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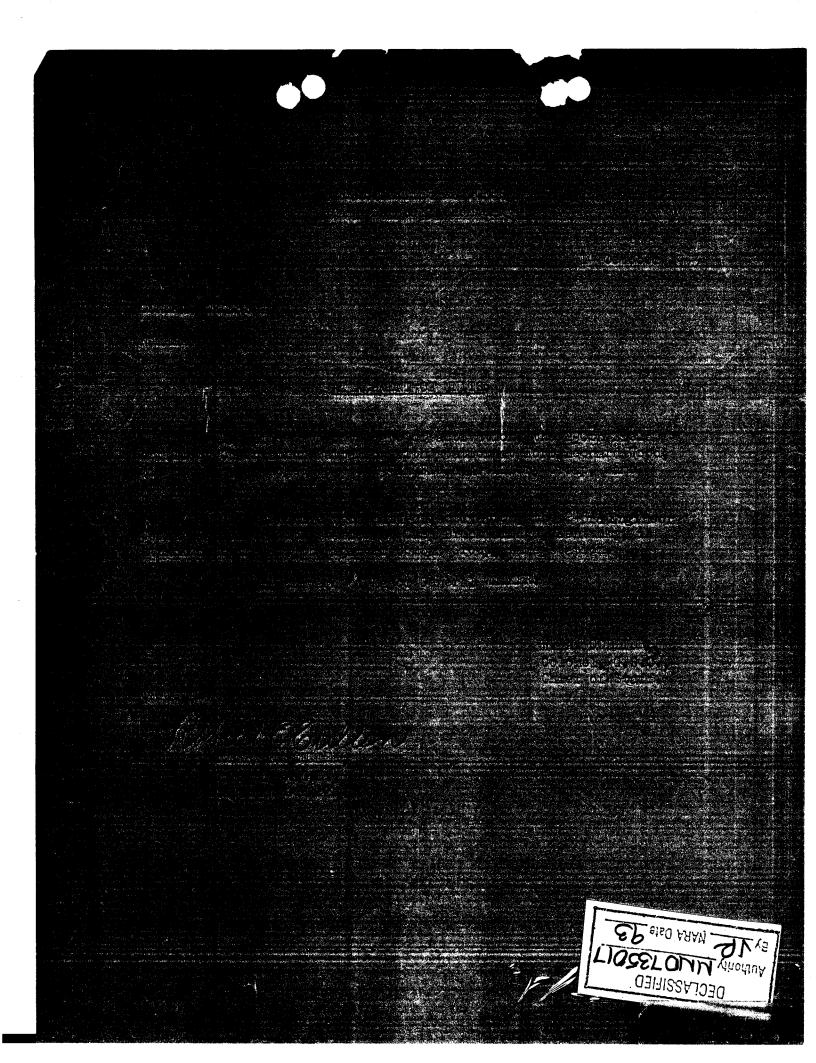
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HEADQUARTERS XX CORPS Camp Campbell, Kentucky

21 October 1943

Effective 1 November 1943, the following units. Camp Breckinginge, Kentucky, are relieved from attachment to the 1105th Engineer Combat Group and are attached to the 1140th Engineer Combat Group, Camp Breckinridge, Kentucky:

> 172nd Engineer Combat Battalion 208th Engineer Combat Battalion 243rd Engineer Combat Battalion 536th Engineer Light Ponton Company 631st Engineer Light Equipment Company

By command of Major General WAIKER:

W. A. COLLIER Colonel, GSO, Chief of Staff

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ROBERT E. CULLEN Colonel, A.G.D.,

Adjutant General.

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28 August 1944.

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SUBJECT: Commendation.

Commanding General, 5th Infantry Division, Commanding General, 7th Armored Division, Commanding General, XX Corps Artillery, and Commanding Officers of all Corps Theops.

- 1. It is with extreme price that I quote the following letter of commendation which I received from Lieutenant General G. S. PATTON, JR., Commanding General, Third United States Army, on 26 August 1944:
 - Your Corps has most expeditiously accomplished its mission of attacking east and seizing and holding the bridgeheads east of the SEINE RIVER at MONTEREAU and MELUN.
 - The aggressive and efficient manner in which this mission has been carried out reflects credit upon the Corps in keeping with the high traditions of the service and upon you as its Commanding General. Your ability to accept calculated risks without becoming involved in unwarranted delays has contributed substantially to the successful accomplishment of the mission.
 - You and the personnel of your Command are hereby . highly commended for your splendid accomplishment of this mission."
- 2. I wish to express my appreciation to the officers, warrant officers, and enlisted men of my command for their fine fighting spirit, their untiring efforts, their skillful performance of duty and effective teamwork which contributed so greatly towards the accomplishment of this vital mission.
- I have full confidence that we will continue to carry out all assigned tasks with the same aggressive spirit.

WALTON H. WALKI Major General, Uni Commar

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GENERAL ORDERS)

19 May 1945

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SOLDIERS OF XX CORPS, THROUGHOUT EUROPEAN CAMPAIGN TO V-E DAY

We have fought together through trying days to gain the long-sought victory.

The trail of your accomplishments is blazed on the map of Europe and engraved imperishably in the pages of history. Through France, Germany and on into Austria you forced your way, thrusting the vaunted German forces aside.

Fighting across 18 major rivers and scores of smaller streams you have accomplished some of the longest sustained merches in the history of werfare. You have liberated or conquered more than 31,000 square miles of territory, including 600 cities and towns and 4,000 inhabited places. You have captured 540,000 enemy soldiers and killed or wounded at least 89,000 others. ANGERS, CHARTRES, FONTAINEBLEAU, MELUN, MONTEREAU, CHATEAU-THIERRY, EPERNAY, REIMS, VERDUN, METZ, TRIER, SAARLAUTERN, KAISERSLAUTERN, WIESBADE:, KASSEL, WEIMAR, JENA, RECENSBURG, BRAUNAU, LINZ and STEYR were but milestones in your zone of advance.

The pathway to our goal has been costly and the blood of dead and wounded comrades marks our way to the liberation of Europe. Let us remember their sacrifices as we exhalt in the victory of our arms. Let us prove to them by our conduct now that they did not die in vain; that we have the fortitude to put aside selfish interests and carry on with firm justice and resolute determination to irrevocably crush the Nazi menace and establish freedom and right in wer-torn Europe. We have won the war. Let us now win the peace. We shall not for an instant lower our guard. Through our conduct, dress, bearing and example, we shall always maintain the high standards of a well trained and a well disciplined Corps.

No one can say that any one member of our winning team played a greater part in the victory than another. Some fought valiantly on the field of battle, coming to actual grips with the enemy forces. Others performed brilliantly in administrative capacities. None could have succeeded without the combined efforts of all. Our success was due to teamwork and cooperation. All honor goes to that team and the members thereof. To the team came the victory.

During this war I have received decorations and promotion-honors that you, through your heroic efforts have won for me. My proudest boast, however, will always be that I have had the honor of commanding you in combat. I desire nothing better than that you continue your mighty victories over our remaining enemies and carry the spirit of the gracious conqueror back to other walks of life.

If I am privileged to lead you against the Japanese barbarians, I have complete faith in the outcome and know that we will not fail our Nation in the moments of stress. Tracket Horacker.

WALTON H. WAIKER Lieutenant General, United States Army Commanding

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