## HISTORY OF 442D INFANTRY AS PER AR 345-105, PAR 13 FOR MONTH OF 1 - 28 FEBRUARY 1945 \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

1. Original Unit.
No change.

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2. Changes in Organization.
No change.

3. Strength.\*
a. At beginning of period 1 Feb 45

b. At end of period 28 Feb 45

c. Net increase month 1-28 Feb 45

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 WO's
 EM

 161
 6
 3068

 162
 6
 3395

 1
 0
 327

\* Figures shown are "Present for Duty" strength.

## 4. Stations.

1 - 28 Feb 45 442d Infantry in combat in Maritime Alps Sector along the Franco-Italian Border from the Mediterranean coast at Menton to Turini. Regimental CP located in the Hostellerie du Castellino, L'ESCARENE, France.

5. Marches.

Rescinded by par 12, C3, AR 345-105.

6. Campaign.

Name of: GERMANY.

Duration: 442d Infantry in line at beginning of period (1 Feb 45) to end of period (28 Feb 45).

Purpose: Defense of Franco-Italian Border.

Authority: Assigned to Seventh Army; attached to 44th AAA Brigade for operations.

## 7. Battles.

a. Name and date: MARITIME ALPS SECTOR (Vic Menton, Sospel, Turini).

b. Campaign of which battles were a part: Germany.

c. Forces engaged: German infantry, artillery and marine units; Italian Fascist coastal patrol. Following units identified:

> 253d Grenadier Regiment (34th Infantry Division) 107th Grenadier Regiment (34th Infantry Division) Marine Einstaz Kommando (MEK) 80 10th MAS Flotilla (Italian coastal patrol) 1st Sturmbootflotille (German coastal patrol)

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d. Results:

Protected right flank of Sixth Army Group along French-Italian Border; continued to hold defensive positions with aggressive combat and reconnaissance patrols daily; maintained security of French coast from Cap Martin to border; maintained security against enemy behind-thelines activity; obtained intelligence on enemy positions and intentions by capture of prisoners.

8. Commanding Officer.

1 - 20 Feb 45 Colonel C. W. PENCE, 010283, Infantry. 20- 28 Feb 45 Lieutenant Colonel V. R. MILLER, 015847, Infantry.

9. Losses in Action.
See Exhibit "A" attached.

- 10. Present and Former Members Who Have Distinguished Themselves in Action. See Exhibit "B" attached.
- 11. Photographs of Personnel, Important Scenes or Events.
  None available.



