

HEADQUARTERS
611TH TANK DESTROYER BATTALION
Camp Howze, Texas

MILITARY HISTORY - 611TH TANK DESTROYER BATTALION
(1 May 1942 to 31 December 1942)

1. Original unit.
 - a. Designation: 611th Tank Destroyer Battalion
 - b. Date of organization: 1 May 1942
 - c. Place of organization: Camp Polk, Louisiana
 - d. Authority for organization: Paragraph 2, General Orders No. 36, Headquarters Third Army, Smith-Young Tower, San Antonio, Texas, dated 8 April 1942.
 - e. Sources from which personnel was obtained: Cadre of seventy-four (74) enlisted men and five (5) officers from 634th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Fillers transferred from Replacement Training Centers, Reception Centers and other organizations. Officers assigned from other organizations and Officer Candidate Schools.
2. Changes in organization:
 - a. 611th Tank Destroyer Battalion was activated with the following companies:

Headquarters Company
Pioneer Company
Company "A"
Company "B"
Company "C"

Due to change in Tables of Organization Pioneer Company was redesignated as Reconnaissance Company.

~~Medical Detachment activated 15 September 1942.~~
 - b. Assignments and attachments:

Attached to Third Army from 1 May 1942 to 8 November 1942.
Attached to 7th Armored Division from 9 November 1942 to 1 December 1942.
Assigned to Basic Unit Training Center, Tank Destroyer Center from 1 December 1942 to 31 December 1942.
Attached to 9th Tank Destroyer Group from 1 December 1942 to 31 December 1942.

c. Battalion Commanders:

Captain Marion H. Schultz from 1 May 1942 to 18 May 1942.
Lt. Colonel Charles E. Woodruff, Jr., from 19 May 1942 to
31 December 1942.

3. Strength, commissioned and enlisted:

a. At beginning of period: 5 Officers 74 Enlisted Men

b. Net increase each month:

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted Men</u>
May 1942	15	14
June 1942	0	44
July 1942	0	24
August 1942	0	4
September 1942	4	100
October 1942	1	0
November 1942	0	0
December 1942	4	0

c. Net decrease each month:

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Enlisted Men</u>
May 1942	0	0
June 1942	1	0
July 1942	0	0
August 1942	1	0
September 1942	0	0
October 1942	0	7
November 1942	0	7
December 1942	0	0

d. At end of period: 27 Officers 246 Enlisted Men

4. Stations (permanent or temporary) of unit or parts thereof:

Activated 1 May 1942 at Camp Polk, Louisiana (Permanent)
Departed Camp Polk, Louisiana 30 November 1942
Arrived Camp Bowie, Texas 1 December 1942 (Permanent)