

Royal Navy Unit reld atchmt 2 Apr 45. AUTH: VOCC, NUSA. WAR 81948

999th Engr Tpt Co (less 1st platoon) reld atchmt 8 Apr 45, AUTH: Engr Daily Sit Rep, Hq, NUSA, dtd 10 Apr 45.

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FOR THE BOARD OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL  
27 Mar 46

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2d Plat, 1000th Engr Tdwy Br Co, atchd 8 Apr 45. AUTH: VOCCG, NUSA.  
Reld atchmt 9 Apr 45. AUTH: VOCCG, NUSA.

1st Plat, 999th Engr Tdwy Br Co, atchd 11 Apr 45. Reld atchmt  
11 Apr 45. AUTH: Engr Daily Sit Rep, Hq, NUSA, dtd 11 Apr 45.

180th Engr Hv Pon Bn reld atchmt 13 Apr 45. AUTH: Engr Daily Sit  
Rep, Hq, NUSA, dtd 13 Apr 45.

630th Engr L E Co reld atchmt 15 Apr 45. AUTH: Engr Opn Order  
#236, Hq, NUSA, dtd 16 Apr 45.

Detachment "C", 329th Harbor Craft Unit reld atchmt 19 Apr 45.  
AUTH: TWX, CG, NUSA, dtd 21 Apr 45.

LCVP Unit No 3 reld atchmt 26 Apr 45. AUTH: US Naval communication  
fr C.C. Danphinais & VOCCG, NUSA, dtd 23 Apr 45.

147th Engr C Bn atchd 7 Apr 45. AUTH: Engr Opn Order #228, Hq,  
NUSA, dtd 8 Apr 45.

989th Engr Tdwy Br Co atchd 10 Apr 45. AUTH: TWX, NUSA, dtd  
10 Apr 45. Reld atchmt 13 Apr 45. AUTH: Engr Daily Sit Rep,  
Hq, NUSA, dtd 13 Apr 45.

625th Engr LE Co atchd 16 Apr 45. AUTH: Engr Daily Sit Rep, Hq,  
NUSA, dtd 16 Apr 45.

551st Engr Hv Pon Bn atchd 16 Apr 45. AUTH: Engr Daily Sit Rep,  
Hq, NUSA, dtd 17 Apr 45. Reld atchmt 22 Apr 45. AUTH: TWX, NUSA,  
dtd 21 Apr 45.

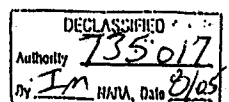
999th Engr Tdwy Br Co atchd 19 Apr 45. AUTH: Engr Daily Sit Rep,  
Hq, NUSA, dtd 21 Apr 45.

C B Maint Unit No 629 atchd 20 Apr 45. AUTH: Engr Opn Order #20,  
dtd 20 Apr 45. Reld atchmt 30 Apr 45. AUTH: VOCCG, NUSA.

Throughout the month of April, this Group remained involved in construction, maintenance, and removal of bridges and protective booms along the Rhine River, including all of the sector of the Ninth U S Army and additional work outside this sector. Various units under this command were made responsible for this work, consistent with other operational requirements. Due to new bridge construction and removal of some bridges, original boom plans were changed and installations made as required. Bridges and booms included in above responsibility are tabulated on attached sheet and overlay, Incl #1. Sheet showing traffic counts on these bridges is also Included in Incl #1.

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In addition to its continuous mission of conducting all Engineer work required in its asgd area, Hq & Hq Co, 1142d Engr C Gp received numerous additional task assignments, both in and outside of its asgd area, from the Engineer, Ninth United States Army. A Complete recapitulation of these additional assignments is included in Annex I to this report.

e. Combat Efficiency: EXCELLENT.

f. Results of operations during period: Principal and secondary routes maintained and general engineer work conducted in assigned area. Additional assigned tasks completed as shown in Annex I.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE:

a. Status of strength of Hq & Hq Co & replacements needed:  
the strength of the unit as of 302400 Apr 45 was 66 EM, 8 enlisted men atchd and 17 officers.

b. Casualties:

Killed - 0	Sick - 3
Gassed - 0	Wounded - 0
Captured - 0	Missing - 0

c. Prisoners captured: None.

d. Evacuation: Normal.

e. Location of supply and evacuation establishments of interest:  
Not applicable.

f. Status of Supply:

Class I	--Two day's supply on hand at all times.
Class II	--Authorized T/E allowances on hand at all times.
Class III	--Supply on hand at all times for 50 operational miles.
Class IV	--Normal.
Class V	--100% basic load on hand as prescribed by Hq, NUSA.

Engineer spare parts--None required.

4. None.

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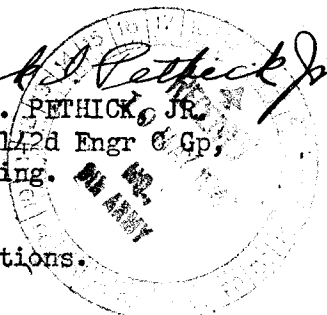
- Incl #1 - Rhine River Bridge & Boom Data.
- Incl #2 - Annex #1 - Special Task Assignments.
- Incl #3 - Overlay #1 - Area Assignments and CP Locations.
- Incl #4 - Overlay #2 - Water Point Locations.

Form used - Form 19, FM 101-5.

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*Frank I. Pethick, Jr.*  
FRANK I. PETHICK, JR.  
Col., 1142d Engr C Gp,  
Commanding.



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\*Date: 10 Apr 45  
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HEADQUARTERS 1142D ENGINEER COMBAT GROUP  
APO 339, U.S. Army

AFTER ACTION REPORT

No. 5

*2-570*

10 April 1945  
Rheinberg, Germany

MAPS: GSGS 4416, Sheet R-1, Scale 1:100,000.  
GSGS 4416, Sheet Q-1, Scale 1:100,000.

- 1. Not applicable.
- 2. a. Not applicable
- b. See Overlay No.
- c. Not applicable.

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d. Throughout the month of March 1945, Hq and Hq Co, 1142d Engr C Gp was actively engaged in the supervision of general and special engineer work in its assigned area of responsibility in the Army Area of Ninth United States Army, Corps Area of XVI Corps and Corps Area of the XIX Corps.

During the month the following units were attached to this command:

172d Engr C Bn atchd for entire month.

1503d Engr WS Co attached for entire month.

208th Engr C Bn atchd 2 Mar 45. Auth: Engr Opns Order No 187, Hq, NUSA, dtd 2 Mar 45. Reld atchmt 9 Mar 45. Auth: Engr Daily Situation Report No 185, Hq, NUSA, dtd 10 Mar 45. Atchd 27 Mar 45. Auth: Engr Daily Situation Report Hq, Ninth U. S. Army, dtd 27 Mar 45.

1355th Engr Dp Tr Co reld atchmt 1142d Engr C Gp 10 Mar 45. Auth: Engr Opns Order No 194, dtd 9 Mar 45.

278th Engr C Bn atchd 10 Mar 45. Auth Engr Opns Order No 194, Hq NUSA, dtd 9 Mar 45.

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625th Engr LE Co, Reld atchmt 15 Mar 45. Auth: Engr Opns Order No 194, Hq, NUSA, dtd 9 Mar 45.

630 Engr LE Co, Atchd 22 Mar 45. Auth: Engr Opns Order No 208, Hq, NUSA, dtd 19 Mar 45.

1451 Engr Dp Tr Co atchd 22 Mar 45. Auth: Engr Opns Order No 208, Hq, NUSA, dtd 19 Mar 45.

184th Engr C Bn reld atchmt 28 Mar 45. Auth: Engr Opns Order No 218, Hq, NUSA, dtd 28 Mar 45.

554th Engr Hv Pn Bn reld atchmt, 9 Mar 45, Auth: Engr Daily Situation Report No 185, Hq, NUSA, dtd 10 Mar 45.

Co "F", 17 Armored Engr Bn atchd 27 Mar 45. Auth: TWX, CG, NUSA, dtd 27 Mar 45. Reld atchmt 29 Mar 45. Auth: VOCC, Ninth U. S. Army.

Det "C", 329th Harbor Craft Co atchd 27 Mar 45. Auth: TWX, CG, Ninth U. S. Army, dtd 27 Mar 45.

180th Engr Hv Pon Bn atchd 30 Mar 45. Auth: Engr Opns Order No 220, Hq Ninth U. S. Army, dtd 30 Mar 45.

LCUP Unit No 3 atchd 27 Mar 45. Auth: VOCC, Ninth U. S. Army.

999th Engr Tdwy Br Co atchd 30 Mar 45. Auth: VOCC Ninth U. S. Army.

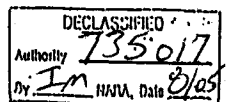
Naval Party 1806, RN atchd 30 Mar 45. Auth: VOCC, Ninth U. S. Army.

The 1142d Engr C Gp continued to operate in the area of responsibility assigned to it on 29 Mar 1945. (For areas of responsibility and locations of Command Posts, see atchd Overlay No 1.)

Operations during March were featured by the missions assigned this Group in the crossing of the Rhine River. Prior to "D" Day 24 March 1945 this group had been directed to prepare for the construction of a floating bailey bridge, erection of anti debris, anti mine, anti personnel, and anti submarine booms upon army order as well as be prepared to relieve the XVI Corps of responsibility for its river crossing means at an early date. The Group CP moved to Rheinberg 23 March near the site selected for the Bailey Bridge and soon after the assault wave had passed on "D" Day, started surveys and preparations for the bridge construction. Materials for both bridge and booms had previously been collected and stored in a dump at Sevelen.

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While preliminary work was performed on approaches and movement of materials on the 25 the construction of the Cl 40 floating bailey bridge was started 26 March and completed 28 March. It was 1386' long with 500 yd of new approach road construction. On the 27 March maintenance and protection of 2 Treadway Bridges, booms and ferries installed by XVI Corps was assumed and on the 30 March construction was started on a reinforced Hv Pon Bridge at Orsey which was still in progress at the end of the month. This group also had attached a Det of a Harbor Craft Co and a Naval LCVP unit and was responsible for the operation of sea mules, LCM's and LCVP's in the Ninth Army Sector of the Rhine River.

In addition to its continuous mission of conducting all Engineer work required in its asgd area, Hq & Hq Co, 1142d Engr C Gp received numerous additional task assignments, both in and outside of its asgd area, from the Engineer, Ninth United States Army. A Complete recapitulation of these additional assignments is included in Annex I to this report.

e. Combat Efficiency: EXCELLENT.

f. Results of operations during period: Principal and secondary routes maintained and general engineer work conducted in assigned area. Additional assigned tasks completed as shown in Annex 1.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE:

a. Status of strength of Hq and Hq Co and replacements needed:  
the strength of the unit as of 312400 Mar 45 was 65 enlisted men, 13 enlisted men atchd and 17 officers.

b. Casualties:

Killed - 0	Sick - 2
Gassed - 0	Wounded - 0
Captured - 0	Missing - 0

c. Prisoners captured: None.

d. Evacuation: Normal

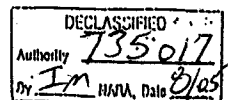
e. Location of supply and evacuation establishments of interest:  
Not applicable.

f. Status of Supply:

Class I	--Two day's supply on hand at all times.
Class II	--Authorized T/E allowances on hand at all times.
Class III	--Supply on hand at all times for 50 operational miles.
Class IV	--Normal.
Class V	--100% basic load on hand as prescribed by Hq, NUSA.

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Engineer spare parts—None required.

4. None.

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FRANK I. PETHICK, JR  
Colonel, CE  
Commanding

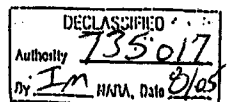
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HEADQUARTERS 1142D ENGINEER COMBAT GROUP  
APO 339, UNITED STATES ARMY

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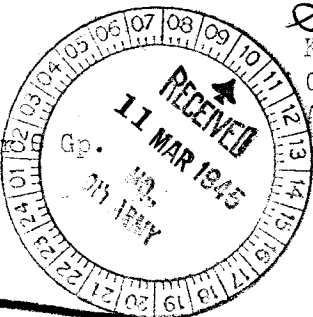
SUBJECT: Transmittal of After Action Report.

TO : Commanding General, Ninth U.S. Army, APO 339.

Transmitted herewith After Action Report, month of February 1945, for  
1142d Engineer Combat Group.

For the Commanding Officer:

*Kenneth T. Keirstead*  
KENNETH T. KEIRSTEAD  
Captain, CE  
Adjutant



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After Action Report, 1142d Eng

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\* Date: 4 March 45  
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HEADQUARTERS 1142D ENGINEER COMBAT GROUP  
APO 339, UNITED STATES ARMY

AFTER ACTION REPORT

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No. 4

4 March 1945  
Hongen, Germany

MAPS: GSGS 4336, Sheet No 9, Scale 1:1000,000.  
GSGS 4416, Sheet R-1, Scale 1:100,000.  
GSGS 4416, Sheet S-1, Scale 1:100,000.

1. Not applicable.
2. a. Not applicable.
- b. See Overlay No 1.
- c. Not applicable.

d. Throughout the month of February 1945, Hq and Hq Co, 1142D Engr C Group was actively engaged in the supervision of general and special engineer work in its assigned area of responsibility in the Army area of the Ninth United States Army, and Corps area of XIX Corps.

During the month the following units were attached to this command:

172d Engr C Bn atchd to this Gp throughout the month.

208th Engr C Bn reld atchmt 8 Feb 45.

554th Engr Hv Pon Bn atchd to this Gp 1 Feb 45, Engr Opns Order #157, NUSA, dtd 1 Feb 45, reld atchmt 7 Feb 45, Engr Opns Order #163, NUSA, dtd 7 Feb 45, reatchd this Gp 28 Feb 45, Engr Opns Order #185, NUSA, dtd 28 Feb 45.

630th Engr L E Co atchd this Gp 1 Feb 45, Engr Opns Order #156, NUSA, dtd 31 Jan 45 and reld 8 Feb 45, Engr Opns Order #163, NUSA, dtd 7 Feb 45.

1451st Engr Dp Tr Co atchd this Gp 1 Feb 45, Engr Opns Order #156, NUSA, dtd 31 Jan 45 and reld 8 Feb 45, Engr Opns Order #163, NUSA, dtd 7 Feb 45.

278th Engr C Bn reld 27 Feb 45, Engr Opns Order #183, NUSA, dtd 26 Feb 45.

336th Engr C Bn reld 26 Feb 45, Engr Opns Order #180, NUSA, dtd 23 Feb 45.

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BASIC: After Action Report, Hq & Hq Co, 1142d Engr C Gp, 4 Mar 45, Cont'd.  
184th Engr C Bn atchd 26 Feb 45, Engr Opns Order #183, 26 Feb 45.

625th Engr L E Co atchd to this Gp throughout the month.

1355th Engr Dp Tr Co atchd to this Gp throughout the month.

1503d Engr Water Supply Co atchd to this Gp throughout the month.

The 1142d Engr C Group continued to operate in the area of responsibility asgd to it on 23 Feb 45. (For areas of responsibility and locations of Command Posts, see atchd Overlay No 1.)

In addition to its continuous mission of conducting all engineer work required in its asgd area, Hq & Hq Co, 1142d Engr C Group received numerous additional task assignments, both in and outside of its asgd area, from the Engineer, Ninth United States Army. A complete recapitulation of these additional assignments is included in Annex 1 to this report.

e. Combat Efficiency: Excellent.

f. Results of operations during period: Principal and secondary routes maintained and general engineer work conducted in assigned area. Additional assigned tasks completed as shown in Annex 1.

### 3. ADMINISTRATIVE:

a. Status of strength of Hq and Hq Co and replacements needed:  
the strength of the unit as of 282400 Feb 1945 was 65 enlisted men, 17 enlisted men atchd, and 18 officers.

b. Casualties:

Killed	- 0	Sick	- 1
Gassed	- 0	Wounded	- 0
Captured	- 0	Missing	- 0

c. Prisoners captured: None.

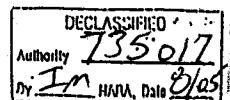
d. Evacuation: Normal

e. Location of supply and evacuation establishments of interest:  
Not applicable.

f. Status of Supply:

Class I --Two day's supply on hand at all times.  
Class II --Authorized T/E allowances on hand at all times.  
Class III --Supply on hand at all times for 100 operational miles.  
Class IV --Normal.  
Class V --100% basic load on hand as prescribed by Hq, NUSA.

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Engineer spare parts -None required.

4. None.

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Colonel, CE  
Commanding.

4 Incls:

- Incl 1 - Overlay No 1.
- Incl 2 - Overlay No 2.
- Incl 3 - Annex 1.
- Incl 4 - Annex 2.

Form used - Form 19, FM 101-5.

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SUMMARY OF TASKS ASSIGNMENTS AND COMPLETIONS 1142D ENGR COMBAT GROUP

PERIOD: 1 Feb 45--28 Feb 45

TASK	DATE ASGD	ATTCHD UNIT TO WHICH ASGD	DATE ASGD	DATE COMPLETED	REMARKS
1. Cut & mill lumber & deliv to Engr Dep #8 in Aachen	4 Nov 44	278th Engr C Bn 208th Engr C Bn 336th Engr C Bn	4 Nov 44		Continuation of original assgmt, job #57
2. Furnish (1) crane w/operator to Engr Dep #4, Maestricht	4 Jan 45	625th Engr I Equip Co	4 Jan 45		Still at E-4
3. Furnish (1) plat to PM Hq 9th Army, ref 041930A Jan	4 Jan 45	278th Engr C Bn	4 Jan 45	7 Feb 45	Guarding Gannes Bridge
4. Furnish (10) Dp Trks to Engr XIX Corps thru 25 Jan	7 Jan 45	1355th Engr Dp Trk Co	7 Jan 45	9 Feb 45	Time extended
5. (2) plat, 1503D Engr WS Co atchd 1961 Avn Dep Co for operational control ref 090800 Jan 45					
6. Transport steel beams, described in your rcm rpt 22 Jan 45 from Eschweiler to E-4, Job 173	28 Jan 45	336th Engr C Bn	28 Jan 45	14 Feb 45	Discontinued VO Maj Shanks, 9th Army due to Army boundary change. Report submitted
7. Transport Engr Mat from Aachen to E-4	30 Jan 45	278th Engr C Bn 172D Engr C Bn	30 Jan 45	Suspended 13 Feb 45	Articles per Engr Opn Order No 155. Suspended due to Army boundary change. Peel only 20' fr tip 172D still on job
8. All previous pile orders re-scinded. Cut, peel, and haul to E-4 piles listed: 30' 500 60' 550 40' 680 70' 740 50' 680	31 Jan 45	336th Engr C Bn 172D Engr C Bn 278th Engr C Bn	31 Jan 45		
9. Conducting radio school	17 Jan 45	208th Engr C Bn 278th Engr C Bn	17 Jan 45		Sch still in session for new radio operators due to change in T/O
10. Training at 1143D Bridge School		208th Engr C Bn	31 Jan 45	4 Feb 45	Br sch suspended due to flooded river.

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SUMMARY OF TASKS  
ASSIGNMENTS AND COMPLETIONS  
1142D ENGR COMBAT GROUP

PERIOD: 1 Feb 45--28Feb 45

Sheet 2

TASK	DATE ASSG	ATCHD UNIT TO WHICH ASSG	DATE ASSG	DATE COMPLETED	REMARKS
11. Furnish (1) D-7 Dozer to 1961 Avn Dep Co for (1) day	1 Feb 45	630th I Equip Co	1Feb45	2 Feb 45	
12. Furnish (1) motor patrol grader to 1143D Gp for (1) week	1 Feb 45	630th I Equip Co	1Feb45		630th IG Co trfd to 1146th Gp 8 Feb 45
13. Transport 67,500 sq ft steel sheet 3/8", fr Eschweiler, Mariadorf, Geilenkirchen to E-4	1 Feb 45	336th Engr C Bn	1Feb45	14 Feb 45	Suspended VO Major Shanks, 9th Army due to change in Army boundary. Report submitted.
14. Furnish (1) 20T trlr & PM to transport D-7 dozer to Liege	2 Feb 45	625th Engr L E Co	2Feb45	2 Feb 45	
15. Furnish (1) D-7 & (2) R-4 dozers to Engr XVI Corps for 2 days eff 020800 Feb. Rpt to 1146th Gp	2 Feb 45	625th Engr L E Co	2Feb45	3 Feb 45	
16. Erect (2) traffic sign posts @ Valkenburg, Meerssen, Rothen	2 Feb 45	172D Engr C Bn	2Feb45	9 Feb 45	Six signs erected as directed by Mil Police
17. Transport supplies on list per Opn O #158 fr Richterich to E-4	2 Feb 45	278th Engr C Bn	2Feb45	5 Feb 45	
18. Rcn prefab mil barracks, K842494 for moving to E-4	2 Feb 45	278th Engr C Bn	2Feb45	3 Feb 45	
19. Haul 3000 pickets, K947236 to E-4	2 Feb 45	208th Engr C Bn	2Feb45	5 Feb 45	
20. Clear path of mines for pole line fr K9050 to F0359	2 Feb 45	278th Engr C Bn	2Feb45	6 Feb 45	As directed by 41st Sig Cons Bn

SUMMARY OF TASKS ASSIGNMENTS AND COMPLETIONS  
1142D ENGR COMBAT GROUP

TASK	DATE ASSG 1142D GP	ATTCHD UNIT TO WHICH ASSG	DATE ASSG	DATE COMPLETED	REMARKS
21. Furnish (9) 2- $\frac{1}{2}$ T Dp trks for 2 days to 375 GS Regt eff 3 Feb 45	3 Feb 45	1355th Engr Dp Trk Co	3Feb45	4 Feb 45	
22. Make ren of Engr mat in Eschweiler	4 Feb 45	1142D Engr C Gp			Rescinded per Opn Order #163
23. Haul (40,000) FBM 1" x R/W x R/L wh pine lumber fr K842494 to E-8	4 Feb 45	208th Engr C Bn 1503D Engr WS Co	4Feb45	9 Feb 45	
24. Clear mines fr & mark a lane to damaged Crocodile at K980230 4 Feb 45	4 Feb 45	172D Engr C Bn	4Feb45	5 Feb 45	
25. Furnish (1) Sect Dp trks to Engr XVI Corps for 5 days (1146th Gp).	4 Feb 45	1355th Engr Dp Trk Co	4Feb45	9 Feb 45	
26. Furnish (1) $\frac{1}{2}$ yd shovel to Engr XIII Corps ppt 634 L E Co at Merstein eff 4 Feb 45	4 Feb 45	630th L E Co	4Feb45		630th LE Co trfd to 1146th Gp 8 Feb 45
27. Haul (30) Sec prefab barracks fr K842494 to E-8	5 Feb 45	278th Engr C Bn	5Feb45	17 Feb 45	
28. Furnish (1) D-7 dozer eff 5 F 45 for 3 days to 375 GS Regt @ K575388	5 Feb 45	278th Engr C Bn	5Feb45	8 Feb 45	
29. Furnish (1) Sec 2- $\frac{1}{2}$ T trks to Engr XIII Corps eff 6 Feb 45 for indefinite period.	6 Feb 45	1451st E Dp Trk Co	6Feb45		1451st E Dp Trk Co trfd to 1146th 8 Feb 45

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1142D ENGR COMBAT GROUP

TASK	DATE ASGD	ATCHD UNIT TO WHICH ASGD	DATE ASGD	DATE COMPLETED	REMARKS
30. Haul lumber in acc w/11st delv to E-8, Opn 0 #162	6 Feb 45	1503D E W S Co	6Feb45	9 Feb 45	Lumber listed had been re-moved by other units.
31. Construct access rd & hard standing at RR yds in Herzogenrath K8453 & Merstein K8553	6 Feb 45	208th Engr C Bn	6Feb45		Job trfd to 1146th Gp per Opn 0 #164.
32. Convert glider factory @ K8453 to hospital	6 Feb 45	208th Engr C Bn	6Feb45		Reassigned to 1146th Gp 8 Feb 45
33. Convert Sch @ K9252 to Hosp	6 Feb 45	278th Engr C Bn	6Feb45	9 Feb 45	
34. Repair rd @ QM C1 I SP 907 at K660465	6 Feb 45	278th Engr C Bn	6Feb45	13 Feb 45	
35. Level storage area for QM C1 III SP at K649518	7 Feb 45	172D Engr C Bn	7Feb45	10 Feb 45	Job discontinued due to moving of supply point.
36. 554th Hwy Pon Bn detached eff 072400 Feb 45					
37. 630th IE Co & 1451st E Dp Trk Co detached 081200 Feb 45.					
38. Repair entrance to QM C1 III SP 906 @ K650535	8 Feb 45	172D Engr C Bn	8Feb45	17 Feb 45	Job delayed due to priority of road maintenance.
39. Repair access rds at Ord Dep 820 @ K8052	8 Feb 45	336th Engr C Bn	8Feb45	17 Feb 45	
40. Clear mines at Bridge Suggesth K885652	8 Feb 45	336th Engr C Bn	8Feb45	9 Feb 45	Had been cleared by another unit. Rechecked by 336th
41. Turn over to 1146th Gp premix plant @ K7957	8 Feb 45	208th Engr C Bn	8Feb45	9 Feb 45	
42. 208th Engr C Bn reld to XIX Corps 8 Feb 45					

SUMMARY OF TASKS  
ASSIGNMENTS AND COMPLETIONS  
1142D ENGR COMBAT GROUP

TASK	DATE ASGD	ATCHD UNIT TO WHICH ASGD	DATE ASGD	DATE COMPLETED	REMARKS
43. Assume resp of maint of BB @ K668473 efr 10 Feb 45	10 Feb 45	278th Engr C Bn	10 Feb 45	25 Feb 45	Relieved by 1143D Gp
44. Remove BB over Albert Canal @ K530492 & haul equipage to E-4. Relieve 1143 Gp of responsibility for br 160800 Feb.	15 Feb 45	278th Engr C Bn	15 Feb 45		Piers yet to be removed. Reassigned to 172D EC Bn 27 Feb 45
45. Repair entrance rd to 41st Evac hosp K604505	15 Feb 45	278th Engr C Bn	15 Feb 45	18 Feb 45	
46. Repair leaks @ 24 Evac Hosp K859505 in roof	15 Feb 45	336th Engr C Bn	15 Feb 45	20 Feb 45	
47. Cut and haul lumber in accord w/1st delv to E-4, Opn O #172	16 Feb 45	278th Engr C Bn	16 Feb 45		Br timber. Job trfd to 172 Engr C Bn 27 Feb 45
48. Make electrical repairs at Prov Conv Hosp @ K757463	16 Feb 45	1142D Engr C Gp	16 Feb 45		Cancelled VO 9th Army
49. Rehab sch & construct PME @ Schaesbert K790561	17 Feb 45	336th Engr C Bn	17 Feb 45	25 Feb 45	
50. Construct new radar pits @ Heek, K685553 Job 198	18 Feb 45	278th Engr C Bn	18 Feb 45	23 Feb 45	
51. Cease opn of sawmills listed: #1 @ (Heer, K582514) #3 @ (Klimmen, K694549) #6 @ (Heer, K581514) #7 @ (Gruucht, K691520) #9 @ (Margraten, K654489) #10 @ (Gulpen, K702480) #11 @ (Whitthen, K732471)	2 Feb 45	172D Engr C Bn	2 Feb 45	18 Feb 45	Ceased opn but cutting logs in stock on hand & hauling lumber to Dep #4
52. Break in 76-22 HP & 10-55 HP outboard motors	19 Feb 45	172D Engr C Bn	19 Feb 45	25 Feb 45	Motors returned to Engr Dep #4

SUMMARY OF TASKS ASSIGNMENTS AND COMPLETIONS  
1142D ENGR COMBAT GROUP

TASK	DATE ASSG 1142D GP	ATCHD UNIT TO WHICH ASSG	DATE ASSG	DATE COMPLETED	REMARKS
53. Cut and haul 80,000 LF 2" x 12" x RL Lumber to E-4	19 Feb 45	336th Engr C Bn	19Feb45		Asgd to 172 24 Feb 45
54. Transfer plywood & masonite fr Kohlscheid, K840495 to E-4	20 Feb 45	336th Engr C Bn	20Feb45	23 Feb 45	Per Opn O #176
55. Repair rd to 91st Evac Hosp Valkenburg, K662543	20 Feb 45	278th Engr C Bn	20Feb45	27 Feb 45	NGO supervision only.
56. Complete elec serv for Prov Conv Hosp Wameilis, K760459	21 Feb 45	1142D Engr C Gp	21Feb45	27 Feb 45	Civilians hired for job
57. Furnish 8 Dp trks to 1961 Avn Dep Co @ E-4 thru 26 Feb 45	22 Feb 45	1355th Engr Dp Trk Co	22Feb45	26 Feb 45	
58. 336th Engr C Bn detached this Gp & atchd to 1143D Gp eff 26 Feb 45 0001 hrs.					
59. Cease opn sawmill @ K7359 Hoensbrock erf 23 1700 Feb 45	2 Feb 45	172D Engr C Bn	2Feb45	23 Feb 45	
60. Release 5 hvy pon trlrs & 5 6T FM 1146th Gp	17 Feb 45	172D Engr C Bn	17Feb45	24 Feb 45	Equipment had been borrowed fr 1146th Gp
61. Release 15 hvy pon trks & 5 6T FM of 1143D Gp	14 Feb 45	336th Engr C Bn 172D " " 278th " "	14Feb45	23 Feb 45	Equipment had been borrowed fr 1143D Gp
62. Crack 3 safes @ Julich as directed by NUSA Signal Officer	26 Feb 45	1142D Engr C Gp	26Feb45	27 Feb 45	2 cracked 26 Feb 45 1 cracked 27 Feb 45
63. 184 Engr C Bn atchd erf 26 Feb 1200 hrs.					
64. Sweep mine lane for pole line Aldenhoven for 29 Sig Cons Bn	27 Feb 45	172D Engr C Bn	27Feb45		Still in progress

TASK	DATE ASSD	ATTCHD UNIT TO WHICH ASSD	DATE ASSD	DATE COMPLETED	REMARKS
65. 278th Engr C Bn dtchd this Gp, atchd 1124 Gp eff 271800 Feb	1142D Gp				
66. Clear of mines and prepare rds of new area of 41st Evac hosp	28 Feb 45	172D Engr C Bn	28Feb45		Still in progress
67. Salvage and repair river crossing equipment along Roer in our area	28 Feb 45	172D Engr C Bn 184th Engr C Bn	28Feb45		Still in progress
68. Report work necessary on exit rd at Schleiden RR sta.	28 Feb 45	172D Engr C Bn	28Feb45	28 Feb 45	
69. Furnish 10 PW and hvy pon trlrs to report to CO Engr Dp Mary, 1 Mar 0800.	28 Feb 45	544th Hvy Pon Bn	28Feb45		

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SAW MILL OPERATIONS, Feb 1945

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>OPR UNIT</u>	<u>INCL DATES OF OPR</u>	
(K582514)	172d Engr Combat Bn	5 - 20 Feb	
(K601560)		2 - 28	
(K694549)		2 - 28	
(K830515)		2 - 28	
(K743518)		2 - 28	
(K581514)		2 - 28	
(K691520)		2 - 28	
(K614496)		2 - 19	
(K654489)		2 - 19	
(K102480)		2 - 27	
(K732471)		2 - 28	
(K732592)		2 - 23	
(K560392)		278th Engr Combat Bn	1 - 10
(K608415)			1 - 10
(K680382)			1 - 10
(K803358)	1 - 27		
(K858325)	1 - 18		
(K620411)	1 - 10		
(K750344)	1 - 27		
(K964384)	336th Engr Combat Bn	1 - 25	
	172d " " "	26 - 28	
(K962374)	336th Engr Combat Bn	1 - 25	
	172d " " "	26 - 28	
(K965367)	336th Engr Combat Bn	1 - 25	
	172d " " "	26 - 28	
(K958367)	336th Engr Combat Bn	1 - 25	
	172d " " "	26 - 28	
(K966358)	336th Engr Combat Bn	3 - 25	
	172d " " "	26 - 28	
(K846528)	336th Engr Combat Bn	1 - 25	
	172d " " "	26 - 28	
(K898385)	336th Engr Combat Bn	1 - 25	
	172d " " "	26 - 28	
(K927380)	336th Engr Combat Bn	1 - 25	
	172d " " "	26 - 28	

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>BFM</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>BFM</u>
1 Feb	13,693	15 Feb	33,923
2	25,149	16	58,838
3	13,714	17	59,143
4	16,182	18	42,226
5	5,871	19	49,832
6	21,405	20	61,761
7	13,066	21	71,107
8	29,072	22	13,458
9	16,168	23	34,495
10	0	24	14,929
11	6,753	25	13,832
12	25,988	26	0
13	30,069	27	4,561
14	44,067	28	5,187

TOTAL BF

684,489



WATER POINT OPERATIONS FOR FEBRUARY 1945

<u>NUSA #</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>OPR UNIT</u>	<u>Incl Dates of OPNS</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
17	(K642407)	278th E C Bn	1-26 Feb 45	Trfd to 1143 EC GP 261200
21	(K674527)	172d E C Bn	1-26 Feb 45	Trfd to 1143 E C Gp 261200
22	(K705495)	278th E C Bn 184th E C Bn	1-26 Feb 45 27-28 Feb 45	Trfd fr 278 E C Bn to 184 Bn 261200
24	(K595560)	172d E C Bn	1-26 Feb 45	Trfd to 1117 E C Gp 261200
29	(K892400)	1503d E W S Co	1-7 Feb 45	Closed 070800
30	(K861564)	1503d E W S Co	1-28 Feb 45	
32	(K809449)	336th Engr C Bn 1503 E W S Co	1-25 Feb 45 26-28 Feb 45	
33	(K904291)	1503 E W S Co	1-7 Feb 45	Closed 070800
34	(K670655)	208th E C Bn	4-8 Feb 45	Trfd to 1146 E C Gp 081800
36	(K645562)	1503 E W S Co	13-26 Feb 45	Take over fr XIII Corps 13 Feb, trfd to 1146 E C Gp 261200
37	(K796534)	336th E C Bn	13-20 Feb 45	Trfd to 1146 E C Gp 20 Feb
41	(K888537)	1503 E W S Co	28 --- Feb 45	Trfd fr XIX Corps 281700
42	(K857504)	172d E C Bn	28 --- Feb	Trfd fr XIX Corps 281700