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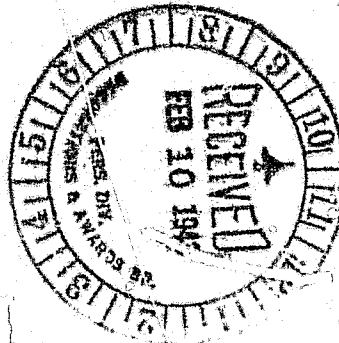
NUMBER 2)

AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Act of Congress approved July 2, 1926 (Bulletin 8, WD, 1926), and authority granted by Change No. 6, AR 600-45, October 28, 1942), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 100th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

a. Walter L. Bull, ASN 20343929, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, United States Army, for heroism near Frederickton, Maryland, on 24 September 1942. At the scene of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad wreck, Staff Sergeant Bull with four other enlisted men, entered and worked about a burning Pullman car to rescue several badly injured passengers and assisted in their care thereafter. Such personal bravery, quick thinking, saved the lives of several passengers and brought credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment, Dundalk, Maryland.

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Major General, U.S. Army
Commanding.



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April 15, 1943

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 6)

AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Act of Congress approved July 2, 1926 (Bulletin 8, WD, 126), and authority granted by Change No. 6, AR 600-45, October 28, 1942), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 100th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

a. Thomas J. Hohman, ASN 20344510, Sergeant, 100th Division Headquarters Company, United States Army, for heroism near Frederickton, Maryland, on 24 September 1942. At the scene of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad wreck, Sergeant Hohman with four other enlisted men, entered and worked about a burning Pullman car to rescue several badly injured passengers and assisted in their care thereafter. Such personal bravery, quick thinking, saved the lives of several passengers and brought credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment, Baltimore, Maryland.



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Major General, U.S. Army
Commanding.

HEADQUARTERS 100TH INFANTRY DIVISION

Office of the Commanding General
Fort Jackson, South Carolina

23 August 1943

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 12)

AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Act of Congress approved July 2, 1926 (Bulletin 8, W.D., 1926), and authority granted by Change No. 6, AR 600-45, October 28, 1942), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 100th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

a. Harold S. Herrington, Jr., ASN 32665069, Private First Class, Company "C", 398th Infantry Regiment, Army of the United States, for heroism at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, on 29 June 1943. During a scene of a fire on a kitchen truck, one of the cooks, Private First Class Anthony Ramuglia, had his clothes enveloped in flames. Private First Class Herrington, without regard for his personal safety, tackled Private First Class Ramuglia and brought him to the ground so that he could extinguish his flaming clothes by rolling him in the earth. Such personal bravery, quick thinking, undoubtedly saved Private First Class Ramuglia from being severely burned. The heroism displayed by Private First Class Herrington on this occasion reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Watervliet, New York.



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Major General, U.S. Army
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HEADQUARTERS 100TH INFANTRY DIVISION
Office of the Commanding General
Fort Jackson, South Carolina

10 September 1943

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 13)

AWARDS OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bulletin 8, W.D., 1926), and authority granted by Change No. 6, AR 600-45, 23 October 1942, a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 100th Infantry Division to the following named officers:

a. Sam F. Dunlap, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Army of United States, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroism near Fort Jackson, South Carolina on 26 July 1943. In a simulated attack during a combat team problem, a group of men, consisting of two (2) officers and ten (10) enlisted men, had become entrapped in a treacherous area of swamp land, which in many places was well over the head of a six-foot man. With the advent of night increasing the hazardous position of the group, the officers and enlisted men elected to establish themselves upon a shallow part of the swamp, about 250 yards within the area, where they intended to remain until daylight. Lights would not penetrate the darkness beyond twenty-five yards. There was a doubt as to whether or not the ground where the men were located would continue to support them until that time. Realizing the perilous position of these men, First Lieutenant Dunlap, with another officer, volunteered to go into the swamp and rescue the party. Through prompt assumption of leadership and unhesitating courage, knowing full well the danger he faced, Lieutenant Dunlap, with the assistance of the other officer, passed the men from tree to tree and brought the entrapped group to safety. Such personal bravery and assurance brings credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at appointment: Lafayette, Louisiana.

b. William G. Ullery, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Army of United States, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroism near Fort Jackson, South Carolina on 26 July 1943. In a simulated attack during a combat team problem, a group of men, consisting of two (2) officers and ten (10) enlisted men, had become entrapped in a treacherous area of swamp land, which in many places was well over the head of a six-foot man. With the advent of night increasing the hazardous position of the group, the officers and enlisted men elected to establish themselves upon a shallow part of the swamp, about 250 yards within the area, where they intended to remain until daylight. Lights would not penetrate the darkness beyond twenty-five yards. There was doubt as to whether or not the ground where the men were located would continue to support them until that time. Realizing the perilous position of these men, Lieutenant Ullery, with another officer, volunteered to go into the swamp and rescue the party. Through prompt assumption of leadership and unhesitating courage, knowing full well the danger he faced, Lieutenant Ullery, with the assistance of the other officer, passed the men from tree to tree and brought the entrapped group to safety. Such personal bravery and assurance brings credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at appointment: Brownsville, Pennsylvania.

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Office of the Commanding General
Fort Bragg, North Carolina

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29 March 1944

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NUMBER (2)

AWARD OF EXPERT INFANTRYMAN BADGE

Pursuant to authority contained in War Department Circular No 322, 1943 and amendments thereto, T Sgt Walter L Bill, 20343929, 399th Infantry is awarded the First Expert Infantryman's Badge.

By command of Major General BURRESS:

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Office of the Commanding General
Fort Bragg, North Carolina

GENERAL ORDERS)

22 May 1944

NUMBER 4)

AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Act of Congress approved July 3, 1926 (Bulletin 8, WD, 1926), and authority granted by Change No. 3, AR 600-45, 25 April 1944, a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 100th Infantry Division, to each of the following-named enlisted men:

a. Wilbur H. Giles, ASN 11084714, Staff Sergeant, Company "C" 398th Infantry Regiment, Army of the United States, for heroism at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, on 11 May 1944. During the scene of an Army Transport airplane crash, Staff Sergeant Giles with the aid of four other men entered the burning plane and rescued its occupants. Staff Sergeant Giles knew full well the imminent danger of the explosion of the plane's gas tanks, yet with heroic disregard for his own safety, he risked his life to rescue the occupants from the burning plane where they would undoubtedly have perished in the flames. The heroism displayed by Staff Sergeant Giles on this occasion reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Nashua, New Hampshire.

b. William G. Murphy, ASN 32652735, Staff Sergeant, Company "D" 398th Infantry Regiment, Army of the United States, for heroism at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, on 11 May 1944. During the scene of an Army Transport airplane crash, Staff Sergeant Murphy with the aid of four other men entered the burning plane and rescued its occupants. Staff Sergeant Murphy knew full well the imminent danger of the explosion of the plane's gas tanks, yet with heroic disregard for his own safety, he risked his life to rescue the occupants from the burning plane where they would undoubtedly have perished in the flames. The heroism displayed by Staff Sergeant Murphy on this occasion reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: New York, New York.

c. Dennis R. Walker, ASN 32679737, Sergeant, Company "B" 398th Infantry Regiment, Army of the United States, for heroism at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, on 11 May 1944. During the scene of an Army Transport airplane crash, Sergeant Walker with the aid of four other men entered the burning plane and rescued its occupants. Sergeant Walker knew full well the imminent danger of the explosion of the plane's gas tanks, yet with heroic disregard for his own safety, he risked his life to rescue the occupants from the burning plane where they would undoubtedly have perished in the flames. The heroism displayed by Sergeant Walker on this occasion reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Yonkers, New York.

d. Arthur R. Dohler, ASN 32597104, Private First Class, Company "D" 398th Infantry Regiment, Army of the United States, for heroism at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, on 11 May 1944. During the scene of an Army Transport crash, Private First Class Dohler with the aid of four other men entered the burning plane and rescued

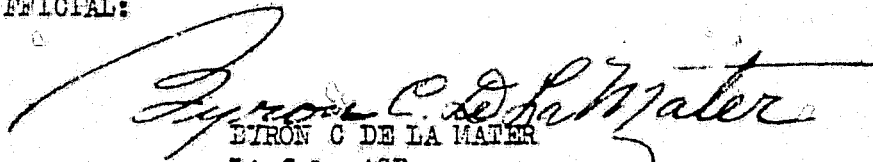
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its occupants. Private First Class Dobler knew full well the imminent danger of the explosion of the plane's gas tanks, yet with heroic disregard for his own safety, he risked his life to rescue the occupants from the burning plane where they would undoubtedly have perished in the flames. The heroism displayed by Private First Class Dobler on this occasion reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Ridgefield Park, New Jersey.

By command of Major General BURRESS:

ROBERT M STEGMAYER
Lt Col GSC
Actg Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:



BYRON C DE LA MATER
Lt Col AGD
Adjutant General



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Office of the Commanding General
Fort Bragg, North Carolina

GENERAL ORDERS)

15 June 1944

NUMBER 6)

AWARD OF COMBAT INFANTRY BADGE

Under the provisions of War Department Circular Number 269, 1943, a
Combat Infantry Badge is awarded to the following Enlisted Men:

398TH INFANTRY REGIMENT

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS

Donald V Roate 36043874 Company I

325TH ENGINEER COMBAT BATTALION

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS

Lynne E Kochenderfer 33111410 Headquarters & Service Company

By command of Major General BURRESS:

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Lt Col GSC
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GENERAL ORDERS)

20 November 1944

NUMBER

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AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

WINSTON G. COBURN, 31036170, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 399th Infantry, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from Strafford, Vermont.

JOSEPH P. BIVONA, JR., 32555323, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 399th Infantry, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

PETER J. MURRAY, 31178638, Sergeant, Company I, 399th Infantry, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Dover, New Hampshire.

WILLIAM J. LANE, 31256428, Technician Fifth Grade, Company I, 399th Infantry, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Haverhill, Massachusetts.

JULIUS B. GIEGER, 34808878, Private First Class, Company I, 399th Infantry, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Gadsen, Alabama.

ROBERT F. BINKLEY, 15401619, Private First Class, Company L, 399th Infantry, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Toledo, Ohio.

WAL H. COTTON, 35651506, Private First Class, Company L, 399th Infantry, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Toledo, Ohio.

JOHN R. SAFFER, JR., 18243026, Private First Class, Company E, 399th Infantry, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Galveston, Texas.

HENRY J. CHAPPELL, 34581051, Private First Class, Battery A, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from Gantts Quarry, Alabama.

ORLAND W. GABRIEL, JR., 34777205, Private, Company L, 399th Infantry, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Sherrills Ford, North Carolina.

LEONARD SCHLUSSEL, 19211504, Private, Company A, 399th Infantry, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from San Francisco, California.

DONALD C. DAVIS, 35824954, Private, Company A, 399th Infantry, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Black River Falls, Wisconsin.


JAMES LEE, 39578905, Private, Company F, 399th Infantry, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from Tucson, Arizona.

ARTHUR SCHOCKEY, 35074359, Private, Company G, 399th Infantry, 2 November 1944. Entered the Service from Taulbee, Kentucky.

By command of Major General BURRESS:

RICHARD G PRATHER
Colonel GSC
Chief of Staff

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GENERAL ORDERS)

23 November 1944

NUMBER

15)

AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

ELERY M. ZEHNER, 020820, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 399th Infantry, 16 November 1944. Entered the Service from Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM E. DODSON, 01171121, First Lieutenant, Battery A, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, 13 November 1944. Entered the Service from Ridgefield Park, New Jersey.

WOPPE C. WILSON, 01183219, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Battery, 100th Infantry Division Artillery, 19 November 1944. Entered the Service from St. Louis, Missouri.

ROBERT G. MOSS, 01298102, First Lieutenant, Company H, 399th Infantry, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from Waterloo, Iowa.

JOHN E. HALVER, 0554346, Second Lieutenant, Company F, 399th Infantry, 15 November 1944. Entered the Service from Tacoma, Washington.

RICHARD E. GRIMMIE, 32483801, Technical Sergeant, Company A, 399th Infantry, 13 November 1944. Entered the Service from West Berlin, New Jersey.

WILLIAM T. KELLEHER, 32654931, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 399th Infantry, 11 November 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

VINCENT MINECCI, 12087546, Sergeant, Battery B, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, 13 November 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

OTTO R. SCHULACHER, 32597548, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery B, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, 13 November 1944. Entered the Service from Rochelle Park, New Jersey.

KENNETH S. BUCHANAN, 14200300, Private First Class, Company G, 399th Infantry, 14 November 1944. Entered the Service from Nashville, Tennessee.

CHARLES E. SMITH, 14143507, Private First Class, Company L, 399th Infantry, 18 November 1944. Entered the Service from Atlanta, Georgia.

WILLIAM W. SULLIVAN, 33804789, Private, Service Battery, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, 10 November 1944. Entered the Service from Jermya, Pennsylvania.

By command of Major General BURNESS:

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Colonel GSC
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AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

WOODROW W. SHIMONS, 01316835, Second Lieutenant, Company D, 398th Infantry, 23 November 1944. Entered the Service from Roxbury, Massachusetts.

REMEDIOS S. MENDOZA, 39535150, Sergeant, Company C, 398th Infantry, 10 November 1944. Entered the Service from Van Nuys, California.

CHARLES SMITH III, 32598498, Sergeant, Company E, 399th Infantry, 13 November 1944. Entered the Service from Irvington, New Jersey.

THOMAS J. JOHNS, 35166311, Sergeant, Company C, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

SAMUEL SALES, 32350135, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 398th Infantry, 16 November 1944. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.

JACK B. PORTER, 36716186, Corporal, Company G, 399th Infantry, 13 November 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

THOMAS B. PARFONY, 13133200, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery A, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, 22 November 1944. Entered the Service from Uniontown, Pennsylvania.

CHARLES R. STRASSER, 32841270, Private First Class, Company K, 398th Infantry, 15 November 1944. Entered the Service from Buffalo, New York.

HAROLD W. BOTEL, 36 51731, Private First Class, Company C, 398th Infantry, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Madison, Wisconsin.

DAVID B. BRISCOE, 35882518, Private First Class, Company C, 398th Infantry, 23 November 1944. Entered the Service from Dayton, Ohio.

FREDRICK E. SHIFKEY, 17167238, Private First Class, Company L, 398th Infantry, 12 November 1944. Entered the Service from Chadron, Nebraska.

JOSEPH G. MARSHALL, 38382332, Private, Company D, 398th Infantry, 23 November 1944. Entered the Service from Terrell, Texas.

PHILIP SCHIFFMAN, 39083905, Private, Company C, 398th Infantry, 10 November 1944. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.

KEITH WILSON, 33227775, Private, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

CHARLES F. PARKIN, 12211350, Private, 10th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, 13 November 1944. Entered the Service from Neptune City, New Jersey.

MARTIN G. COLLINS, 34125892, Private, Headquarters Battery, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, 21 November 1944. Entered the Service from Bean Station, Tennessee.

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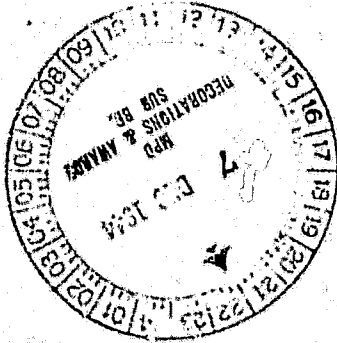
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30 November 1944

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AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

DORMAN S. CLARK, 344957⁶⁸, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 398th Infantry, 12 November 1944. Entered the Service from Gainesboro, Tennessee.

ROY H. ELDREDGE, 31427162, Private First Class, Company A, 398th Infantry, 18 November 1944. Entered the Service from Harwichport, Massachusetts.

SEBASTIANO VILIBERTO, 32654221, Private First Class, Company B, 398th Infantry, 20 November 1944. Entered the Service from Astoria, New York.

THOMAS W. FARISH, 32653080, Private First Class, Company A, 398th Infantry, 14 November 1944. Entered the Service from Astoria, New York.

BEY MATTHEWS, 14200199, Private First Class, Company D, 398th Infantry, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Nashville, Tennessee.

JOHN C. BROCKMILLER, 12192666, Private First Class, 100th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, 22 November 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

NICHOLAS J. PUTZU, 31416767, Private, Company A, 398th Infantry, 18 November 1944. Entered the Service from Richmond, Massachusetts.

CLEVE J. MITCHELL, 35769466, Private, Company G, 398th Infantry, 21 November 1944. Entered the Service from Newtown, West Virginia.

HUBERT G. DYF, 39145346, Private, Company A, 399th Infantry, 13 November 1944. Entered the Service from San Anselmo, California.

JOSE R. RUIZ, 39578762, Private, Company L, 399th Infantry, 17 November 1944. Entered the Service from Pasadena, California.

WARDEN B. ELLIOTT, 35878580, Private, Company A, 399th Infantry, 17 November 1944. Entered the Service from Washington, Ohio.

HERBERT C. HOLSTEIN, 38442760, Private, Company A, 399th Infantry, 13 November 1944. Entered the Service from Deming, New Mexico.

DONALD A. WAXMAN, 35928859, Private, Company C, 399th Infantry, 12 November 1944. Entered the Service from Oberlin, Ohio.


HOWARD D. HOLSER, 39047947, Private, Company B, 399th Infantry, 19 November 1944. Entered the Service from San Francisco, California.

JOHN W. DAY, 39343293, Private, Company A, 399th Infantry, 19 November 1944. Entered the Service from Portland, Oregon.

By command of Major General BURRESS:

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

JOHN W. WEE, 01595442, Major, 325th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service on 6 November, 1944, at Lru, France. Entered the Service from Greenville, South Carolina.

ROBERT D. SMITH, 01180342, First Lieutenant, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service during the period from 6 November to 9 November, 1944, at Bertrichams, France. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

ALBERT E. OLSON, JR., 01295570, First Lieutenant, 390th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 November, 1944, in the vicinity of St. Reay, France. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

LEOYD E. WENICH, 01175259, Second Lieutenant, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service during the period of 4 November, 1944, to 12 November, 1944, in the general vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Entered the Service from Wintonvale, Kansas.

JOE F. PROSSER, 14112809, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 390th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 November, 1944, in the vicinity of Cour de Vacances, France. Entered the Service from Lewisburg, Tennessee.

VIRGIL L. LUTTEI, 01251025, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 390th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 November, 1944, in the vicinity of Cour de Vacances, France. Entered the Service from Waterbury, Connecticut.

HOPACR C. BREYER, 01217203, Technician Fifth Grade, 390th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations on the night of 5 November, 1944, in the vicinity of St. Reay, France. Entered the Service from Sanford, Maine.

SALVATORE BERTINICCA, 32647419, Private First Class, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 8 November, 1944, in the vicinity of Tiville, France. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

JOHN C. BONO ALI, 17044506, Private, 390th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action from 12 November, 1944, to 15 November, 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichams, France. Entered the Service from St. Louis, Missouri.

ALBERT WILBERT, 01237439, Private, Medical Detachment 390th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service on 9 November, 1944, at Lru, France. Entered the Service from Boston, Massachusetts.

By command of Major General PURLESS:

RICHARD G. PRAETTER
Colonel GSC
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

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30 November 1944

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Posthumous Award of Silver Star..... I
Award of Silver Star..... II

SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 300-45, as amended, a Silver Star is posthumously awarded to the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

WALTER H. PASCHKA, 31244034, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment. Next of kin: Annie Paschka (Mother), North Main Street, Slaterville, Rhode Island.

JOHN A. WYKE, 37024539, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment. Next of kin: Barbara Jewel (Mother), 445 West Weaver Avenue, Hazelton, Pennsylvania.

OWEN E. HITSLEY, 34834378, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Next of kin: Mrs. L. Lindsay (Mother), 232 East Lake Drive, Decatur, Georgia.

WILL J. STONE, 33247814, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment. Next of kin: Lula M. Stone (Mother), 312 North Jackson Street, Lima, Ohio.

For gallantry in action on 12 November, 1944, in the vicinity of Buck Bultane, France. While their battalion was engaged in a stubbornly opposed advance, savage enemy shells cut off the machine gun section of which these men were members from the rifle company it supported. Thus isolated, their section was in a short time surrounded by a counter-attacking enemy force. Realizing that they were fighting against hopeless odds in the face of almost certain death, these men nevertheless continued to man their guns and engage the enemy in a desperate attempt to repel the attack. All four met their deaths in this engagement; but their gallant action had temporarily held the counter attack and afforded the battalion time to repulse the assault. Their heroic courage reflects great credit upon the Army of the United States.

JOSEPH F. GREGORY, 31017249, Medician Fifth Grade, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, 3rd Infantry in action on 8 November, 1944, near Fricville, France. When a road-block obstructed the progress of the truck bearing the members of his mortar section, Driver Gregory descended from his cab to determine the possibility of turning the vehicle around in the narrow roadway. While he was thus exposed, enemy forces from surrounding concealed positions opened fire with machine guns and small arms on the exposed group. Refusing to seek cover for himself, Corporal Gregory first assisted his section sergeant in cutting an opening in the top-skin cover of the truck, deciding on avenue of passage for the men inside, who were cut off from the rear exit by the savage fire of the enemy. He then returned to the cab to move the vehicle to the shelter of the road-block so that those within might

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dismount to its comparative protection. Fortunately, the engine failed to start, but Gregory remained in his cab, in full view and range of the enemy, and slowly inched the truck forward by means of the starter motor. When the distance was finally negotiated, Corporal Gregory seized his carbine and maintained a steady fire on the crew through the window of the bullet-pierced truck. The men inside leapt to safety, but he remained at his post and continued firing until he was mortally wounded. Corporal Gregory's devotion to duty and his heroism under fire helped to save the lives of a number of his comrades and served as an inspiration to the members of his organization. Next of kin: Vernie Gregory (Father), North Subj 10, Maine.

ULYSSES S. HENRY, 54963109, Private, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 3 November, 1944, in the vicinity of Patriville, France. In an attack upon a well-defended enemy position, over open, gradually rising terrain which afforded little concealment, Private Henry's entire company found itself pinned down by a murderous blanket of artillery and mortar fire. While the company took what shelter could be found from the shelling, the platoon of which Private Henry was a member was subjected to a withering blast of fire from a concealed enemy machine gun. Upon his own volition, without command, and despite the great personal risk involved, Private Henry left the comparative security of his position and dashed forward in a single-handed attempt to destroy the machine gun emplacement. He was unsuccessful, for fire from enemy small arms cut him down when he reached a point seventy-five yards in front of his comrades, but his heroic action so inspired the others that the entire company moved forward as a body to capture the objective without further loss. Private Henry's courageous action and utter disregard of his personal safety spurred the men of his organization to a meritorious achievement and reflected great credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Bartle H. Henry (Father), 139 Annex Street, Knoxville, Tennessee.

FREDERICK L. ALLEN, JR., 31358673, Private, Medical detachment, 399th Infantry, for gallantry in action on 3 November 1944, in the vicinity of Le Remp, France. After having been subjected to heavy enemy mortar fire for a full day while performing his duty of aiding and operating wounded men, Private Allen and the three other members of his litter team volunteered when, at about 2000 hours, his battalion commander requested the battalion medical officer to send a party on the dangerous mission of giving aid to a number of wounded and abandoned enemy soldiers. The team moved out under intermittent mortar firing, but progress was difficult in the darkness over the hilly, heavily-wooded terrain, and before reaching its objective the group was forced to take cover by a particularly accurate barrage. Fog and rain reduced visibility, adding further to the extremely hazardous, and there was brief discussion among the group as to the feasibility of continuing under these conditions. At this point Private Allen volunteered to act as scout, proceeding ahead of the remainder of the party over ground swept by enemy fire. He had gone but a short distance when he was mortally wounded in a second concentrated barrage of mortar shelling. Private Allen's conspicuous courage and initiative were an inspiration to his companions and to the other members of his company. Next of kin: Mrs. F. L. Allen, Jr. (Wife), 27 Hill Street, Newburyport, Massachusetts.

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SECTION II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

EDGAR A. CLARKE, 019815, Lieutenant Colonel, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 16 November, 1944, in the vicinity of Camp de Vacances, France. As commanding officer of an artillery battalion in direct support of infantry, Lieutenant Colonel Clarke, upon his own initiative and with complete disregard for his own personal safety, repeatedly accompanied front-line assault troops in order to more effectively coordinate his command's artillery fire with the efforts of the attacking infantry. In the preliminary action of 16 November, against a well defended enemy position in thickly wooded foothills, Lieutenant Colonel Clarke realized the absolute necessity for close coordination of all batteries, and he maintained personal observation and control of all preparatory fire, with the result that the area ahead of our troops was pulverized by skillful artillery shelling. At H-hour or thereabouts, he was again present with the advancing infantry and, under concentrated small arms fire and despite overcast skies which hampered visibility, he was able to place fire on targets of resistance so effectively that the mission was thoroughly successful. While thus exposing himself to enemy fire during this particular operation, Lieutenant Colonel Clarke was seriously wounded, but not before his personal bravery and outstanding leadership had contributed greatly to the securing of this strategic objective. Entered the United States Military Academy from Kansas City, Missouri.

LAWRENCE H. WALSH, 32309117, Sergeant, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 8 November, 1944, in the vicinity of Thieville, France. When the howitzer section in his command was ambushed at a road-block, in the outskirts of Thieville, Sergeant Walsh acted swiftly and with extreme coolness in the face of merciless enemy fire to extricate his men. Accurate automatic weapons fire barred the exit at the rear of the truck in which the men were riding, but Walsh, with the assistance of Technician Fifth Grade John H. Gregory, quickly cut an opening in the canvas covering of the vehicle and assisted those trapped inside to make their way to the shelter of the log road-block. Numerous enemy fusillades had by this time killed two men, seriously wounded two others, and set the truck aflame. Partially protected by the smoke, Walsh helped Private Linwood Whildon, 32483918, one of the wounded men, to a nearby house. No sooner had they reached it than enemy shelling set the building afire, and after desperate but fruitless attempts to extinguish the flames, Walsh once more moved the wounded Whildon, this time, to the shelter of a nearby barn. Though the fire constantly threatened to spread to this structure, the men remained there for the balance of the day, and when night fell they started out for friendly lines. Our own troops were only two miles away, but it was five and one-half hours before Walsh, fighting his way through thick woods and underbrush, alternately carrying and supporting Whildon, was able to traverse the distance. By his coolness, courage and dogged perseverance under enemy fire, Sergeant Walsh was instrumental in saving the life of one and perhaps more of the men in his command. Entered the military service from Newark, New Jersey.

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LLOYD C. BARNHOUSE, 15128254, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 November, 1944, in the vicinity of Reen L'Etape, France. In its advance against the enemy, his battalion encountered determined resistance and continuous hostile artillery and mortar fire which separated Private Barnhouse's machine gun section from the rifle company which it was supporting. In a short time the isolated group was completely surrounded by the counter-attacking enemy, but despite the almost hopeless odds Private Barnhouse and the others of his section continued to man their guns and engage the hostile force. Although four of the group were killed and he himself was severely wounded, Private Barnhouse fought on until the counter attack was temporarily checked and the battalion had time to re-engage the enemy. The great courage and determination he displayed in a desperate situation reflects credit upon the military service and is in keeping with its highest traditions. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

JAMES BOONE, 14390794, Private First Class, 536th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action on 10 November, 1944, in the vicinity of Nervillers, France. During an intense artillery barrage, a tree-trunk from an enemy shell hurled fragments into a tank destroyer deployed near that in which Private First Class Boone was a crew member. The missiles set fire to ammunition in the vehicle, and within a space of seconds six rounds exploded, setting bedrolls and tarpaulins ablaze. Seeing what had happened, and that the crew of the burning vehicle had previously taken refuge within a nearby building, Private First Class Boone, without command and entirely upon his own initiative, raced across the intervening ground toward the blaze, oblivious of the continuing enemy artillery shelling. Climbing into the tank destroyer, he commenced throwing the burning bedrolls and other articles to the ground, and although the flames threatened momentarily to set off another of the eighty-four remaining rounds of three-inch ammunition, Boone continued at his task until all the blazing articles had been tossed aside. Only then did he withdraw to a place of comparative safety to await further explosions, and when none occurred he returned to the tank destroyer to make certain that all fire had been extinguished. At the risk of his own life, Private First Class Boone by his personal bravery and quick thinking saved a valuable piece of army equipment and enabled his combat group to proceed with its mission. Entered the military service from Greensboro, North Carolina.

MARSHALL F. KIRAN, 19166922, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 13 November, 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. In pressing forward its attack against the enemy over mountainous terrain, his battalion encountered determined resistance and heavy mortar and artillery fire which wounded Private Kiran and three other members of his machine gun squad. Despite the pain of severe personal wounds in his leg, Private Kiran continued to carry his gun forward. As the advance went on, exhaustion eventually made it physically impossible for Private Kiran to proceed further, but not before his courageous action and devotion to duty had contributed greatly to the advance made by his battalion on that day. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

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CARL BIRKHOFFER, 22457154, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 November, 1944, in the vicinity of Eson L'Etape, France. While engaged in an attack against a determined and bravely-resisting enemy, Private Birkhofer's machine gun section was cut off by a concentration of mortar and artillery fire from the rifle company it was supporting. When the counter-attacking enemy succeeded in surrounding the group and four members of the section were killed, Private Birkhofer realized the urgency of getting information back to the battalion. Despite the heavy fire from automatic weapons, Private Birkhofer heroically fought his way through the encircling forces and reported the attack in time for the battalion to repulse the assault. By his courageous action, he reflected great credit upon himself and lived up to the highest traditions of the service. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

- CARL W. SANDERSON, 5718548, First Sergeant, Company L, 397th Infantry, 14 November 1944. Entered the Service from Eastwood, New York.
- CLEMENT E. MEDLEY, 34591127, Technical Sergeant, Company G, 397th Infantry, 23 November 1944. Entered the Service from Greensboro, North Carolina.
- CHRISTOPHER L. SHANNON, 31124497, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 397th Infantry, 12 November 1944. Entered the Service from New Haven, Connecticut.
- MELVIN L. MCKEE 38567620, Sergeant, Company G, 397th Infantry, 18 November 1944. Entered the Service from Marshall, Oklahoma.
- CLIFFORD E. JIMISON, 35737831, Sergeant, Company I, 397th Infantry, 2 December 1944. Entered the Service from McConnell, West Virginia.
- RUFUS M. DALTON, 14176919, Corporal, Company H, 397th Infantry, 15 November 1944. Entered the Service from Charlotte, North Carolina.
- TERRY K. RESCZYNSKI, 20330169, Corporal, Cannon Company, 397th Infantry, 2 December 1944. Entered the Service from Reading, Pennsylvania.
- MARTIN BOOTEY, 32656976, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, 5 December 1944. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.
- RICHARD A. DONWELLAT, 32978030, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery B, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, 5 December 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.
- CARROLL M. PIKE, JR, 11085005, Private First Class, Company F, 397th Infantry, 4 December 1944. Entered the Service from Stowe, Vermont.
- JOHN F. HAYHURST, 32975747, Private First Class, Company I, 397th Infantry, 1 December 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.
- MILTON K. JEFFORDS III, 14115953, Private First Class, Company E, 397th Infantry, 19 November 1944. Entered the Service from Orangesburg, South Carolina.
- THEODORE D. JENNINGS, 33711355, Private First Class, Company F, 397th Infantry, 12 November 1944. Entered the Service from Ettersville, Pennsylvania.
- JAMES R. NAUGHTON, 37484773, Private First Class, Company C, 397th Infantry, 13 November 1944. Entered the Service from Sioux City, Iowa.
- RICHARD H. PEEF, 35247391, Private, Company F, 397th Infantry, 13 November 1944. Entered the Service from Indianapolis, Indiana.
- HOWARD E. MURPHY, 33785115, Private, Company B, 397th Infantry, 16 November 1944. Entered the Service from Virden, Illinois.
- DEMNIS E. KOVAL, 36955210, Private, Company E, 397th Infantry, 13 November 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.
- NOAH MORGAN, 38491017, Private, Company F, 397th Infantry, 4 December 1944. Entered the Service from Crowley, Louisiana.
- LEAVITT W. LITTLE, 34795118, Private, Company F, 397th Infantry, 4 December 1944. Entered the Service from Tarpon Springs, Florida.
- RICHARD J. HURLEY, 32606910, Private, Company K, 397th Infantry, 4 December 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

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STANLEY BADERTSCHER, 35557899, Private, Headquarters Battery, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, 5 December 1944. Entered the Service from Toledo, Ohio.

WILLIAM V. JORDAN, 32698831, Private, Battery A, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, 6 December 1944. Entered the Service from Newark, New Jersey.

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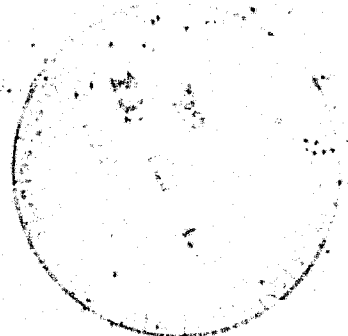
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Posthumous Award of Silver Star..... I
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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is posthumously awarded to the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

WILLIAM A. ELLIS, O6209, Colonel, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action. On the morning of 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France, the 397th Infantry Regiment, Colonel William A. Ellis, Commanding, was to make a coordinated attack involving all battalions of the regiment as well as other units of the 100th Infantry Division. The Second Battalion, due to the loss of its Battalion Commander, was not making the progress that it should in order to carry out the scheme of maneuver of the Division. Colonel Ellis, realizing the situation, went forward personally to expedite the progress of this battalion. Disregarding mined roads and enemy sniper and artillery fire, Colonel Ellis, accompanied by one staff officer, went forward to the battalion area, as close to the front lines as he could by motor. From this point, he advanced on foot to locate the actual front lines. Although subjected to considerable mortar and artillery fire, Colonel Ellis moved forward until he was actually in front of the front lines, where he was killed by enemy machine guns. The personal courage and leadership displayed by Colonel Ellis in intervening personally in combat at an important phase thereof reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Ebba S. Ellis (Wife), 110 Chatterton Parkway, White Plains, New York.

THOMAS E. CAMPBELL, 20757504, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neuquaisons, France. The platoon of which Sergeant Campbell was a member was halted in its advance by an enemy counter-attack, and the entire platoon was pinned down by hostile fire. Although by his action he courted almost certain death, Sergeant Campbell moved forward against the enemy and his squad, spurred on by his example, followed his lead, causing the enemy to lift the fire on the remaining squads of the platoon and enabling them to withdraw to cover. Sergeant Campbell was killed in this action, but not before his heroic and inspiring action had made possible the evacuation of all wounded and the orderly withdrawal of the platoon. (Next of kin: Lillian H. Campbell (Mother), West Washington Street, Camden, Arkansas.

IRVING HUNGER, 32652027, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 12 November 1944, at Raon L'Etape, France. When a mine exploded and seriously wounded a soldier in the company to which he was attached as aid man, Sergeant Hunger realized that unless a tourniquet were applied immediately the wounded man, whose foot had been amputated by

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the blast, might soon succumb to the injuries. Although he was fully aware of the great danger involved in entering the mine field, Sergeant Hunger, acting voluntarily and without command, went to the assistance of the wounded man. Advancing cautiously in order to avoid the concealed but ever-present danger, he nevertheless inadvertently detonated a second mine which inflicted serious wounds later resulting in his death. In thus sacrificing his own life in a courageous attempt to save that of a comrade, Sergeant Hunger lived up to the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: The Hunger (Wife), 1619 St. John's Place, Brooklyn, New York.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 300-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

RICHARD Z. YOUNG, O-07475, Captain, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 7 and 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Remy and Ron L'Etape, France. On 7 November, when advancing against an entrenched enemy position on a wooded knoll, Captain Young assigned one platoon to a flanking attack and a second to a frontal assault upon the objective. When the group on the flank was pinned down by hostile fire and the second platoon found itself in immediate danger of being surrounded, Captain Young personally led a squad from the third platoon through the heavy fire on the flank and enabled his company to secure its objective. On 15 November, one of the platoons in his command was halted in its advance by a determined enemy counter-attack, but Captain Young rallied the men and personally led them into the face of the hostile fire, driving off the enemy and successfully completing the mission. By the qualities of bravery and leadership he displayed, Captain Young lived up to the highest traditions of the service. Entered military service from Watertown, Connecticut.

MARTIN M. McDUFFY, 32659201, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, France. While the light machine gun section under his command was acting as flank protection for a rifle platoon, an enemy counter-attack in force was initiated and Sergeant McDuffy was severely wounded. Refusing evacuation, he remained at his post and directed the fire of the section until lack of ammunition eventually forced a withdrawal, when, despite the pain of his wound, he secured a rifle and continued to engage the enemy until all other wounded were evacuated. By his courageous and exemplary action, Sergeant McDuffy contributed materially to the repulse of the enemy attack and the saving of life among his wounded comrades. Entered military service from New York, New York.

HAROLD T. BECRAFT, 32987237, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ron L'Etape, France. In carrying out his duties as aid man, Sergeant Becraft was twice wounded by enemy fire but refused to be evacuated. On the second occasion a piece of shrapnel passed through his leg, but, feeling that his platoon was in urgent need of his services, Sergeant Becraft insisted upon remaining on duty and on the following day was instrumental in saving the life of an officer who

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would quickly have bled to death had not aid been administered immediately. After treating three more casualties, Sergeant Becraft was rendered unconscious by concussion from a mortar burst. Upon regaining his senses, he gave himself morphine and again refused to be evacuated until forced to do so. By his unflinching zeal and devotion to duty, Sergeant Becraft was an inspiration to all men of his platoon. Entered military service from Suffern, New York.

ROY KAMINSKE, 32735211, Corporal, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. While advancing over rugged terrain under enemy artillery, mortar and sniper fire, the unit to which Corporal Kaminske was assigned encountered a double obstacle of barbed wire. Rifleman in the group began crawling under the wire one man at a time, a slow and dangerous procedure since the area was open to enemy fire and the unit was effectively divided into two groups by the obstacle. Aware of the danger inherent in the situation, Corporal Kaminske called back for wire cutters, ran to the wire and standing upright in full view and range of the enemy, cut a path ten yards wide so that the entire group could pass rapidly through the gap. Corporal Kaminske was subsequently wounded, but his personal bravery and quick thinking contributed to the success of the mission. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.

JESSE L. ROSWELL, 34070144, Corporal, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. In advancing through thick woods, the rifle squad of which Corporal Roswell was a member was unexpectedly fired upon. The entire group was pinned down, but, having determined the location of the concealed emplacement from which the fire came, Corporal Roswell pressed forward and succeeded in working his way almost to the enemy position. Opening fire with his rifle, he killed one German instantly. The remaining two immediately returned the fire while abandoning their position, but they too were mortally wounded by Corporal Roswell's accurate marksmanship. By his courageous action and disregard of personal safety, Corporal Roswell inflicted three casualties upon the enemy and enabled his squad to complete its mission. Entered military service from Oak Grove, Louisiana.

DONALD G. GALLES, 37358849, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action during the period 14 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. During an attack on 14 November, Private Galles, as messenger for a heavy weapons platoon, twice crossed an open saddle under heavy small arms and artillery fire in order to lead a machine gun section forward. On the following day he was again acting as guide to the forward area when his helmet was split by a shell fragment. On 19 November, Private Galles moved through concentrated machine gun fire five times to bring up in succession, a machine gun section, a bazooka, an ammunition, wire, and a group of riflemen. On 20 November, he was engaged in a similar mission when he was caught in an artillery barrage and seriously wounded. Private Galles' devotion to duty and disregard of his own personal safety contributed greatly to the successful completion of his company's assignments during this period. Entered military service from Jasper, Wyoming.

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MICHAEL J. ANNICCHIARICO, 32929469, Private, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

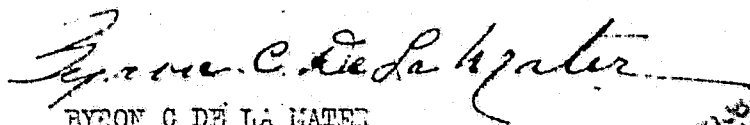
JACK B. FRIEDMAN, 12227138, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from New York, New York.

For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944, at Raon L'Etape, France. When an enemy mine exploded and mangled the foot of an enlisted man, litterbearers Annicchiarico and Friedman, acting upon their own initiative and despite the constant threat of danger from the many mines which they knew to be present, went immediately to the assistance of the wounded soldier. While they were administering aid to him, Private Friedman detonated a second mine which caused fractures and mangling of his foot and seriously injured Private Annicchiarico, who received shrapnel fragments in both eyes. By voluntarily entering a known mine field without a guide to aid a wounded comrade, Privates Friedman and Annicchiarico displayed a devotion to duty and a willingness to risk their lives which reflected the greatest credit upon themselves and the military service.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended; a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

FREDERICK L. LINDSAY, 0409976, Captain, 898th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 25 July to 12 August 1944, in the vicinity of Casciano, Italy. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.

ANDREW J. TOWNSON, II, 0408652, Captain, 898th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 27 to 30 July 1944, in the vicinity of Veltriano, Italy. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.

BENNETT D. TAYLOR, JR., 01062907, Second Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in combat on 7 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Blaise, France. Entered military service from Landrum, South Carolina.

JAMES S. HOWARD, 01998062, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Entered military service from Saratoga Springs, New York.

BILLY E. KEMPER, 34154309, Master Sergeant, 898th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations during the period 25 July to 12 August 1944, in the vicinity of San Frediano, Italy. Entered military service from Mansfield, Louisiana.

JOSEPH J. LEARDO, 31256135, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neuf Etang, France. Entered military service from Revere, Massachusetts.

ORAN R. ARMSTRONG, 36206247, Corporal, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Benoit, France. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

MICHAEL G. IZZO, 32680757, Corporal, Medical Detachment, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neuf Etang, France. Entered military service from Port Chester, New York.

GEORGE DEMPOULAS, 32655329, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, France. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

ANTHONY RAUERI, 31237441, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service on 12 November 1944, at Raon L'Etape, France. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

RICHARD BABBITT, 32910657, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Frouche, France. Entered military service from Belleville, New Jersey.

GEORGE E. EUBANK, 38458581, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in combat on 18, 19, and 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Entered military service from Ingleside, Texas.

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JAMES E. HAMPTON, 36569158, Private First Class, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

ERIE K. THEILNER, JR., 36900691, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in combat on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

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AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

MYLES H. GEER, O1172869, First Lieutenant, Battery A, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, 7 December 1944. Entered the Service from Milltown, New Jersey.

BENJAMIN M. COHEN, O1047483, Second Lieutenant, Company B, 399th Infantry, 19 November 1944. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

BENNETT D. TAYLOR, JR, O1062907, Second Lieutenant, Company L, 399th Infantry, 16 November 1944. Entered the Service from Lendrum, South Carolina.

WALTER R. MASON, 32269041, Technical Sergeant, Company C, 398th Infantry, 19 November 1944. Entered the Service from Burlington, New Jersey.

PAUL S. STEFURAK, 32228851, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 399th Infantry, 23 November 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

SCHELLER L. GARLOCK, 20347112, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, 7 December 1944. Entered the Service from Baltimore, Maryland.

JOHN W. SHEA, 32645408, Sergeant, Company C, 399th Infantry, 19 November 1944. Entered the Service from Howard Beach, New York.

ANTHONY J. SZELAGOWSKI, 32598951, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, 7 December 1944. Entered the Service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

WALTER P. FORTMAN, 39785797, Private First Class, Company L, 399th Infantry, 16 November 1944. Entered the Service from Kevin, Montana.

ALBERT F. POWELL, 32954168, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry, 11 November 1944. Entered the Service from Pleasantville, New Jersey.

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AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

- BEN A. SKINNER, JR., 14148048, Sergeant, Company L, 397th Infantry, 4 December 1944. Entered the Service from Charlotte, North Carolina.
- EDGAR C. KIRSCH, JR., 35421789, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery C, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, 8 December 1944. Entered the Service from Kalamazoo, Michigan.
- CHARLES M. FISTLER, 31252332, Corporal, Battery B, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, 8 December 1944. Entered the Service from Hartford, Connecticut.
- WILLIAM J. HULKES, 12203717, Private First Class, Battery A, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, 10 December 1944. Entered the Service from Newark, New Jersey.
- JOHN E. McMAHON, 32664406, Private First Class, Company B, 325th Medical Battalion, 8 December 1944. Entered the Service from New Hartford, New York.
- HARRY P. TAYLOR, 36456606, Private First Class, Company E, 397th Infantry, 8 December 1944. Entered the Service from Daggett, Michigan.
- ALPERT HEWINGS, 32483782, Private First Class, Company C, 397th Infantry, 7 December 1944. Entered the Service from Trenton, New Jersey.
- CLARENCE M. MCKENZIE, 33735707, Private First Class, Company G, 397th Infantry, 7 December 1944. Entered the Service from Cumberland, Maryland.
- ROBERT J. TIETZ, 16129836, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 397th Infantry, 9 December 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.
- WILLIAM H. GOFF, JR., 12216667, Private, Company H, 397th Infantry, 7 December 1944. Entered the Service from Buffalo, New York.
- WILLIAM J. CROWLEY, 32656372, Private, Company K, 397th Infantry, 7 December 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

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AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

JACK K. BARNES, 0553366, Second Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 398th Infantry, 1 December 1944. Entered the Service from Clinton, South Carolina.

STANLEY H. PAPE, 32650244, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 397th Infantry, 10 December 1944. Entered the Service from Jonesdale, Pennsylvania.

WALTER J. BIGHAM, 31250493, Sergeant, Company D, 397th Infantry, 15 November 1944. Entered the Service from Danbury, Connecticut.

MILTON R. ZIEGLER, 32187329, Sergeant, Company I, 397th Infantry, 2 December 1944. Entered the Service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

SAMUEL C. WORLEY, 33132459, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 397th Infantry, 10 December 1944. Entered the Service from Glenwilton, Virginia.

ANTHONY MANZO, 32597496, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 100th Infantry Division, 10 December 1944. Entered the Service from Saddle River Township, New Jersey.

DONALD J. MACKAY, 39916933, Private First Class, Company F, 397th Infantry, 7 December 1944. Entered the Service from Eiler, Idaho.

RAYMOND E. HUCK, 37737968, Private First Class, Company C, 397th Infantry, 9 December 1944. Entered the Service from Collinsville, Oklahoma.

STANLEY G. WRIGHT, 37603278, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 397th Infantry, 10 December 1944. Entered the Service from St. Louis, Missouri.

HAROLD R. ANSON, 33047745, Private First Class, Company M, 398th Infantry, 4 December 1944. Entered the Service from Muscatine, Iowa.

ELLIOTT B. STEWART, 14190306, Private First Class, Company E, 398th Infantry, 3 December 1944. Entered the Service from Windsor, North Carolina.

HENRY A. MADSEN, 36751195, Private First Class, Company G, 397th Infantry, 13 November 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

HAROLD A. WESSELS, 39439397, Private First Class, Company K, 397th Infantry, 20 November 1944. Entered the Service from Greencreek, Idaho.

WALTON E. BRAGG, 38341843, Private, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry, 9 December 1944. Entered the Service from Estelline, Texas.

PEARL GRIMES, 35560645, Private, Company I, 397th Infantry, 9 December 1944. Entered the Service from Symbol, Kentucky.

JOHN M. HAULENBERR, 20235622, Private, Headquarters Company, 397th Infantry, 10 December 1944. Entered the Service from Carden, New Jersey.

DOUGLAS J. KOY, 38547622, Private, Company C, 398th Infantry, 19 November 1944. Entered the Service from Sealy, Texas.

DOMINICK AGARIELLO, 32657258, Private, Company E, 397th Infantry, 13 November 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

RALPH P. CANNATA, 32653399, Private, Company H, 397th Infantry, 16 November 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

PETER P. PARKER, 35925435, Private, Company K, 397th Infantry, 19 November 1944. Entered the Service from Cleveland, Ohio.

JAMES R. PINSON, 38693051, Private, Company L, 397th Infantry, 2 December 1944. Entered the Service from Hale Center, Texas.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is posthumously awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

ROBERT C. COOK, 01291955, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Fouche, France. During an assault against a strongly-defended objective, our attacking force was subjected to an intense enemy mortar and artillery barrage, and a number of casualties were inflicted. Lieutenant Cook was himself severely wounded during the bombardment, but, despite the pain and seriousness of his wounds, he refused medical attention until aid had been administered to all the casualties among the enlisted men in his command. Lieutenant Cook later died of the wounds received in this action. By his courage and willing self-sacrifice in refusing the medical attention which might have saved his life, Lieutenant Cook reflected great credit upon himself and the Army of the United States. Next of kin: Clarence J. Cook (Father), 917 Berry Street, Toledo, Ohio.

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~~FRANKLIN G. MRAZEK, 01310863, First Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Clairrupt, France. When his platoon was subjected to an intense artillery barrage, one of the men in Lieutenant Mrazek's command was severely wounded. Disregarding the enemy shells bursting about him and without thought for his personal safety, Lieutenant Mrazek unhesitatingly left the security of his foxhole and went to the assistance of the wounded soldier. Working heroically, without cover of any kind, he administered aid to the injured man, and while so engaged was himself mortally wounded by a shrapnel burst. By the personal courage and gallantry he displayed in sacrificing his life to aid a wounded man of his command, Lieutenant Mrazek proved himself worthy of the leadership entrusted to him and lived up to the highest traditions of the service. Next of kin: Mary C. Mrazek (Mother), 3763 East One Hundred Twenty-Seventh Street, Cleveland, Ohio.~~

JOHN J. LYNCH, 01326193, Second Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Trouche, France. During an attack against strong enemy resistance, our forces were subjected to a severe enemy artillery bombardment and numerous casualties resulted. Lieutenant Lynch was himself wounded, but, despite the serious nature of his injuries, he staunchly refused medical attention until aid had been administered to all casualties among his command. He later succumbed to his wounds, although, in the opinion of the attending medical officer he might have survived had he accepted immediate aid. By making the supreme sacrifice of his life in the interest of his men, Lieutenant Lynch proved himself worthy of the leadership entrusted to him and lived up to the highest ideals of the service. Next of kin: Margaret B. Lynch (Wife), 523 West Two Hundred Fourth Street, New York, New York.

AMOS C. PUGH, 01325790, Second Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. When his battalion encountered heavy resistance in its attack and the leading company found it impossible to continue the advance, Lieutenant Pugh, whose platoon had been given the mission of protecting the right flank at once saw an opportunity to relieve the pressure on the leading elements of the battalion. Acting upon his own initiative, he moved his platoon to the right flank of the leading company and, exchanging his carbine for an automatic rifle, himself led the attack in the face of heavy small arms, machine gun, and mortar fire until he was mortally wounded. By his personal bravery and aggressive leadership, Lieutenant Pugh set an example in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Hans Pugh (Father), 919 South Thirty-Sixth Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

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MARION C. FORDHAM, 14163808, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Clairrupt, France. During an advance against strongly fortified enemy machine gun positions, his company met determined resistance and Sergeant Fordham received a painful wound. Despite his injury, he braved the enemy fire to crawl forward to a position from which he was able to hurl hand grenades into the hostile emplacement. After he had exhausted his supply of grenades, Sergeant Fordham charged the position in an attempt to bayonet the enemy and was mortally wounded during the ensuing action at close quarters. By the unsurpassed bravery of his gallant conduct, Sergeant Fordham reflected great credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Marion C. Fordham, Sr. (Father), 2114 Southview Avenue, Tampa, Florida.

HENRY LIPSCHITZ, 32658252, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. While engaged in bitter conflict with enemy forces, the battalion to which Corporal Lipschitz was attached as aid man was subjected to heavy enemy shelling and suffered a number of casualties. With complete disregard of his own personal safety, Corporal Lipschitz worked heroically to administer aid to the wounded, moving from one man to another in the heat of the battle, unmindful of the intense enemy fire. His untiring efforts were halted only when he himself eventually received a mortal wound in going to the aid of a comrade. By his unceasing devotion to duty and his courageous gallantry, Corporal Lipschitz won the admiration of all members of his organization and lived up to the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Helen Lipschitz (Mother), 1106 Morris Avenue, New York, New York.

FULGENCIO MONTANO, 38011090, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. When a squad of riflemen was sent to silence enemy snipers infesting the area, three men were wounded by hostile fire and their cries for help reached Corporal Montano. Although the wounded men were not members of the platoon to which he was attached as aid man, and although he was fully aware of the great danger inherent in the action, Corporal Montano voluntarily and unhesitatingly went to the assistance of the casualties. He had almost reached the nearest man when he was shot through the heart and died instantly. By the courageousness and unsurpassed gallantry of his action, Corporal Montano lived up to the highest ideals of the military service. Next of kin: Jose F. Montano (Father), Roy, New Mexico.

BENJAMIN H. DAVIS, 35141228, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. A fortified position in an open field halted one of our battalions in its advance upon an enemy-held town, and made it impossible for our troops to move forward or withdraw. After our forces had been held up for three hours, Private Davis, acting voluntarily and without orders, crawled forward over open terrain under a continual hail of fire from snipers and automatic weapons, until he was able to open fire upon the hostile emplacement. He remained in his exposed position and continued to engage the enemy and draw their fire until he was mortally wounded, meanwhile enabling the battalion to withdraw to a point of safety and entrench for the night. In making the supreme sacrifice of his life, Private Davis displayed an unflinching courage and unsurpassed gallantry which reflected the greatest credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Joan I. Davis (Wife), 1230 Division Street, Noblesville, Indiana.

JOSEPH W. HARSHMAN, 32954330, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. The litter team of which Private Harshman was a member was dispatched to evacuate a casualty and, upon arriving in the vicinity, found that our forces had withdrawn. Acting upon their own initiative, without protection of friendly troops, and despite the intense enemy machine gun and sniper fire covering the area, Private Harshman and the other members of the litter team went forward of our line of infantry to evacuate the wounded soldier from the open field where he was lying. While opening the litter preparatory to removing the casualty, an enemy machine gun opened fire on the group, mortally wounding Private Harshman. By the courage and gallantry he displayed in thus sacrificing his own life in an attempt to save a wounded comrade, Private Harshman lived up to the highest ideals of the military service. Next of kin: Loretta M. Harshman (Mother), 904 Chestnut Avenue, Trenton, New Jersey.

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SECTION II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

~~* ELLERY H. ZEHNER, 020820, Lieutenant Colonel, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 4 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Remy, France. While advancing upon an enemy-held village, one of the companies of Colonel Zehner's command was temporarily halted by accurate sniper fire from buildings. Unmindful of his own personal safety, Colonel Zehner immediately assumed a position one hundred yards in advance of the line of infantry and gallantly led the attack in the face of continuing small arms fire which caused a number of casualties. By his personal bravery and disregard of enemy fire, Colonel Zehner served as an inspiration to his newly-committed troops, and his heroic action not only assured the success of the immediate mission but spurred his men on to great achievement in the days immediately following. Entered military service at Fort Monroe, Virginia.~~

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WILLIAM C. LAVERTY, 12203684, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, France. After his company had secured its objective, Sergeant Laverty and his squad were assigned the task of clearing the enemy entrenchments of any remaining hostile forces. In proceeding with this mission, Sergeant Laverty was approaching one of the dugouts when a party of Germans emerged and attacked the group with hand grenades. Instantly alert, Sergeant Laverty shouted a warning to the remainder of his squad and opened fire on the enemy. He was severely wounded in the ensuing action at close quarters, but not before his alertness and aggressive action had enabled the squad to effectively end all enemy resistance in the area. Entered military service from Union City, New Jersey.

MONROE H. WATTS, 6393989, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Cirey-Sur Vezeuse, France. Harassing enemy mortar fire over a period of thirty-six hours had caused numerous casualties in the company to which Sergeant Watts was assigned as forward observer for a mortar platoon. The concealment of the enemy weapons had thus far prevented all attempts to knock them out of action. During an early morning barrage, the intensity of which forced all personnel to take cover, Sergeant Watts left the security of his foxhole and exposed himself to the enemy fire in order to better judge the location of the hostile position. By means of a sound-power telephone, he then relayed fire directions to the mortar platoon in the rear and was successful in silencing the German weapons. By his initiative, aggressiveness, and disregard of personal safety, Sergeant Watts was responsible for the destruction of an important enemy emplacement and the prevention of further casualties among our own forces. Entered military service from Spring Hill, Alabama.

JAMES R. MOORE, 34824342, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. During a strongly-opposed advance when his battalion was subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire, Private Moore was severely wounded in the leg and could not be evacuated because of fire from enemy snipers who continually harassed our troops. Seeing two other wounded men in the vicinity, Private Moore painfully crawled to the side of one, fed the soldier a box of rations, and then managed to drag the man, whose legs were entirely paralyzed, to a covered position. Later, despite the pain and weakness induced by his wounds, he went to the assistance of the second man and, alternately guiding and dragging him and stopping frequently to rest, he managed to reach a battalion wire line, which he followed until he was able to shout to a friendly patrol. His actions, performed under continual harassing fire from snipers were responsible for saving the lives of two comrades and were in keeping with the highest traditions of gallantry of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

CHARLES W. HOLT, 19102861, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

VERDI W. ALLMAN, 34379409, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Athens, Tennessee.

For gallantry in action on 23 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Elaise,

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France. When their battalion was assigned the mission of marching through hostile territory and occupying an enemy-held town, Privates Allman and Holt volunteered to act as points for the advance guard. Upon encountering two enemy vehicles containing hostile troops, Privates Allman and Holt, regardless of their own safety, unhesitatingly assumed an exposed position directly in the path of the oncoming enemy vehicles and fired upon them until they surrendered. By their dauntless courage and aggressive action, Privates Allman and Holt captured two enemy vehicles, took twelve prisoners, and prevented hostile forces in the vicinity from learning the exact location of our troops.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE

Under the provisions of War Department Circular 408, 17 October 1944, a Combat Infantryman Badge is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

ANDREW C. TYCHSEN, 06256, Colonel, 399th Infantry Regiment
JOHN M. KING, 0346800, Lieutenant Colonel, 397th Infantry Regiment

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE

By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Section I, Circular Number 345, War Department, dated 23 August 1944, The Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the 100th Quartermaster Company for superior performance of duty and the achievement and maintenance of a high standard of discipline during the period from 1 September 1944 to 30 November 1944.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to the following named individual for gallantry in action:

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NICHOLAS J. MICARI, 32654396, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Clairrupt, France. Next of kin: Maurie Micari (Mother), 1415 Avenue Y, Brooklyn, New York.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

JOHN J. MCCARTHY, 01299820, Captain, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Trouche, France. Entered military service from Bayonne, New Jersey.

WALTER B. WHITE, 01030626, Second Lieutenant, 100th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in action on 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Senones, France. Entered military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

JOHN J. FLYNN, 31132723, Master Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 1 November 1944, to 1 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

FREDERICK D. BAKER, 19134229, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. Entered military service from Pullman, Washington.

JOHN WEBER, 32680897, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

IRVING BENZEPHAL, 32684177, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

STANLEY H. PAPE, 32650244, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 12 November to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

EDWARD D. WILLIAMS, 35754860, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Clairrupt, France. Entered military service from Willsburg, West Virginia.

ROBERT L. ATWATER, 32303706, Technician Fourth Grade, 100th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in action on 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Senones, France. Entered military service from Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey.

RICHARD A. BROWN, 31222854, Technician Fourth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Clairrupt, France. Entered military service from Bangor, Maine.

RALPH H. LYERLY, 34304799, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Entered military service from Granite Quarry, N.C.

JACK WILLIAMS, 34515486, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Remy, France. Entered military service from Graniteville, South Carolina.

JOHN L. DUERR, 31272108, Technician Fifth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. Entered military service from Mystic, Connecticut.

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DAVID BOGOVICH, 55011933, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

ROBERT H. EDWARDS, 36696971, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Entered military service from Maywood, Illinois.

CLARENCE K. HOFF, 36959840, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, France. Entered military service from Clinton, Illinois.

WILLIAM A. KLEIN, III, 12225152, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. Entered military service from New Rochelle, New York.

ARTHUR LOMBARDI, 32941059, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. Entered military service from Little Falls, New York.

GEORGE K. MOFFITT, 33830185, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Entered military service from Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

THOMAS F. OWENS, 31251005, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Entered military service from Waterbury, Connecticut.

SAM BOGAN, 35068777, Private, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

WILLIAM T. DAMSON, 36690455, Private, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 November 1944, in the vicinity of Cirrev-Sar Vecouse, France. Entered military service from Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster to Purple Heart is awarded to the following named individual for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

CLEMENT E. MEDLEY, 34591127, Technical Sergeant, Company G, 397th Infantry Regiment, 11 December 1944. Entered military service from Greensboro, North Carolina.

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

SAMUEL V. FOSTER, 0449932, First Lieutenant, Company K, 399th Infantry Regiment, 7 December 1944. Entered military service from Gaffney, South Carolina.

EARL J. ANDERSON, 20344106, Technical Sergeant, Company E, 398th Infantry Regiment, 23 November 1944. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

ROY B. CHAFFICE, 32483571, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 397th Infantry Regiment, 4 December 1944. Entered military service from Yardville, New Jersey.

WALTER S. LOREK, 33017373, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 397th Infantry Regiment, 11 December 1944. Entered military service from Windber, Pennsylvania.

PRESTON R. FITZGERALD, 6790156, Staff Sergeant, Company M, 399th Infantry Regiment, 15 November 1944. Entered military service from Roseland, Virginia.

EDWARD K. REVERE, 32380512, Staff Sergeant, Company M, 399th Infantry Regiment, 15 November 1944. Entered military service from Ridgewood, New York.

HARVEY D. PARRIS, 34572473, Staff Sergeant, Antitank Company, 399th Infantry Regiment, 7 December 1944. Entered military service from Blue Ridge, Georgia.

PETER F. DOMEROSKI, 33234491, Technician Fourth Grade, Company D, 399th Infantry Regiment, 3 December 1944. Entered military service from Traskville, Pennsylvania.

STANLEY T. CAROZZO, 39304228, Corporal, Company L, 399th Infantry Regiment, 16 November 1944. Entered military service from Riverbank, California.

HARRY C. MOOP, 32559306, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, 7 December 1944. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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JOHN A. SCHELLER, JR., 12101114, Private First Class, Company E, 398th Infantry Regiment, 4 December 1944. Entered military service from Maplewood, New Jersey.

LURAL SCHWEIKHART, 35246975, Private First Class, Company H, 397th Infantry Regiment, 11 December 1944. Entered military service from Poseyville, Kentucky.

BALIS W. RITCHIE, JR., 35156211, Private First Class, Company L, 397th Infantry Regiment, 11 December 1944. Entered military service from Viper, Kentucky.

THOMAS E. MORGAN, JR., 19187121, Private First Class, Company K, 399th Infantry Regiment, 17 November 1944. Entered military service from Oakland, California.

IRVING W. BOWEN, 3663886C, Private First Class, Company B, 399th Infantry Regiment, 8 December 1944. Entered military service from McHenry, Illinois.

CORBIE GLENNIS, JR., 34882700, Private First Class, Headquarters Company First Battalion, 399th Infantry Regiment, 9 December 1944. Entered military service from Gadsden, Alabama.

THOMAS L. HOLTMAN, 33614088, Private, Company B, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 6 December 1944. Entered military service from Drums, Pennsylvania.

LEONARD J. LEVATOWSKI, 33846122, Private, Company L, 397th Infantry Regiment, 5 December 1944. Entered military service from Glen Lyon, Pennsylvania.

CARL R. SMITH, 36971669, Private, Company C, 397th Infantry Regiment, 4 December 1944. Entered military service from Marquette, Michigan.

JOHN L. CONROY, 32095492, Private, Company L, 397th Infantry Regiment, 11 December 1944. Entered military service from Long Island City, New York.

GEORGE J. BLANDES, 42107718, Private, Company L, 397th Infantry Regiment, 11 December 1944. Entered military service from Union City, New Jersey.

ANTHONY ONOFRIETTI, 42032388, Private, Company C, 399th Infantry Regiment, 7 December 1944. Entered military service from New York, New York.

HAROLD L. BERNARD, 3488622, Private, Company C, 399th Infantry Regiment, 20 November 1944. Entered military service from Bay St. Louis, Mississippi.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is posthumously awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

RAYMOND GUY, 31256274, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action during the period 12 to 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Clairrupt, France. On 12 November, when his squad was pinned down by accurate small arms and machine gun fire, Sergeant Guy, by alert maneuvering and skillful control of his squad, succeeded in safely withdrawing his men to another position from which it was possible to continue the advance. On 14 November, when the company was halted by fire from unseen machine gun emplacements, Sergeant Guy, without regard for his personal safety, moved forward to locate the enemy weapons, then led his men through a dangerous draw in order to secure a flanking position from which fire could be directed into the hostile emplacement. Although he was killed in this action, Sergeant Guy, by the great courage and tactical skill which he exhibited, succeeded in relieving his company from the enemy pressure and permitted it to secure its objective. Next of kin: Mrs. Georgiana Guy (Mother), 20 Horton Street, Lawrence, Massachusetts.

ROBERT F. HOWELL, 37632459, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, France. Private Howell was acting as squad leader as well as gunner when his squad was assigned the mission of sweeping a wooded area with machine gun fire preparatory to an assault by a rifle platoon. Upon opening fire, the squad was unexpectedly subjected to concentrated counter-fire from hostile automatic weapons and small arms. Although dangerously exposed to the enemy, Private Howell continued to man his gun and return the fire of the enemy. On the following day, from the same exposed position, Private Howell's squad again engaged the enemy automatic weapons, and by his continued delivery of accurate fire despite the personal danger involved, he was able to keep enemy forces pinned down so that infantry troops secured the objective with a minimum of losses. During this action, Private Howell was mortally wounded by enemy mortar fire. By his personal fearlessness and devotion to duty, he reflected great credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Ruth Howell (Mother), Rural Free Delivery, Fristoe, Missouri.

SECTION II -- AWARD, MISSING IN ACTION, OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following named individual, missing in action, for gallantry in action:

ROGER FIEBELKORN, 15177284, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. Sent to repair a break in the wire line leading to a front line unit during an attack against a strongly-defended enemy position, Private Fiebelkorn had completed his mission when he came upon a group of aid men engaged in evacuating wounded. Acting upon his own initiative, he immediately went to their assistance in the face of enemy machine gun, mortar, and artillery fire. Even when the intensity of the shelling forced the battalion to withdraw from the position, Private Fiebelkorn continued with his task, making three trips into the area in advance of our line of infantry to evacuate wounded who had been left behind. His actions, performed entirely upon his own volition and in the face of constant enemy fire, were instru-

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mental in providing speedy medical treatment for the casualties and reflected the greatest credit upon himself and the Army of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs Helen Fiebelkorn (Mother), 935 Clarkston Road, Lake Orion, Michigan.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

THOMAS STILLWAGON, 01326267, Second Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Clairrupt, France. When our forces met determined resistance from well-fortified enemy machine gun emplacements, the platoon under Lieutenant Stillwagon's command was assigned the mission of silencing one of the enemy weapons. Personally leading the attack in the face of heavy hostile fire, Lieutenant Stillwagon was severely wounded, but, despite the pain of his injury, he continued to lead and direct his men, constantly advancing forward until eventually he was struck by enemy fire a second time and rendered unconscious. By his gallant and courageous action, Lieutenant Stillwagon was instrumental in the capture of strong enemy positions and proved himself worthy of the leadership entrusted to him. Entered military service from Mill Run, Pennsylvania.

MURRAY LANCER, 32649341, Technical Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 23 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Blaise, France. In its attack upon an enemy-held town, the battalion was encountering determined resistance and heavy small arms, mortar, and artillery fire when Sergeant Lancer, communications chief, led a patrol forward to establish communications with the battalion commander, whose exact location was unknown. Traveling in complete darkness and over roads which had not been cleared of mines, Sergeant Lancer and his party advanced for two miles by truck, then proceeded for four additional miles on foot, laying wire over enemy road-blocks and under almost continual small arms fire. When the party ran out of wire, Sergeant Lancer succeeded in establishing contact with friendly troops and obtaining sufficient equipment to complete the line. Due in no small degree to the great initiative and devotion to duty which he displayed, Sergeant Lancer's party succeeded in its mission and communications were established with higher headquarters, permitting transmittal of urgent messages. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

BERTIE RAY, 6334290, Technical Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Clairrupt, France. When a number of strongly-fortified enemy machine gun emplacements slowed the advance of our forces, Sergeant Ray and his platoon were assigned the mission of reducing two of the hostile positions. Encountering heavy enemy fire, the platoon was pinned down, but Sergeant Ray, courageously and without thought of personal safety, continued to move forward, crawling to advantage point from which he succeeded in killing two of the enemy and putting one position out of action. By his fearless and aggressive tactics, Sergeant Ray made a major contribution to the advance achieved by our forces and reflected great credit upon himself. Entered military service from Lennett, Alabama.

ROBERT W. TALBERT, 35626704, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, France. When Private Talbert's squad was assigned the mission of driving a body of hostile troops from an entrenched hilltop position, the platoon was met by heavy small arms fire and pinned down while still some fifty yards from the objective. Heedless of his personal safety, Private Talbert continued to advance by short rushes and creeping until he was within eight feet of the hostile emplacement. Taking cover behind a tree and a small rise in the ground, Private Talbert, despite enemy fire and hand grenades which exploded a few feet from him, succeeded in delivering fire upon the enemy position in sufficient quantity to enable other members of the platoon to advance. By the alert and tactical skill which he displayed, Private Talbert was largely responsible for the achievement of the mission, and lived up to the highest provisions of gallantry in combat. Entered military service from Jackson, Mo., Mo.

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SECTION IV -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

✓ JOHN B. MURPHY, 012338, Brigadier General, Headquarters 100th Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious service in action from 12 November to 27 November 1944, in France. Entered military service from Iowa.

ANDREW C. EYCHSEN, 08256, Colonel, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 9 November 1944 to 13 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

JOHN H. KING, 0346800, Lieutenant Colonel, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 16 November 1944 to 13 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

✓ JOHN E. HUTCHINSON, 32267784, Staff Sergeant, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. Entered military service from Camden, New Jersey.

HOWARD D. JULLIAN, 34591544, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Clairrupt, France. Entered military service from Salisbury, North Carolina.

THOMAS B. HULSEY, 38232045, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 5 November 1944 to 2 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Wichita Falls, Texas.

✓ ARTHUR A. HUETTNER, 39414108, Corporal, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 November 1944, in the vicinity of Les Quevelles, France. Entered military service from Stockton, California.

JOHN MARMA, 32664973, Technician Fifth Grade, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 4 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Remy, France. Entered military service from Amsterdam, New York.

THEODORE R. SCANLON, 16156572, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 November 1944, in the vicinity of Les Quevelles, France. Entered military service from Superior, Wisconsin.

✓ GENEY VOGT, 32183714, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Reon L'Etape, France. Entered military service from Ventnor City, New Jersey.

ROY L. ANDERSON, 34964093, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Clairrupt, France. Entered military service from Robbinsville, North Carolina.

RAYMOND G. BOISVERT, 31456695, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Clairrupt, France. Entered military service from Lowell, Massachusetts.

✓ EWING L. DUFRENE, 39718937, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Reon L'Etape, France. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

ROBERT A. FRASER, 36867028, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, France. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

✓ RALPH G. HUTCHINS, 35634995, Private First Class, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

✓ ALFRED KICKEY, 32599018, Private First Class, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Trouche, France. Entered military service from Hoboken, New Jersey.

✓ JOSEPH P. MIRABITO, 42127147, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

✓ ANTHONY FACINA, 35068805, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Clairrupt, France. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

✓ WILFRED CULPEPPER, 17013540, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Etival, France. Entered military service from East St. Louis, Illinois.

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JAMES W. HURD, 20451502, Private, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Partrichamps, France. Entered military service from Kingsport, Tennessee.

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~~* THOMAS C. OWENS, 34800557, Private, 325th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Coetzenbruck, France. Entered military service from Huntsville, Alabama.~~

WILLARD S/ROBE, 39578649, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

ISAAC G. THOMPSON, 34496430, Sergeant, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Senones, France. Entered military service from Memphis, Tennessee.

SECTION V -- AWARD OF FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to Air Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights:

MARVIN P. FRAZER, 01169963, First Lieutenant, 250th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 20 September to 18 November 1944. Entered military service from Nashville, Tennessee.

RICHARD W. TOOLAN, 01178012, Second Lieutenant, 250th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 4 October to 20 November 1944. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

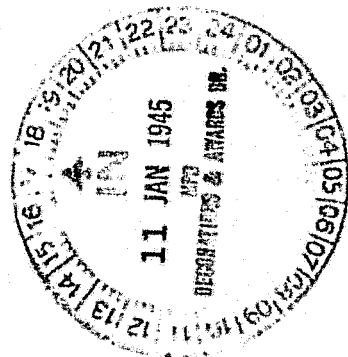
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SECTION I -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following named individual for gallantry in action:

THOMAS C. OWENS, 34800557, Private, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. When his battery was subjected to severe counter-battery fire from the enemy, Private Owens and other members of the battery took shelter behind a nearby stone wall and in slit trenches. Striking within a few feet of an ammunition pit, one hostile shell showered fragments into the pit and ignited a shell case. The blaze was growing but Private Owens, unmindful of the enemy fire which continued to fall in the area and the constantly-mounting danger of exploding ammunition, leaped over the protecting wall, seized a shovel and, unaided, succeeded in extinguishing the fire. By the unhesitating courage he displayed, Private Owens prevented the destruction of vital military supplies and the infliction of casualties among the men of his battery. Entered military service from Huntsville, Alabama.

SECTION II -- AWARD, MISSING IN ACTION, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named individual, missing in action:

PAUL K. SPURGEON, 16191300, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. Next of kin: Samuel M. Spurgeon (Father), Box 45, Patoka, Illinois.

SECTION III -- RECISSION OF AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

So much of Section IV, General Orders Number 28, this headquarters, current series, as awards a Bronze Star Medal to THOMAS C. OWENS, 34800557, Private, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, is rescinded.

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded to the following named individual:

WILLIAM H. COZORT, 01177352, First Lieutenant, 250th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 20 September to 17 November 1944. Entered military service from Clarksville, Texas.

SECTION V -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named individual for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

JOHN A. SCHELLER, 12101114, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 11 December 1944. Entered military service from Maplewood, New Jersey.

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SECTION VI -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

LELAND D. SCARFROUGH, 01309845, Captain, 398th Infantry Regiment, 10 December 1944. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

WILLIAM C. DINEEN, 01172839, First Lieutenant, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, 11 December 1944. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.

CHARLES M. ELAVIF, 31067973, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 20 November 1944. Entered military service from Dorchester, Massachusetts.

FORVAL A. KVERNES, 36730453, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 2 December 1944. Entered military service from Howard, South Dakota.

ROBERT E. WELLEN, 31237616, Technician Fifth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment, 2 December 1944. Entered military service from Everett, Massachusetts.

GASPARO MORRELLI, 32654935, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 8 December 1944. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

CHARLES H. CUNNINGHAM, 34546895, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 20 November 1944. Entered military service from Hialeah, Florida.

DONALD H. GARIS, 42022247, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 20 November 1944. Entered military service from Williamsville, New York.

DALE R. RETTSTAT, 33416138, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 20 November 1944. Entered military service from Brownsville, Pennsylvania.

TOBY P. CIPOLLA, 38545933, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 20 November 1944. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

JAMES FATATA, 32664406, Private First Class, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, 11 December 1944. Entered military service from Gold Hill, North Carolina.

EDWARD A. KULAS, 31214680, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 4 December 1944. Entered military service from Cheshire, Massachusetts.

EDWARD J. CLEBACK, 42108152, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, 20 November 1944. Entered military service from Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

ARTHUR L. WHITENBURG, 35084521, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 4 December 1944. Entered military service from Sylvania, Ohio.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Air Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

ROBERT V. BALES, 01180801, First Lieutenant, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 6 November 1944 to 15 December 1944. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

FRANK A. CALDWELL, 01185384, Second Lieutenant, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 6 November 1944 to 19 December 1944. Entered military service from Queens Village, Long Island, New York.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

JAMES A. KEDDIE, 01313900, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 17 December 1944. Entered military service from Lynn, Massachusetts.

EDWARD X. REVIERE, 32680512, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, 7 December 1944. Entered military service from Ridgewood, New York.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

JAMES R. WALDIE, 01287626, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 14 December 1944. Entered military service from Omaha, Nebraska.

EMIL F. HAWTHORNE, 01106805, First Lieutenant, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 11 December 1944. Entered military service from Leroy, New York.

ALFRED H. WEILER, 01309999, First Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 10 December 1944. Entered military service from Connersville, Indiana.

WILLIAM H. O'HARA, 33037906, First Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, 7 December 1944. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT J. EDWARDS, 32654979, First Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, 9 December 1944. Entered military service from Schaghticoke, New York.

ROBERT E. ANDERSON, 18194980, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 17 December 1944. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

ROBERT J. ISOLA, 32653349, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 17 December 1944. Entered military service from New York, New York.

ROLAND C. MARBLE, 37526217, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 17 December 1944. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

JOSEPH F. DEEPSEY, 32055695, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, 9 December 1944. Entered military service from Morris Plains, New Jersey.

JOE B. WANN, 34910340, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 18 December 1944. Entered military service from Jacksonville, Florida.

GEORGE J. GENNARI, 31245420, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, 7 December 1944. Entered military service from East Providence, Rhode Island.

JAMES I. ADAMS, 13185290, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, 9 December 1944. Entered military service from Esterly, Pennsylvania.

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- JOHN J. CORLETT, JR., 36722974, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, 10 December 1944. Entered military service from Mount Vernon, Illinois.
- JOHN J. ROSENBERG, 33483024, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 15 December 1944. Entered military service from Easton, Pennsylvania.
- EMILIE T. PARKER, 7021009, Technician Fourth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment, 7 November 1944. Entered military service from Williamsport, Pennsylvania.
- ABRAHAM H. KAPLAN, 32340544, Technician Fifth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment, 15 December 1944. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.
- ALFRED H. KELLY, 3122066, Technician Fifth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment, 16 December 1944. Entered military service from Seal Cove, Maine.
- JACK B. ROBERTS, 37518795, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 15 December 1944. Entered military service from Parsons, Kansas.
- RICHARD A. WEAVER, 33711371, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 17 December 1944. Entered military service from Clarion, Pennsylvania.
- FRED J. TRAVAGHINI, 12231570, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 11 December 1944. Entered military service from Congers, New York.
- LEONARD L. MILLER, 36644014, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, 11 December 1944. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.
- CECELINUS A. WEAVER, 33764630, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, 11 December 1944. Entered military service from Lewistown, Pennsylvania.
- FRANK SHERMAN, 32656359, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, 7 December 1944. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.
- WILFRED G. ANDER, 31456511, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 16 December 1944. Entered military service from Westbrook, Maine.
- ARVID SIEGEL, 35833063, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 16 November 1944. Entered military service from Lombard, Kentucky.
- MARCUS J. BRADFORD, 34838568, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, 16 December 1944. Entered military service from Shelby, Mississippi.
- EMILIE H. WERTZ, 33626448, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, 16 December 1944. Entered military service from Fine Grove, Pennsylvania.
- ALAN ZWISKI, 42105252, Private, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 3 December 1944. Entered military service from Vauxhall, New Jersey.
- WILLIAM G. LOEWS, 35244168, Private, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 11 December 1944. Entered military service from East Liverpool, Ohio.
- JACK FENLBY, 34820112, Private, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 18 December 1944. Entered military service from Fitzgerald, Georgia.
- JEFFERSON H. CHARLIS, JR., 33843898, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 12 December 1944. Entered military service from Pasadena, Maryland.
- JACK L. BLANDELL, 38871692, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, 25 November 1944. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.
- CHARLES GUGICK, 42066167, Private, 399th Infantry Regiment, 8 December 1944. Entered military service from New York, New York.
- RAYMOND P. STACORA, 37521080, Private, 399th Infantry Regiment, 9 December 1944. Entered military service from Peitz, Minnesota.
- ARTHUR H. D. COLLINSKY, 32705829, Private, 399th Infantry Regiment, 8 December 1944. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.
- ANTHONY P. GERIACH, 37593633, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, 13 December 1944. Entered military service from Scraph, Minnesota.
- EMILIE L. PAER, 32961478, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 12 November 1944. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.
- WALTER MILLER, 36234205, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 13 December 1944. Entered military service from Arkhale, Wisconsin.

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SECTION I -- POSSESSIONS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is posthumously awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

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* **DOMINIC M. HOLLAND**, 0554150, Second Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Senones, France. When an enemy counter-attack was thrown at his company and threatened to isolate it from the remainder of the battalion, Lieutenant Holland courageously led his company in a assault upon a hill position in the face of the hostile machine gun fire. In the line ahead of the leading scouts, he employed his force in such a manner as to prevent the enemy break-through, and as a result of his gallant action the company remained in contact with the rest of the battalion and the unit secured and retained its objective. Lieutenant Holland's personal bravery and alertness proved him worthy of the leadership entrusted to him, and earned the deserved admiration of his entire company. He was mortally wounded in this engagement. Next of kin: J. Lee Holland (Father), 542 West Franklin Street, Gastonia, North Carolina.

WILLIAM A. SPERKOVSKY, 32280367, Technical Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Senones, France. Our forces were meeting determined opposition in their advance upon an enemy-held town and were eventually halted by an enemy road-block which was strongly defended by machine and automatic weapons. Sergeant Sperkovsky, acting voluntarily and without fear of hesitation, advanced against the road-block and succeeded in clearing the road, making it possible for our troops to enter the town. In completing this action, he was mortally wounded. For his courage and unsurpassed gallantry, Sergeant Sperkovsky enabled our forces to secure an important objective and reflected the greatest credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Margaret Sperkovsky (Mother), 348 Atlantic Avenue, Camden, New Jersey.

THOMAS E. DIGNEY, 31273016, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Rothbach, France. While his battalion was engaged in a cross-country advance against the enemy, Sergeant Digney was sent with a detail to find a suitable route for supply and evacuation of front-line troops. The party made a thorough but unsuccessful reconnaissance on the left flank under enemy shelling so intense that Sergeant Digney sent other members of the patrol to the rear and voluntarily proceeded alone to reconnoiter the right flank. He located a suitable trail, but as dusk was falling when he returned to the command post it was deemed impractical to supply front line elements before morning. Sergeant Digney then volunteered to take a supply vehicle forward under fire, and was killed when an enemy mortar shell hit the truck en route. For his personal bravery and devotion to his comrades, Sergeant Digney reflected great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Next of kin: Claire Digney (Mother), 70 Vine Street, Milford, Connecticut.

DARRELL E. RICHARDSON, 33583543, Private, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. While the machine gun platoon to which Private Richardson was attached as aid man was engaged in direct support of a rifle company advancing against strong enemy resistance, numerous casualties were received by both units. Private Richardson immediately administered aid to the wounded of his own platoon, then voluntarily moved forward to attend the casualties among the riflemen, who were situated on the forward slope of a hill and subjected to heavy fire from enemy small arms, mortars and tanks. In full view of the enemy and under constant fire, Private Richardson gave aid to three wounded infantrymen and was going to the assistance of a fourth when he was killed by enemy fire. For his courage and devotion to duty

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he set an example in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.
Next of kin: Viola Spencer (Sister), Rugby, Virginia.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 500-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

THOMAS J. KOSZAREK, 0522283, Chaplain (Captain), 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Repon L'Etrone, France. When a litter team returned from a second unsuccessful attempt to locate casualties in a forward area, Chaplain Koszarék, asleep in a nearby tent, was awakened by the conversation. Acting upon his own volition, he immediately dressed and set out to locate the wounded men. Taking but one man with him and making his way through the darkness and steadily-falling snow, he followed a wire line over mountainside and often nearly impassible terrain until he reached a forward command post. Here he learned the approximate location of the casualties, then continued on his way until eventually he found the wounded men. Administering what aid he could to them, he then retraced his steps through the pitch-black night, returned to the command post and sent for a litter party. When the party arrived, he guided it to the casualties and assisted in the work of evacuation. By his ready assumption of responsibility and his untiring efforts in a hazardous undertaking, Chaplain Koszarék contributed greatly to the saving of life among the wounded. Entered military service from Antigo, Wisconsin.

ARTHUR P. ALLEN, 01391057, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Soucht, France. When his company was pinned down by enemy machine gun fire, Lieutenant Allen observed the location of the hostile weapon but was unable to fire upon it from his covered position. Without heed for his personal safety, he immediately exposed himself to the enemy in order to move to a vantage point from which he could open fire. From this exposed position he succeeded in silencing the enemy gun, although he was himself seriously wounded in the action. He subsequently refused medical attention until he had informed the battalion commander of the exact situation at the front, and while being evacuated issued directions for the security of his troops. By his gallant action and unremitting devotion to duty he enabled his company to continue its advance and merited the admiration with which he was regarded by the entire organization. Entered military service from San Pedro, California.

RICHARD S. ATKINSON, 33091700, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Snow Hill, Maryland.

FRANK F. FISCHL, 32555895, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from New York, New York.

For gallantry in action on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Et. De Pasn L'Etrone, France. The machine gun section of which Sergeant Atkinson and Sergeant Fischl were members was assigned the mission of supporting an infantry company in an attack upon an enemy position on high ground, and two platoons of the infantry had succeeded in reaching their objective when the enemy launched a determined counter-attack. Sergeant Fischl moved his gun into position to give fire support to the infantry, but the denseness of the woods severely limited his field of fire in all directions. When the infantry company was forced back by the fury of the enemy assault, Sergeant Atkinson seized the machine gun, lifting it from its cradle, and with Sergeant Fischl at his side feeding ammunition into the weapon, the two advanced up the slope in the face of the hostile attack, sweeping the enemy forces with effective and demoralizing fire. By the bravery and alert aggressiveness of their action, Sergeants Atkinson and Fischl enabled the infantry company to throw back the counter-attack and regain its objective and reflected great credit upon themselves.

EDWARD K. REVERE, 32660512, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. The heavy machine gun section under Sergeant Revere's direction was assigned the mission of delivering covering fire upon an enemy area while the infantry company advanced. As the section opened fire, Sergeant Revere observed a group of six enemy riflemen in the edge of the woods and, seizing a rifle, succeeded in killing two of the group and neutralizing the position. Then, a few moments later, a hostile twenty-millimeter gun opened an intense fire upon our troops, Sergeant Revere swiftly moved one of his machine guns into position and himself brought fire upon the enemy weapon with an accuracy which caused the enemy to lift its fire from the infantry troops. By his alert and aggressive actions, performed without thought for his personal safety,

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Sergeant ~~_____~~ enabled the rifle company to continue its advance and played a major role in the achievement of the objective. Entered military service from, Ridgewood, New York.

EDWARD A. NISHOVICH, 30683206, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, France. When a rifle platoon was advancing against an entrenched enemy position at the crest of a hill, the squad on the right was caught in the cross-fire of two hostile machine guns. Sergeant Nishovich, whose machine gun section was attached to the attacking platoon, located one of the enemy positions and advanced toward it, firing his own light machine gun from the hip as he moved forward. Having reached a point within twenty-five yards of the enemy, he hurled several hand grenades into the emplacement, controlling the position and allowing the riflemen to resume their attack. As a result of his courageous action, three of the enemy were killed, five captured, and the platoon succeeded in quickly achieving its objective. Entered military service from New York, New York.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named individual:

RAYMOND E. CAMP, 13096101, Technician Fifth Grade, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of Eberskirch, France. A gasoline stove, on a kitchen truck which had been stored in a barn, exploded and ignited the tarpsulin, which, in turn, set fire to the hay in the building. Corporal Camp, who was sleeping nearby, was awakened by the explosion and ran at once to the scene of the fire. Courageously and without regard for the ever-mounting danger of an exploding gasoline tank or ammunition, Corporal Camp dashed through the dense smoke and flames, entered the truck and, though his foot was slightly burned, backed the vehicle from the blazing building. As he dismounted from the cab, grenades in the truck began exploding, but as a result of his efforts the fire in the vehicle was eventually extinguished and valuable government equipment, which otherwise would have been a complete loss, was saved. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

BERTHARD V. LEWIS, 0311003, Major, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Remy, France. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

BERTHARD J. COEBLER, JR., 02049229, First Lieutenant, Medical Detachment, 392nd Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 2 November 1944 to 26 November 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Easton, New York.

JAMES J. WALSH, 01313043, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 November 1944, in the vicinity of Les Qu'illes, France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

JACK P. TWIGG, 01522906, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Souche, France. Entered military service from Altoona, Pennsylvania.

THOMAS M. FORLER, 01692609, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Souche, France. Entered military service from Unionville, New York.

ANDREW W. SHKOF, 01618233, Second Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Trouche, France. Entered military service from East Lansing, Michigan.

HURLEY L. CHASTAK, 3-672091, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Trouche, France. Entered military service from Calhoun, Georgia.

WILLIAM L. JOHNS, 34493351, Technical Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Rostel, France. Entered military service from Memphis, Tennessee.

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THEODORE H. LEFEVER, 32855702, Technical Sergeant, 392th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Tronche, France. Entered military service from Long Island City, New York.

FRANK J. ROSCE, 3682300, Technical Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Reon L'Etene, France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

WALTER CARON, 32656872, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 November 1944, in the vicinity of Les Quevelles, France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

ARISTODEMO W. MICHELI, 32044148, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 2 November 1944 to 2 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Union City, New Jersey.

KENNETH O. DIEHL, 17113121, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, France. Entered military service from Stet, Missouri.

JACOB F. HERRLE, 42552283, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 392th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Rosteig, France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

SAM L. HOOVER, 38072431, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Reon L'Etene, France. Entered military service from Waco, Texas.

LEO LEMEVRE, 31245024, Technical Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 392th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Tronche, France. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

NORMAN E. BUNTSOY, 39200398, Private First Class, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Montehouse, France. Entered military service from Seattle, Washington.

WESLEY COFFEL, 35233482, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fertrichamps, France. Entered military service from Youngstown, Ohio.

JOHN A. POPUSTA, 19163225, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fertrichamps, France. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.

RAYN L. REEVES, 32736073, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. Entered military service from Granite City, Illinois.

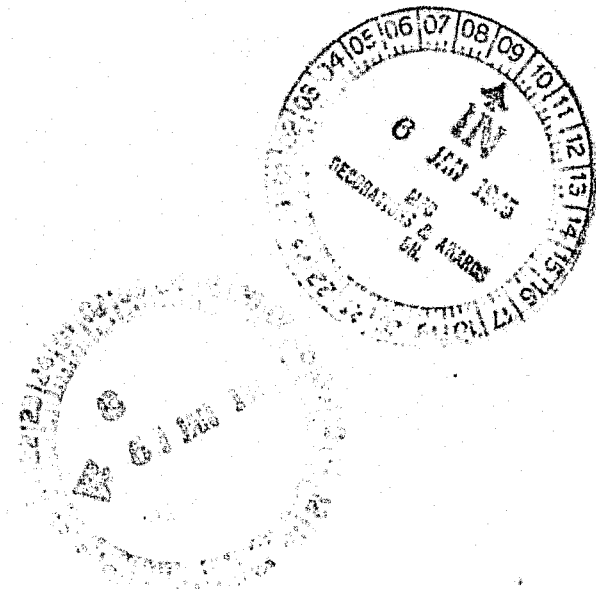
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SECTION I -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 300-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

RICHARD J. JONES, 16191292, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. When two lead platoons and the commanding officer of his company were pinned down by enemy machine gun and artillery fire, Private Jones voluntarily crawled to the edge of a wooded area and made his way to the battalion command post with news of the situation. Carrying a reel of wire and two telephones, he returned to the forward elements of the company, advancing under enemy fire which killed sixteen and wounded thirty of his comrades, and succeeded in safely reaching the forward artillery observer. He then returned to the rear, laying a wire line as he went, and established communications between the company and battalion command posts. As a result of his efforts, accurate artillery fire was brought on the enemy positions to the front, and the unit was able to eventually withdraw to a more advantageous position. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private Jones in this action were in keeping with the highest traditions of gallantry. Entered military service from Dewey, Illinois.

MAROLD L. KEINS, 38668563, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. When forward elements of his Battalion advanced across an open field and into a forest under heavy mortar and artillery fire, Private Keins immediately traversed the open area in order to establish a line of communication to the battalion command post to the rear. Although warned by the commanding officer that the cleared area was under observation by the enemy and consistently subjected to hostile mortar and artillery fire, Private Keins on four successive occasions voluntarily braved the enemy fire to advance into the field and repair the wire line when it was severed by hostile shelling. By his personal bravery and unremitting devotion to duty, he was responsible for maintaining communications between battalion and front-line elements. Entered military service from Little Rock, Arkansas.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 300-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

WILLIAM ESBITT, 0291450, Major, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 15 November 1944 to 12 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

WILEY B. WISDOM, JR., 021825, Major, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 17 November 1944 to 12 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Chitler, Georgia.

MILTON A. EDDY, 01129442, Captain, 905th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action during the period 2 November 1944 to 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Neufchaisons, Les Plaines, and Lemberg, France. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

~~WALTER E. LOGGON, 024024, Captain, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Blaise, France. Entered military service from Frenovcal, Louisiana.~~

CARL R. ASSHOFF, 02049731, First Lieutenant, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 3 November 1944 to 12 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Burlington, Iowa.

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STEPHEN L. McMILLAN, 0573101, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 8 December 1944 in the vicinity of Louberg, France. Entered military service from Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

MURRAY LANCER, 01692642, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Houterhouse, France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

HERBERT S. VERRILL, 0852113, Second Lieutenant, 396th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 November 1944, in the vicinity of Les Casvelles, France. Entered military service from Westbrook, Maine.

GURDON W. MAC NEVIN, 31255411, Technical Sergeant, 396th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bru, France. Entered military service from Ferrisburgh, Massachusetts.

SCHEIDTNER L. GARLOCK, 20347112, Staff Sergeant, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service during the period 7 November 1944 to 8 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Fitesville, Maryland.

ORANGE W. APPLE, JR., 16120262, Technician Third Grade, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 November 1944, in the vicinity of Thizville, France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

CHARLES W. JOHNSON, 32580887, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 9 December 1944 to 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Houterhouse, France. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

RICHARD E. KRAEMER, 37228484, Sergeant, 396th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Louberg, France. Entered military service from Herreid, South Dakota.

JAMES L. HARPER, 35728571, Technician Fourth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 1 November 1944 to 12 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Evansville, Indiana.

HENRY S. MARSHALL, 14097471, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Rous L'Etape, France. Entered military service from Lakeland, Florida.

PAUL L. SCIOVELLA, 32357058, Corporal, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 1 November 1944 to 12 November 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JOHN J. CAMMIZZO, 31287041, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Portrichamps, France. Entered military service from Brockton, Massachusetts.

RUSSELL E. BRAYALL, 31213957, Private First Class, 396th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Louberg, France. Entered military service from Waterville, Maine.

SAMUEL CHASTNET, 33046821, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 November 1944, in the vicinity of Thizville, France. Entered military service from Akron, Ohio.

EDWARD J. BAILES, JR., 34728370, Private First Class, 396th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Louberg, France. Entered military service from Columbus, Georgia.

ROBERT SIMONS, 31236140, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 1 November 1944 to 7 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

GEORGE F. GRANT, 39044872, Private, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 November 1944, in the vicinity of Thizville, France. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

HARRY J. PIERRE, JR., 33204797, Private, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Rous L'Etape, France. Entered military service from Richmond, Virginia.

JOHN C. PERRY, 35042504, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Louberg, France. Entered military service from Farson, Indiana.

SECTION III -- AWARDS OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

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FELIX G. KUMCAG, 33051520, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 19 December 1944. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JAN E. DE GUTER, 32654434, Sergeant, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 15 December 1944. Entered military service from New York, New York.

JOHN R. SHEARER, 33116260, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 17 December 1944. Entered military service from Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.

IRVIN S. COOPER, 391-2219, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 12 November 1944. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

BERTARD ASHALL, 32394939, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 20 December 1944. Entered military service from Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE

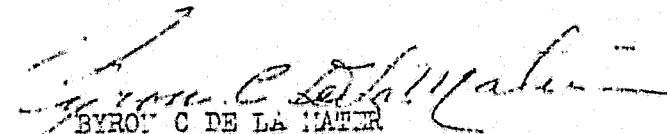
Under the provisions of War Department Circular 408, 17 October 1944, a Combat Infantryman Badge is awarded to the following named individual effective 16 December 1944:

PAUL G. DALY, 0146189, Colonel, 398th Infantry Regiment

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

- 1 JACK HALLEPELL, 0307319, Lieutenant Colonel, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service during the period 12 November 1944 to 27 November 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Texas.
- 2 MATTHEW B. EISSMANN, 01295852, Captain, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Scout, France. Entered military service from Jamaica, New York.
- 3 HOWARD D. SMITH, 01295954, Captain, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Meisenthal, France. Entered military service from Sheffield, Pennsylvania.
- 4 RICHARD J. BEDERSKI, 01320412, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 1 November 1944 to 7 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from East Orange, New Jersey.
- 5 ERIC E. GRUBKE, 01324410, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 1 November 1944 to 10 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Belmar, New Jersey.
- 6 *why do I 179* SCOTT J. WIFE, 0554362, Second Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. Entered military service from Longview, Washington.
- 7 LYLE A. McDONALD, 36203892, Technical Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- 8 ARCHIE W. BOLLING, 34515366, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Entered military service from Fairmont, South Carolina.
- 9 JOSEPH H. GREER, 34571939, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944 and 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. Entered military service from Fayetteville, Georgia.
- 10 FLOYD C. JORDAN, 34581058, Staff Sergeant, 100th Signal Company, for meritorious service during the period 2 November 1944 to 4 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Alexander City, Alabama.
- 11 JOHN DELEMIAN, 12002222, Technician Fifth Grade, 100th Signal Company, for meritorious service during the period 2 November 1944 to 4 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Batavia, New York.
- 12 RICHARD M. SILVERSTEIN, 32651032, Technician Fifth Grade, 100th Signal Company, for meritorious service during the period 2 November 1944 to 4 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.
- 13 RAYMOND T. CARVEY, 31200372, Private First Class, 100th Signal Company, for meritorious service during the period 2 November 1944 to 4 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Hydeville, Vermont.
- 14 HUBERT E. CONWAY, 34464194, Private First Class, 100th Signal Company, for meritorious service during the period 2 November 1944 to 4 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Kinston, North Carolina.
- 15 JAMES R. GALLOWAY, 18195320, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. Entered military service from Roosevelt, Oklahoma.
- 16 JOHN R. HOWARD, 31288258, Private First Class, 100th Signal Company, for meritorious service during the period 2 November 1944 to 4 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Dorchester, Massachusetts.
- 17 LESLIE O. BRASH, 35593305, Private, 100th Signal Company, for meritorious service during the period 2 November 1944 to 4 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Barberton, Ohio.

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JOSEPH G. FALKA, 35345199, Private, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 November 1944 to 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape and Moyennoutier, France. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

IRVING WALLACH, 12228027, Private, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Moyennoutier, France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

ELMER R. GIVENS, 0544599, Second Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 17 December 1944. Entered military service from Newport News, Virginia.

EDWIN W. JENKINCH, 35520175, Corporal, 398th Infantry Regiment, 20 December 1944. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

HOWARD C. MCCOY, 38016902, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 19 December 1944. Entered military service from Ardmore, Oklahoma.

RICHARD K. LAURIN, 13133019, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 19 December 1944. Entered military service from Dormont, Pennsylvania.

RUSSELL WAT ARSDALE, 32264642, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 21 December 1944. Entered military service from Caswille, New Jersey.

KERMIT C. MOFFITT, 34515565, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 17 December 1944. Entered military service from Chesnee, South Carolina.

HARVEY J. SALASKY, 35247372, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, 18 December 1944. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

DAVID A. JACOBSON, 1: 37404, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, 19 December 1944. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

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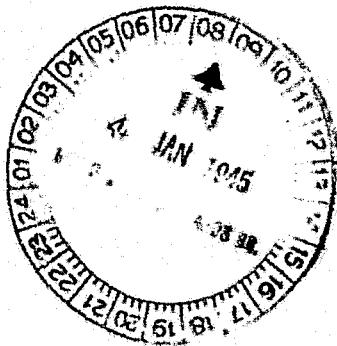
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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is posthumously awarded to the following named individual for gallantry in action:

LUCIAN A. ZARLENGA, 20728434, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Baccarat, France. While Sergeant Zarlenga's squad was acting as flank guard during an attack, it was ambushed and surrounded by the enemy. Aggressively alert, Sergeant Zarlenga immediately initiated an assault against the hostile force, taking the opposing infantry by surprise and breaking through their lines. As a result of the unexpectedness of Sergeant Zarlenga's move, the enemy was in turn surrounded, eight prisoners were captured, and the company, with flanks secure, was able to advance rapidly upon its objective. Exposed constantly to enemy fire, Sergeant Zarlenga was mortally wounded during the action. By his courage, aggressiveness and tactical skill, he served as an inspiration to his comrades and was personally responsible, to a marked degree, for the successful accomplishment of his company's mission. Next of kin: Dominic Zarlenga (Father), 2319 Macklin Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following named individual for gallantry in action:

ROLAND C. MARBLE, 37526217, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Mouterhouse, France. When his platoon sergeant was killed during a bitterly contested advance, Sergeant Marble immediately assumed command of the platoon and directed the continuation of the action. Shortly thereafter he was wounded by shrapnel but, realizing that he was the only non-commissioned officer remaining in the platoon, he staunchly refused evacuation and led his men in the successful completion of the mission. As a result of Sergeant Marble's initiative and high regard for duty, the orderly advance of the platoon was maintained and the designated objective was secured. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

SECTION III -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to each of the following named individuals:

VICTOR J. GOBER, 33630026, Private, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ingwiller, France. Next of kin: Fannie Gober (Mother), 232 Oak Street, Minersville, Pennsylvania.

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~~* JAMES H. HILLABRANDT, 32030018, Private, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ingwiller, France. Next of kin: Edna M. Hillabrandt (Mother), Rural Eye Delivery Number One, Tonda, New York.~~

SECTION IV -- AWARD, MISSING IN ACTION, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual, missing in action:

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FRANCIS J. WAYTE, 32303359, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Mouterhouse, France. Next of kin: Helen M. Wayte (Wife), 95 West 54th Street, Bayonne, New Jersey.

SECTION V — AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

THOMAS H. GARAHAN, 01295510, Captain, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 December 1944 and 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitchy, France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JACK M. LOCKHART, 0511108, Captain, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment for meritorious service during the period 1 November 1944 to 7 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

JACK W. PATTERSON, 0511110, Captain, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 1 November 1944 to 7 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Peru, Indiana.

ROBERT J. PRIEST, 0508398, Captain, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 1 November 1944 to 7 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

LEONARD E. COMLEY, 02048883, First Lieutenant, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. Entered military service from Newton, Massachusetts.

RALPH S. HERNETT, 02048961, First Lieutenant, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 1 November 1944 to 7 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Petersburg, Illinois.

OTTO D. STROEBEL, 01692640, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, France. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

JOSEPH MCARDREW, W9121260, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, 100th Signal Company, for meritorious service during the period 23 October to 30 November 1944, in France. Entered military service from Delano, Pennsylvania.

MARVIN L. LARSON, 6553038, First Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Reyswiller, France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

WILLIAM H. SMITH, 32680528, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Baon L'Etape, France. Entered military service from White Plains, New York.

LOUIS GAUVETTE, 31214928, Staff Sergeant (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ingwiller, France. Entered military service from Holyoke, Massachusetts.

JOHN J. NEEDHAM, 31237217, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Wimmenau, France. Entered military service from Roxbury, Massachusetts.

THOMAS A. CANTORE, 32634488, Sergeant (then Corporal), 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Trouche, France. Entered military service from Utica, New York.

KENNETH B. COCK, 13186933, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ingwiller, France. Entered military service from Bellevue, Pennsylvania.

BET R. SMITH, 36274831, Technician Fifth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Wimmenau, France. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

AVIS D. HENRIOT, 38510533, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Mouterhouse, France. Entered military service from Fayetteville, Arkansas.

RICHARD P. LENSKI, 36293251, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Mouterhouse, France. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

MARK A. MCGNA, 16157675, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Remy, France. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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LEON W. R. SCHULTZ, 35074330, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. Entered military service from Bradford, Ohio.

RICHARD C. SHON, 32248449, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Reon D'Etape, France. Entered military service from Delmar, New York.

PHILIP G. TAYLOR, 32638294, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ingwiller, France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

JOHN W. MITCHELL, 31431084, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Mouterhouse, France. Entered military service from Dorchester, Massachusetts.

CHAUD E. JOLLEY, 36410949, Private, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ingwiller, France. Entered military service from St. John's, Michigan.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is posthumously awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

JOSEPH A. HOFMANN, JR., 13200104, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Baccarat, France. His company was attacking an enemy-held hill with Private Hofmann's platoon in advance, when our forces were pinned down by a heavy concentration of enemy mortar fire. Acting upon his own initiative, Private Hofmann advanced forward and to the right under continuous small arms and mortar fire until he was in a position to deliver fire upon the enemy emplacements. By accurate and rapid bursts of fire from his automatic rifle he succeeded in inflicting casualties upon the hostile force and causing its withdrawal, although he himself received wounds to which he later succumbed. The gallantry and aggressiveness of his action were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service, and by his alertness and daring he enabled the company to secure its objective. Next of kin: Rose Hofmann (Mother), 121 West Tabor Road, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM A. PONDROM, 18213067, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Baccarat, France. A determined enemy counter-attack was launched against his company and Private Pondrom observed that the largest concentration of the enemy force was on the right flank. Moving to that sector, he engaged the enemy with his automatic rifle and by his continuous and accurate delivery of fire disrupted the attack. Reorganizing and instituting a second assault, the hostile troops were again halted by Private Pondrom's devastating fire, which inflicted heavy casualties and caused the enemy to abandon the attack. Mortally wounded by a grenade in the closing moments of the action, Private Pondrom by his gallant and aggressive act enabled his company to regain its objective and reflected the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Margaret R. Pondrom (Mother), 2724 Hazel Street, Texarkana, Texas.

JOHN W. SAVAGE, 39863781, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Baccarat, France. While Private Savage's platoon was moving forward in an advance upon an enemy-held hill, hostile fire was encountered and the platoon sought cover and engaged the enemy. When no return fire was observed, Private Savage volunteered to go forward and prevail upon the opposing troops to surrender. Advancing unarmed to the enemy position, he succeeded in his mission and was returning to our lines with six prisoners when he was fired upon by snipers and mortally wounded. By his daring and voluntary action, Private Savage enabled his unit to gain ground beyond the original company objective and reflected great credit upon himself. Next of kin: Georgia W. Savage (Mother), 1227 North Warren Avenue, Tucson, Arizona.

EDWARD B. COOK, 3730665, Private, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Baccarat, France. When his platoon encountered an enemy ambush and received a number of casualties, Private Cook volunteered to secure medical aid from other platoons. Moving under intense mortar fire, he succeeded in crawling to the platoon on the right and returned, guiding an aid man through the hostile barrage to the casualties. He then crept to the platoon on the left and brought back another aid man, and was attempting to make his way to the rear a third time when he was mortally wounded by enemy rifle fire. The courage and devotion to his comrades which Private Cook displayed were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service, and reflected great credit upon himself. Next of kin: Mabel F. Cook (Mother), Route Number Three, Sedalia, Missouri.

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SECTION II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following named individual, for gallantry in action:

ULYSSES S. GRANT, 0527800, First Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ingwiller, France. When his company was ordered to capture a strongly defended enemy observation post upon the crest of a hill, Lieutenant Grant and his men encountered heavy mortar and automatic weapons fire. Seeing that the attack was being dangerously slowed by the intensity of the hostile fire, Lieutenant Grant without regard for his own safety moved forward to the leading elements of his troops and directed them to positions farther up the hill. By maneuvering one group of riflemen at a time, he succeeded in advancing the company within assault distance of the enemy position, then displaying magnificent leadership and in the face of devastating enemy fire he personally led the final charge which secured the objective. Entered military service from Galatona.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

* ELBA W. BOWEN, 0384272, Captain, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 7 November 1944 to 15 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Elizabethton, Tennessee.

* WALLACE A. EARLY, 01300147, Captain, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 15 November 1944 to 14 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Shelby, North Carolina.

* MILTON G. COOK, 31309019, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 8 November 1944 to 14 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Irockton, Massachusetts.

* BEN J. PARKER, 20834995, Staff Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 1 November 1944 to 15 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

* MICHAEL W. RUGGIERO, 32559336, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 12 November 1944 to 15 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

* GEORGE F. BRENNER, 32598352, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 8 November 1944 to 9 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Irvington, New Jersey.

* IRVING G. BEAUPLED, 36551984, Technician Fourth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 12 November 1944 to 16 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Ferndale, Michigan.

* VICTOR M. ARAUJO, 32652709, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 1 November 1944 to 15 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

* JOSEPH L. KELLUM, 14184352, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 2 November 1944 to 24 November 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Tupelo, Mississippi.

* BERNARD J. KUJAWSKI, 31255675, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 1 November 1944 to 15 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Webster, Massachusetts.

* ARDY DALINA, 35765085, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 1 November 1944 to 15 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Ave, Ohio.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to the following named individual:

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~~ALLEN E. GRUBBS, SR.~~, 05530765, Second Lieutenant, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 6 December 1944, in Eastern France. Throughout his period of combat duty, Lieutenant Grubbs, as forward artillery observer assigned to an infantry battalion, repeatedly and voluntarily exposed himself to enemy action in order to better direct the fire of artillery on hostile positions. Fighting through mountainous and thickly-wooded country, he frequently carried his radio set over difficult terrain in order to maintain communication, and in every advance was to be found with the forward elements of the attacking infantry. It was while he was so engaged that he was killed by enemy action on 8 December. By his regard for duty above all-else, by his courage and his gallantry, Lieutenant Grubbs reflected great credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Allen E. Grubbs, Sr. (Father), Livingston, Alabama.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

WILES B. PHILLIPS, 01187303, First Lieutenant, 928th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 24 November 1944, in the vicinity of Les Quevelles, France. While advancing upon an enemy-held town, our forces were pinned down by accurate enemy small arms and rocket fire. As artillery forward observer, Lieutenant Phillips dangerously exposed himself to the enemy in order to direct fire upon the hostile positions. On one occasion the force of a rocket-burst hurled him ten feet, but he courageously crawled back to his post and, by his effective direction of fire, enabled our troops to flank and eventually secure the enemy strong-point. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

WALTER B. FULL, 01998056, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 390th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Decourt, France. As acting platoon leader, Lieutenant Full was assigned the mission of securing and holding a forward sector until two other platoons could be brought up. Deploying his men over a wide front and moving automatic weapons up and down the line to give an impression of strength, he maintained the designated position until the arrival of additional troops, then skillfully withdrew his platoon to the flank and instituted an enveloping movement which drove the enemy back, enabling the company to secure its objective. Entered military service from Dundalk, Maryland.

JAMES C. EVANS, 01602612, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), 390th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Remy, France. When our advancing rifle units were subjected to enemy mortar and automatic weapons fire, Lieutenant Evans adjusted the fire of his weapons section from an exposed observation post in full view of the enemy, and by his accurate direction of fire enabled our troops to advance to their objective. During the same action, Lieutenant Evans by his skillful fire direction was able to silence enemy mortars at positions indicated to him on a map by prisoners who had been taken by his section. Entered military service from Big Creek, Mississippi.

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HARRY E. GULLBORG, 01061710, Second Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, France. While Lieutenant Gullborg's platoon was in reserve, the commanding officer of the company and one of the attacking platoons were pinned down by intense enemy mortar and machine gun fire. Instantly alert to the situation, Lieutenant Gullborg moved his platoon far to the flank, then wheeled toward the enemy rear, forcing the hostile forces to retreat toward our own troops on the opposite flank. As a result of his quick thinking and tactical skill the enemy unit found itself surrounded on three sides and surrendered. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

RICHARD E. GRIMMIE, 30483801, Technical Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Remy, France. Prior to a scheduled attack, Sergeant Grimmie led his platoon on a reconnaissance patrol to ascertain enemy strength and disposition. When his group encountered machine gun fire, he sent word of the hostile position to his commanding officer, then feigned an attack with his force upon the right flank, thus diverting the fire of the enemy and making it possible for the main body of our troops to institute a successful frontal assault. As a result of Sergeant Grimmie's alertness and tactical skill, the company objective was obtained before the scheduled time. Entered military service from West Berlin, New Jersey.

JULIUS R. GLUCK, 30623480, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 26 November 1944, in Eastern France. Fighting through several hazardous engagements during this period, Sergeant Gluck, by his outstanding courage and tactical skill, contributed to a marked degree to the successful completion of his company's assigned missions. Upon one occasion he led his squad across open terrain and succeeded in isolating a hostile force and capturing thirty-two of the enemy. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

JAMES J. HARTE, 30051004, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 26 November 1944, in Eastern France. Fighting through several hazardous engagements during this period, Sergeant Harte, by his outstanding courage and tactical skill, contributed to a marked degree to the successful completion of his company's assigned missions. On one occasion he voluntarily braved enemy fire to administer aid to a wounded officer. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JOHN S. RODE, 30933553, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. When his platoon was engaged in a bitterly contested action to gain possession of enemy-held high ground, Sergeant Rode succeeded in capturing nine prisoners by threatening to kill the leader of the opposing force. On the following day he personally secured two more prisoners after a brief engagement with the enemy, and by his efforts contributed materially to the attainment of the assigned objective in each action. Entered military service from Evanston, Illinois.

EDWARD J. SIEGA, 37547077, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 26 November 1944, in Eastern France. Fighting through several hazardous engagements during this period, Sergeant Siega, by his outstanding courage and tactical skill, contributed to a marked degree to the successful completion of his company's assigned missions. Upon one occasion, acting upon his own initiative he led his squad across open terrain in an attack upon an enemy position, and succeeded in putting out of action an enemy weapon which had halted the advance of his entire platoon. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

HERBERT W. BISSONIER, 31380015, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private), Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from South Ashburnham, Massachusetts.

WALTER JACKLER, 30080914, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JOHN E. HILSON, 30094075, Corporal (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Turtle Creek, Pennsylvania.

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IRVING E. RYAN, 42003908, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

RONALD GRIMWOOD, 37511048, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Sedgewick, Kansas.

LOUIS H. KRIN, 12225524, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

DANIEL J. MACHNEY, 31083135, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Waltham, Massachusetts.

RUSSELL D. BRAY, 37361847, Private, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

RUSSELL L. CURTINHAM, 3526415, Private, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Galvesville, Ohio.

JAMES L. BSSIG, 12206684, Private, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Dover, New Jersey.

JAMES E. LAFFERTY, 32213812, Private, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Mantola, New Jersey.

For heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. When the battalion to which they were attached suffered numerous casualties in conflict with the enemy, the members of the aid station displayed outstanding devotion to duty in evacuating wounded from the battle area. Carrying each casualty for a distance of two miles through swampland and over steep hills, they labored unceasingly under continuous enemy fire, and, as a result of their efforts, contributed materially to the saving of lives among the wounded.

ANTHONY J. BAILLON, 42004914, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. As leader of a squad of litter bearers, Corporal Basile was assigned the mission of evacuating casualties from a forward area exposed to hostile sniper and artillery fire. Urging his squad forward under direct enemy observation and fire, by his devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety Corporal Basile was instrumental in clearing seriously wounded men from the steep hills and dangerous terrain of the advanced area. Entered military service from Bayonne, New Jersey.

ISADORE I. FELDMAN, 32681532, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. While the unit to which he was attached as aid man was engaged in conflict with the enemy, a hostile shell-burst near a gun position killed one man and wounded two others. Without fear or hesitation, Corporal Feldman immediately went to the assistance of the casualties and by his prompt administration of aid relieved the pain of the wounded. Entered military service from New York, New York.

KURT W. BORGSTROM, 39210391, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Seattle, Washington.

FRANCIS A. CROWLEY, JR., 11132904, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

HERBERT E. LOREY, 14200429, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Davidson, North Carolina.

EDWARD C. RICHEY, 18105742, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

For heroic achievement in action on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Trouche, France. In an advance against the enemy, an infantry company encountered intense hostile mortar and machine gun fire and suffered a number of casualties. Although members of another company, these men courageously and voluntarily left their own protected position and, moving across open ground swept by enemy fire, assisted in evacuation of the casualties.

ALLEN B. BROWN, JR., 34935364, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Mouterhouse, France. While his platoon was engaged in securing an enemy-held town, Private Brown volunteered to establish contact with another platoon despite the fact that four men of his unit had already been killed and four others wounded by hostile

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snipers. He succeeded in his mission and made four subsequent trips between the platoons, without regard for enemy small arms fire striking about him, and contributed materially to the attainment of his company's objective. Entered military service near Alameda, California.

IRVING HERSHEBERG, 12218782, Private First Class, 395th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Faccaret, France. When the platoon was pinned down by an enemy counter-attack and his squad leader was seriously wounded, Private Hersheberg immediately assumed command of the squad. Reorganizing under enemy fire, he deployed his men on the flank of another platoon and initiated an attack upon the enemy forces. Laying down intense fire from rifles and automatic weapons, his squad succeeded in breaking through the hostile lines, trapping several of the enemy and causing the remainder to withdraw. Entered military service from New York, New York.

RICHARD T. JACKSON, 11110126, Private First Class, 395th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon l'Etape, France. While his unit was engaged in conflict with the enemy in a thickly-wooded area, Private Jackson courageously put his mortar into action despite the fact that the dense nature of the woods afforded little overhead clearance. By accurate and effective fire on a hostile position, he killed three of the enemy and caused three others to surrender, thereby permitting our forces to continue their advance. Entered military service from Walpole, Massachusetts.

JOHN J. REILLY, JR., 31235483, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. Assigned the mission of transporting litter bearers to forward areas and evacuating casualties, Private Reilly unhesitatingly drove his vehicle over roads which had not been cleared of hostile mines and which were subjected to enemy fire. His unrelenting efforts were responsible for the delivery of medical supplies to advanced positions and the prompt evacuation of seriously wounded men. Entered military service from Saugus, Massachusetts.

DAVID H. SWIFT, 31383444, Private First Class, 500th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 3 November 1944 to 26 November 1944, in Eastern France. Fighting through several hazardous engagements during this period, Private Swift, by his courage and aggressiveness, served as a source of inspiration to the other men of his organization. Upon one occasion, when his unit during its advance encountered an enemy emplacement, Private Swift courageously advanced upon the hostile position, routed the enemy and led his group past the obstacle. Entered military service from Attleboro, Massachusetts.

TONY J. WALSH, 34738008, Private, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 3 November 1944 to 26 November 1944, in Eastern France. Fighting through several hazardous engagements during this period, Private Walsh by his courage and aggressiveness served as a source of inspiration to the other men of his organization. Upon one occasion, when the advance of his squad was halted by four enemy riflemen in a covered position, Private Walsh crawled to a vantage point and succeeded in killing two of the enemy, causing the others to surrender. Entered military service from Bristol, Tennessee.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to each of the following named individuals:

EDWARD J. PISOWICZ, 33419804, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Remy, France. While Private Pisowicz's company was occupying defensive positions, it was subjected to enemy artillery fire and three men were wounded. Voluntarily and without regard for their own safety, Private Pisowicz and two other enlisted men left the security of their own foxholes and went to the assistance of the casualties. Advancing under machine gun, sniper and mortar fire, the men were hurled to the ground on three occasions by concussion from nearby shell-bursts, but proceeded with their tasks and were undoubtedly responsible for saving the lives of two of the wounded. Next of kin: Victoria Pisowicz (Mother), 25 Uxor Way, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

HENRY F. RAFALKA, 12190301, Technical Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 7 November 1944 to 8 December 1944, in Eastern France. Next of kin: Madeline E. Rafalka (Wife), 244 Horton Highway, Mineola, New York.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

LLOYD D. DANWOOD, 0554341, Second Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Baccarat, France. When a strong body of enemy troops succeeded in flanking our attacking units, Lieutenant Danwood, whose platoon was in reserve, immediately moved his men to the flank and deployed them over a wide front. Courageously exposing himself to enemy fire, he remained on his feet and directed his men in the delivery of counter-fire of such strength that the opposing force was halted and, trapped by crossfire from one of our forward platoons, suffered many dead and wounded. As a result of Lieutenant Danwood's alert leadership, fifteen enemy prisoners were secured and the company successfully attained its objective. Entered military service from Spartan, Washington.

CHARLES E. STANLEY, 20528525, Technical Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Baccarat, France. When Sergeant Stanley's platoon had succeeded in securing its objective and was preparing defensive entrenchments, it was subjected to an intense hostile mortar bombardment and several casualties were received. Sergeant Stanley immediately moved from his sheltered position to ascertain the number of casualties and obtain medical attention for the wounded when, exposed to a second barrage, he was himself wounded. Despite his injury he proceeded with his task without comment, and later withstood the pain of his wound for four days until eventually forced to seek medical assistance. Entered military service from Huntington, West Virginia.

LAWSON A. DONAGHEY, 31376136, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Remy, France. While Private Donaghey's company was occupying defensive positions, it was subjected to enemy artillery fire and three men were wounded. Voluntarily and without regard

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for their own safety, Private Donaghey and two other enlisted men left the security of their own foxholes and went to the assistance of the casualties. Advancing under machine gun, sniper and mortar fire, the men were hurled to the ground on three occasions by concussion from nearby shell-bursts, but proceeded with their tasks and were undoubtedly responsible for saving the lives of two of the wounded. Entered military service from Concord Heights, New Hampshire.

FLOYD B. INMAN, 35248576, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Remy, France. While Private Inman's company was occupying defensive positions, it was subjected to enemy artillery fire and three men were wounded. Voluntarily and without regard for their own safety, Private Inman and two other enlisted men left the security of their own foxholes and went to the assistance of the casualties. Advancing under machine gun, sniper and mortar fire, the men were hurled to the ground on three occasions by concussion from nearby shell-bursts, but proceeded with their tasks and were undoubtedly responsible for saving the lives of two of the wounded. Entered military service from Winslow, Indiana.

ANDREW ALBERTS, 36534259, Private, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Baccarat, France. While acting as platoon scout, Private Alberts was fired upon by a hostile machine gun. Uncertain of the exact location of the weapon, Private Alberts courageously exposed himself to draw the fire of the enemy. Although he received several wounds during the operation, he nevertheless returned the fire of the enemy and then crawled back to his platoon leader and informed him of the exact position of the hostile emplacement. He later refused medical assistance until all other wounded men of the platoon had been evacuated. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

OLIVER C. WIGHTON, 20343910, First Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 5 November 1944 to 14 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

IRVIN E. COONS, 32665037, Corporal, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 5 November 1944 to 15 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Mechanicsville, New York.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Air Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

IRWIN L. FREDT, 01171399, Captain, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 9 November 1944 to 24 December 1944. Entered military service from Newfolden, Minnesota.

BASIL L. SEIGNEUR, 01176188, First Lieutenant, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 9 November 1944 to 21 December 1944. Entered military service from Morenci, Michigan.

KENNETH R. HELMS, 01175737, First Lieutenant, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 9 November 1944 to 28 December 1944. Entered military service from Louroe, North Carolina.

ROBERT W. SALES, 0542076, First Lieutenant, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 9 November 1944 to 24 December 1944. Entered military service from Russell, Kansas.

HORACE F. WILLIAMSON, 0523724, First Lieutenant, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 9 November 1944 to 22 December 1944. Entered military service from Anniston, Alabama.

ROLLIN E. MARY, 0532776, Second Lieutenant, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 9 November 1944 to 18 December 1944. Entered military service from Tallassee, Alabama.

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RICHARD E. HEMMERLY, 35035203, Sergeant, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 9 November 1944 to 21 December 1944. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

SIDNEY NAGER, 32658141, Corporal, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 9 November 1944 to 26 December 1944. Entered military service from New York, New York.

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named individual for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

JAMES F. WALSH, 33318998, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 16 December 1944. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

SECTION V -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

LEROY H. STAHL, 01298149, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 11 December 1944. Entered military service from Cherokee, Iowa.

ALFRED SATKO, 31214735, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 21 December 1944. Entered military service from Adams, Massachusetts.

WILLIAM J. WAYNE, 15303596, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 18 November 1944. Entered military service from Elkhart, Indiana.

MILBURN W. ALICIE, 33217862, Technician Fourth Grade, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, 23 December 1944. Entered military service from Sprigg, West Virginia.

CLIFFORD E. GUNDER, 32549818, Corporal, 398th Infantry Regiment, 4 December 1944. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

STEVE HORVATH, JR., 36113918, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 3 December 1944. Entered military service from Waltham, Michigan.

OSCAR K. STROBEL, 38559083, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 19 December 1944. Entered military service from Mexico, Missouri.

JOSEPH C. GARTISER, 42107731, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 12 November 1944. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

FRANK PIOMBO, 39146163, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 4 December 1944. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

VITO URSINI, 36954791, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 5 December 1944. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

JACK I. GLASSER, 12227841, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 5 December 1944. Entered military service from New York, New York.

PETER CASSARA, 32636659, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 4 December 1944. Entered military service from New Rochelle, New York.

THOMAS T. STONE, 19203957, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, 19 November 1944. Entered military service from Glensdale, California.

VITO SALA, 42065098, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, 5 December 1944. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JOHN D. DeCOSKEY, 33245576, Private, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, 23 December 1944. Entered military service from Gallitzin, Pennsylvania.

BILLY J. WILLIAMS, 38627486, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, 15 November 1944. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is posthumously awarded to the following named individual for gallantry in action:

RICHARDS D. VAN ALLEN, 01296770, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, France. During an attack by the infantry company of which Lieutenant Van Allen was executive officer, the platoon leader of the supporting tank force was killed and the armored vehicles withdrew. Seeing the withdrawal, Lieutenant Van Allen immediately took steps to reorganize and recommit the tank platoon and succeeded in sending the armor to the support of our exposed infantry. With the assistance of the tanks, the objective was soon secured, but Lieutenant Van Allen was mortally wounded by the fire attracted by the vehicles. Next of kin: Dorothy H. Van Allen (Wife), 1st Fortieth Street, Savannah, Georgia.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals, missing in action, for gallantry in action:

CLIFFORD W. LA BELLE, 16106189, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 31 December 1944 and 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Manning his heavy machine gun and firing with deadly accuracy, Sergeant LaBelle voluntarily remained at B Company's outpost to drive back group after group of enemy attempting to pierce the battalion right flank. Withdrawing only when hopelessly outflanked, he took up a new position and effectively covered C Company's withdrawal. He then proceeded to B Company's command post which he pledged to hold to noble artillery fire to delay the advancing enemy. He was last seen staunchly repelling hostile efforts to reduce his completely encircled outpost. His great personal courage and tenacity in action reflected great credit on himself. Next of kin: Victor C. LaBelle (Father), 2109 Eshcol Avenue, Zion, Illinois.

RUSSELL T. MC LEAN, 39700976, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Puberg, France. Defending the extreme flank of his company's position during a determined enemy counter-attack, he distinguished himself by his conduct under fire. Although

...posit... us in nearby woods. Entered military service from Winchester, Virginia.
LEWIS L. [unclear], 33090251, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 398th In-
fantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of
Guing, France. After successfully evacuating a casualty to the aid station during
an attack on Guising, Private Barley, litter bearer, was wounded in the leg by shell
fragments. Disregarding his own injury, he went to the assistance of another woun-
ded man and helped him to the collecting station. On the way back, he was again
wounded by shell fragments, but despite his two injuries, he made still a third trip
to the aid station with a casualty, and only when ordered to receive first aid for
his own wounds did he cease his courageous performance. Entered military service
from Winchester, Virginia.

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terrain swept by heavy enemy fire. He then participated in numerous desperate attempts by night of 18 December, his calmness killed two enemy dead and helped break service from Marietta, Georgia.

SECTION III -- AWARD

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded to the following named individual:

FRANK A. CALDWELL, 01185384, First Lieutenant, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 17 December 1944 to 5 March 1945. Entered military service from Queens Village, New York.

EDGAR POWELL, 01165935, First Lieutenant, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 1 January 1945 to 5 March 1945. Entered military service from Midland Park, New Jersey.

ROBERT W. WIEBE, 01174963, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 1 January 1945 to 6 March 1945. Entered military service from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

HARVEY A. GERLACH, 32597453, Corporal, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 4 January 1945 to 25 February 1945. Entered military service from Lyndhurst, New Jersey.

SIDNEY NAGER, 32658141, Corporal, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 27 December 1944 to 25 February 1945. Entered military service from New York, New York.

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named individual for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

CLIFFORD H. JIMISON, 35767831, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 27 February 1945. Entered military service from McConnell, West Virginia.

SECTION V -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

HARRIS, 02006976, Second Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 2 January 1945. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

WY, 32655177, Technical Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 1 March 1945.

... service from Greenwich, Connecticut.
Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.
Entered military service from Joliet, Illinois.
Entered military service from Elwood, Indiana.
Entered military service from Houston, Texas.
Entered military service from Amherst, Massachusetts.
Entered military service from Glendale, Oregon.
Entered military service from North Carolina.
Entered military service from Canton, Ohio.
Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to the following named individual:

CARL TREIMAN, 33722077, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 5 January 1945, in Eastern France. Throughout this period Private Treiman discharged his assigned duties with courage and determination. On 5 January, when his platoon was entrusted with the mission of protecting the regimental command post, Private Treiman continued to man his post despite intense hostile shelling of the area, until he received mortal wounds. Next of kin: Phyllis Treiman (Wife), 40 Parkway Street, Greenbelt, Maryland.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

HARRY W. ARBEGAST, 02000670, Second Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. When his company was halted by heavy automatic weapon fire, Lieutenant Arbegast, forward mortar observer, crawled forward, dragging his telephone, in the face of severe enemy fire to a position far to the front of the riflemen. He then adjusted mortar fire so accurately that the pillbox was silenced, and the infantry continued its advance and seized its objective. Entered military service from East Berlin, Pennsylvania.

WILLIE E. JONES, 34571999, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. When large numbers of hostile infantrymen infiltrated our positions in Rimling, the command post occupied by Sergeant Jones and his squad was surrounded. Called upon to surrender by a patrol of thirty enemy, Sergeant Jones staunchly refused, and, ordering his men to take refuge in the upper stories of the building, hurled a grenade into the ranks of the attackers and in the resulting confusion escaped with other members of his squad by rear stairway. Making his way to a battalion command post, Sergeant Jones obtained reinforcements and returned to rescue the remainder of his men. Entered military service from Edgefield, South Carolina.

ALFRED F. LOLLO, 33039121, Technical Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. When his antitank platoon was ordered to occupy a frontline sector, Sergeant Lollo made an initial reconnaissance of the area, selected advantageous positions and subsequently moved his men into the line. Although other members of his platoon were relieved for one night out of each three, Sergeant Lollo remained at his post without respite until 14 February. On that date, upon leaving his entrenchment in an attempt to destroy a hostile sniper whose fire had been harassing his men, Sergeant Lollo succeeded in wounding the enemy rifleman but was himself painfully wounded during the action. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

BRUNO CHEKITIS, 16034272, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. When his squad, which was part of a raiding party operating behind enemy lines, was halted by heavy automatic weapon fire, Sergeant Chekitis quickly organized his men

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and led them in an assault on enemy positions, succeeding in killing four hostile gunners and seriously wounding two others. When continued machine gun fire threatened the safety of his squad and he received orders to withdraw, he courageously remained behind, and firing his automatic rifle rapidly and accurately, diverted heavy enemy fire on himself and not until every man of his squad had reached friendly lines did he withdraw. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

JAMES C. GODKIN, 12240015, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. Rather than move his machine gun squad to an exposed position during a strong enemy counter-attack after his company had attained its objective, Sergeant Godkin directed his men into a shell hole about one hundred yards from the enemy, which was the only available cover in the sector. He then moved forward alone to a position enabling him to observe both his squad and the German forces, and although having no protection from hostile shelling and small arms fire, he directed the fire of his gunners, with such accuracy that two successive assaults were repelled with heavy enemy casualties. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.

ALLEN T. HENDERSON, 38478786, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 February 1945, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. When the combat patrol of which Private Henderson was a member was returning from a mission within hostile territory, enemy concertina wire blocked their route of withdrawal. An enemy flare simultaneously illuminated the area, and Private Henderson, aware of the danger that enemy fire might annihilate the patrol in the brilliant light of the flare, threw himself upon the wire and thus enabled his comrades to cross the barrier by using his body as a bridge. Although he himself suffered painful lacerations, Private Henderson's decisive action undoubtedly prevented the infliction of casualties upon the patrol. Entered military service from Palestine, Tex.

CARDELARIO R. ROMERO, 38557111, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. When two members of his mortar squad were seriously wounded by hostile artillery shelling and severed communication lines made it impossible to summon medical personnel by field telephone, Private Romero volunteered to go for medical assistance. Braving the continuing enemy fire, Private Romero was repeatedly forced to take cover by hostile mortar shells but eventually succeeded in discovering an aid man, with whom he returned to the wounded men. He then assisted in administering first aid and organized a litter team which evacuated the casualties. Entered military service from Austin, Texas.

HARRY C. WANNAMAKER, 14193876, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Reversviller, France. When a hostile pillbox held up their company's attack upon strong points of the enemy-held Maginot Line, Private Wannamaker and another enlisted man crawled forward under fire and set up their machine gun in a shell crater near the enemy fortification. While his companion delivered accurate fire upon the hostile positions and succeeded in putting one machine gun out of action, Private Wannamaker twice crawled to the rear under intense artillery shelling to obtain additional ammunition then remained at the weapon until it was disabled by shrapnel. Entered military service from Columbia, South Carolina.

JAMES H. HOLLOWAY, 37639438, Private (then Private First Class), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Reversviller, France. When fire from a hostile pillbox halted the company's attack upon fortifications of the Maginot Line, Private Holloway and a companion upon their own initiative advanced in an attempt to neutralize the hostile emplacement. Setting up their machine gun in a shell crater, the two enlisted men directed fire upon the enemy with an accuracy and effectiveness which shortly resulted in the silencing of one hostile machine gun. Despite intense artillery shelling of his position, Private Holloway continued to aim his weapon and engage the defending troops until shell fragments put his gun out of action. Entered military service from Linx Creek, Missouri.

HUGH L. PRIEST, 34532012, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 December 1944 and 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. During the battle for Bitché, Private Priest's machine gun was the only one in the company which was not destroyed by enemy mortar fire. He was the only man in the company who was not wounded during the battle. Entered military service from Lincoln, Missouri.

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SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Amendment of General Orders

TO: Second Lieutenant Julius Del Hess
2325 Arthur Avenue
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So much of General Orders 63, Headquarters 100th Infantry Division dated 12 March 1945, as pertaining to the award of the Purple Heart to Technical Sergeant Julius Del Hess, 32 084 627, which reads, "for wounds received in action on 10 December 1944", is amended to read, "for wounds received in action on 8 December 1944".

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

W. A. Terry
Adjutant General

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

MAURICE L. MILLER, 04490, Brigadier General, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action on 23 November 1944, in the vicinity of Komtz Pass, France. During the Division's surge through the Vosges Mountains, General Miller was assigned the task of delivering highly important tactical instructions to a Regimental Commander. Arriving at the Regimental Command Post and discovering that the leading battalion, to which the instructions were of a vital importance, was out of communication with Regiment, he continued to the vicinity of the Battalion Command Post. Upon discovering that the Battalion Commander was in the vicinity of the front lines, General Miller continued to approximately one hundred yards of forward elements in order to personally deliver the instructions to the Battalion Commander and be sure that they were properly understood. At this time the forward elements were engaged with the enemy in a heavy fire fight and the area was subjected to both artillery and small arms fire. General Miller's heroic actions contributed materially to the capture of the town of St. Blaise that night and ultimately to the successful culmination of the Vosges Campaign. Entered military service from Cronoco, Minnesota.

JOHN B. RICHEY, C345498, First Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 4 February 1945, in Eastern France. As platoon leader and executive officer of his company, Lieutenant Richey has discharged his assigned duties in an exemplary manner throughout this period. During the attack on Hill 538 near Raon L'Étape, when our forces were halted by intense enemy fire and communications between units were disrupted, Lieutenant Richey voluntarily left the comparative safety of his position to secure the support of the reserve company, pointing out fields of fire and targets of opportunity, and thus enabling the battalion to secure its objective. Entered military service from Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

EDMUND A. BOGERT, JR., 19211001, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 17 December 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Immediately assuming leadership of his unit after both his platoon sergeant and platoon guide were wounded by enemy fire during an attack on Forts Freudenberg and Schiesseck, Sergeant Bogert led his men forward in the face of hostile artillery and mortar fire and through barbed wire entanglements in an assault on hostile installations. His aggressive leadership in the following four days of bitter fighting greatly assisted in the capture of the forts and several auxiliary pillboxes. Entered military service from Pocatello, Idaho.

ANTHONY J. PASZKOWSKI, 32482133, Technical Sergeant, 398th Infantry, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Enchenberg, France. After volunteering to establish a road block on the Enchenberg-Lemberg highway, Sergeant Paszkowski led his squad forward through an area infested with enemy mines and subjected to almost constant artillery shelling. Reaching the designated position, Sergeant Paszkowski and his men maintained their post for two consecutive nights, although two members of the squad were wounded by enemy action, and thus contributed materially to the capture of Enchenberg. Entered military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

WILLIAM A. BURROWS, 31245713, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. While his antitank squad was employed as a rifle unit in manning a defensive line, Sergeant Burrows repeatedly exposed himself to enemy observation and fire in order to direct artillery and mortar fire upon the hostile forces. When two members of

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his squad were injured by enemy artillery, Sergeant Burrows upon his own initiative guided an aid man across three hundred yards of open ground to administer aid to the casualties, thereby saving the lives of his wounded comrades who might otherwise have succumbed to their injuries. Entered military service from Centredale, Rhode Island.

JAMES R. COUSENS, 31217195, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945, in the vicinity of Guising, France. During the defensive action near Guising, in which his forward outpost was subjected to hostile artillery and mortar shelling which severed the wire line linking the outpost to his mortar section, Sergeant Cousens repeatedly moved out in the face of continued enemy action to locate and swiftly repair each break. His brave performance under fire enabled transmission of vital information on enemy movements and accurate adjustment of mortar fire which inflicted many casualties and completely destroyed the mortars of one German company. Entered military service from Sanford Maine.

CYRIL J. CUBIC, 32655690, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. While leading his squad forward in an attempt to capture an enemy strongpoint, a mission he had voluntarily accepted, Sergeant Cubic and his men were caught in a crossfire from hostile machine guns and were unable to proceed further without suffering heavy casualties. Forced to return through barbed wire entanglements, Sergeant Cubic, in complete disregard for his own safety, remained behind to hold the wire and enable all his men to crawl under, and as a result of his courageous action, every man safely reached friendly lines. Entered military service from New York, New York.

MICHAEL J. PAURA, 32648041, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. While leading his patrol into enemy territory to determine hostile dispositions near Hottviller, Sergeant Paura and his men were halted by sudden machine gun fire. Skillfully maneuvering his men, he led them in an assault which killed three Germans manning the weapon. Then realizing that the enemy was aware of the patrol's presence and that it would be impossible to reach his objective over the planned route, he led his men down another path, by-passed several hostile outposts without detection, secured the desired information and returned to our lines, successfully completing his mission without loss of a single man. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

HERBERT RAGAN, JR., 33143651, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. After several hours of enemy bombardment of his company's advanced positions on the high ground northwest of Bitche, Sergeant Ragan heard his squad leader and first scout call for help. He quickly left his cover despite the continued enemy action and directed the evacuation of the two casualties. Then, assuming command of the squad, he led his men in an assault that captured one of the hostile pillboxes in the sector, and by his heroism under fire aided his unit in the accomplishment of its mission. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

EUGENE A. SCHRADER, 32140042, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Trouche, France. When his company suffered heavy casualties during an attack and evacuation of all wounded was impossible, Sergeant Schrader worked indefatigably in caring for his injured comrades. Bandaging their wounds, establishing them in sheltered positions in which they were safe from the enemy mortar fire which fell almost constantly in the area, Sergeant Schrader at the risk of his own life contributed greatly to the comfort and welfare of his comrades, and enabled many to eventually recover from wounds which might otherwise have proven fatal. Entered military service from Churchville, New York.

HYMAN L. SILVERMAN, 33362317, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. After intense hostile shelling had halted his platoon and his men were subjected to fire from a machine gun near a pillbox, the platoon's immediate objective, Sergeant Silverman maneuvered his squad to a position flanking the enemy installation, from where three grenades were thrown into the fox hole. He then led his squad in a

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frontal assault which succeeded in neutralizing the position and capturing two Germans, thereby removing a major threat to the continued advance of his unit. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

LA CHANCE L. VALENTI, 31252794, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During the attack on Fort Freudenberg, Sergeant Valenti moved forward with front line riflemen so that he could more easily locate the source of enemy fire and be better able to direct his machine gun section in delivery of effective supporting fire. On one occasion, he was wounded while crawling forward in search of the origin of fire which had halted his company's advance. Disregarding his injury, he continued his reconnaissance, located the enemy strongpoint, and directed his men in accurate counterfire which neutralized the hostile position and permitted the continued advance of his unit. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

WALTON E. BROWN, 19187485, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 17 December 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Advancing in the forefront of an assault team whose mission was to force an entrance to Fort #10, a hostile installation protecting Fort Schiesseck, Sergeant Brown carried a pole charge to the edges of the pillbox, blew an opening in its side and facilitated capture of the enemy position. The next day, although wounded by enemy fire, he refused to be evacuated and remained on the firing line until his unit was relieved, and by his courageous performance contributed greatly to achievement of his unit's mission. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

JOHN F. PIKNA, 16189017, Corporal (then Private First Class), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. While the mortar section of which Corporal Pikna was a member was engaging the enemy, a hostile incendiary shell scattered flame throughout the immediate area and ignited the increments of mortar ammunition stacked nearby. At great risk to his own life, Corporal Pikna ran from his sheltered position to the blazing ammunition, and with his hands scraped the phosphorous from the mortar shells and ripped off the burning increments, thus preventing an explosion of the ammunition supply which would undoubtedly have injured or killed many of his comrades. Entered military service from Madison, Wisconsin.

THEODORE DOBENSKY, 32659001, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Guising, France. During an attack by our forces, numerous casualties were reported on a hill which was under direct observation of the enemy and subjected to hostile mortar, artillery, tank and rocket fire. With other members of his litter squad, Private Dobensky advanced to the area and, in addition to personally evacuating a number of wounded, also obtained valuable information of the number and location of additional casualties, thereby making possible the rescue of injured soldiers who might otherwise have remained for hours or days without medical attention, and who would almost inevitably have succumbed to their wounds. Entered military service from Nassau, New York.

EMERY O. GENDRON, 31214747, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 17 December 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During this period Private Gendron was entrusted with the vital mission of maintaining radio communication between his company and the battalion command post. Despite the fact that the heavy radio which he carried made him a vulnerable target for the enemy, he advanced with the leading elements of the company under mortar, artillery and small arms fire and maintained constant communication throughout this period of combat, thereby contributing materially to the successful achievement of the mission. Entered military service from Southbridge, Massachusetts.

WILBUR L. HUTSELL, 37639397, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. After participating in a determined defensive action in which his leading platoon was subjected to an hour and a half of heavy fire from enemy artillery, mortars and machine guns, Private Hutsell and his comrades retired under cover of smoke. Noticing a wounded man nearby, he went to his assistance despite the continuing intensity of enemy action, and with the help of another rifleman safely evacuated the casualty, thereby saving his life. Entered military service from Graff, Missouri.

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ELMER L. JONES, 19028238, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. Returning from a raid behind enemy lines, the patrol of which Private Jones was a member was pursued by a numerically superior enemy force and eventually found its route of escape blocked by a hostile barbed wire entanglement. Aware that any delay might result in the death or capture of his companions, Private Jones threw himself across the wire, and thus permitted his comrades to speedily cross the obstacle. When a hostile flare was subsequently ignited, Private Jones again acted with promptness and great presence of mind in extinguishing the incendiary before the enemy could open fire. Entered military service from Oildale, California.

CARMELO E. SCOCOC, 42102120, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. Although two men had previously been wounded in attempting to repair a line linking his mortar platoon and the forward observation post, Private Scocco left the safety of a house in which his squad was located and began following the line forward. Forced to take cover several times because of the intensity of enemy fire, he nevertheless found the break and swiftly repaired it, thus permitting the renewed delivery of accurate counter fire against enemy mortars. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following named individual, missing in action, for gallantry in action:

WILLIAM J. BARTSCHER, 32649653, Staff Sergeant, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Mitche, France. When intense enemy pressure forced back our infantry and exposed a company command post to attack from flank and rear, Sergeant Bartscher, member of an artillery forward observer party, voluntarily remained at his observation post. Directing artillery fire on attacking troops so close that shell fragments showered on his observation post and constantly exposed to relentless automatic weapons fire, Sergeant Bartscher by his adjustment of fire halted every assault of the opposing troops, thereby enabling thirty-five of our infantrymen to withdraw to safety. Sergeant Bartscher himself was subsequently reported as missing in this action. Next of kin: Frederick Bartscher (Father), 8559 Eighty-Fifth Street, Woodhaven 21, Long Island City, New York.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

LLOYD C. McNALLY, 01308992, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 December 1944, in the vicinity of Rosteig, France. Lieutenant McNally, a rifle platoon leader, was given the mission of attacking a hill from which the enemy was directing artillery fire on his battalion's positions. About half way up the hill, his platoon was hit by very accurate enemy artillery causing many casualties in his platoon. Displaying skillful leadership, he quickly moved his platoon to another position out of range of enemy artillery, then personally led his men in a rush up the hill, his maneuver surprising the numerically superior enemy to such an extent that the position was overrun, consolidated, and held. Lieutenant McNally's daring and courageous action eliminated the enemy observation post which was causing many casualties and was of material assistance to his battalion in the accomplishment of its mission. Entered military service from Little Silver, New Jersey.

HENRY J. PAJAK, 01061199, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Subjected during an attack to hostile fire from automatic weapons and mortars, the members of Lieutenant Pajak's platoon were unable to either advance or withdraw and in immediate danger of being killed one by one in their exposed positions. Realizing the acute peril of the situation, Lieutenant Pajak rose to his feet without regard for the intense hostile fire and, shouting encouragement to his men, led them in a frontal assault which overpowered the enemy and drove the opposing troops from the objective. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

WALTON R. THOMPSON, 0552114, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Alt Schmelz, France. Seriously wounded while leading his platoon in an attack, Lieutenant Thompson refused evacuation and continued to direct the attack in so skillful a manner that three hostile machine guns were destroyed and the objective seized without a casualty to his men. Realizing that an enemy counterattack against the newly-won positions was imminent, Lieutenant Thompson organized defenses and supervised preparation of entrenchments, then issued exact instructions to his platoon sergeant for the repulse of the expected attack before submitting to medical attention. Entered military service from Black Creek, North Carolina.

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DAVID W. DIXON, 02010690, Second Lieutenant (then Sergeant), 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action during the period 14 February 1945 to 16 February 1945, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. Volunteering to lead a patrol to reconnoiter enemy movement and intercept hostile patrols, Lieutenant Dixon with five enlisted men, went forward at night and organized forward positions. Early the next morning, he crawled, under sniper fire, to within one hundred yards of the enemy, noted several machine gun emplacements, returned to his phone and directed accurate artillery fire which destroyed the installations. The following morning he again crawled forward in a different direction and adjusted fire on enemy mortar and artillery positions. His gallant performance, throughout which he was under continuous mortar and sniper fire, enabled destruction of large quantities of enemy equipment and personnel. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

THEODORE H. LEDERER, 02000710, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action during the period 17 December 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. As leader of a machine gun platoon rendering close support to assault units engaged in attacks upon enemy-held Maginot Line fortifications, Lieutenant Lederer made repeated night reconnaissance of hostile areas protected by mines and barbed wire and subjected to almost constant artillery and small arms fire. During daylight hours, he made numerous trips across open ground under direct enemy observation and fire to supply his men with food and ammunition, and on one occasion crawled to within speaking distance of an enemy entrenchment and with fluent German persuaded fourteen hostile soldiers to surrender. From these prisoners he learned the locations of several enemy gun emplacements and subsequently participated in their destruction. Entered military service from Long Island City, New York.

VINCENT G. WILLIAMS, 0552694, Second Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 December 1944 and 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Although subjected to heavy artillery and mortar fire, Lieutenant Williams skillfully deployed his men and completely surrounded Fort Number Ten, one of the Fort Scheisseck group. With great daring, he approached the emplacement and blew in an embrasure with a pole charge, killing all the occupants and neutralizing the position. Later, when automatic fire halted his men in their attack on Fort Number Four, he advanced alone, and, unable to blow up an embrasure with another pole charge, tossed a number of grenades through an opening and effectively silenced the fort. Lieutenant Williams was wounded in this action, but by this display of magnificent courage he enabled accomplishment of his unit's mission. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

ARCHIE E. BOLING, 34515366, Technical Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Guising, France. Sergeant Boling volunteered to lead a night patrol into enemy territory with the mission of capturing prisoners. Upon reaching the enemy's outpost positions, he went forward alone to investigate. Crawling up to a canvas covered hole, he found two Germans, a machine gun and a rifle. Quickly and quietly he removed the rifle, then the machine gun and then ordered the two Germans to surrender. Upon questioning the prisoners he obtained the location of two more Germans. Although opposing troops opened fire upon him, Sergeant Boling with the help of another man succeeded in capturing two additional prisoners and then fought his way back to friendly lines. By this gallant action, he obtained information of the enemy which was of material value. Entered military service from Spartanburg, South Carolina.

DONALD L. BUTCHER, 35576544, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action during the period 1 January 1945 to 5 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. When a hostile force of one hundred infantry attacked our lines, Sergeant Butcher permitted the enemy to advance well into an open area, and then ordered his fourteen-man platoon to open fire. Although painfully wounded himself during the action, Sergeant Butcher crawled from one member of the platoon to another, controlling and coordinating their fire, and thus forced the enemy to withdraw. A subsequent attack was similarly repulsed, and, refusing evacuation, Sergeant Butcher continued for three days and nights, despite infiltration tactics, direct tank fire and intense artillery and mortar shelling, to successfully resist all attempts to overrun our positions. Entered military service from Zionsville, Indiana.

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LYDA BROWNING, 34594461, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 398th Infantry Regiment for gallantry in action on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Bearing the brunt of a determined counterattack by a numerically superior hostile force, Sergeant Browning skillfully deployed his men in defensive positions and directed their fire upon the opposing troops. Observing an attempt by four enemy infantrymen to outflank his squad and attack from the rear, Sergeant Browning left the comparative security of his position and from an exposed vantage point killed all four hostile soldiers with rifle fire. Under his direction, the squad subsequently forced the attacking troops to withdraw. Entered military service from Asheville, North Carolina.

RICHARD D. AHLERS, 32971803, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During attacks upon enemy-held strongpoints of the Maginot Line, the platoon of which Sergeant Ahlers was a member was engaged in an assault upon a fortification surrounded by a deep moat and strongly-defended by automatic weapons fire. Upon his own initiative, Sergeant Ahlers made his way forward, rushed across a log bridging the moat, placed a demolition charge against the door of the fortification, lit the fuse, then remained to hurl hand grenades into the structure. His gallant action made it possible for his platoon to seize the objective. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

FLOYD W. BAKER, 38579621, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Sergeant Baker, a rifleman, participated in the attack on Fort Freudenberg. Braving various types of enemy artillery and small arms fire, he was one of the first men to gain entrance to this stronghold. Then he moved out to attack Fort Number Eleven, one of the forts of the Schiesseck group. As his platoon advanced through barbed wire entanglements in the face of enemy artillery and mortar fire, they were suddenly halted by very accurate automatic fire from one of the turrets of Fort Number Eleven. Sergeant Baker worked his way slowly forward while being covered by his platoon and silenced this gun position with grenades, thus enabling his platoon to advance and capture the fort. Entered military service from Carlsbad, New Mexico.

JOHN T. EDWARDS, 35221827, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During his battalion's attack on Fort Freudenberg, Sergeant Edwards' platoon was halted by artillery and mortar shelling and subjected to heavy fire from a hostile machine gun emplacement. Courageously crawling forward in the face of direct enemy action to within twenty yards of the emplacement, he threw three grenades at the enemy, killing one and stunning two others, thereby enabling their capture. His gallant performance in complete disregard of his own safety eliminated a major threat to his platoon's advance. Entered military service from Urbana, Ohio.

THOMAS M. LIGHT, 33811254, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 January 1945, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. When the leader of a combat patrol of which he was a member was critically wounded by a hostile mine during an engagement with the enemy and ordered his patrol to withdraw without him, Sergeant Light courageously refused to leave the officer. Applying a tourniquet to the wounded man's injured leg, Sergeant Light alternately carried and dragged his companion toward friendly lines, halting twice to return the fire of hostile forces, and ultimately reached his destination, thus at great risk to his own life saving that of a wounded comrade. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

ALLEN T. HENDERSON, 38478786, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 December 1944, in the vicinity of Urbach, France. When his night patrol was halted in enemy territory by automatic rifle fire from a building, Private Henderson crawled to within fifty feet of the structure and fired a rifle grenade through a window out of which the heaviest fire seemed to emanate. Five Germans immediately came out and surrendered. Aware that others were still inside, he approached closer, fired five more grenades and threw a hand grenade through another window, whereupon the remaining ten Germans came out and surrendered. By his gallant performance he saved the lives of his comrades and singlehandedly captured fifteen of the enemy. Entered military service from Palestine, Texas.

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CLARENCE MILLSAPS, 34984071, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 14 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. Participating in a raid behind enemy lines, Private Millsaps and other members of a patrol were subjected to severe fire from hostile machine guns. Taking cover in a shell crater, Private Millsaps observed a large enemy force attempting to encircle his squad and isolate it from other units of the patrol. Courageously exposing himself to the machine gun fire, he crawled forward to a position from which he could engage the enemy, then opened fire with his automatic rifle and succeeded in killing five of the opposing troops, seriously wounding two others and dispersing the remainder in confusion. Entered military service from Madisonville, Tennessee.

ROBERT C. MULLEN, 16191128, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. While on his way to deliver an important message to a forward platoon, Private Mullen suddenly encountered eight enemy who had infiltrated to the platoon's rear. Unhesitatingly engaging them in a fierce fire fight, he delivered rifle fire of such volume and accuracy that the hostile force withdrew leaving behind one dead and one wounded. Continuing on his mission, he delivered his message and then remained behind to supply supporting fire to cover the platoon's withdrawal to new defensive positions. His gallant and aggressive action enabled the platoon to retire in time to prevent encirclement by the enemy. Entered military service from Trenton, Michigan.

JOSEPH A. RUDOLPH, 33426936, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 23 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Prayel, France. When the advance of his platoon was temporarily halted by fire from a dug-in enemy machine gun, Private Rudolph made his way forward across an open field directly in front of the hostile weapon until he reached a vantage point from which he could deliver effective fire. Then, with his automatic rifle he delivered rapid bursts of fire into the hostile gun position, killing one enemy gunner and forcing two others to take cover thus enabling the platoon to seize the position without any opposition. This gallant and aggressive act enabled our forces to seize this heavily fortified position without a single casualty and destroyed the enemy's plan of defense forcing him to flee in disorder. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF SOLDIERS MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldiers Medal is awarded to the following named individual:

JOHN E. DOWLING, 11103651, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 6 February 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. While guarding a hut in which six soldiers were sleeping, Private Dowling suddenly discovered fire of undetermined origin spreading rapidly to straw excelsior and a gasoline burner. Instantly giving the alarm, he awakened the men, but only five were able to escape through a small door, the only exit. Although the hut was by now completely enveloped in flames, he rushed through the entrance, found the trapped soldier, carried him outside, and quickly extinguished the flames from the man's burning clothing by rolling him on the ground and beating out the fire with his bare hands, thereby saving his life. Entered military service from Ridgefield, Connecticut.

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named individual for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

JOHN L. CONROY, 32095492, Technical Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 10 December 1944. Entered military service from Long Island City, New York.

SECTION V -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

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MATTHEW B. EINSMANN, 01295852, Captain, 398th Infantry Regiment, 26 February 1945. Entered military service from Jamaica, New York.

CHARLES W. WHORTON, 3954806, Technical Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 24 February 1945. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

JOSEPH P. SCHOFARTH, JR., 31236150, Technical Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 22 February 1945. Entered military service from Dorchester, Massachusetts.

NORMAN R. ADOLPH, 1227503, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 9 March 1945. Entered military service from New York, New York.

PAUL F. MOSHER, 15120237, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 6 February 1945. Entered military service from Delaware, Ohio.

ALBERT D. NEIBERT, 35094901, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 10 March 1945. Entered military service from Waldron, Indiana.

GEORGE DZURISIN, 32482068, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 30 January 1945. Entered military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

THOMAS F. SWEENEY, 33776268, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, 28 February 1945. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

CHARLES E. COMPTON, JR., 14130345, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 26 February 1945. Entered military service from Sylacauga, Alabama.

SAMUEL E. ALBRITTON, JR., 38671944, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 5 February 1945. Entered military service from San Benito, Texas.

HERBERT E. MANNING, 39145981, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 7 March 1945. Entered military service from Lakeport, California.

WILLIAM J. MOISAN, JR., 31376106, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 20 February 1945. Entered military service from Exeter, New Hampshire.

ERIC WEINGARTEN, 42130731, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 23 February 1945. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

LEMUEL J. JONES, 34394547, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 November 1944. Entered military service from Cullman, Alabama.

JAMES BARLEY, 39922532, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 10 December 1944. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

CLIFF R. DAMRON, 35075604, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 27 February 1945. Entered military service from Robinson Creek, Kentucky.

JOHN R. DURRETT, 34496664, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 14 November 1944. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

EARLE L. ELLIS, 33871966, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 6 February 1945. Entered military service from Windsor, Pennsylvania.

JOHN P. S. KEELAN, 32100603, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 14 February 1945. Entered military service from Elizabeth, New Jersey.

A. V. LAMIER, 34591446, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 10 December 1944. Entered military service from Shelby, North Carolina.

SAMUEL M. STROTHER, 34145262, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, 26 February 1945. Entered military service from Gallatin, Tennessee.

BILLY H. GASTON, 34702100, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, 26 February 1945. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

JAMES A. ANATO, 35513179, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 26 February 1945. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

JOHN E. HALMOCK, 44036086, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 10 March 1945. Entered military service from Glennville, Georgia.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

MARTIN G. READY, 32665863, Staff Sergeant, 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered military service from Paris, New York.

THOMAS F. O'BRIEN III, 32700131, Sergeant, 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

CHESTER L. RYBA, 32739838, Sergeant, 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered military service from Amsterdam, New York.

ARTHUR P. PFEIFFELMAN, 32698697, Technician Fifth Grade, 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered military service from Jamaica, New York.

GEORGE H. WEINER, 32697095, Corporal, 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered military service from Springfield Gardens, New York.

MARSHALL R. DEFUY, 32698061, Private First Class (then Private) 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

HARRY B. GLAZER, 42059618, Private First Class (then Private) 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered military service from Washington, District of Columbia.

EDWARD B. GLOMBISKI, 33714387, Private First Class, 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

For heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Guising, France. When an enemy attack pushed back our line of infantry, crews of two tank destroyers were forced to withdraw, abandoning their weapons which were frozen into position. On the following night these men, under the leadership of Sergeant Ready, advanced three hundred yards in front of our lines and, despite enemy infantry and tanks emplaced on high ground covering the area, succeeded in extricating the frozen weapons and withdrawing them to safety, thus salvaging valuable equipment at great risk to their own lives.

FREDERICK W. O'CONNOR, 32692307, Sergeant, 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. When extreme enemy pressure forced back our line and exposed the left flank of his position during a hostile counterattack, Sergeant O'Connor, in command of an anti-tank gun crew, refused to withdraw, and by his determination and personal courage inspired his men to maintain their position. As a result of his action, our lines were restored to their former positions and two enemy personnel carriers attempting an enveloping movement were put out of action. Entered military service from Jamaica, New York.

JIM D. WYNN, 38363917, Corporal, 250th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. During a strong enemy counterattack in which his forward observer party was subjected to intense fire, Corporal Wynn, telephone and instrument operator, swiftly and efficiently aided his forward observer officer in moving their outposts to a new location. Then, despite the continuing hostile shelling, he courageously resumed his duties assisting in the transmission of fire orders which enabled our artillery fire to disperse enemy tanks and vehicles and blunt the hostile attack. Entered military service from Austin, Texas.

MONTE BANKHEAD, 38325696, Technician Fifth Grade, 250th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. On 1 January, despite heavy enemy fire on his forward observer station, Corporal Bankhead, radio operator, remained at his post calmly transmitting fire orders. When the hostile shelling increased and it became necessary to move the outpost to an alternate position, he ably assisted the forward observer in accomplishing this with a minimum of delay, and then, despite the continuing enemy action, resumed his duties to permit delivery of accurate and destructive artillery fire on hostile targets. Entered military service from Stigler, Oklahoma.

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REMICIUS E. FLEISHELL, 0484004, Captain, 898th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service during the period 1 August 1944 to 13 February 1945, in Italy, Corsica and France. Entered military service from Washington, District of Columbia.

MARCEL MAILLOT, Captain, First French Army, for meritorious service in support of combat operations from 12 November 1944 to 22 December 1944, in Eastern France.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to the following named individual:

WILLIAM C. HENRY, 34591394, Private First Class, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 9 November 1944 to 10 January 1945, in Eastern France. Throughout his period of combat service, Private Henry contributed greatly to the successful achievement of his squad's many dangerous assignments. On the night of 10 January, he and other engineers were engaged in laying a mine field, a task made particularly hazardous by repeated enemy shelling of the area. In order to speed the laying of mines, Private Henry moved from mine to mine removing safety clips, although the enemy action continued. When a nearby mine was detonated he was mortally wounded. His consistent and outstanding devotion to duty was an inspiration to all his comrades. Next of kin: Mary H. Henry (Mother), Kannapolis, North Carolina.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

HOWARD W. HEGGEM, 01185406, First Lieutenant, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Reyersviller, France. During the attack on enemy positions on the high ground at Spitzberg Ridge Lieutenant Heggem moved forward with the leading elements of the rifle company to which he was attached as forward observer. When the infantry was halted by intense mortar fire, he courageously advanced in the face of direct small arms fire to a position which was exposed but afforded him excellent observation of enemy installations. From here, despite the continuing enemy action, he directed the delivery of accurate artillery fire which effectively neutralized the enemy mortars and permitted the company to resume its advance and take its objective. Entered military service from Oak Park, Illinois.

RAYMOND H. SNELL, 01314560, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944 and 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of St. Louis, France. Assigned the mission of leading two platoons into position on high ground north of St. Louis, Lieutenant Snell personally made a preliminary reconnaissance and as a result was able to lead his men safely through several mined areas to their objective. While occupying these positions, he went forward to an exposed area, and although subjected to enemy bombardment, directed accurate artillery fire on hostile mortars and troops using the Lemberg Road, and was instrumental in achieving the destruction of large quantities of enemy equipment and personnel. Entered military service from Duluth, Minnesota.

EARL L. CROSS, 02006118, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 339th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 31 December 1944 and 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Siersthal, France. After suffering punishing enemy artillery and rocket fire for a period of three days, Lieutenant Cross' platoon was attacked by a strong enemy force, but under his skillful and courageous direction the assault was repulsed. When the enemy, after withdrawing and reorganizing, again attacked, Lieutenant Cross and his men after two hours of bitter fighting again threw back the opposing troops; and on the ensuing night, when the enemy attacked in strength for the third time, although his force was greatly outnumbered and suffered heavy casualties, Lieutenant Cross gallantly refused to withdraw until every round of ammunition and every grenade, including those captured from the enemy, had been expended. Entered military service from Augusta, Georgia.

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GEORGE BURZYNSKI, 36634914, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. While Sergeant Burzynski's company was attacking enemy-held strongpoints of the Maginot Line, a demolition charge placed against the door of a hostile fortification failed to explode, and the increased intensity of enemy artillery fire made it impossible to install a second charge. Disregarding the hostile fire, Sergeant Burzynski voluntarily left his sheltered position, made his way three hundred yards to the rear to obtain a rocket launcher, then crawled to a vantage point from which he was able to detonate the explosive with rocket fire, thus enabling our forces to enter and capture the objective. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

WAYNE A. CHAMPNEY, 33607419, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During the attack on hostile fortifications northwest of Bitche, Sergeant Champney moved forward with the advance elements of his company and courageously participated in the bitter fighting which won this high ground from the enemy. After two hours of intense shelling of his platoon which inflicted a number of casualties, he left the safety of his dug-in position, directed an aid man to the injured, and helped him dress their wounds, thereby saving the lives of many who otherwise might have succumbed to their injuries. Entered military service from Wellsboro, Pennsylvania.

STANLEY B. HILLIKER, 32664556, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 17 December 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During the attack on Forts Freudenberg and Schiesseck, Sergeant Hilliker, platoon runner, maintained contact between the squads of his unit although forced to traverse open ground subjected to enemy observation and fire. On one occasion, during a period of particularly intense enemy shelling of the area, he succeeded in alerting one of the squads for an enemy counterattack, and as a result, his platoon was able to repel the hostile thrust and maintain its positions. Entered military service from Schenectady, New York.

JOHN F. LOBNER, JR., 36233200, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 December 1944 in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During a hostile counterattack after his company had taken Hill 370 near Bitche, two grenades exploded close to the hole in which Sergeant Lobner, squad leader, was receiving instructions from his platoon leader. Realizing that another grenade might prove fatal to both of them, Sergeant Lobner quickly climbed out of the hole and observed a German about to throw a third grenade. Not having time to aim, he fired his rifle from the hip, instantly killing the soldier, and by his prompt and courageous action, saved his own life and that of his commanding officer. Entered military service from Rhineland, Wisconsin.

EDWARD E. PETERS, 34109694, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During the initial attacks on Forts Freudenberg and Schiesseck, Company A, the assault company, was temporarily halted by intense artillery and mortar fire. Sergeant Peters and a small group of men were in a slightly defiladed position and were being threatened by a German grenadier who had already killed one man and whom they could not locate. Sergeant Peters left his position and spotted the German just as he was preparing to throw another grenade. Sergeant Peters fired quickly and with one shot killed him thus removing this threat to himself and his men. Entered military service from Mobile, Alabama.

BERT J. SIMKO, 35333542, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Soucht, France. Awakened during the night by an explosion, Sergeant Simko heard cries for help coming from the wooded area in front of his foxhole. Upon investigating, he discovered that one of his men had wandered into a hostile mine field and was seriously injured when he set off a booby-trapped teller mine. Although aware that the enemy occupied positions only a few yards away, he carefully probed a path through the mine field. Upon determining the critical nature of the soldier's injuries, he quickly carried him to the company command post where first aid was immediately rendered, thereby saving his comrade's life. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

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EDWARD LEIGHT, 12193080, Technician Third Grade, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 24 December 1944 to 5 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. In addition to performing his regular tasks of rendering prompt and efficient care for the wounded at the forward battalion aid station, Sergeant Leight, medical technician, frequently volunteered for duty as a litter bearer. Operating under the most trying circumstances, often subjected to hostile artillery and mortar shelling, and at times tank and small arms fire, he nevertheless continued his medical treatment and saved many lives. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

MAXWELL R. BARMER, 31273061, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Voluntarily filling a vacancy in a light machine gun section when his company was given the mission of establishing a line of departure for the attack on Forts Schiesseck and Freudenberg, Sergeant Barmer, a mortar squad leader, advanced across three hundred yards of open ground under heavy enemy fire and set up his weapon in a position which enabled effective fire to be brought against the enemy. When a hostile counterattack started on the left flank, he carried his machine gun over another stretch of open ground under fire, manned his weapon, and firing accurately, helped repel the enemy attack. Entered military service from Bridgeport, Connecticut.

JOHN R. DUFFY, 32652905, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 1 January 1945 to 5 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. During the bitterly-waged battle for Rimling, Sergeant Duffy efficiently performed his duties as communication chief and maintained the wire net linking the platoons of his company and the battalion command post. On numerous occasions, he moved out in the face of hostile shelling and small arms fire and located and spliced all breaks caused by enemy action, and as a result of his brave performance under fire, he enabled transmission of vital messages and delivery of effective artillery fire which helped repulse repeated enemy attacks. Entered military service from New York, New York.

JAMES W. L. JOHNSON, 42031185, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, and 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Observing that one of our outposts protecting a line of departure was subjected to heavy enemy fire and possible capture by the attacking enemy, Sergeant Johnson, on his own volition, led his light machine gun squad forward to aid in defense of the position. Crossing several hundred yards of terrain exposed to fire from enemy eighty-eights, he set up his weapon at the outpost and directed fire of such volume and accuracy that repeated enemy attempts to take the ground were repelled. Entered military service from Babylon, New York.

HAROLD L. MATZ, 36610912, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Soucht, France. When the advance of our forces was halted by fire from enemy entrenchments, Sergeant Matz, a machine gun squad leader, voluntarily advanced well forward of the line of infantry, located a vantage point from which effective fire could be delivered against the hostile emplacements, then led his men to the position although under intense fire from enemy automatic weapons. Directing the fire of his squad with a devastating effectiveness which resulted in the killing of six and wounding of an undetermined number of the enemy and the dispersal of the remainder, Sergeant Matz thus enabled our troops to continue their advance unopposed. Entered military service from Blue Island, Illinois.

KENNETH R. RALSTON, 15402837, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 17 December 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During the period in which our forces were engaged in assaults upon enemy-held fortifications of the Muginot Line, Sergeant Ralston repeatedly exposed himself to sniper fire and almost continuous artillery and mortar shelling in maintaining contact between his company and an adjacent unit. When his communications sergeant was killed, Sergeant Ralston immediately volunteered for that post, assuming the tasks of repairing severed communication lines under enemy fire and operating the unit's radio. His unremitting efforts resulted in dependable communications throughout most of the engagement. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

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SALVATORE A. SARNELLI, 32003759, Sergeant, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Meyersviller, France. On a mission of sealing, with explosives, a concrete enemy fort, Sergeant Sarnelli's squad was halted by an intense artillery barrage. Squad leader Sarnelli moved forward alone and reconnoitered a safe route to the objective, returned to his men, and led them to the fort. When, upon arrival at their destination, their objective was changed, he again sought out a safe route through the enemy shelling and led his squad, loaded down with demolitions, to the successful completion of the mission. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

CARLOS M. JAGOTT, 39859905, Technician Fifth Grade, (then Private), Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Administering first aid to a seriously wounded soldier, Corporal Jacott at once realized that immediate evacuation was necessary if the man's life was to be saved. Although he was fully aware that hostile infantry and snipers had infiltrated into Rimling and that, carrying the wounded soldier would make it difficult to seek cover from enemy fire, Corporal Jacott nevertheless lifted the injured man to his back and started at once for an aid station within the town. Losing contact with his company on one occasion and narrowly avoiding face-to-face meetings with enemy groups time and again, Corporal Jacott ultimately succeeded in his hazardous mission. Entered military service from Miami, Arizona.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

JAMES V. HORSLEY, 15323278, Sergeant, 781st Tank Battalion, 13 March 1945. Entered military service from Minerva, Ohio.

THURMAN W. DANIELL, 34572488, Corporal, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Lithia Springs, Georgia.

CLEMENT J. WALDRUP, 34495589, Private First Class, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from McKenzie, Tennessee.

FREDERICK H. MILLS, JR., 31245481, Private First Class, Military Police Platoon, 100th Infantry Division, 1 November 1944. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

JAMES W. DORMAN, 38682922, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 1 February 1945. Entered military service from Ft. Worth, Texas.

ROBERT F. KIDERLEN, 37641242, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 4 December 1944. Entered military service from Hermann, Missouri.

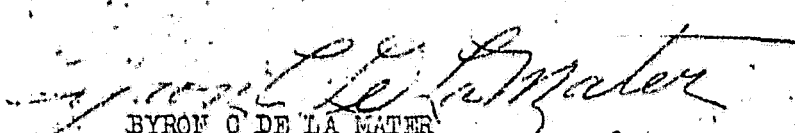
JOHN W. HICKS, 38410334, Private First Class, 250th Field Artillery Battalion, 13 March 1945. Entered military service from Fairbanks, Texas.

FREDOLYN M. PRUS, 36636903, Private, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Berwyn, Illinois.

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual:

GEORGE DEMOPOULOS, 32655329, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. When hostile artillery shelling inflicted casualties upon forward units of the company to which he was attached as aid man, Sergeant Demopoulos moved forward with riflemen under enemy fire, reached a machine gun emplacement and amputated the hand of a seriously wounded gunner, thereby undoubtedly saving the soldier's life. Sergeant Demopoulos then established a company aid station and cared for wounded alone and unassisted throughout the night, thus contributing immeasurably to the welfare of his comrades, since personnel from the battalion aid station were unable to reach the area due to the intensity of enemy action. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

SAUL SCHEIMAN, 02010676, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

EARL M. CASE, 33846256, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Arlington, Virginia.

WILBUR T. KELSO, 33946720, Sergeant (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Shippensburg, Pennsylvania.

MILFORD P. APETZ, 42028768, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.

PAUL W. ARTHUR, 35806557, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Hamilton, Ohio.

ROY L. BAKER, 39053494, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Turlock, California.

HENRY R. BODZ, 31097414, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Housatonic, Massachusetts.

PEARL GRIMES, 35560645, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Symbol, Kentucky.

TIGES J. MARTIN, 38652386, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Cut Off, Louisiana.

JOHN J. PIERCE, 42144880, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from West New York, New Jersey.

For heroic achievement in action on 29 December 1944, in the vicinity of Erching, France. Comprising a patrol with the mission of establishing strongpoints within a town near our positions, these men aggressively proceeded with their mission, entering the town and deploying according to plan. In the early hours of the ensuing morning, the patrol was attacked by a hostile force of four times its own strength, and although subjected to intense rifle, machine gun, grenade and rocket fire during a three-hour engagement, succeeded in inflicting severe casualties upon the enemy and dispersing the attack. By their courage and tactical skill in the face of an assault by a superior force, these men contributed materially to the attainment of the battalion objective.

ROSS SPENILLA, 33531997, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Spitzberg, France. During an attack upon strong enemy positions, riflemen of Sergeant Spenilla's company were halted by small arms fire. Upon his own initiative,

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Sergeant Spenilla led his machine gun squad from its position two hundred yards in the rear of advance elements to the left flank of our line of infantry, and directed accurate and effective fire upon the hostile entrenchments, thereby silencing the enemy weapons and enabling our troops to advance and secure the objective. Entered military service from Norton, Virginia.

GLEN D. WOBIG, 37744770, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Spitzberg, France. During an advance against stubborn enemy resistance, Sergeant Wobig moved forward at the side of his platoon leader and maintained constant radio communication with the company command post despite intense small arms, mortar and artillery fire. When shrapnel from a mortar burst severely wounded Sergeant Wobig and fractured his arm, he refused to abandon his radio and continued to transmit and receive messages until he was eventually ordered to the rear by the platoon commander. Entered military service from Newman Grove, Nebraska.

EDGAR W. CHERRY, 34731369, Technician Fifth Grade, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945, in the vicinity of Freudenberg, France. When a hostile shellburst scattered fragments into an ammunition-laden truck, three fifty-seven millimeter rounds caught fire and exploded, spreading the blaze to bedrolls and tarpaulins. Although at some distance from the burning vehicle, Corporal Cherry and another enlisted man raced to the truck and despite the mounting danger of explosion of the remaining forty rounds, succeeded in throwing the ammunition to the ground and then put out the blaze with a fire extinguisher, thus preventing the complete loss of valuable equipment. Entered military service from Eva, Tennessee.

JOSEPH A. FALSETTO, 37704129, Technician Fifth Grade, (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of LaTrousche, France. During an attack on LaTrousche, the platoon, to which Corporal Falsetto was attached as aid man, was halted by heavy mortar and artillery fire which inflicted nine casualties. Disregarding his own safety, and undaunted by shells bursting around him which cut his pack, pistol belt, and clothing in three places, he moved from man to man administering first aid and dressing the wounds of his stricken comrades, and by his courageous performance saved the lives of many who otherwise might have succumbed to their injuries. Entered military service from Crested Butte, Colorado.

LLOYD M. BUCKWALTER, 33774759, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 December 1944, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. Volunteering for participation in a daylight patrol, Private Buckwalter and another enlisted man advanced past several hostile outposts, unreeling telephone wire as they moved forward, and succeeded in reaching a vantage point from which they were able to observe enemy machine gun emplacements. By means of the telephone he carried, Private Buckwalter transmitted to his commanding officer an exact description of enemy deployment and disposition, and thereby made possible the subsequent destruction of hostile defenses by artillery fire. Entered military service from Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

MAYNARD A. DOVEL, 33891627, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. With full knowledge of the danger from hostile snipers and artillery fire, Private Dovel volunteered to establish communications with a neighboring battalion during a critical moment in the battle for Rimling. Moving across open terrain under enemy observation, he was halted by sniper fire while laying the wire. Seizing his rifle, he delivered well-aimed answering fire, forcing the enemy's withdrawal, and then successfully completed his mission. During the night, he left the shelter of his fox hole three times and repaired breaks caused by hostile shelling. His courageous performance enabled transmission of important tactical directives and contributed materially to the success of the battalion's mission. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

LOWELL A. FAHRMAN, 37583694, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 17 December 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During the attacks on Forts Freudenberg and Schiesseck, Private Fahrman moved forward with the leading elements of riflemen and supplied effective machine gun fire which helped neutralize numerous enemy strong-points and permitted the infantry to continue its advance. On 19 December, he

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carried his machine gun across an open stretch of terrain exposed to enemy mortar and artillery fire, set up his weapon and delivered fire of such accuracy that a hostile counterattack which developed on the company's left flank was repulsed with heavy casualties. His courageous performance under fire enabled his company to achieve its objectives. Entered military service from Rochester, Minnesota.

JACK FERGUSON, 38662068, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Guising, France. Volunteering for participation in combat patrols which on two successive nights were detected by the enemy and unsuccessful in their mission of securing prisoners for interrogation, Private Ferguson again volunteered for similar duty on the third night. On the latter occasion the patrol succeeded in capturing two prisoners but was subsequently observed and fired upon by hostile troops. Delivering accurate fire upon the opposing forces, Private Ferguson was instrumental in halting their advance, and thus enabled the patrol leader to organize the successful withdrawal of the unit. Entered military service from Huntsville, Arkansas.

ROBERT A. LYDICK, 33846181, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. When the two other members of a three-man patrol were wounded in an attack by a strong enemy force, Private Lydick refused to withdraw and permit his companions to be captured or killed. Instructing the other two soldiers to start crawling toward friendly units and engaging the enemy himself, Private Lydick succeeded in killing two of the opposing troops and dispersing the remainder. Not until his comrades had reached safety and he had expended all his ammunition did Private Lydick withdraw to friendly lines. Entered military service from Du Bois, Pennsylvania.

ALAN C. MC CLURE, 42065295, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Soucht, France. During a determined enemy counterattack, Private McClure, an ammunition bearer, moved forward with his machine gun squad to a vantage point well in advance of the line of infantry in an attempt to stem the hostile assault. From this advanced position Private McClure made repeated trips under direct fire from enemy automatic weapons to his company command post, returning with all the ammunition he could carry, and thus made possible his squad's delivery of a constant and uninterrupted volume of fire which resulted in the repulse of the hostile attack. Entered military service from Yonkers, New York.

WILBUR G. PFENNING, 31456615, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Hearing a movement in the bushes to his left after his battalion occupied positions on Hill 370, Private Pfenning left his fox hole and boldly crawled about fifty yards toward the sound. Discovering an enemy force preparing to counter-attack, he immediately proceeded to his platoon leader with information on the size and location of the enemy group; and, as a result of his resourcefulness in alerting his unit, the enemy attack which followed soon thereafter was repulsed with heavy casualties. Entered military service from Rutland, Vermont.

CHARLES ROSENFELD, 32644785, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During the attack on Forts Freudenberg and Schiesseck, Private Rosenfeld, a member of the mine platoon of his antitank company, moved forward along a road heavily bombed by the enemy, checking for hostile mines impeding the advance of tanks. Preceding the tanks and sweeping the roads thoroughly in the face of the continuing enemy action, he removed several mines, thereby making the road safe for the passage of our tanks and enabling their employment in the successful battle for capture of the forts. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

GEORGE L. SENITTA, 33690270, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. Upon his own volition, Private Senitta left the security of the building occupied by his mortar squad and advanced under intense artillery fire to the assistance of a seriously wounded man. Private Senitta quickly applied a tourniquet improvised from his own belt, halting the loss of blood from the severed artery, then carried the casualty to a place of safety, thus saving the life of a wounded comrade. Entered military service from Monessen, Pennsylvania.

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RICHARD A. WEAVER, 33711371, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 17 December 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Although repeatedly forced to make trips across open terrain swept by small arms fire and shelled by mortars and artillery, Private Weaver, a runner, maintained continuous contact between a rifle platoon and his company command post during these four days. At night, he guided carrying parties bearing vital food and ammunition to his unit. On 18 December, he crawled to an exposed position to fire smoke grenades at a hostile emplacement, and thereby enabled our artillery to zero in and destroy the enemy strongpoint, and by his aggressiveness under fire materially aided in achievement of his platoon's missions. Entered military service from Clarion, Pennsylvania.

JOHN J. ZUIS, 32944785, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Schwangerbach, France. During a savagely-prosecuted enemy attack, the antitank squad of which Private Zuis was a member was subjected to intense small arms fire from three directions and was ordered to withdraw. After all attempts to extricate their weapon by means of the winch of the prime mover had failed, Private Zuis and another enlisted man exposed themselves to full view and fire of the enemy in order to rewind the winch cable, thus enabling the squad to withdraw with the vehicle. Entered military service from Herkimer, New York.

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual:

GEORGE F. ANDERSON, 35163669, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Although warned of the approach of two hostile tanks which had penetrated our lines, Sergeant Anderson remained at his post in a house in the center of town and with calm deliberation waited until the leading vehicle came within range, then disabled it with accurate rocket fire. Forced to abandon their tank, the crew quickly became a victim to rifle fire, the second tank withdrew, and the immobilized vehicle served as a road block which prevented further armored assault. Entered military service from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

SECTION II -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to each of the following named individuals:

JOHN R. SARNER, 18243026, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 8 November 1944 to 5 January 1945, in Eastern France. During the action on 8 November in the vicinity of St. Remy, France, Private Sarnier, although wounded during the engagement, discharged his duties as a rifleman in so courageous a manner that he received special commendation from his platoon leader. On 5 January, in the vicinity of Siersthal, France, Private Sarnier once more distinguished himself in combat, and was again wounded by hostile artillery shelling. He later succumbed to the wounds received in this action. Next of kin: Lorene Sarnier (Mother), 1617 Twentieth Street, Galveston, Texas.

BEY WILLIAMS, 34652643, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 6 January 1945 to 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Moving into hastily-prepared fox holes, Private Williams, together with other members of his machine gun section, remained at their posts for three days and nights, unable because of incessant mortar and artillery fire to leave their entrenchments even momentarily. During this period the section killed fifteen infiltrating enemy infantrymen, captured two and wounded six others, and by constant vigilance and observation located hostile mortar positions and thereby enabled our own mortars to destroy the opposing installations. Next of kin: Lurline W. Williams (Mother), Route #1, Box 20, Neeses, South Carolina.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

FREDERICK E. BATRUS, 01296468, Captain, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 16 February 1945, in Eastern France. Throughout this period, Captain Batrus' outstanding leadership contributed to the many successes of his company. At Raon L'Etape, leading his men in a determined frontal assault under heavy fire, he drove the enemy from a hill, and then directed them in a stubborn defensive action which inflicted many casualties and repelled desperate counterattacks with the capture of twenty-five prisoners. At Lemberg, by skillfully maneuvering his men in short rushes, Captain Batrus dislodged the enemy from a hilltop, and again at Signalberg, his superior direction enabled occupation of high ground, the capture of ninety-nine prisoners and destruction of much hostile equipment. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

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EJSELL C. PEEPLES, JR., 0486776, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, France. When an enemy machine gun halted the progress of his company, Lieutenant Peoples, leader of a machine gun platoon, made several attempts to drive out the hostile position. After first utilizing his own machine guns without success, and then crawling forward alone to fire rockets without effect on the strongly entrenched enemy, he moved forward to a position in which he was subjected to enemy observation and fire, but which permitted him to direct accurate fire missions for our eighty-one millimeter mortars, whose fire soon destroyed the machine gun emplacement, thereby permitting the infantry to continue their advance. Entered military service from Tavares, Florida.

JOHN W. DOUGHER, 02010531, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. When extreme enemy pressure forced back adjacent units, Lieutenant Dougher, unafraid of intense small arms fire, moved among his men in the semi-darkness, encouraging them to maintain their positions, and thus directed the repulse of two successive hostile assaults. When enemy attacks were resumed at daybreak, Lieutenant Dougher advanced to an exposed position from which he directed mortar and artillery fire, halting repeated attempts to infiltrate and flank our lines, and for four days continued to man this observation post despite direct fire from tanks and artillery, mortar and rocket shelling, thereby making possible our successful defensive action. Entered military service from New York, New York.

MELVILLE J. MAC DONALD, JR., 02006997, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 25 January 1945, in Eastern France. Displaying outstanding courage and leadership ability as a carioneer and a squad leader, Lieutenant MacDonald contributed greatly to the many achievements of his unit throughout the hazardous Vosges Mountains and Maginot Line campaigns. On 1 January, when an overwhelming force of enemy foot troops attacked and threatened the security of his fifty-seven millimeter gun position, he manned a fifty caliber machine gun and delivered covering fire of such accuracy and volume that huge casualties were inflicted and his men were enabled to withdraw in safety and set up their weapon in a new defensive position. Entered military service from Norfolk, Virginia.

ROY G. PENDER, 02000784, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 1 January 1945 to 4 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. During these four days, Lieutenant Pender courageously led his machine gun section in thwarting repeated desperate attempts by enemy infantry and armor to pierce the battalion main line of resistance. Although subjected to almost continuous artillery and mortar fire, he moved about in the open from position to position effectively directing the fire of his gunners on hostile targets, and personally assisted in delivering food and ammunition to them to insure maximum fire volume on the enemy. Under his outstanding leadership, his men repulsed numerous counterattacks with heavy casualties and successfully held their positions. Entered military service from Wilson, North Carolina.

EDWARD S. EYLANDER, 19120918, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945 to 5 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Throughout a relentless attack by superior forces, Sergeant Eylander distinguished himself by his courageous discharge of his duties as platoon guide. When vital communication lines were disrupted by hostile shelling, Sergeant Eylander repeatedly crawled along the line to find and splice the breaks. He made trip after trip from the command post to bring food and ammunition to individual riflemen in fox holes, and during the height of the action went to the assistance of four wounded men, dressed their wounds, carried one soldier to the aid station and returned with litter bearers to evacuate the others. Entered military service from Marysville, Washington.

JACOB L. SORTOR, 35200377, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 January 1945, in the vicinity of Reversviller, France. As second in command, Sergeant Sortor contributed immeasurably to the success of a night combat patrol in its attack upon an enemy strongpoint. Assisting in the organization and orientation of the group, he advanced in the forefront of the assault and by his delivery of effective covering fire

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was instrumental in the reduction of the hostile position and the killing of four enemy by grenade and rifle fire. When two members of the patrol were wounded during the return to our lines, Sergeant Sortor went to their assistance, despite hostile mortar fire and brought them to a place of safety. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

CHARLES C. JOHNSTON, 34734344, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 1 January 1945 to 7 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Manning an outpost under enemy fire at a hazardous position two hundred yards forward of his platoon, Sergeant Johnston maintained a constant vigil reporting many movements. Due to his alertness and skill in directing accurate fire missions on hostile targets, several enemy attempts to dislodge his men were repelled with heavy casualties. On 7 January, he permitted a hostile patrol, that had been sent out to eliminate his position, to approach to within the most effective range of his company's sixty millimeter mortar section and then directed accurate mortar fire which effectively dispersed the enemy force. Entered military service from Harriman, Tennessee.

ESKEL MYERS, 6850039, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 28 December 1944 to 6 January 1945, in the vicinity of Freudenberg Farms, France. During this period Sergeant Myers and a machine gun section manned a forward outpost overlooking enemy-held territory. Although subjected to hostile observation and continual enemy fire, he maintained a constant vigil during these eight days relaying vital information on enemy movements and directing accurate and destructive fire missions on hostile targets, thereby aiding in repelling numerous enemy counterattacks and reducing several German outposts. Entered military service from Concord, Tennessee.

JAMES B. RAYMER, 34898673, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, France. On 16 November, two soldiers were pinned beneath fallen debris when heavy enemy artillery fire collapsed the dug-in position in which they had taken refuge. Hearing their cries for help, Sergeant Raymer unhesitatingly left his own shelter and in the face of the continued intensity of enemy action which endangered his own life, proceeded to his trapped comrades and working swiftly and surely, extricated them and prevented suffocation. His heroic performance under enemy fire saved their lives and reflected credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Statesville, North Carolina.

RICHARD B. HARRIS, 34670666, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 1 January 1945 to 5 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. When the enemy attempted to establish a mortar in a covered draw, Sergeant Harris immediately brought the fire of his own mortar section to bear, destroying the opposing weapon before it fired a single round. During a subsequent flank attack, Sergeant Harris left his fox hole and moved to open terrain under fire to better direct the fire of his section, and again braved hostile fire during a later attack to locate and repair breaks in vital communication lines. Throughout five days of continuing enemy pressure, Sergeant Harris thus courageously and aggressively directed his section's successful support of his company. Entered military service from Aurora, North Carolina.

JOHN C. HAZEN, 37073871, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 12 November 1944 to 22 February 1945, in Eastern France. As squad leader of an Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon, Sergeant Hazen discharged his duties with efficiency and determination. While our forces were occupying positions subjected to heavy shell fire, he volunteered to lead a carrying party which brought supplies and ammunition to forward elements, and again, near Ingwiller, when a rifle company was isolated by enemy action, Sergeant Hazen succeeded in getting ammunition to the beleaguered unit. On 22 February, while installing mines under enemy observation and fire, Sergeant Hazen was seriously wounded. Entered military service from Douglas, Wyoming.

JOHN P. S. KEELAN, 12100603, Sergeant (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. After participating in the repulse of an initial enemy attack in strength and repeated attempts, for four days, by hostile infantry to infiltrate and outflank his company's position, Sergeant Keelan voluntarily braved intense enemy fire to go

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to the assistance of wounded comrades. Leaving the comparative security of his own fox hole, he helped to evacuate casualties by stretcher over open terrain to the battalion aid station, thus contributing materially to the eventual recovery of these wounded soldiers. Entered military service from Elizabeth, New Jersey.

JOHN L. MC CLEAN, 35075350, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Carro, West Virginia.

JOSEPH S. PAZIK, 31214334, Corporal, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Westfield, Massachusetts.

JOHN C. COMSTOCK, JR., 35572549, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Gastonia, North Carolina.

DAVID R. LETHER, 39916210, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Kolladay, Utah.

CHARLES F. PESSINA, 36984856, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

YVAN A. RECHY, 38441222, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from El Paso, Texas.

JIM T. SMITH, 34855173, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Deep Run, North Carolina.

BEF C. STEPHENS, 38688379, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Bangs, Texas.

WILLIAM E. WELLS, 34948667, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Marietta, Georgia.

SAMUEL R. YOUNG, JR., 34859063, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Eastover, South Carolina.

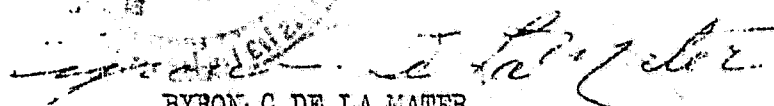
For heroic achievement in action during the period 6 January 1945 to 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Moving into hastily-prepared fox holes, these members of a machine gun section remained at their posts for three days and nights, unable because of incessant mortar and artillery fire to leave their entrenchments even momentarily to relieve cramped muscles and limbs. During this period, the section killed fifteen infiltrating enemy infantrymen, captured two and wounded six others, and by constant vigilance and observation located hostile mortar positions and thereby enabled our own mortars to destroy the opposing installations.

WILLIAM H. MC GEE, 32651135, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Mouterhouse, France. When the two other aid men attached to his company were wounded during an attack, the responsibility of caring for all casualties devolved upon Corporal McGee. Repeatedly exposing himself to heavy small arms and mortar fire, he moved from platoon to platoon in order to promptly render first aid to the injured. On one occasion he crawled forward in the face of twenty millimeter shellbursts to reach a wounded rifleman, and again he made his way for fifty yards through thickly-wooded terrain under small arms fire to treat a casualty. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual:

GERALD V. BRITT, 37655809, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945; in the vicinity of Rimling, France. A member of a machine gun squad occupying a key position in our line of defense, Sergeant Britt and his comrades opened fire with their weapon when an enemy force one hundred strong launched an attack upon our troops. Delivering accurate traversing fire, Sergeant Britt and other members of the squad succeeded in disorganizing the attacking force and broke up each individual group of infantrymen attempting to infiltrate our lines. After a chaotic retreat, the enemy reorganized and, reinforced by heavy artillery and mortar fire, pressed back a friendly unit in the adjacent sector and thus created an exposed flank. Moving their weapon to a new position, Sergeant Britt and his companions again engaged and repulsed the enemy, and for four days and nights held their position despite intense artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Entered military service from Lawler, Iowa.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual, missing in action:

WALTER W. PULKAS, 36456254, Private, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 31 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Making repeated trips under intense fire to supply his machine gun squad with ammunition during the savagely-prosecuted enemy attacks on New Year's eve, Private Pulkas participated in a bitterly-fought delaying action in which the weapon he serviced effectively slowed the hostile advance and in the initial assault killed more than twenty-five of the enemy. Outflanked and eventually forced to fall back to the company command post, Private Pulkas and the machine gunner volunteered to remain and hold that position, and accounted for at least forty of the attacking infantry before the command post was ultimately surrounded and its defenders killed or captured. Next of kin: Clara Pulkas (Mother), Box 145, Trout Creek, Michigan.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

WILLIAM R. BOSWORTH, 01295820, First Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. After volunteering to man an outpost and direct fire on hostile weapons intensely bombarding his company's positions, Lieutenant Bosworth bravely crawled forward in the face of concentrated enemy fire and succeeded in reaching the observation post. From there, he ordered accurate fire missions which neutralized two mortars, killed four Germans and forced others to flee. Then, noticing an enemy flak-wagon that had suddenly opened fire, he quickly shifted his fire and destroyed the armored vehicle. Entered military service from Grandville, Michigan.

WILLIAM T. WESSON, 0394485, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 31 December 1944 and 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Siersthal, France. Although subjected to concentrated bombardment by enemy artillery and rockets for a period of three days preceding the actual assault, Lieutenant Wesson fought gallantly and stubbornly to repulse repeated enemy attacks in strength on New Year's eve and during the ensuing twenty-four hours. Refusing to yield ground to a numerically superior foe, he directed his platoon in the repelling

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of assault after assault until his men had expended every available round of ammunition and every hand grenade, including those captured from the enemy. Entered military service from Elams, North Carolina.

GRADY HULETT, 7080058, Staff Sergeant (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. When an enemy force superior in numbers attacked and temporarily disorganized his squad, Sergeant Hulett advanced to a forward position and by accurate and rapid covering fire afforded his men an opportunity to reorganize and eventually force the enemy to withdraw in disorder. When a second assault surrounded his squad's position, he alerted his riflemen, directed strategic placement of their weapons and fire on hostile targets, and himself moved to an exposed position and by employing fragmentation grenades used as time fire inflicted heavy casualties, thereby repelling the enemy. His outstanding leadership and calmness under fire contributed to defense of the battalion main line of resistance. Entered military service from Jacksonville, Georgia.

WESLEY M. HILL, 32937249, Sergeant (then Corporal), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 1 January 1945 to 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. During this week, Sergeant Hill, acting squad leader, skillfully directed his men in repelling numerous enemy attempts to dislodge them from their defensive positions. When supplies became critically low, he personally made several trips across open, fire-swept terrain to the company command post, was briefed on the situation by his commanding officer and then returned along the precarious route with the needed supplies. On another occasion, he exposed himself to hostile artillery and small arms fire to repair a severed wire line and by his inspiring leadership materially contributed to the success of his company's defensive mission. Entered military service from Seneca Falls, New York.

JAMES T. STEWART, 34728878, Technician Fifth Grade, (then Private First Class), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 1 January 1945 to 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. During these ten days of bitter defensive struggles for Rimling, Corporal Stewart courageously drove his vehicle twice daily along roads exposed to direct enemy observation and fire and brought urgently needed supplies to his fighting comrades. On 2 January, after delivering food to the company command post, he voluntarily joined a patrol whose mission was the elimination of enemy troops in a nearby building. Crawling to within a few yards of the building he participated in an exchange of hand grenades and small arms fire and helped route the hostile force with the capture of thirteen prisoners. Entered military service from Shelbyville, Tennessee.

SALVATORE R. UCCELLO, 31252318, Technician Fifth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 1 January 1945 to 5 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Occupying defensive positions under extreme enemy pressure, Corporal Uccello's company could be supplied only by a single road stretching along a high ridge. Completely exposed to observation for a distance of one and a half miles, and illuminated at night by a full moon, the road was subjected to fire from enemy artillery and mortars which shelled each vehicle that moved along, and a hostile machine gun was eventually established in a position from which it could sweep the route with direct fire. Under these hazardous circumstances Corporal Uccello traveled the road morning and night for five days and thus supplied his company with food and ammunition which made possible our continued defense of the area. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

JOHN C. COLETTI, 31458523, Private First Class, (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Observing the approach of an enemy patrol of seventeen riflemen armed with automatic weapons, Private Coletti and a companion unhesitatingly engaged this numerically superior force. Failing to disperse them with rifle fire, they manned their rocket launcher and fired two well-aimed rounds killing five, wounding three, and causing all but two to flee in disorder and abandon much of their equipment. The two remaining Germans were taken prisoners. Although wounded during this action, Private Coletti refused to be evacuated and maintained his post until relieved. Entered military service from Quincy, Massachusetts.

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RYLAND W. COOK, 35248546, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 December 1944 to 9 February 1945, in Eastern France. Throughout this period Private Cook has courageously and aggressively discharged his duties as a rifleman, participating in the engagements near Neufmaisons, Le Quevelles, Wackenbach, Lemberg and Glasseberg. On 1 February, when one of his comrades was wounded, Private Cook volunteered to act as litter bearer and carried the injured man for a distance of three hundred yards across open terrain under fire from hostile snipers, thus contributing to the speedy recovery of the casualty. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

JAMES DE LUCA, 36984516, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Observing an enemy patrol of seventeen men attempting to infiltrate past his position, Private DeLuca and his companion opened fire with their rifles but failed to halt the hostile group. Although greatly outnumbered, Private DeLuca and his comrades refused to retire and, loading their rocket launcher, fired two rounds into the midst of the advancing infantrymen, with the result that five of the opposing soldiers were killed, three wounded, two others taken prisoner and the remainder dispersed in confusion. Although Private DeLuca received a head wound during the action, he continued to man his position until duly relieved some hours later. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

MICHAEL DELIA, 42144524, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

JOHN F. GWILLIM, 35247145, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Lorain, Ohio.

RAYMOND W. KRAFT, 36984358, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Niles, Michigan.

EDWARD T. MUCHA, 42144253, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Portland, New York.

JOSEPH OWASKI, 32222472, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JACK RUBEL, 32814738, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

For heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Members of a machine gun squad occupying a key position in our line of defense, these men opened fire with their weapon when an enemy force one hundred strong launched an attack upon our troops. Delivering accurate traversing fire, the squad succeeded in disorganizing the attacking force and broke up each group of infantrymen attempting to infiltrate our lines. After a chaotic retreat, the enemy reorganized and, reinforced by heavy artillery and mortar fire, pressed back a friendly unit on the adjacent sector and thus created an exposed flank. Moving their weapon to a new position, the members of the squad again engaged and repulsed the enemy, and for four days and nights held their position despite intense artillery, mortar and small arms fire.

MORRIS M. JOHNSON, 34051093, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Guising, France. Throughout this day in which his battalion attacked enemy positions northwest of Guising, Private Johnson traversed open, fire-swept terrain carrying important messages between his platoon leader and company commander, and by thus maintaining contact, contributed greatly to achievement of his unit's objective. When his company halted and secured its positions, he voluntarily braved the continuing hostile shelling and made his way to the battalion aid station to direct litter bearers forward to evacuate the wounded. His heroic performance in exposing himself to enemy fire won him the admiration of every member of his company. Entered military service from Orlando, Florida.

JOHN R. JONES, 38692492, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Moving forward to engage infiltrating hostile troops threatening his company command post which also served as an outpost for direction of artillery fire, Private Jones and others engaged the enemy in a fierce fire fight. Forced to retire before overwhelming German forces, he delivered accurate fire which inflicted many casualties, but was eventually forced to retire when his position was completely outflanked. His tenacious rear-guard defense helped delay the enemy in time to enable supporting fire to cover the withdrawal of several battalion units to new defensive positions. Entered military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

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EARL S. MUSSINO, 38662829, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. For a period of seven days, while our forces were occupying defensive positions near Rimling, Private Mussino manned a forward listening post, relaying information which enabled supporting artillery to be directed on all enemy activity, thereby breaking up repeated hostile attacks. On the night of 7 January, when the enemy dispatched a combat patrol with the sole mission of eliminating his post, Private Mussino refrained from opening fire with his rifle in order to avoid disclosure of his position. Permitting the opposing troops to approach within close range, he then directed mortar fire upon the enemy with a devastating accuracy which dispersed the attackers with heavy losses. Entered military service from Tontitown, Arkansas.

JOHNNY L. SHEETS, 35075763, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. After taking part in four days of bitter fighting in which hostile attacks in strength and repeated attempts to infiltrate and outflank his company's position were thrown back, Private Sheets voluntarily risked his own life to evacuate comrades wounded by intense enemy shelling. Without regard for hostile small arms fire, he left the comparative safety of his own fox hole and assisted in the evacuation of casualties over open terrain to the battalion aid station, thus making possible prompt medical attention for the wounded. Entered military service from Polkadotte, Ohio.

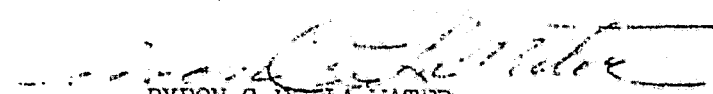
MARSHALL C. SPEARS, 34573145, Private First Class, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During a determined enemy counterattack, hostile shelling severed wire communications to the forward observation post occupied by Private Spears and other members of a forward observer party. Private Spears, a wireman, unhesitatingly left the comparative safety of the observation post and, in constant danger of encountering and being captured by advancing enemy infantry, crawled along the wire line under heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire to locate and repair the break in the wire. His prompt and courageous action enabled the forward observer to direct supporting artillery fire, which was a determining factor in the successful conclusion of the engagement. Entered military service from Carnesville, Georgia.

CYRIL P. VAN LANEN, 36827064, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 12 November 1944 to 15 February 1945, in Eastern France. As a member of a rifle platoon, Private VanLanen discharged his assignments with courage and aggressiveness throughout this period, taking part in the engagements near Neufmaisons, Les Quevelles, Wackenbach, Lemberg, Hottviller, Reyersviller and Glassemberg. On 12 November, when a comrade was wounded by sniper fire, Private VanLanen courageously exposed himself to enemy action in order to deliver covering fire which made possible the evacuation of the wounded man. Entered military service from Sobieski, Wisconsin.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is posthumously awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

JOSEPH GALIAZZI, 32484099, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 13 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Participating in a night raid upon enemy strongpoints, Sergeant Galiazzi with two companions volunteered to form an assault team in an attack upon a hostile machine gun emplacement. Infiltrating from the flank to a position within grenade range of the enemy, Sergeant Galiazzi then charged the entrenchment, hurling hand grenades which killed the crew, and secured the hostile machine gun. Sergeant Galiazzi thus unaided accomplished the mission entrusted to the patrol, and reflected great credit upon the military service. Next of kin: Jean Galiazzi (Wife), 16 South Thirty-Third Street, Camden, New Jersey.

CHARLES S. GOODRICH, 36955127, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During an attack upon enemy-held fortifications of the Maginot Line, our forces were halted three hundred yards short of the objective by extremely heavy hostile fire. Without regard for his own safety, Private Goodrich left the shell crater in which he had taken cover and began to crawl forward toward the pillbox from which came the most punishing fire. Despite the intense enemy action he succeeded in reaching a point but twenty yards from the fortification, and had hurled one grenade toward the pillbox and was in the act of throwing a second one when he was mortally wounded. Private Goodrich's unhesitating action and personal courage reflected great credit upon the military service. Next of kin: Gladys Goodrich (Mother), 2500 Seminary Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

S. E. LAND, 02000709, Second Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. After infiltrating through our lines to within one hundred fifty yards of a mortar position, enemy troops in company strength were halted by mortar fire and attempted to withdraw and reorganize. Volunteering to lead an eight-man patrol to cut off the enemy route of withdrawal, Lieutenant Land skillfully and aggressively directed the action of his men that, although armed only with carbines and pistols, they killed and wounded many of the hostile force and took prisoner its commanding officer and twenty-one enlisted men. The initiative and courage displayed by Lieutenant Land reflected great credit on the military service. Entered military service from New Market, Alabama.

JOHN N. HARLOW, 20754695, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. In command of a four-man outpost directly in the path of an attack by a hostile force of one hundred men, Sergeant Harlow permitted the opposing troops to approach within two hundred yards, then with his men delivered a volume of fire so intense that the attackers withdrew to a wooded area. Seizing an automatic rifle, Sergeant Harlow continued to engage the enemy from an exposed position, forced the hostile troops to take cover and directed mortar fire upon their position, then led a charge which resulted in the death of ten and the capture of fourteen enemy. Entered military service from Lamar, Missouri.

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ALPHONSO J. MYERS, 32666545, Technical Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action during the period 1 January 1945 to 5 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. During five days of extreme enemy pressure against our lines, Sergeant Myers directed the fire of his heavy machine gun section against attacking troops with great effectiveness, inflicting heavy casualties upon the enemy, repeatedly repulsing hostile assaults in disorder. When communication lines were severed, Sergeant Myers himself located and repaired the breaks under fire, and time and again exposed himself to enemy action in supplying his men with food and ammunition. Despite almost constant attempts at infiltration and direct tank fire, he not only refused to withdraw but utilized his advantageous position to direct punishing artillery fire on the enemy. His courageous conduct was an inspiration to his comrades. Entered military service from Amsterdam, New York.

THURSTON E. COX, 34897242, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Spitzberg, France. When our troops were halted by hostile machine gun fire, Sergeant Cox, a rifle grenadier, moved forward without regard for enemy action in an attempt to come within grenade range of the opposing emplacement. After advancing a distance of more than one hundred yards, he suffered a facial wound but, ignoring the pain of the injury, succeeded in scoring two direct hits which silenced the enemy weapon and killed all members of the crew. Sergeant Cox's courageous action thus enabled our forces to attain the objective without loss, and was an inspiration to his comrades. Entered military service from Durham, North Carolina.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF SOLDIERS MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldiers Medal is awarded to the following named individual:

EDGAR R. BELL, 12134191, Corporal, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. After enemy artillery fire struck a vehicle loaded with ammunition and exploding shells seriously wounded the driver and set fire to his clothing, Corporal Bell unhesitatingly went to his assistance despite the advice of all in the immediate area who moved away to escape the hail of shell fragments. Upon reaching the vehicle, he extricated the injured and burning soldier and removed him to a safe distance. His intrepid performance in complete disregard of his own safety, during which he suffered a shell fragment wound in his left hand, won him the admiration of all members of his unit. Entered military service from Wyoming, Delaware.

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

EDWARD L. HILL, 0272564, Major, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in action during the period 5 November 1944 to 16 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

ROBERT R. PARKS, 01171308, Captain, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 12 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

PETER BACINO, 32483503, Staff Sergeant, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 10 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Riverside, New Jersey.

JAMES M. GRAHAM, 32650029, Staff Sergeant, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 5 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

MARTIN DEMIEL, 42058825, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in action during the period 5 November 1944 to 15 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JAMES O. DIRDEN, 36955005, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in action during the period 5 November 1944 to 15 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Granite City, Illinois.

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JAMES J. FIELDS, 35073870, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in action during the period 5 November 1944 to 15 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Charleston, West Virginia.

SOLOMON KIRSCHEN, 13200318, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in action during the period 5 November 1944 to 15 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

EDWARD R. MARO, 35055196, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in action during the period 5 November 1944 to 15 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.


JOHN R. MONSER, 39216647, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in action during the period 5 November 1944 to 15 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Port Angeles, Washington.

WALTER L. SCHWEITZER, 32650306, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in action during the period 5 November 1944 to 15 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals, missing in action:

PRESTON R. CHAMBLISS, 01171489, Second Lieutenant, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. When heavy attacks by an enemy force vastly superior in numbers forced back our line of infantry, Lieutenant Chambliss, an artillery forward observer, remained at his advanced observation post. Although constantly exposed to hostile fire of almost every arm and caliber, he adjusted artillery fire upon the attacking troops with deadly effect and enabled our forces to hold the outskirts of Rimling against all assaults of the enemy. Lieutenant Chambliss was subsequently reported as missing in action when infiltrating hostile infantry surrounded his position on the ensuing day. Next of kin: Marion J. Chambliss (Wife), 218 South Montclair Street, Dallas Texas.

RUSSELL W. SISCO, 37107178, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. Sergeant Sisco was in command of a four-man outpost when a hostile force of one hundred infantry armed with automatic weapons attacked our positions. Although quickly surrounded by an enemy vastly superior in both numbers and firepower, Sergeant Sisco continued to man his position and with his men maintained a volume of fire which delayed and confused the attackers. Requesting and directing artillery fire upon the opposing troops by means of a soundpower telephone, Sergeant Sisco contributed greatly to the ultimate repulse of the attack, but has been reported as missing in this action. Next of kin: Flora Dell Sisco (Wife), 335 Twenty-Second Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee.

ROBERT C. JUAREZ, 19134481, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Freudenberg Farms, France. When a fierce enemy counterattack forced the withdrawal of our infantry, Private Juarez, a runner between a heavy machine gun section and a rifle company it supported, went with the riflemen to be better able to inform his section of the company's reorganization. When this was completed, he courageously started towards his section three hundred yards away; and, alternately running and crawling across terrain under direct enemy observation and artillery, mortar, and small arms fire, he succeeded in reaching his objective, although he was seriously wounded. Next of kin: Ruth Juarez (Mother), 3324 Lime Street, Riverside, California.

VERNON A. LONG, 42109917, Private First Class (then Private), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. In an attack by his platoon upon a road network commanded by hostile machine guns and infantrymen armed with automatic weapons, Private Long with other members of his unit crawled forward under fire to a point within grenade range of the hostile emplacements. Hurling grenades and engaging the enemy with rifle fire, Private Long and his comrades drove the opposing troops from their positions, killing five and capturing seven in the engagement. Next of kin: Fina Long (Mother), Gainesville, New York.

JULIUS J. VIEIRA, 42061248, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. When an enemy force of one hundred men armed with automatic weapons attacked our lines, the outpost manned by Private Vieira and three companions bore the impact of the assault. Although their only route of withdrawal was quickly blocked, Private Vieira and his comrades continued to engage the attackers and by their courageous and unyielding resistance delayed the hostile advance, thus enabling our

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forces to ultimately repulse the assault. Private Vieira was subsequently reported as missing in this engagement. Next of kin: Marie Pinho Vieira (Mother), 95 River-view Avenue, Tarrytown, New York.

CORNELIUS A. WEAVER, 33764630, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. Although they were quickly surrounded by the enemy, Private Weaver and three companions continued to man their outpost when attacked by a hostile force of one hundred infantrymen armed with automatic weapons. Maintaining a volume of fire which delayed and confused the attackers, Private Weaver and his comrades thus enabled our forces to repel the assault with severe casualties. Private Weaver was subsequently reported as missing in action. Next of kin: Evaline Weaver (Wife), 493 West Fourth Street, Lewiston, Pennsylvania.

ERIC WEINGARTEN, 42L30731, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 February 1945, in the vicinity of Urbach, France. Members of a raiding party, Private Weingarten and another enlisted man became separated from their comrades when hostile machine guns subjected the group to punishing crossfire. Crawling forward until they came within grenade range of one of the weapons, the two soldiers succeeded in silencing the enemy position by means of hand grenades. Withdrawing to rejoin the other members of the party, Private Weingarten's companion was seriously wounded by a hostile mine and he himself was stunned and badly lacerated about the face, but was nevertheless successful in securing help and evacuating his wounded comrade. Next of kin: Lotte S. Weingarten (Mother), 1052 Anderson Avenue, Bronx, New York.

GRADY H. BROWN, 34495765, Private, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action during the period 8 January 1945 to 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. As radio operator for a forward observer party, Private Brown courageously continued his transmission of fire adjustment despite intense artillery, small arms, and mortar fire falling all around him. Even when strong, determined enemy attacks threatened to storm his position, Private Brown remained at his post, and by his skillful radio transmission was instrumental in delivering the artillery fire that repeatedly checked the enemy's advance until he was finally cut off by an enemy force infiltrating around his rear. Next of kin: Eula S. Brown (Mother), Route #4, Gainesboro, Tennessee.

CARL A. PETERSON, 36186491, Private, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945 and 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Private Peterson was a member of an artillery forward observer party, and assisted in the maintaining of both wire and radio communications. When the infantry company to which his party was attached fell back to the town of Rimling before ferocious enemy attacks, Private Peterson, although exposed to artillery, mortar and small arms fire, assisted in maintaining continuous communications. Private Peterson was instrumental in delivering the artillery fires that beat off numerous enemy attacks on the town and was still performing this vital mission when his position was finally surrounded and cut off by an infiltrating enemy force. Next of kin: Ellen A. Petersen (Mother), 417 Hancock Street, Hancock, Michigan.

MORRIS J. SCHOLTEN, 37697780, Private, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. While manning an outpost, Private Scholten and three companions found themselves directly in the path of an enemy assault by a force of approximately one hundred men armed with automatic weapons. Although their only route of withdrawal was quickly severed, Private Scholten and his comrades engaged the enemy with a volume of fire which delayed and confused the attackers, thereby enabling our forces to ultimately repulse the assault. Private Scholten was subsequently reported as missing in this action. Next of kin: Anna Scholten (Mother), Hull, Iowa.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

ERNAULT H. W. HANSON, 0301282, Captain, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 November 1944, in the vicinity of Les Plaines, France. Ambushed by ten Germans armed with burp guns and a rocket launcher, Captain Hanson

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took up a firing position in front of his vehicle to cover the withdrawal of his four comrades. Although the opening burst of enemy fire pierced his helmet and wounded one of his men, he kept firing his rifle accurately and swiftly for twenty minutes, succeeding in killing the German manning the rocket launcher and enabling his men to retire. Withdrawing to battalion headquarters when the numerically superior enemy attempted to outflank his position, he returned with reinforcements to attack the entrenched enemy, capturing one and dispersing the remainder. Entered military service from Ruxton, Maryland.

EDWARD A. SILK, 01310890, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. While supervising the laying of barbed wire in front of his company's positions, Lieutenant Silk observed a large enemy patrol attempting to surround his men. Alerting his men but ordering them to continue working, he crawled forward alone until he reached a point directly before the enemy. Allowing them to approach to within a few yards, he suddenly opened fire with his carbine, killed the two leading men, wounded a third and so startled the remainder that they fled in complete disorder. His courageous and aggressive performance saved his men from capture and enabled successful completion of their mission. Entered military service from Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

MICHAEL DOHERTY, 02010700, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 13 November 1944 to 3 February 1945, in Eastern France. Throughout this period Lieutenant Doherty ably and courageously discharged his responsibilities as a platoon leader. On 21 November, near Neufmaisons, he led a reconnaissance patrol behind enemy lines, obtained accurate information of hostile disposition and strength, and engaged a superior enemy force, killing or wounding four of the opposing troops without casualty to his own patrol. On 8 December, Lieutenant Doherty was second in command of an assault platoon in an attack, and by his aggressive leadership contributed to the achievement of the objective without loss to his unit. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

HAROLD A. FAGER, 02006114, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During the enemy attack in strength on New Year's eve, Lieutenant Fager, assistant gunner of a heavy machine gun section, in company with the first gunner executed a series of skillful and bitterly-fought delaying actions which inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy and immensely slowed the advance of a large hostile force. Delivering devastating fire against the attacking troops, falling back when their position was outflanked only to reestablish their weapon and engage the enemy, the stubborn defense put forth by Lieutenant Fager and his comrade provided effective cover for the withdrawal of rifle units and forced the enemy to pay heavily in casualties for ground gained. Entered military service from St. Paul, Kansas.

ROBERT J. SAWYER, 02006396, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 15 February 1945, in Eastern France. Performing duties ordinarily assigned to a commissioned officer from his first day of entry into combat, Lieutenant Sawyer has displayed great courage and skill as a forward observer in directing supporting fire missions. Often subjected to heavy enemy bombardment at his forward outpost, he has adjusted our artillery and mortar fire with such marked excellence that numerous strong enemy counterattacks have been repelled and our infantry enabled to achieve its objectives. Entered military service from Rome, New York.

EARL J. ANDERSON, 20344106, Technical Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Soucht, France. During a heavy concentration of hostile artillery fire five members of his platoon were seriously wounded by shell fragments and Sergeant Anderson left the comparative safety of his entrenchment to go to their assistance. Crawling forward under increasingly intense fire, Sergeant Anderson was himself wounded while administering first aid to one casualty, but, refusing medical attention, proceeded with work of evacuating the other injured men. His action was instrumental in saving the lives of comrades who might otherwise have succumbed to their wounds. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

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HOWARD E. PERSONETTE, 35148008, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), 30th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 12 January 1945 to 18 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rayersviller, France. Acting as a forward observer for his platoon at an outpost under continuous mortar and artillery fire, Sergeant Personette maintained a constant alert throughout this week transmitting vital information on enemy dispositions and effectively directing fire on hostile targets. His accurate adjustment of artillery fire seriously hampered the enemy's plans and forced the movement of gun emplacements many times. His courageous performance under fire from an enraged enemy seeking to wipe out his position was directly responsible for the destruction of one hostile mortar position, the killing of at least two Germans and the wounding of numerous others. Entered military service from Kouts, Indiana.

FRED SMITH, 35128737, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 December 1944; in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. While his machine gun section accompanied a rifle company in approach march formation near Lemberg, sudden fire from about fifty entrenched enemy caused the company to scatter and seek cover. Demonstrating great presence of mind, Sergeant Smith rushed his section well forward of the leading riflemen and expertly directed his men in swiftly putting their weapons into action. Under the protective cover of fire from his guns which inflicted many casualties, the company was able to regroup, and attacking the hostile troops from the left flank, routed them and captured fourteen prisoners. Entered military service from Springdale, Kentucky.

IRVING W. BOWER, 36638860, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from McHenry, Illinois.

PORTER W. LANE, 34866970, Sergeant (then Private), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Mount Airy, North Carolina.

CARL L. SYVERSON, 31446195, Sergeant (then Private), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Cranston, Rhode Island.

WILLIS C. MC INTYRE, 33890722, Private First Class (then Private), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Westernport, Maryland.

JUAN MEZA, 33723335, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Laredo, Texas.

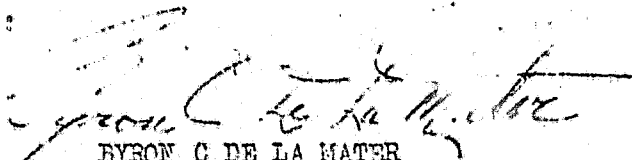
ANDREW POWAN, 39910152, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Schurz, Nevada.

For heroic achievement in action during the period 22 December 1944 to 2 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. After maintaining an outpost within the College of Bitche, on the outskirts of the enemy-held town of Bitche, for nine days under constant enemy observation and direct artillery fire, and thus affording our forces vital knowledge of hostile movements and disposition, these six enlisted men subsequently found their communication lines severed, their position encircled, and themselves trapped by enemy infantry. Fighting from room to room of the large building they occupied, constantly confronting and being confronted by hostile soldiers in halls and corridors, fleeing down dark passageways, taking refuge on one occasion in the chimney-stack of a furnace room, and killing three enemy during their twenty-four hour struggle to escape, the squad eventually succeeded in eluding the hostile troops and reaching friendly lines.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

HERMAN E. BLACK, 37632948, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action on 17 January 1945, in the vicinity of Guising, France. While his unit occupied defensive positions, Sergeant Black led his squad to a point well forward of our lines from where he could observe activity in the vicinity of a building suspected of being used as an enemy observation post. When three hostile soldiers approached the structure, he fired several well-aimed shots, succeeded in killing one and forcing the others to flee. Maintaining a constant alert for twenty-four hours and by accurate fire driving away all who attempted to enter, he denied the enemy use of its forward outpost, thereby decreasing the effectiveness of hostile artillery fire. Entered military service from Lesterville, Missouri.

ARTHUR CORNELIUS, 36952316, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 13 November 1944 to 21 January 1945, in Eastern France. During this period, Sergeant Cornelius performed his duties bravely and aggressively, first as a rifleman and later as assistant squad leader. Near Neufmaisons, when his platoon was subjected to heavy enemy fire, he remained behind to cover the withdrawal of his entire unit. In the vicinity of Fottviller, his accurate rifle fire helped rout a large hostile force threatening his men with encirclement. On another occasion, he voluntarily led a patrol deep into enemy lines, reconnoitered several hostile gun emplacements, and then brought his men back safely and passed on his valuable information to higher headquarters. Entered military service from Reed City, Michigan.

JAMES M. DRUMM, 33100379, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fottviller, France. Leading a patrol forward during daylight hours in an attempt to secure information, Sergeant Drumm succeeded in by-passing several hostile outposts and reached a hill overlooking a number of enemy entrenchments and machine gun emplacements. By means of the telephone he carried, Sergeant Drumm accurately transmitted the desired information of hostile strength, disposition and defenses, then, observing three enemy engaged in putting a machine gun into action, called for mortar fire and by his accurate adjustment was successful in destroying the hostile weapon and all members of its crew. Entered military service from Delaware, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM J. GRANT, 32663094, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 15 February 1945, in Eastern France. As mortar section chief during the bitterly-waged Vosges Mountains and Magliot Line campaigns, Sergeant Grant displayed great skill and leadership in achieving effective fire support for front line elements, frequently going forward himself to an exposed position to direct the fire of his mortars accurately on hostile targets. Wounded once by a shell burst, he soon returned to action and continued to perform his duties in an exemplary fashion until he suffered another serious injury from an exploding mine. Entered military service from Utica, New York.

WILLIAM G. HANNAN, 32371492, Staff Sergeant, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 February 1945, in Eastern France. Throughout the period, Sergeant Hannan displayed courage under fire in skillfully directing his men in the establishment of wire nets linking forward outposts with artillery fire direction centers. On 7 December, when half the town of Lemberg was in enemy hands and the entire area was subjected to concentrated hostile shelling, he successfully supervised the installation of a switching center, thereby facilitating the delivery of effective artillery fire in support of our infantry. Entered military service from New Rochelle, New York.

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EDMUND OUGHSTUN, 6141910, Staff Sergeant, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. When enemy mortars from a concealed emplacement subjected his observation post to punishing fire which wounded three other members of the observation group, Sergeant Oughstun courageously and voluntarily left his position during the height of the shelling to crawl forward two hundred yards to a vantage point from which he was able to ascertain the location of the hostile weapons. Returning to his post under continuing fire, he then directed and adjusted our artillery fire on the emplacement and succeeded in silencing the enemy mortars. Entered military service from New Britain, Connecticut.

WILLIAM J. WHITAKER, 38213883, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. While moving forward to occupy new positions, Sergeant Whitaker and another member of his machine gun section were seriously wounded by artillery fire. Despite his painful injury, he continued advancing and directed his men in putting their automatic weapons into action, and then started back. Discovering that his wounded comrade had not yet been evacuated, he immediately rendered first aid, organized a litter team, and helped carry the casualty to the battalion aid station. His heroic performance under fire enabled his men to render effective supporting fire for the infantry and saved the life of his wounded comrade. Entered military service from Carlsbad, New Mexico.

WILLIAM G. WHITE, 36549708, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Reversviller, France. Informed that a large hostile patrol was approaching, Sergeant White deployed his men in a skirmish line and moved forward alone to reconnoiter. Upon returning he alerted his men but ordered them not to fire until he gave the signal. Although the Germans outnumbered his squad by three to one, he permitted them to come within a few yards and then suddenly opened fire with his submachine gun. Taken completely by surprise and caught in a deadly stream of fire from rifles, machine guns and grenades, the enemy force fled in disorder, leaving behind seven dead. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

JOHN T. BENNETT, 33078110, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 23 February 1945, in Eastern France. As wire chief of a communications platoon, Sergeant Bennett discharged his duties ably and aggressively throughout this period, participating in his battalion's engagements near St. Remy, Neufmaisons, Les Quevelles, Wackenbach, Lemberg, Hottviller, Glassemberg and Reersviller. On 8 December, while installing a wire line to a rifle company, Sergeant Bennett was subjected to intense mortar fire but refused to abandon his mission. Taking advantage of each available bit of cover, he made his way forward by short rushes, laying the wire as he advanced, and successfully established vital communications with the desired unit. Entered military service from Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

EDWARD P. CAHALAN, 31182454, Sergeant, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Mouterhouse, France. When an enemy roadblock and mine field held up the advance of our combat team in its attack toward Bitché, Sergeant Cahalan, an engineer, went forward to remove the mines so that a tank dozer could destroy the road obstacle and permit a platoon of tanks to proceed. Although the entire area was subjected to sniper fire and artillery shelling, he swiftly probed the road leading to the block and in short time removed every mine in the vicinity. His valiant performance permitted destruction of the hostile roadblock and the continued advance of our forces. Entered military service from Central Falls, Rhode Island.

THURSTON E. COX, 34897242, Sergeant (then Private), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Spitzberg, France. While Sergeant Cox was manning an outpost, his position was discovered by an enemy patrol and subjected to small arms fire which he immediately returned. As he was thus engaging the enemy, a bullet struck and shattered his rifle, severely wounding him about the face and causing intense pain. The hostile troops, observing his condition, charged his position, but Sergeant Cox, seizing a second rifle, delivered accurate and effective fire upon the attackers, halting their advance, and remained at his post throughout the night, repelling repeated enemy attempts to infiltrate our lines. Entered military service from Durham, North Carolina.

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EDWIN L. ENSIGN, JR., 31252366, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 20 January 1945, in Eastern France. During our successful drive through the Vosges Mountains, Sergeant Ensign, communication chief, tirelessly and skillfully led his men in keeping communication channels open between mortar sections and battalion headquarters, often exposing himself to enemy action in performing his duties. In the bitter struggle for Neufmaisons and Freudenberg Farms, his success in maintaining wire communications permitted accurate and timely placement of our fire on hostile targets that were impeding the advance of our riflemen, and enabled the eventual attainment of the infantry's objective. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

EDWIN B. FRANCISCO, 13101485, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of Plaine, France. While engaged in an approach march, the rifle company supported by Sergeant Francisco's machine gun squad was subjected to intense enemy machine gun and mortar fire which halted its advance. Moving forward under direct fire through the positions of the rifle unit, Sergeant Francisco in company with the second gunner brought their machine gun to an advanced and exposed vantage point, and with accurate fire killed three members of the enemy crew and silenced the opposing machine gun, thereby enabling the company to continue and take its objective. Entered military service from West Caldwell, New Jersey.

MALCOLM D. MAC GREGOR, 19201853, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Siersthal, France. Although he had been subjected to heavy concentrations of artillery and rocket fire for a period of three days prior to the actual attacks, Sergeant MacGregor fought with stubborn and unyielding courage and determination against superior enemy forces during the hostile attack on New Year's eve and the ensuing day, contributing materially to the repulse of repeated enemy assaults. For twenty-four hours Sergeant MacGregor and his comrades turned back every attempt of the enemy to drive them from their positions, withdrawing only when every available round of ammunition and every grenade had been expended, including those captured from the attackers. Entered military service from Eugene, Oregon.

LOUIS J. MARONE, 32655712, Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade), 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 20 February 1945, in Eastern France. Throughout this period Sergeant Marone discharged his duties in an exemplary manner, supplying the personnel of his company with food and ammunition despite difficult terrain and weather, and frequently driving his vehicle under direct enemy observation and fire. On 20 November, while engaged in unloading his truck, Sergeant Marone observed the approach of two hostile soldiers. Quickly taking cover in the hope that the enemy would not discover he was alone, he called upon the approaching men to surrender, convincing them that they were outnumbered, and by his ruse secured two prisoners. Entered military service from New York, New York.

THOMAS J. MC ATEER, 32657391, Technician Fourth Grade, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. Upon his own initiative, Sergeant McAteer, a radio operator, carried his radio forward under heavy small arms and automatic weapons fire to a hilltop position in the very forefront of our line of infantry, and by his action enabled an artillery forward observer, previously lacking any communication facilities, to direct artillery support of infantry units. Remaining at his post until the mission was completed, Sergeant McAteer then transmitted fire orders which enabled infantry aid men to evacuate wounded under cover of artillery bombardment. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

AUGUST S. REITZ, 32647445, Technician Fourth Grade, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Rothbach, France. While engaged in reconnoitering a hostile roadblock with other members of a patrol, Sergeant Reitz was subjected to fire from a position on high ground commanding the approach to the obstacle. Volunteering to investigate the emplacement, Sergeant Reitz courageously made his way to the rear of the enemy force determined its size and position and thus enabled our mortars to drive the opposing troops from the area. The roadblock was subsequently removed without casualty or interference from the enemy, and the infantry was able to continue its advance unhindered. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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WESLEY F. SALISBURY, 32657242, Sergeant, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 10 December 1944 to 12 February 1945, in Eastern France. During this period in which our forces attacked numerous strongly defended hostile positions along the Maginot Line, Sergeant Salisbury's skillful execution of his duties as liaison sergeant resulted in the maintenance of continuous contact between forward outposts and his firing batteries. On one occasion, although exposed to enemy observation and direct fire, he nevertheless moved forward and laid a wire line to our artillery observer, thereby permitting direction of accurate fire support to enable the infantry to achieve its objective. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

WADE P. SANDERS, 34591253, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Charlotte, North Carolina.

RALPH D. BAKER, 37638479, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Elvins, Missouri.

ALBERT W. GERLACH, 42022269, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from East Amherst, Erie, New York.

WILLIAM J. OSTROWSKI, 12238493, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

ROBERT J. ROBERTSON, 33846492, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Springfield, Illinois.

For heroic achievement in action on 25 December 1944, in the vicinity of Erching, France. Fighting a delaying action, these members of a light machine gun section held their fire until the advancing enemy was within forty yards of their position, then with their first burst of fire killed three of the assaulting force, wounded several more and halted the attack. Keeping the enemy down with accurate bursts of fire, the members of the section enabled our rifle unit to withdraw before they themselves retired. When our forces were subsequently attacked while crossing open terrain, the men of this section again fought an effective rearguard action which again enabled their comrades to withdraw and throughout the engagement by their alert and courageous tactics prevented the infliction of severe casualties upon supported infantry.

GEORGE C. WOLKIN, 32353194, Technician Fourth Grade, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Meyersviller, France. As radio operator of an artillery forward observer party, Sergeant Wolkin participated in the attack by our infantry on enemy positions near Meyersviller. Despite intense mortar and small arms fire, Sergeant Wolkin efficiently and accurately transmitted fire directions throughout the attack, and thereby made possible constant artillery support of our troops. For the two ensuing days and nights, Sergeant Wolkin continued to operate his radio under fire, frequently exposing himself to hostile snipers and mortar shelling, to locate and repair breaks in vital communication lines, and by his efforts contributed materially to accomplishment of his party. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

BRONISLAW LIS, 32666647, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Cohoes, New York.

RICHARD D. LAYCOCK, 20820416, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

ROBERT W. RIEDMATTEN, 38502667, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Conway, Arkansas.

For heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. These three men were holding positions on the high ground southwest of the town as part of a light machine gun section. After a twenty-minute artillery and rocket preparation early in the morning, the enemy hit from the north and west with a strong tank-supported infantry attack, forcing two platoons, forward of the machine gun position, to withdraw. These three men, however, held firm in a heroic effort to protect and cover the withdrawal of the men in front of them, despite the fact that the enemy tanks and infantry were moving around on either flank and in back of them. With a marked devotion to duty they held their precarious position for nearly four hours, and when directly ordered by their platoon leader to displace, they fought their way back to the corner of the town and there again manned their gun. The utter disregard for their own safety and the unflinching courage displayed by these men reflect great credit upon themselves and the military service.

WALTER S. ATIGIAN, 31245458, Corporal, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 24 February 1945, in Eastern France. As radio operator of a forward observer section, Corporal Atigian consistently distinguished himself by his conduct during this period, in which his unit was in almost constant contact with the enemy. On 19 December, during our attacks upon enemy-held fortifications of the Maginot Line, Corporal Atigian braved intense hostile mortar and small arms fire to establish radio communication at an exposed observation post when wire lines were severed by shell bursts. His subsequent transmission of fire directions enabled delivery of fire upon enemy troops and installations which seriously endangered our positions. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

DALE D. FINNEY, 37092961, Corporal, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. Moving from the cover of a wooded area into an open field, our forces were subjected to intense hostile artillery, mortar and machine gun fire which halted their progress. One company, exposed to flanking machine gun fire, was neither able to advance nor withdraw, and was suffering heavy casualties when Corporal Finney and his squad leader voluntarily moved forward into the open area under enemy observation and direct fire from twenty millimeter guns, set up their sixty millimeter mortar, and delivered accurate fire which silenced the opposing machine gun position, thus making it possible for our troops to assault and carry the objective. Entered military service from Hibbing, Minnesota.

THOMAS E. HERO, 31245474, Corporal, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 February 1945, in Eastern France. As leader of a wire crew responsible for laying and maintaining lines to a forward switching central, Corporal Hero successfully performed all his assigned missions throughout the Vosges Mountains and Maginot Line campaigns. Overcoming all obstacles of difficult terrain, inclement weather, and severe enemy action, under his capable leadership, his men have swiftly and efficiently installed lines and repaired breaks caused by hostile artillery and mortar fire, thereby guaranteeing our forward observers wire channels for transmission of their fire directives. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

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MORTIMER J. SHEA, 32649566, Corporal, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 7 November 1944 to 15 February 1945, in Eastern France. Working tirelessly, often to the point of exhaustion, to keep wire lines open to insure the forward liaison officers proper communications for coordination of artillery fire with advancing infantry units, Corporal Shea, wireman, has displayed great courage, efficiency, and technical skill under heavy enemy fire. His unremitting devotion to duty has enabled our fire direction centers to deliver effective and destructive fire on hostile targets. Entered military service from New York, New York.

ALLAN E. GILMORE, 19134493, Technician Fifth Grade, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. When wire communications were severed just as the enemy launched a determined counterattack against our positions, Corporal Gilmore crawled forward with a radio under intense artillery, mortar and small arms fire, and established radio communications between his forward observer party and supporting artillery. This accomplished, Corporal Gilmore then located and spliced the break in the wire line, and thus made possible the direction and adjustment of artillery fire which halted the enemy troops. Entered military service from Riverside, California.

JESSIE L. JONES, 34581029, Technician Fifth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action on 1 January 1945 to 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. During his company's bitterly-fought defense of Hottviller and Holbach, Corporal Jones, a driver, displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty in driving his vehicle over roads subjected to fire from hostile rockets, mortars and artillery. Working day and night to bring forward critically-needed supplies of food and ammunition, he thus enabled hard-pressed riflemen to maintain their positions and drive back repeated hostile attacks. On one occasion, when a number of men in a forward platoon were seriously wounded, Corporal Jones drove his vehicle over mined roads under heavy artillery bombardment to reach and evacuate the casualties. Entered military service from Sylacauga, Alabama.

JULIEN C. MOTLEY III, 14176149, Technician Fifth Grade, 390th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. Manning an advanced outpost, Corporal Motley and his three companions found themselves directly in the path of a determined attack by a hostile force of approximately one hundred infantrymen armed with automatic weapons. Permitting the attackers to advance to within two hundred yards, Corporal Motley and his comrades then delivered a volume of fire which halted and confused the enemy. After the assault was ultimately repulsed, Corporal Motley and other members of his platoon advanced toward a wooded area wherein the opposing troops had taken refuge, routed the hostile force and secured fourteen prisoners. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

JACK A. NAVATTA, 32597480, Technician Fifth Grade, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 2 January 1945, in the vicinity of Baling, France. After repairing initial breaks in lines between the fire direction center and gun positions, Corporal Navatta, realizing that heavy enemy shelling would disrupt the communications again, remained to police the lines through the night. Obtaining cover whenever possible during the intense enemy shelling he checked and repaired numerous breaks, enabling vital fire missions to be transmitted with a minimum of delay during a critical stage of the battle. Entered military service from Lyndhurst, New Jersey.

GIBSON C. PORTER, 31252067, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 24 December 1944, in the vicinity of Guiderkirch, France. When an enemy counterattack was launched at our positions, Corporal Porter was sent forward to transmit orders for demolition of a strategic bridge. Upon arrival at a forward command post, he was warned that the hostile attack was gaining ground and that the bridge might already be in enemy hands, but despite the warning and the fact that he was driving in darkness over unfamiliar terrain, Corporal Porter proceeded to his destination and delivered the orders, which resulted in the destruction of the bridge and the creation of a roadblock which materially delayed the enemy advance. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

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ANTHONY SMITH, 37305628, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 5 November 1944 to 30 January 1945, in Eastern France. Courageously advancing with his platoon during its many assaults on hostile strongpoints in the Vosges Mountains and along the Maginot Line, Corporal Smith cared for the wounds of all casualties. On 22 January, after three men entered a snow-covered mine field and inadvertently exploded mines which killed one and seriously wounded the other two, he entered the booby-trapped area, swiftly and efficiently rendered first aid to the injured soldiers, and then organized their prompt removal to the battalion aid station, thereby saving their lives. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

EDWARD G. WILSON, 33472698, Technician Fifth Grade, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 23 February 1945, in Eastern France. Throughout the hazardous Vosges Mountain and Maginot Line campaigns, Corporal Wilson tirelessly installed and serviced wire lines linking the battalion headquarters with the companies, overcoming all handicaps of difficult terrain and enemy action. Near Lemberg, carrying a reel of wire on his back, he laid a line across mountainous terrain over which vehicles were unable to proceed, and although forced to take cover several times from hostile artillery and mortar bombardment, successfully completed his mission and thereby enabled placement of accurate artillery fire in support of the attacking infantry. Entered military service from Newtown Square, Pennsylvania.

HAROLD W. YOUNG, 32666813, Technician Fifth Grade, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 2 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rining, France. Corporal Young maintained wire lines between gun positions and the fire direction center throughout the night. Taking cover in foxholes, shellholes, and other points of vantage through the intense shelling, he policed and repaired all breaks. By his courage and devotion, contact was maintained during a critical stage of the battle and fire missions were transmitted with a minimum of delay. Entered military service from Hyde Park, New York.

RAYMOND G. BASANDA, 15304356, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Puberg, France. During an attack, leading elements of our forces were halted by fire from concealed enemy machine guns and Private Basanda, a scout, unhesitatingly crawled forward in an attempt to ascertain the location of the hostile weapons. Discovering the enemy in a well-entrenched position against which a frontal assault would prove costly, Private Basanda then reconnoitered a route by which the emplacement might be outflanked and crawled back to inform his platoon leader of the situation. As a result of his aggressive action, our troops were able to seize the objective without casualty. Entered military service from Bloomington, Indiana.

WILLIAM J. BETT, 15127543, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. While Private Bett was manning a machine gun in an advanced position, an enemy force of approximately one hundred men attacked our lines. Although the opposing troops, heavily armed with automatic weapons, threatened to outflank his position, Private Bett calmly and courageously allowed the attackers to approach within close range, then opened fire against the enemy with an accuracy and effectiveness which were instrumental in repelling the opposing troops with losses of forty killed and fourteen captured. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

RALPH BROITMAN, 32864615, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. In the face of an attack by a hostile force of more than one hundred troops armed with automatic weapons, Private Broitman and his three companions courageously maintained their position at a forward outpost. Permitting the attackers to advance to within two hundred yards, Private Broitman and his comrades then delivered a volume of fire which halted and confused the enemy. After the assault was ultimately repulsed, Private Broitman and other members of his platoon advanced towards a wooded area wherein the opposing troops had taken refuge, routed the hostile force and secured fourteen prisoners. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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DOYALD S. BROSHEARS, 35732196, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rivaling, France. During a determined enemy attack, hostile shelling disrupted vital wire communications to the company command post, and Private Broshears volunteered to repair the severed wires. Crawling along the line for five hundred yards over uneven terrain in full view of hostile snipers, he found the break in the wire and was splicing it when he was wounded by sniper fire. Dragging the wire with him, he took shelter in a shell-crater, completed the splice, then returned to his post. Despite the pain of his wound, Private Broshears refused evacuation and administered aid to other casualties under the continuing enemy fire. Entered military service from Boonville, Indiana.

MATTHEW J. CIPRIANO, 32753665, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. Private Cipriano was ammunition bearer for a heavy machine gun squad attached to a rifle company when an enemy force of approximately one hundred men, heavily armed with automatic weapons, attacked their positions. With the enemy approaching from the front and one flank, Private Cipriano was forced to make many trips over exposed terrain under sniper, small arms and automatic weapons fire to adequately supply his gun with ammunition. As a result of Private Cipriano's actions, his squad was able to keep up an effective rate of fire and was instrumental in repelling the attack. Entered military service from Burlington, New Jersey.

HAROLD J. CLIFFORD, 39119820, Private First Class, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Étape, France. When a mined roadblock prevented the movement of tanks to the support of a rifle company which was exposed to intense sniper and machine gun fire, Private Clifford and another enlisted man volunteered to remove the hostile mines. Advancing under small arms fire which wounded a nearby rifleman, Private Clifford and his companion attached lengths of wire to individual mines thereby withdrawing the explosives and permitting the advance of armor with a minimum of delay. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

ANGELO D'AMBOLA, 32597311, Private First Class, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 12 February 1945, in Eastern France. Although repeatedly subjected to heavy enemy shelling, small arms and sniper fire, Private D'Ambola efficiently performed his duties in laying and repairing wire lines linking forward outposts with fire direction centers. During the attack on Lemberg, he laid a line to a forward observer over roads intensely bombarded by mortars and artillery, and although enemy action twice severed his wire, he made the necessary repairs and successfully completed his mission, thereby enabling transmission of vital fire orders in support of the advancing infantry. Entered military service from West Orange, New Jersey.

EDWARD L. DE MARTINI, JR., 39146173, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During an attack upon enemy-held Maginot Line fortifications, Private DeMartini was moving forward with his squad as advance scout when he observed and captured three hostile soldiers. As he did so, the entire area was suddenly subjected to intense artillery bombardment which immobilized our forces, and for seven hours under continuing fire Private DeMartini maintained a guard over his captives, constantly watchful of any attempt on their part to escape and at the same time alert to a possible enemy counterattack, until eventually our troops withdrew and he was able to deliver the prisoners. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals, missing in action:

JAMES J. ACCOMANDO, 36956776, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. A member of the battalion ammunition and pioneer platoon, Private Accomando volunteered to take part in a combat patrol to infiltrate through enemy lines. When rapid fire from a concealed machine gun emplacement seriously wounded the patrol leader, Private Accomando immediately assumed command and directed his comrades in reorganizing for an assault upon the enemy position. Skillfully leading his men forward, Private Accomando's aggressive tactics resulted in destruction of the opposing weapon and the death of all members of its crew. Next of kin: Josephine Accomando (Mother), 4253 Iroquois Street, Detroit, Michigan.

WILLIAM T. BRUNKER, 16157612, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 9 December 1944, in Eastern France. During the hotly-contested battles for Neufmaisons, Wackenbach and Les Quevelles, Private Brunker bravely contributed to the reduction of enemy emplacements which opposed his company's advance. On 25 November, he performed the hazardous mission of guiding medical corpsmen through sniper-infested territory to enable them to care for fourteen casualties, and thereby helped save the lives of the wounded. In a fierce engagement at Lemberg, he and other members of his platoon valiantly repelled three determined hostile counterattacks until a numerically superior force with overwhelming fire power from flak-wagons completely encircled his platoon's positions. Next of kin: Loretta Brunker (Mother), 914 Grand Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin.

HAROLD R. JACOBSON, 17148916, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 9 December 1944, in Eastern France. Advancing with leading infantry elements throughout the difficult Vosges Mountains and Maginot Line campaigns, Private Jacobson distinguished himself by bravely performing his duties as rifleman. At Les Quevelles, he successfully proceeded through terrain under constant fire from snipers not yet cleared from the area to deliver equipment which enabled the forward observer to resume delivery of artillery fire on hostile installations. At Lemberg, he and others courageously repulsed three strong enemy counterattacks with heavy casualties until their positions were completely encircled by a large force of hostile troops supported by flak-wagon fire. Next of kin: Lillian M. Jacobson (Mother), 3212 Myrtle Avenue, Omaha, Nebraska.

JOSEPH F. WEISS, 42107743, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 9 December 1944, in Eastern France. Displaying great courage under heavy enemy fire, Private Weiss participated in numerous successful assaults on hostile strongpoints of the Maginot Line. At Les Quevelles, he and others traversed four miles of enemy-infested terrain, constantly hampered by sniper fire, to bring aid men to care for fourteen casualties, and also delivered radio equipment to enable delivery of artillery fire on hostile targets impeding the infantry's advance. During the bitter battle for Lemberg, he heroically assisted in repulsing three strong enemy counterattacks until his platoon's positions were overrun by an overwhelming force of hostile troops supported by flak-wagons. Next of kin: Johanna Weiss (Mother), 338 Terrace Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey.

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SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

JOSEPH T. CADDEN, 01319260, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Puberg, France. When a strong enemy counterattack threatened to break through his company's thinly-held defensive line, Lieutenant Cadden immediately assumed command of the machine gun section assigned to defend the endangered position and directed its fire on hostile targets. After it became apparent that the weapon had to be moved to render more effective support, he advanced in the face of intense small arms and mortar fire, located a vantage point, and directed his men in placing their weapon in action, and thereby repulsed the hostile attack with at least nine killed and four captured. Entered military service from East Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM H. DINNING, 01314456, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 February 1945, in the vicinity of Urbach, France. Assigned the task of silencing two hostile machine guns located behind the enemy's main line of resistance, Lieutenant Dinning led a twenty-man patrol through German lines without detection and deployed his men to the rear of the machine guns in preparation for the assault. Discovered at this point and subjected to heavy machine gun and automatic rifle fire, he nevertheless aggressively led his men forward in the face of the deadly enemy fire and stormed the two emplacements, succeeding in killing eight members of the gun crews and destroying the weapons, thereby accomplishing his hazardous mission. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

ROBERT E. LEE, 34497070, Technical Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Soucht, France. While advancing in the rear of rifle units, Sergeant Lee's machine gun section encountered an enemy ambush and was subjected to crossfire from automatic weapons. Alert to the imminent danger of capture or annihilation of his unit, Sergeant Lee crawled forward under fire to reconnoiter, then advanced his men to a position from which they were able to engage the enemy. Skillfully directing his section in an action in which both our own and opposing forces suffered heavy casualties, he ultimately forced the enemy to abandon its positions and withdraw. Entered military service from Memphis, Tennessee.

ABRAHAM DEEB, 33088434, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During attacks upon strongly-defended fortifications of the enemy-held Maginot Line, Sergeant Deeb skillfully and courageously led his squad in an assault upon a hostile pillbox. Advancing under heavy small arms and automatic weapons fire, he personally crawled far forward of his comrades to eliminate an entrenched enemy rifleman, killing the hostile soldier with a single shot, and so effectively deployed and directed his unit that the objective was seized without a single casualty to the squad. Entered military service from Masontown, Pennsylvania.

J. D. MAUNEY, 7007797, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. When his machine gun section was attached to a rifle company, Sergeant Mauney, section leader, strategically placed his men in an advanced position overlooking a draw three hundred yards to the front of our infantry. As a result of his foresight, when a hostile force of one hundred men launched the expected attack, Sergeant Mauney's men holding their fire until the enemy was at close range, were able to deliver fire of such volume and destructiveness that the enemy attack was repelled with forty Germans killed and fourteen captured. Entered military service from Charlotte, North Carolina.

NIILLO J. S. PAHIKAINEN, 31103804, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Upon learning that the enemy was forming for a counterattack on the company's flank, Sergeant Pahlkainen, rifleman, volunteered to guide reinforcements across terrain under enemy observation and fire to establish positions to repulse the expected assault. Acting as both a scout and a guide, he frequently halted his men and moved forward alone under heavy enemy fire to reconnoiter desirable approaches to his objective. As a result of his initiative and leadership, his men

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were safely directed to strategic positions from where they were able to repel the subsequent enemy attack with heavy losses. Entered military service from Canterbury, Connecticut.

WILLIAM H. DITTO, 38421818, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. While Sergeant Ditto's platoon was posted within a building in Rimling to halt attempts of the enemy to penetrate our lines, a hostile attack in strength was launched against the position. Seizing an automatic rifle, Sergeant Ditto courageously exposed himself in the doorway of the structure and, delivering a steady stream of fire into the ranks of the attackers, killed at least ten of the enemy and afforded his comrades an opportunity to take up defensive positions and repel the assault. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

WILLIAM C. GOODNIGHT, 34591538, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 23 February 1945, in Eastern France. Efficiently leading his pioneer squad throughout this period, Sergeant Goodnight contributed greatly to the support of combat rifle companies. Working at night near Fermes Du Chateau, he and four men cleared a supply route of all hostile mines, and on the road to St. Remy, twelve Teller mines, several booby traps and a hostile roadblock were removed in the face of active artillery and mortar fire, thereby making possible prompt supply of food and ammunition for the infantry. At Glassemberg, he and his men installed concertinas under constant sniper fire and as a result strengthened the battalion's defensive positions. Entered military service from Salisbury, North Carolina.

WILLIE M. MEADOWS, 34591177, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 17 December 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitch, France. Displaying great courage in the performance of his duties during these four days of heavy fighting for Forts Freudenberg and Schiesseck, Sergeant Meadows moved forward with the leading elements of his rifle company, and, firing his automatic rifle with great accuracy and destructiveness, inflicted numerous casualties on the enemy. Advancing in the face of intense small arms, mortar and artillery fire, explosions of which twice threw him to the ground, he nevertheless constantly exposed himself to place his automatic weapon in position to deliver the most effective fire, and thereby contributed greatly to the success of his unit's mission. Entered military service from Mooresville, North Carolina.

RUSSELL J. SAINZ, 37612339, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 November 1944, in the vicinity of Moyenmoutier, France. When the advance of his company was halted by fire from several enemy machine guns located in a fortified farm house Sergeant Sainz, acting on his own volition, made his way forward across an open field and in full view of the hostile gunners until he reached a position only twenty-five yards away from the building. Then adjusting a grenade adaptor to his weapon he fired several fragmentation type grenades through the front windows killing four Germans and effectively silencing the automatic weapons. His personal courage and aggressiveness enabled our forces to occupy this fortification without a single casualty and then continued their advance. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

CHARLES E. WEAVER, 33501890, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Guising, France. In the bitterly-contested attack upon Hill 370, Sergeant Weaver displayed outstanding personal courage and devotion to duty in the direction of his machine gun squad. Leading his men forward under artillery, mortar, rocket and tank fire to a position affording an excellent field of fire, he then advanced alone to an exposed vantage point from which he selected targets and directed the fire of his gunners. His aggressiveness and tactical skill thus enabled his unit to provide effective supporting fire for attacking riflemen. Entered military service from Annville, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH E. HADIK, 32483070, Corporal, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 November 1944, in the vicinity of Les Plaines, France. Ambushed by ten Germans armed with burp guns, Corporal Hadik and an officer swiftly took up firing stations to support the withdrawal of two men removing the other member of their party who had been wounded by the initial enemy fire. Firing rapidly from an exposed position, they warded off the enemy and covered the evacuation.

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Threatened by a hostile flanking maneuver, they slowly retired, taking advantage of all possible cover, and later returned with reinforcements and helped disperse the enemy force with one killed, several wounded and two taken prisoner. Entered military service from Atlantic City, New Jersey.

DWIGHT L. SAWYER, JR., 19133616, Corporal (then Private First Class), 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 9 November 1944 to 19 February 1945, in Eastern France. Throughout the hazardous Vosges Mountains and Maginot Line campaigns Corporal Sawyer skillfully and courageously performed his duties as a scout for his Intelligence and Reconnaissance Platoon, and later as assistant squad leader. On one occasion, when his regimental commander was wounded by a shell fragment at a forward outpost, he swiftly administered first aid and then promptly organized his evacuation to the battalion aid station. Always moving forward with the most advanced elements of the infantry under heavy fire, he was able to furnish vital information on enemy dispositions and emplacement. Entered military service from Mojave, California.

ARTHUR J. HUSTON, JR., 32655801, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 8 November 1944 to 13 January 1945, in Eastern France. As driver of a medical vehicle and as aid man attached to an infantry company, Corporal Huston has displayed initiative and courage in the discharge of his duties. On 8 November, in the vicinity of St. Remy, he drove his vehicle over unfamiliar terrain in total darkness to evacuate seriously wounded men, and during the action near Neufmaisons he again drove through rain, snow and sleet over sniper-infested routes to evacuate casualties. On 9 December, as company aid man, he maintained an all-night vigil in caring for severely injured personnel whose evacuation was impossible. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

SAMUEL C. WORLEY, 33132459, Technician Fifth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 January 1945 to 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Corporal Worley, leader of a communications team, performed courageously under heavy enemy fire in maintaining continuous wire contact during a crucial period in the battle for Rimling. On 3 January, particularly exposed terrain enabled the enemy to place accurate fire which repeatedly severed our lines. Creeping and crawling across areas subjected to hostile observation and unmindful of shells falling all about him, he located and repaired each of five breaks, and, as a result of his brave performance, enabled placement of effective artillery fire which helped repel numerous hostile counterattacks with heavy losses. Entered military service from Glenwilton, Virginia.

SECTION III --- AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE

By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Section I, Circular Number 345, War Department, 23 August 1944, The Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the Service Battery, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for superior performance of duty and the achievement of a high standard of discipline during the period from 20 October 1944 to 29 March 1945.

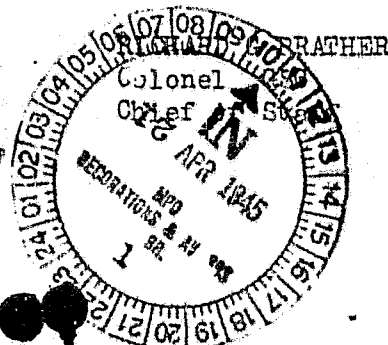
By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Section I, Circular Number 345, War Department, 23 August 1944, The Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the Headquarters and Service Company, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, for superior performance of duty and the achievement of a high standard of discipline during the period 1 November 1944 to 29 March 1945.

By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Section I, Circular Number 345, War Department, 23 August 1944, The Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the 800th Ordnance Company, for superior performance of duty and the achievement of a high standard of discipline during the period 1 November 1944 to 29 March 1945.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is posthumously awarded to the following named individual for gallantry in action:

FRANCIS E. VADASZ, 35927244, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Spitzberg, France. While Private Vadasz was engaged in establishing a wire line from the company command post to forward elements of our forces, a determined counterattack was launched by the enemy. Immediately taking part in the defensive action, Private Vadasz killed five hostile soldiers who had infiltrated through our lines. After the repulse of the attackers, he completed the installation of the communications line under heavy artillery bombardment and thus made possible the direction of supporting artillery and mortar fire which turned back a subsequent enemy attack with heavy losses. Private Vadasz was fatally wounded during the action. Next of kin: Helen Vadasz (mother), Route Number Two, Hartville, Ohio.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

WILLIAM D. WARREN, 12211971, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 22 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. After enemy machine gun fire halted his company just short of its objective, Private Warren's squad was assigned the dangerous mission of destroying the enemy emplacement. His squad had moved only a short distance when a volley of fire wounded three men, including his squad leader. Instantly assuming command, Private Warren moved his men into a defiladed position, and organized their fire to cover him as he crawled forward until he reached a point only thirty yards from the enemy. He then threw two grenades into the installation, killing two Germans and destroying the machine gun. His gallant action permitted the company to resume its advance and reflected great credit on himself. Entered military service from Camden, New Jersey.

HERBERT E. MANNING, 39145981, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Assigned the hazardous mission of covering the withdrawal of his company after its initial attack on Fort Freudenberg, Private Manning, an automatic rifleman, took a position on top of a slight rise from where he could command a large field of fire but which left him exposed to enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. He nevertheless remained at his post firing his weapon accurately succeeding in warding off the enemy, killing at least two and wounding several others, and thereby prevented the enemy from launching a counterattack. Entered military service from Lakeport, California.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

LAURICE R. MESSERLI, 37583543, Private First Class, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Mitchell, South Dakota.

JOHN C. WRIGHT, JR., 33849836, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 24 February 1945. Entered military service from Marion, Virginia.

ALBERT T. KLETT, 37583509, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Jamestown, North Dakota.

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EDWARD METCALF, 32654351, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Astoria, Long Island, New York.
ROSCOE R. BASINGER, 34592712, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Salisbury, North Carolina.

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-1.5, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France:

JAMES W. O'NEAL, 01105073, Major, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 16 March 1945. Entered military service from Chatanooga, Tennessee.
FRED W. SPIEGELBERG, 0528964, Captain, 398th Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945. Entered military service from Prescott, Washington.
ROBERT W. SANSER, 02007182, Second Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 23 March 1945. Entered military service from Mt. Rainier, Maryland.
CHARLES KATZ, W2109524, Chief Warrant Officer, 398th Infantry Regiment, 18 March 1945. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.
MELVIN M. JOHNSON, 6266200, First Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 13 March 1945. Entered military service from Abilene, Texas.
MIKE H. RILEY, 6700997, Technical Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, 18 March 1945. Entered military service from Whitehall, New York.
LUDWIG LESCH, 35000394, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.
Free by 40192-5 8/4/45 WILLIAM TROSPER, JR., 20344386, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 20 November, 1944. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.
GEORGE C. BLAKE, 32597220, Technician Fourth Grade, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from E. Orange, New Jersey.
WILLIE J. LULLERS, 38487495, Technician Fourth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Alexandria, Louisiana.
LESTER J. BROWN, 32015959, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.
RICHARD V. EARL, 32305722, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Rutherford, New Jersey.
WALLACE W. RING, 17140731, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 17 March 1945. Entered military service from Ithaca, Minnesota.
CLIFFORD E. SULLIVAN, JR., 31235178, Sergeant, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 17 March 1945. Entered military service from Dorchester, Massachusetts.
rec by 3077 6/4/45 ~~FRED B. HART, 32483765, Technician Fifth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Fenilston, New Jersey.~~
CARLOS M. JACOTT, 39859905, Technician Fifth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Miami, Arizona.
BURTON E. KYLIAN, JR., 42003908, Technician Fifth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.
GLENN R. LEWIS, 12081441, Corporal, 398th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.
FREDERICK D. HOOK, 33871622, Corporal, 399th Infantry Regiment, 18 March 1945. Entered military service from Steelton, Pennsylvania.
DONALD N. EBERY, 36886452, Corporal, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Breckenridge, Michigan.
STANLEY J. HELMICKI, 32027950, Corporal, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, 4 January, 1945. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.
HUBER E. FUGATE, 37533605, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 13 March 1945. Entered military service from Oswego, Kansas.
JOHN H. IONE, 37590995, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 7 March 1945. Entered military service from Litchfield, Minnesota.
JOSEPH A. RUDOLPH, 33426936, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 8 February 1945. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
HAROLD GUNBY, 38513886, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 9 March 1945. Entered military service from Wichita Falls, Texas.
GEORGE E. COLL, 35757195, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945. Entered military service from Martinsburg, West Virginia.
RUDOLPH S. SHARAR, 39615993, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 18 March 1945. Entered military service from Great Falls, Montana.
THOMAS DE SLONIS, 35559387, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

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- JOHN H. FOSTER, 20448357, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Woodstock, Georgia.
- JULIUS RUBINSTEIN, 32960996, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.
- MARILET S. SCYPHERS, 33662114, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Holston, Virginia.
- ROSCOE V. SMITH, 35081584, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Boyd, Kentucky.
- JOSEPH F. CLUCK, 33046226, Private First Class, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 20 March 1945. Entered military service from Meyers Cave, Virginia.
- JAMES J. MOYER, 20327065, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, 8 December 1944. Entered military service from Lewisburg, Pennsylvania.
- RAJIBO YBARRA, 38438521, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 24 November 1944. Entered military service from El Paso, Texas.
- ROBERT A. DORSETT, 35693700, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from North Vernon, Indiana.
- GORDON F. VAN BELLINGER, 36809017, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945. Entered military service from Green Bay, Wisconsin.
- JULIUS SHOCKO, 36195091, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 5 December 1944. Entered military service from Charlevoix, Michigan.
- LILLIE G. HINSON, 44016507, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 13 March 1945. Entered military service from Marshville, North Carolina.
- HERBERT L. BORNSTEIN, 31235196, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Dorchester, Massachusetts.
- WARREN J. ALLISON, 32692335, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Jamaica, New York.
- HAROLD L. LAWLESS, 35780280, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 November 1944. Entered military service from McComas, West Virginia.
- HAROLD J. JINKS, 34235880, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Olla, Louisiana.
- NICHOLAS P. C... 39074523, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 4 January 1945. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.
- JAMES H. BURCH, 3575, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945. Entered military service from Weathersby, Mississippi.
- PETER S. SERENO, 32847357, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Oswego, New York.
- ALBERT J. KUNTZ, 34925000, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, 17 March 1945. Entered military service from Olive Branch, Mississippi.
- IRVING A. GOESCHEL, 36984714, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.
- DONALD L. BOWKER, 36644830, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.
- MICHAEL J. DUKE, 32651351, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 12 November 1944. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.
- ROY W. SINUFIELD, 34811323, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 10 December 1944. Entered military service from New Brockton, Alabama.
- IVAN W. DAWLEY, JR., 35843103, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 17 March 1945. Entered military service from Nelsonville, Ohio.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

FRANKLIN J. HERRMANN, JR., 33561450, Corporal, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Hagerstown, Maryland.

NORMAN DIETZ, 33592371, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

For heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Hanning their posts at midnight as guards at an antitank gun position, Private Dietz and Corporal Herrmann shortly observed hostile infantry infiltrating past their position in an attack upon Rimling. Without regard for heavy small arms and automatic weapons fire from the enemy and concentrations of mortar and artillery shells falling in the area, the two enlisted men immediately opened fire upon the opposing troops and continued to engage the enemy throughout the night. On one occasion, during a temporary lull in the action, Private Dietz left the security of his fox hole and, while Corporal Herrmann covered his advance, succeeded in taking two prisoners who were kept captive in the fox hole until morning.

LUTHER B. BARLOW, 34637059, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During the initial attacks on Forts Freudenberg and Schiesseck, Private Barlow courageously advanced with the leading riflemen under heavy enemy fire and assaulted several hostile pillboxes. Forced to withdraw because of heavy shelling, automatic weapons and small arms fire, his platoon suffered many casualties. Although the area in which the wounded lay was under constant fire, Private Barlow, of his own volition, aided in their removal, returning to the area time and again, risking his life, until all personnel were safely evacuated. His heroic performance speeded the rendering of first aid and thereby saved the lives of many of his comrades. Entered military service from Hazel Hurst, Mississippi.

LOUIS A. COLUNGA, 39707568, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Colton, California.

JACK A. HERRMANN, 38607828, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Amarillo, Texas.

GARNIE C. WALKER, 34261643, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Blue Ridge, Georgia.

For heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. While returning from a reconnaissance of enemy forces near Hottviller, the patrol of which these men were members was halted by sudden enemy machine gun fire. Realizing the entire group was in danger of capture, these three men volunteered to cover the withdrawal of the others. Moving from one position to another, and firing several shots from their rifles and submachine gun at each point to give the enemy the impression they faced a much larger force, these men bravely held back the enemy for over half an hour and then withdrew themselves, thereby enabling the entire patrol to return safely and report the information obtained.

DANIEL E. DELL, 13146437, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. When his company was on the line of departure for the attack on Forts Freudenberg and Schiesseck, they were under constant enemy observation and fire from artillery and mortars. On four occasions, with disregard for personal safety, Private Dell, a rifleman, crawled from the cover of his fox hole to administer first aid to wounded men and evacuate them. By his heroic actions he materially contributed to saving the lives of his comrades. Entered military service from Altoona, Pennsylvania.

RICHARD P. DRURY, 31455343, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. During the bitterly-fought action in defense of Rimling, Private Drury's platoon, while occupying positions within the town, was subjected to a determined enemy attack. Running upstairs to the attic of the building in which he was posted, Private

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Drury hacked a firing slit in the roof, engaged the enemy, and with accurate fire killed five of the attackers. Although subjected to intense automatic weapons fire, he maintained his position, delivering an effective volume of fire upon the opposing troops and warning his platoon leader of each approach of enemy forces. Entered military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

DONALD L. DYKE, 16175194, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, France. While advancing as scout on his company's left flank during its attack on Neufmaisons, Private Dyke was seriously wounded by enemy fire but refused to be evacuated despite intense pain and the continuing enemy action. Taking a prone position, he delivered a steady stream of fire which inflicted many casualties on the enemy, maintaining his position until a member of his platoon was able to relieve him. His courageous devotion to duty in refusing evacuation, kept his squad formation intact and helped secure the company flank. Entered military service from Fulton, Illinois.

RONALD R. FETT, 17084557, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 13 November 1944 to 3 February 1945, in Eastern France. As first scout, Private Fett has rendered inestimable service to his unit in the many actions in which it has engaged during this period. On 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neufmaisons, he participated in a reconnaissance patrol behind enemy lines, obtaining accurate information of hostile strength and ascertaining the exact location of installations which as a result were destroyed by artillery fire. On 6 January he again acted as scout of a combat patrol which passed through enemy lines and reconnoitered the town of Schorbach, and on 14 January he once more took part in a patrol, securing information of hostile disposition and strength near Freudenberg Farms. Entered military service from Judson, North Dakota.

JOHN D. FOSTER, JR., 35555903, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bltche, France. During attacks upon enemy-held fortifications of the Maginot Line, Private Foster's squad was assigned the extremely hazardous mission of seizing a concrete pillbox housing a hostile machine gun. Moving forward alone to reconnoiter the most advantageous route of attack, Private Foster, despite direct fire from eighty-eight millimeter guns and the ever-present danger of mines, succeeded in advancing to within a few yards of the fortification. Inspired by his aggressiveness and daring, other members of the squad quickly followed his lead, and after a brief exchange of fire the objective was seized without casualty to our troops. Entered military service from Bryan, Ohio.

JESSE H. GILLMORE, 36947793, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 February 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. Upon learning that a seriously wounded soldier had fallen two hundred yards to the front, Private Gillmore, disregarding the steady rain of mortar shells in the area, crept forward through barbed wire entanglements and around concrete tank obstacles, reached the casualty, and swiftly and efficiently administered first aid despite exposure to sniper fire. His example of personal bravery inspired others to follow him, and with their assistance, he evacuated the injured soldier, thereby saving his life. Entered military service from Cordel, Georgia.

PAUL J. GLOBIG, 35248236, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 February 1945, in the vicinity of Urbach, France. When crossfire from hostile machine guns separated Private Globig and a comrade from other members of their raiding party, the two enlisted men crawled forward to within grenade range of one of the hostile weapons and succeeded in silencing the enemy position by means of accurately placed hand grenades. While subsequently attempting to rejoin his squad, Private Globig inadvertently detonated a hostile mine and received a serious injury, but was safely evacuated by his companion and other members of the party. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

HARVEY GURLEN, 42064163, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 February 1945, in the vicinity of Glasseberg, France. Acting as an observer in a fox hole well forward of his platoon's positions

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near Glasseberg, Private Gurien, a rifleman, rendered his company valuable aid by directing effective mortar and artillery fire on hostile targets. Although drawing heavy enemy fire on his own station, he courageously remained at his post accurately reporting and adjusting fire, until seriously wounded by shell fragments. His brave performance under fire repeatedly forced the enemy to change its automatic weapon and mortar emplacements, and thereby contributed to achievement of his unit's mission. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

GORDON B. HOWELL, 38686631, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. The combat patrol of which Private Howell was a member had been assigned the mission of silencing an enemy machine gun and had advanced to within twenty-five yards of its objective when the enemy opened fire and immobilized our forces. Realizing that a frontal assault would prove extremely costly, Private Howell placed a grenade launcher upon his rifle and from an exposed position discharged grenades toward the hostile weapon. His third grenade killed the enemy gunner and his assistant and dispersed in confusion the six riflemen who had been guarding the emplacement, thus enabling the patrol to accomplish its mission without a casualty. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

ROBERT M. HOWINGTON, 38682633, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of Les Quevelles, France. Unaware that a projected attack had been cancelled, a rifle platoon advanced into enemy territory and, unsupported, was in immediate danger of annihilation when Private Howington, a member of a machine gun squad, volunteered to recall the advancing unit. Twice forced to circle groups of hostile soldiers, and subsequently moving across an open field under direct enemy observation, he eventually succeeded in reaching the platoon before it was hopelessly encircled behind enemy lines, and then led the troops safely back to friendly positions. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

THOMAS B. HURST, 35072042, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. When his squad was given the mission of ascertaining whether the enemy still occupied a pillbox, Private Hurst, as first scout, carefully selected a covered route and led his squad forward until further movement was impossible without exposure to enemy fire. He then advanced alone to draw fire from the enemy, and after his men returned the fire and forced the closing of the pillbox embrasures, he again moved up drawing a greater volume of fire. When the squad drew back to report their findings, Private Hurst bravely remained behind and covered their withdrawal, enabling successful accomplishment of the mission. Entered military service from Marion, Ohio.

RAYMOND D. KELLEY, JR., 38691893, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 17 December 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. During this engagement, Private Kelley advanced with his company through barbed wire entanglements on which the enemy placed artillery, mortar and small arms fire, to storm and capture several hostile pillboxes. Finding himself cut off from his company at one time, and faced with possible capture, Private Kelley, instead of seeking cover, boldly charged the enemy between him and his unit, and by his surprise action killed two and forced the remainder to flee, thereby enabling him to rejoin his comrades. Entered military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

EARL L. KENT, 19131874, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. Holding his fire until an enemy force of an estimated one hundred men had approached to within two hundred yards of the outpost which he and three companions were manning, Private Kent then engaged the enemy with accurate and devastating fire from his automatic rifle, thus delaying and confusing the attackers. After the assault was ultimately repulsed, Private Kent and other members of his platoon advanced toward a wooded area wherein the opposing troops had taken refuge, routed the hostile force and secured fourteen prisoners. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

CHARLES S. KIMBLER, 35806500, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Spitzberg, France. While manning a defensive position in our forward lines, Private Kimbler observed a

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four-man enemy patrol infiltrating toward the company command post. Leaving the comparative security of his fox hole, he crawled forward and with accurate fire killed all members of the hostile force, thus alone and unassisted eliminating a serious threat to the command post. Entered military service from Ashland, Kentucky.

DOUGLAS J. KOY, 38547622, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. During the ten-hour attack upon Hill 370, Private Koy as platoon runner in an assault company was subjected to almost constant artillery, mortar, rocket and tank fire which inflicted numerous casualties on our forces. Throughout the entire day, at great risk to his own life, he carried messages from the platoon leader to the company command post and within the widely-deployed platoon itself. Lacking any protection whatever from hostile shells falling in the area, he carried out his duties courageously and aggressively, and was directly responsible for the excellent contact maintained between elements of his platoon. Entered military service from Bellville, Texas.

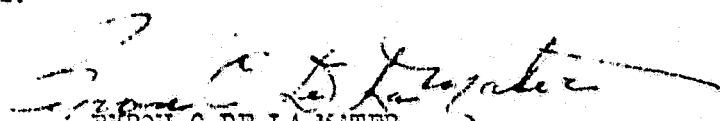
JOHN MOORE, 16175506, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of Plaine, France. Private Moore was second gunner in his heavy machine gun squad attached to a rifle company in an approach march. The company was suddenly brought under intense mortar and machine gun fire. Private Moore and the first gunner advanced through the rifle company and setting up their gun, in an exposed position, delivered fire on the enemy machine gun nest, killing three and knocking out the position enabling the company to continue on to its objective. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

LAMAR H. MOORE, 34636903, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Freyel, France. During an advance upon an enemy-held village, Private Moore, a scout, was approaching a building when he was suddenly subjected to fire from a hostile machine gun within the structure. Uncertain of the exact location of the weapon and exposing himself in a hazardous attempt to draw additional fire which would reveal its position, Private Moore ultimately succeeded in advancing to within a few yards of the building, discovered the emplacement, then returned to inform his commanding officer of the situation. He subsequently led a squad forward by a covered route and thus enabled our troops to seize the position without casualty. Entered military service from Grenada, Mississippi.

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Award of Bronze Star Medal, Missing in Action..... I
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SECTION I -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals, missing in action:

ROBERT W. HAKALA, 01318735, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 December 1944 and 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Leading advance elements of his company forward under cover of the pre-dawn darkness, Lieutenant Hakala advanced three hundred yards over open ground, passed through enemy trenches and occupied a building on the outskirts of the fortified, enemy-held town of Bitche. Under direct sniping fire from the hostile trenches and adjacent buildings, he drove a superior force of enemy soldiers from the vicinity, captured two prisoners, established wire communications, and made the position secure for occupation by the remainder of the company. On 1 January, after skillfully directing his fourteen-man platoon in the execution of a flank attack against superior forces, thus relieving an encircled unit, Lieutenant Hakala and his entire platoon were themselves surrounded and became missing in action. Next of kin: Laura L. Hakala (Wife), 2016 South Saint Aubin Street, Sioux City, Iowa.

FRANK M. SKOKAN, 12030671, Private First Class, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945 and 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Private Skokan was a member of an artillery forward observer party and was responsible for the maintaining of both wire and radio communications. When the infantry company to which his party was attached withdrew to the town of Rimling, Private Skokan maintained continuous communications despite extremely hazardous conditions, exposing himself to artillery, mortar and small arms fire. In maintaining this vital communication, Private Skokan was instrumental in delivering the artillery fire that beat off numerous enemy attacks on the town, and was still performing this vital mission when his position was finally surrounded and cut off by an infiltrating enemy force. Next of kin: Julia M Skokan (Wife), 1592 University Avenue, Bronx, New York.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

JOSEPH A. MAJESKI, 01300188, Captain, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Upon accomplishing the forward movement of his mobile reserve rifle and weapons platoons with admirable efficiency, Captain Majeski personally led his men in repulsing three strong enemy attacks directed at the battalion's extreme right flank, skillfully employing his men and weapons to repel superior forces, he maintained tight control of his men and organized a stubborn rear guard action which prevented an enemy breakthrough and permitted the battalion time to secure new defensive positions. Entered military service from Chelsea, Massachusetts.

IRVING J. NICKERSON, 42107195, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. While Sergeant Nickerson's company was engaged in preparing defensive entrenchments, harassing sniper fire from a wooded area threatened to inflict numerous casualties upon our troops. Volunteering to advance into the woods and draw fire which would reveal the sniper's position, Sergeant Nickerson moved forward in the approximate direction of the hostile rifleman until he was eventually fired upon, and thus at great risk to his own life enabled his comrades to open fire with automatic weapons trained upon the position and kill the sniper. Entered military service from Wellsville, New York.

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EUGENIE A. BAHR, 37575672, Technician Fifth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

REX R. STEVENS, 37736899, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Kearney, Nebraska.

For heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945, in the vicinity of Gare de RohrBach, France. While guarding a roadblock, Corporal Bahr and Private Stevens observed an enemy vehicle approaching at a high rate of speed. Immediately opening fire, the two enlisted men forced the occupants to abandon their vehicle and take cover in an adjacent wooded area, where the deep ruts left by a tank afforded protection. Unable to dislodge the three hostile soldiers with rifle fire, Corporal Bahr and Private Stevens courageously left their own sheltered position, advanced on the enemy and took them prisoner.

DONALD A. BALTER, 19140515, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Sacramento, California.

AUGUST A. LAUZON, 36959639, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

For heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. While engaged in the performance of their assigned duties as wiremen, Privates Balter and Lauzon learned of the existence of an unmanned machine gun with ammunition at a position some two hundred yards distant. Of their own volition, the two communications men left the protection of the building in which they had found shelter, proceeded at great risk to their own lives along a route covered by accurate enemy rifle fire, located the weapon and returned with it by the same hazardous route to the battalion command post, where the machine gun contributed greatly to the defense of the position.

CHARLES R. ERDMAN, 33890377, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. After participating in bitterly-fought and successful attacks upon enemy-held fortifications of the Maginot Line, Private Erdman was occupying a defensive entrenchment when a counterattack in strength was launched against our lines and the automatic rifleman next to him wounded. Aware that the automatic weapon with its greater firepower was an important factor against this enemy action, Private Erdman left his own fox hole to crawl to that of the wounded soldier, put the automatic rifle into action, and contributed materially to the repulse of the attackers. Administering aid to the wounded man during a lull in the fighting, he then helped to throw back still a second hostile attack. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

NELSON H. IRELAND, 33904178, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

JAMES D. REMBERT, 14200573, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Orangeburg, South Carolina.

For heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945 and 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Firing their light machine gun and rifle at point blank range, Privates Ireland and Rembert courageously repulsed the enemy who were assaulting in waves of thirty and forty men supported by tanks. Although their positions were subjected to intense artillery bombardment after the hostile forces withdrew, these men staunchly held their posts and with accurate fire repelled another frontal assault when the enemy renewed its attack after the artillery preparation. In this manner they beat back seven subsequent hostile attempts to overrun their positions throughout the night, and thereby prevented German entrance into Rimling at this section of the town.

FERDINAND PICOLA, 6147670, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Private Picola, as wireman for Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, aided greatly in repulsing the continual enemy attacks against Rimling, by servicing essential wire lines between the forward CP in Rimling and the rear CP in Guising. Operating under constant enemy artillery fire, Private Picola on many occasions repaired that vital wire line. On 3 January 1945, he was subjected to sniper fire and although forced to take cover for a short period of time, he took advantage of a diversionary artillery barrage, ran to a point where the sniper could not see him, and continued to repair the wire. Entered military service from Lowell Massachusetts.

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RAYMOND RAMEY, 35806535, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Alt Schmelz, France. During the fierce fighting against strong enemy positions near Alt Schmelz in which heavy artillery and rocket fire repeatedly severed the single wire line linking his company command post to battalion headquarters, Private Ramey distinguished himself by swiftly repairing numerous breaks and maintaining communications. At one time, faced with an imminent counterattack and completely disregarding the danger of death or capture from snipers who had infiltrated our lines, he went out alone and rapidly spliced a wire, and by his heroic performance under fire, permitted resumption of artillery fire which effectively dispersed the subsequent enemy attack. Entered military service from Batavia, Ohio.

LOUIS F. RATH, 6558320, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 January 1945 to 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. During the bitterly-fought action in defense of Rimling, Private Rath discharged his duties of maintaining vital wire communications with exemplary courage and aggressiveness. As intense enemy shelling time and again severed wire lines, Private Rath repeatedly left his position to advance under mortar and artillery fire in order to locate and repair breaks in the wire, and by the superior performance of his duties contributed markedly to the maintenance of communications between elements of the regiment. Entered military service from Ozone Park, Long Island, New York.

JOHN P. REILLY, 3265676, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 28 February 1945, in Eastern France. As a member of an ammunition and pioneer platoon, Private Reilly discharged hazardous duties in an exemplary manner. Sweeping roads and supply routes for hostile mines in darkness as well as daylight, inspecting buildings for concealed explosives, establishing barbed wire obstacles to the front of our defensive positions and installing and detonating demolition charges to create entrenchments, Private Reilly was on repeated occasions exposed to heavy mortar and artillery shelling and fired upon by snipers time and again. On one occasion, while removing enemy mines from a building, he discovered and immediately made prisoner a hostile soldier. Entered military service from Long Island City, New York.

WILLIAM C. REMIOR, 39472000, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 20 November 1944 to 3 February 1945, in Eastern France. Taking part in the many actions in which his unit has engaged during this period, Private Remior has repeatedly distinguished himself by his conduct under fire. On 22 November, near Neufmaisons, when the combat patrol of which he was a member was halted by hostile automatic fire, Private Remior engaged the enemy with his rocket launcher and silenced the opposing weapon. On 1 January, when fire from an enemy pillbox immobilized our troops, he put his automatic rifle into action despite the intense hostile fire, and with accurate volleys forced the enemy to close the embrasures of the pillbox. Entered military service from Washougal, Washington.

MARVIN J. SAMPLAWSKI, 36841177, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 5 November 1944 to 22 January 1945, in Eastern France. During the bitterly-waged battles for St. Remy, Baccarat, Neufmaisons and other strongpoints of the Maginot Line, Private Samplawski distinguished himself by courageous performance of his duties as rifleman. Near St. Remy, when one of his comrades was severely wounded in both legs by a mine, Private Samplawski rushed into the booby-trapped area to remove his injured comrade, but was himself wounded when another soldier, inadvertently, exploded a second mine. His voluntary and courageous action won the admiration of all members of his unit. Entered military service from Stanley, Wisconsin.

GEORGE W. SISSON, 37008655, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 5 November 1944 to 4 February 1945, in Eastern France. Participating in the engagements in the vicinity of St. Remy, Baccarat, Neufmaisons, Bois de Poitiers, La Touche and Sitche, Private Sisson, a rifleman, distinguished himself by his conduct under enemy fire. On 1 January, when a hostile advance on our west threatened the security of the company command post, Private Sisson contributed materially to the defense of this position against an enemy force superior in numbers and firepower, thus making possible the use of the command post for directing of artillery fire which prevented the encirclement of our troops. Entered military service from Callao, Missouri.

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VELOID E. SMITH, 39926898, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Soucht, France. While carrying a vital message from the company commander to a forward platoon, Private Smith, a runner, was halted by machine gun fire from a hostile ambush. Alert to the imminent danger of capture and aware of the critical importance of his mission, Private Smith exposed himself to enemy fire to run across open terrain and reach high ground overlooking the hostile position. From this vantage point his accurate rifle fire killed the enemy gunner and wounded his assistant, thus silencing the opposing weapon and enabling Private Smith to deliver the message which subsequently prevented isolation of forward elements of our forces. Entered military service from Brigham City, Utah.

ROBERT P. TOMLINSON, 36969563, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. When our positions were attacked by a hostile force of more than one hundred men armed with automatic weapons, Private Tomlinson with three companions was manning an outpost directly in the path of the enemy advance. Holding their fire until the attacking troops were within two hundred yards, Private Tomlinson and his comrades then engaged the enemy and by the infliction of numerous casualties halted the assault. Advancing toward a wooded area wherein the enemy had taken refuge, Private Tomlinson and other members of his platoon completed the rout of the opposing infantry and captured fourteen prisoners. Entered military service from Carbondale, Illinois.

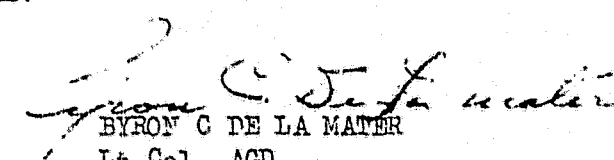
ARTHUR W. TUPPER, 32654609, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 2 November 1944 to 11 December 1944, in Eastern France. Advancing with line companies in the dual role of rifleman and intelligence scout, Private Tupper performed outstandingly in both protecting himself and relaying important information. On many occasions, when he was the only contact with the command post, his transmission of vital data on enemy personnel and installations enabled his battalion commander to make decisions that otherwise would have been impossible. His skillful and courageous activity at all times contributed materially to achievement of his unit's missions. Entered military service from New York, New York.

GEORGE W. WEBB, 11085717, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 December to 19 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Working day and night during the bitter fighting for hostile fortifications near Bitche, Private Webb bravely drove his one-quarter ton truck over a road subjected to direct artillery fire to deliver vitally needed supplies of food and ammunition to his fighting comrades. On one occasion, he voluntarily drove his vehicle forward through an area heavily bombarded by the enemy to reach several casualties in the leading platoon, and despite the continued intensity of enemy action, rendered first aid to the wounded, placed them in his vehicle and safely evacuated them, thereby saving their lives. Entered military service from Rutland, Vermont.

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

Award of Second Oak Leaf Cluster

IRVING L. TVEDT, O1171399, Captain, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 13 February 1945 to 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Newfolden, Minnesota.

ROBERT V. BALES, O1180801, First Lieutenant, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 25 January 1945 to 17 March 1945. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

LLOYD O. BORGES, O1168179, First Lieutenant, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 15 February 1945 to 26 March 1945. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

BASIL L. SEIGNEUR, O1176188, First Lieutenant, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 8 February 1945 to 16 March 1945. Entered military service from Morenci, Michigan.

ROLLAND H. MAW, O532776, Second Lieutenant, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 14 February 1945 to 20 March 1945. Entered military service from Tallassee, Alabama.

RICHARD E. HEMMERLY, 35035203, Staff Sergeant, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 30 January 1945 to 23 March 1945. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

Award of First Oak Leaf Cluster

JOHN J. WALTERS, O1174735, Captain, 100th Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 13 January 1945 to 14 March 1945. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

GLEN A. DUFFAN, O1172842, First Lieutenant, 18th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France, Belgium, and Germany during the period 5 August 1944 to 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Caldwell, Idaho.

KENNETH R. HELMS, O1175737, First Lieutenant, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 28 December 1944 to 17 March 1945. Entered military service from Monroe, North Carolina.

EUGENE THOMAS, O1182281, First Lieutenant, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France during the period 12 January 1945 to 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Peoria, Illinois.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

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FRED B. HART, 32483765, Technician Fifth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Pennington, New Jersey.

ALDEE R. FOGLE, 32576772, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Mechanicville, New York.

STANLEY C. HAWORTH, 37483235, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 2 April 1945. Entered military service from Lexington, Nebraska.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

FREDERICK S. CONLEY, JR., 01295555, Captain, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Cranston, Rhode Island.

WILLIAM R. BOSWORTH, 01295820, First Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Grandville, Michigan.

ANTHONY SCARPITTA, 01533908, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

SYLVESTER J. LUSTICA, 01692624, Second Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

GEORGE T. ARCHER, 6137856, Master Sergeant, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Burlington, Vermont.

GEORGE MYLOFAS, 32644589, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 19 March 1945. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

SPEICER D. HAMER, 16081194, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

ROBERT T. THOMSON, 32308075, Sergeant, 100th Signal Company, 25 March 1945. Entered military service from West New York, New Jersey.

NICHOLAS J. FACCI, 32761755, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 12 November 1944. Entered military service from Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

JESSE E. WEST, 34514484, Technician Fifth Grade, 100th Signal Company, 13 March 1945. Entered military service from Mauldin, South Carolina.

HOMER C. WALL, 34591473, Technician Fifth Grade, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, 3 April 1945. Entered military service from Shelby, North Carolina.

JAMES G. HAJJAR, 31286293, Technician Fifth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment, 23 March 1945. Entered military service from Methuen, Massachusetts.

MICHAEL LOHEWITZ, 33012805, Technician Fifth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment, 23 March 1945. Entered military service from Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania.

ROY L. BAKER, 39053494, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 19 March 1945. Entered military service from Turlock, California.

DONALD B. CANTRELL, 37732017, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Ulysses, Kansas.

HERMAN R. CARLEVALE, 31302197, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Hyde Park, Massachusetts.

PAUL GUEZELIPES, 42061030, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Freeport, New York.

DOYLE K. LASITFR, 38892455, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Wewoka, Oklahoma.

JOHN PARASOLE, 42064813, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

FRANK ZUPATIC, 38245351, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 19 March 1945. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

REYNALDO C. SALLADA, 39001448, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945. Entered military service from Winslow, Arizona.

JAMES T. STOVER, 44035442, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Fairburn, Georgia.

ARLIE J. MOREAU, 31272212, Private First Class, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, 3 April 1945. Entered military service from Sanford, Maine.

WILLIAM W. BARTLEY, 33444901, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, 24 March 1945. Entered military service from New Castle, Pennsylvania.

LEE E. SMITH, 38707224, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, 17 March 1945. Entered military service from Salem, Indiana.

ROBERT P. BOOS, 16178349, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 12 December 1944. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

WALTER J. ZYGANY, 3402899, Private First Class, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, 3 April 1945. Entered military service from Southington, Connecticut.

KUDY P. FURAN, 39182117, Private First Class, 761st Tank Battalion, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Gibson, New Mexico.

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ERNEST A. ROLLINS, 6972303, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Columbus, Georgia.

MOSE FELTYER, JR., 15382004, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 13 November 1944. Entered military service from Butterfly, Kentucky.

JOHN C. WRIGHT, JR., 33849836, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 10 December 1944. Entered military service from Marion, Virginia.

JOSEPH J. SULLIVAN, 33811304, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 2 April 1945. Entered military service from Beechwood, Pennsylvania.

LEE G. JOHNSON, 34497244, Private First Class, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Memphis, Tennessee.

RALPH E. HARVEY, 39215911, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 2 April 1945. Entered military service from Elma, Washington.

FRANCIS H. SCHEFFLE, 33346106, Private, 781st Tank Battalion, 3 April 1945. Entered military service from Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

CHARLEY C. FORESTER, 38637057, Private, 399th Infantry Regiment, 19 March 1945. Entered military service from Water Valley, Arkansas.

JAMES W. MORGAN, 36453516, Private, 399th Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945. Entered military service from Rogers, Texas.

SECTION IV -- RESCISSION OF AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

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So much of Section IV, General Orders Number 76, this headquarters, current series, as awards a Purple Heart to FRED E. FART, 32483765, Technician Fifth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment is rescinded.

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual, missing in action:

✓ VINCENT J. SHEA, 32648079, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. When his company's advance was halted by crossfire from enemy flak guns, automatic weapons and small arms, Private Shea carrying a light machine gun, bravely crawled across open ground swept by enemy fire to a position from which he could fire effectively at a machine gun nest harassing the company's right rear. After putting it out of action with well-placed shots, he directed carbine fire on enemy forces to the front and successfully covered the withdrawal of elements of his platoon to positions with the main body of his company, and then withdrew himself. Next of kin: Mary Shea (Mother), 1851 Greenport Road, Far Rockaway, New York.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

✓ DAVID W. BALLIE, JR., 01311279, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. The platoon under the command of Lieutenant Ballie was assigned the mission of raiding and silencing a hostile machine gun emplacement. Leading his men forward under cover of darkness, Lieutenant Ballie so skillfully deployed his forces that, with the aid of distracting fire, three volunteers were able to approach undetected and hurl grenades into the entrenchment, killing three of the occupants. The fourth member of the hostile crew was killed by Lieutenant Ballie while attempting to escape, and the patrol then secured the enemy weapon and, despite mortar fire, successfully withdrew to our lines. Entered military service from Honolulu, Hawaii.

✓ ROBERT C. HOTH, 0540113, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 February 1945, in the vicinity of Reysersviller, France. Leading a combat patrol into enemy territory, Lieutenant Hoth advanced through heavily-mined and exposed terrain and, together with an enlisted man, surprised and took prisoner the two occupants of an enemy fox hole. Moving forward to a second fox hole, they captured two more hostile infantrymen and repeated the operation at still a third entrenchment, thus securing a total of six prisoners. While returning, the detonation of an enemy mine wounded Lieutenant Hoth, but by his skillful control of the party he succeeded in reaching friendly lines with all of his captives. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

✓ JAMES P. SHIELDS, 01318835, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Voluntarily leaving his customary position at the company command post to lead reserve units into action during an enemy attack, Lieutenant Shields, company executive officer, directed the repulse of repeated waves of attacking troops. A few hours later, when our positions were again threatened, Lieutenant Shields once more led reserves into action, courageously exposing himself to enemy action in directing accurate and effective fire which halted the assault. Subsequently ordered to retire, Lieutenant Shields withdrew his forces intact in the face of heavy automatic weapons fire. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

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VICTOR E. GROSSETTI, 31271950, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Having voluntarily participated in three previous night patrol actions, Sergeant Grossetti again volunteered for a patrol mission in a wooded area harboring an unknown number of hostile troops. Contacting the enemy, the patrol was fired upon from several hostile positions and one member of the group was seriously wounded. Crawling to the side of the wounded man under continuing small arms fire, Sergeant Grossetti administered first aid to his comrade, then, upon culmination of the engagement, assisted in bringing a prisoner back to friendly lines. Entered military service from Torrington, Connecticut.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals, missing in action:

RAYMOND S. HOWARTH, 39919382, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. When a member of an engineer detail was killed at his post beside a road block, Sergeant Howarth volunteered to lead a patrol forward and detonate the charges already installed, thus completing the road block. Although hostile troops in greatly superior numbers were already advancing upon the position and the area was subjected to artillery shelling and crossfire from the automatic weapons of the infiltrating enemy, Sergeant Howarth led his men toward the objective. Two members of the patrol ultimately succeeded in accomplishing the mission, but Sergeant Howarth himself was wounded by mortar fire and subsequently reported as missing in this action. Next of kin: Neohi Howarth (Father), 2737 Center Street, Magna, Utah.

DONALD E. BENNETT, 36737542, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 31 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. When the enemy launched a determined counterattack against his battalion's right flank and rear, Private Bennett, an ammunition bearer, courageously and skillfully performed as a rifleman in protecting an antitank gun position. His accurate marksmanship inflicted many casualties on opposing troops and contributed greatly to repulse of the attack. Later, despite intense enemy automatic and small arms fire directed at him, he delivered a vital message to his platoon leader, and, while returning across open, fire-swept terrain to a company command post, was lost in action. Next of kin: Lucille Bennett (Mother), Route #1, Ashton, Illinois.

KIRBY D. PERRYMAN, 38537518, Private, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. When a member of an engineer combat battalion was killed by hostile fire at his post beside a road block, Private Perryman with three companions volunteered to detonate the charges installed and thus complete the road block. Although artillery was falling in the immediate vicinity and infiltrating enemy groups subjected the area to crossfire from automatic weapons, Private Perryman moved forward and by his accurate delivery of covering fire enabled two of his comrades to complete the mission, but was himself seriously wounded and subsequently reported as missing in action. Next of kin: Christine Perryman (Wife), 1501 West Day Street, Denison, Texas.

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

EVERARD K. MEADE, JR., 025808, Captain, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 8 November 1944 to 10 November 1944, in the vicinity of Reon L'Etape, France. During the critical period in which the company under his command received its baptism of fire, Captain Meade displayed outstanding qualities of leadership and tactical skill. Moving his unit into the line for the first time in darkness and a driving rainstorm, he efficiently directed the consolidation of positions and preparations for an attack, and during the two ensuing days, oblivious of fire from hostile mortars and rockets, continually moved from one fox hole to another, cheering his men and inspiring them by his own confidence and courage. He was seriously wounded by an enemy mine on 10 November 1944. His outstanding courage and aggressiveness have been reflected in the combat success of his company. Entered military service from Boyce, Virginia.

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SALEM K. FLAUM, 0553835, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Reysersviller, France. Lieutenant Flaum, a mortar forward observer, was advancing with an infantry company when our forces were halted by heavy mortar and automatic weapons fire, and subsequently subjected to a determined enemy counter-attack in which the commanding officer of the infantry company became a casualty. Upon his own initiative Lieutenant Flaum immediately assumed command, efficiently deployed his forces to meet the hostile assault, and succeeded in repulsing the enemy. Entered military service from West New York, New Jersey.

ELWOOD H. SHEWELL, 0554359, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. After placing his reserve riflemen and a mortar platoon in strong defensive positions, Lieutenant Shewell directed his men in repelling an enemy attacking in waves of company strength. Exposed to heavy enemy fire, he moved from position to position, giving fire orders which inflicted heavy losses and forced the enemy to withdraw, thereby protecting a vital point in the battalion's defense line. Again when hostile forces renewed their attacks, he directed his men in a fierce fire fight which stopped this persistent attack, inflicting severe losses on the enemy. Entered military service from Walla Walla, Washington.

MOFTIE H. BOERSTLER, 02006115, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. Employing the members of his mortar platoon as riflemen, Lieutenant Boerstler skillfully and courageously led his men into action during the savagely-prosecuted enemy attack on 1 January. Despite repeated attempts to drive the unit from important heights near Bitché, the platoon under Lieutenant Boerstler's direction repulsed successive attacks by hostile forces greatly superior in both numbers and firepower. Inspiring his men by his own disregard for personal safety, Lieutenant Boerstler held the position against all assaults by the enemy until eventually ordered to withdraw. Entered military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

ROY E. SIMMONS, 01692604, Second Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Spitzberg Ridge, France. Crawling forward alone for a distance of seventy-five yards in advance of our line of infantry, Lieutenant Simmons reconnoitered enemy entrenchments and surrounding terrain, then returned to our lines and led his men forward to the positions he had selected. After hurling a smoke grenade in the direction of the enemy to screen the attack, Lieutenant Simmons led a charge upon the hostile positions which resulted in the capture of one enemy officer and sixteen enlisted men. Entered military service from Beebe, Arkansas.

HARRY L. SKINNER, 01998072, Second Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 January 1945, in the vicinity of Urbach, France. Leading a reconnaissance patrol up a draw a thousand yards forward of friendly lines Lieutenant Skinner was subjected to crossfire from hostile machine guns. Ordering his men to a place of safety, he crawled forward under the continuing fire, ascertained the number and location of enemy positions, then led his patrol back to our lines with information which enabled artillery to destroy the enemy emplacements. Entered military service from Pittsburg, Kansas.

JOSEPH T. TUCCILLO, JR., 02010571, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Rosteig, France. Assigned the mission of leading a machine gun section in support of an attacking rifle company, Lieutenant Tuccillo, a machine gun section leader, moved his section forward to emplacements through intense enemy mortar fire, which enabled them to give the best supporting fire to the rifle companies. The heroic and skillful leadership of this machine gun section leader caused a withdrawal of enemy forces and enabled consolidation of our forces on the high ground that was the primary objective of the attacking company. Entered military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

KIRBY H. CATRON, 33645236, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. After a day-long assault upon enemy-held fortifications of the Maginot Line, our forces instituted a withdrawal, and Sergeant Catron remained at a forward position to cover the retirement of his squad. Although he was himself the

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target for intense small arms fire, he delivered a consistent volume of fire upon the hostile troops and thus prevented the launching of a coordinated counterattack. On one occasion, when the enemy attempted to organize such an attack, his accurate fire killed two of the opposing infantrymen and broke up the assault at its inception. Entered military service from Marion, Virginia.

JULIUS DEL MESE, 32084927, Technical Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Reysersviller, France. During an attack on enemy positions over open and hilly terrain near Spitzberg Ridge, Sergeant Del Mese's platoon leader was wounded by hostile mortar fire and the assaulting line of infantrymen wavered in the face of the intense enemy fire. Swiftly assuming command, Sergeant Del Mese rallied his men, reorganized them and displaying great personal courage, led them forward again to storm and take the objective, and in the accomplishment of this, helped capture ninety-nine German prisoners. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

EDWIN C. CUNNINGHAM, 32652126, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Reysersviller, France. During a determined enemy counterattack in strength, Sergeant Cunningham directed his squad's stubborn and unyielding defense of a vital sector for a period of twenty-four hours, successfully repulsing the enemy's almost continuous attempts to infiltrate our lines. When communications were severed by hostile shelling, Sergeant Cunningham advanced alone under mortar and small arms fire to splice the broken wires, and by his able leadership and control of his men made possible the successful maintenance of our positions. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

HARRY HETZER, 33053057, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Sergeant Hetzer volunteered to participate in a combat patrol to operate in a wooded area harboring an unknown number of hostile troops. As forward elements of the patrol were engaged by the enemy, Sergeant Hetzer, acting as rear guard, observed a hostile soldier raising his rifle to fire upon our forces. Quickly opening fire with his own weapon, Sergeant Hetzer wounded the opposing infantryman, who was subsequently taken prisoner. His prompt action prevented infliction of casualties upon his comrades and enabled the patrol to accomplish its mission. Entered military service from Cheltenham, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM T. KELLEHER, 32654931, Technical Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 31 December 1944 and 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During these two days in which strong and numerically superior forces attacked his battalion, Sergeant Kelleher led his heavy machine gun section in a series of gallant rear guard actions which inflicted huge casualties on the enemy and supplied effective fire power to cover the withdrawal of our infantry. Delivering deadly fire on hostile troops, which at one outpost accounted for twenty-six dead Germans, his section moved from position to position to check the advancing enemy, withdrawing under their own fire only when hopelessly outflanked. His tenacity and great personal courage inspired his men to successfully accomplish their delaying mission. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

ARNOLD H. STEVENS, 32597764, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 February 1945, in the vicinity of Reersviller, France. Participating in a mission to divert the enemy's attention from a raiding party to the right of his patrol, Sergeant Stevens led his squad across open fire-swept terrain and up a steep slope towards hostile lines. Upon encountering the main body of German troops, he heroically led his men in engaging the enemy in a fire-fight which successfully covered the activities of the other patrol and permitted it to capture six German prisoners and withdraw in safety to our lines. Entered military service from Cliffside Park, New Jersey.

LAWRENCE O. JOCK, 6879080, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Observing the approach of an enemy patrol of seventeen men, Sergeant Jock alerted his squad, then moved to an observation post to call for artillery fire upon the attacking troops. Waiting until the hostile force was within fifty yards, he directed his men to open fire and with the aid of artillery succeeded in repulsing the assault. A second attack preceded by mortar, rocket and artillery bombardment was similarly thwarted when Sergeant Jock moved to a position from where he directed the fire of his squad upon hostile infantry attempting to infiltrate around his left flank. Sergeant Jock's courageous leadership has been a constant inspiration to his men. Entered military service from Fort Covington, New York.

ELEPH M. LUKER, 34581057, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Observing one enemy officer and three enlisted men dismounting from their troop carrier scarcely twenty yards away, Sergeant Luker seized a Browning Automatic Rifle, and, leaving his fox hole for an exposed position, fired point blank at the hostile force, killing all four. His action drew the attention of the rest of his squad to four other German soldiers heading for his platoon leader's fox hole, and with the combined fire power of Sergeant Luker and his men, these four were killed also. His prompt and courageous action prevented a possible enemy infiltration, thereby eliminating a serious threat to his company's position. Entered military service from Alpine, Alabama.

LOUIS KRENTZMAN, 31338840, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. After voluntarily participating in four successive reconnaissance patrols, Sergeant Krentzman again volunteered to take part in a combat patrol with the mission of securing prisoners. When the enemy was encountered in entrenched positions, Sergeant Krentzman advanced, firing his weapon from the hip, until the hostile troops ceased fire, then remained forward of his comrades to cover the patrol in event of a counterattack while first aid was administered to a seriously wounded man. As a result of the aggressive action of Sergeant Krentzman and his companions, one prisoner was secured and valuable knowledge of enemy dispositions and strength was obtained. Entered military service from Milford, Connecticut.

BENJAMIN A. SKINNER, JR., 14148048, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 1 January 1945 to 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. During repeated enemy attacks in strength, Sergeant Skinner, manning an advanced observation post, time and again crawled forward across an open field under hostile fire to obtain knowledge of enemy movements and activity which proved of great value in repulsing ensuing assaults. On one occasion, he killed six opposing infantrymen with rifle fire, and by his adjustment of artillery contributed materially to the defense of our positions. Repeatedly risking his life to repair severed communication lines and bring supplies to his men, he distinguished himself by his conduct and personal bravery throughout this period. Entered military service from Charlotte, North Carolina.

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HENRY S. DOMBROWSKI, 32195546, Technician Fourth Grade, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 February 1945, in the vicinity of Meyersviller, France. Assigned the hazardous mission of diverting the attention of the enemy to enable a squad two hundred yards to the right to enter hostile lines and capture prisoners, Sergeant Dombrowski, first scout, boldly led his patrol across open terrain and up a steep slope subjected to small arms fire. Upon reaching the main body of the enemy forces he and his men bravely engaged them in a fierce fire fight under cover of which the raiding party surprised hostile troops and captured six prisoners. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JAMES T. WHEELER, 34574179, Technician Fourth Grade, (then Private First Class) Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry, for heroic achievement in action on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Noticing two wounded soldiers of another company lying out in the open and unattended, Sergeant Wheeler, aid man, left the security of his dug-in position and ran to their assistance across terrain under direct enemy fire. Pulling the two men to relative safety behind a wall, he quickly rendered first aid to each, skillfully applying a tourniquet to stop a hemorrhage suffered by one. He remained with the men caring for their injuries and comforting them until litter bearers evacuated them under cover of darkness, and thereby saved their lives. Entered military service from Roswell, Georgia.

SAI F. AMITRANO, 32372741, Corporal, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 January 1945, in the vicinity of Urbach, France. While occupying defensive positions, Corporal Amitrano's company was subjected to enemy artillery and mortar fire, which interrupted repeated efforts to deliver critically-needed rations and supplies. Acting entirely upon his own initiative, Corporal Amitrano, despite the failure of previous attempts, succeeded in bringing food, water and equipment to his unit over icy roads which were shelled by hostile mortars, and by his action contributed materially to the success of his company's defensive mission. Entered military service from Oneonta, New York.

JOHN L. KOEHNE, JR., 11078993, Corporal (then Private First Class), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 1 January 1945 to 5 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. During these five days of continued shelling by hostile mortars, rockets and artillery, Corporal Koehne time and again braved intense hostile fire to bring food and ammunition to his platoon. In the absence of medical personnel, he voluntarily left his position under sniper fire to go to the assistance of wounded men, dressed their wounds and evacuated the more seriously injured. On five different occasions, he located and repaired breaks in vital wire communication lines, and distinguished himself by his aggressive and courageous conduct throughout this action. Entered military service from New York, New York.

EDWARD X. DRISCOLL, 32652238, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Mouterhouse, France. During an attack against hostile forces, two members of the company to which Corporal Driscoll was attached as aid man were wounded by fire from a hostile flak-wagon. Unmindful of the continuing enemy fire, Corporal Driscoll unhesitatingly left the comparative security of his position and crawled to the wounded soldiers, and by his prompt administration of first aid was responsible for saving the lives of the casualties. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

RALPH J. PICARD, 11127820, Technician Fifth Grade, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 31 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During the savagely-prosecuted enemy attack on New Year's eve, Corporal Picard remained at his assigned post throughout the night, affording vital support to the battalion's exposed flank and rear and participating in actions which inflicted heavy losses on the attacking troops. On one occasion, Corporal Picard circled an approaching enemy soldier and took him prisoner, and a few hours later secured a second prisoner when he again intercepted a hostile infantryman. Entered military service from Franklin, New Hampshire.

BOYD R. PIKE, 34263647, Technician Fifth Grade, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Volunteering to operate a flamethrower, Corporal Pike accompanied a twelve-man night patrol assigned the mission of harassing a hostile pillbox. Moving through a heav-

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ily mined area, the patrol was detected forty-five yards from their objective and subjected to automatic and rocket fire. Disregarding the intensity of enemy action, he crawled forward to within twenty feet of the pillbox and blasted the entrance three times with his flame thrower, succeeding in killing one German sentry and probably killing another in a machine gun turret. He then retired under heavy hostile machine gun fire after fulfilling his mission. Entered military service from Tallapoosa, Georgia.

ROBERT H. DOUGLAS, 36841129, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 31 December 1944 and 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Inflicting heavy casualties with rocket and automatic weapon fire during these two days of strong hostile attacks against his battalion's right flank, Private Douglas acted as security for his heavy machine gun outpost. When his section was forced to take up new defensive positions in the face of overwhelming attacks, he remained behind to supply effective covering fire and always was the last to retire and take up a new security station. His determined rear guard action enabled the safe withdrawal of a platoon and helped prevent a breakthrough on the battalion's weakened flank. Entered military service from Kenosha, Wisconsin.

JOHN I. HARLAMON, 11107697, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Although on two previous nights infiltrating enemy patrols had succeeded in surrounding and capturing four soldiers in an adjacent entrenchment, Private Harlamon courageously maintained his position when it was approached by a hostile group in the darkness. Opening fire with his rifle, he singlehandedly dispersed the enemy and then left his fox hole to pursue the fleeing troops. His aggressive action and accurate fire resulted in the killing of two members of the patrol, the wounding of several others, and the complete frustration of the enemy's mission. Entered military service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

DAVID O. LYKINS, 35776022, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Spitzberg, France. Occupying an isolated fox hole guarding a front of fifty yards throughout a night-long enemy counterattack, Private Lykins repulsed every effort of the enemy to infiltrate our lines. In the darkness hostile infantrymen repeatedly approached Private Lykins' position and attempted to hurl hand grenades into his entrenchment, but on each occasion he replied with a volley of rifle fire and grenades which dispersed the attackers. His courageous defense thus enabled our forces to maintain their main line of resistance, and at daybreak it was learned that three of the enemy were killed but a few yards from his fox hole. Entered military service from Lucasville, Ohio.

JOE SANCHEZ, 6951767, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 February 1945, in the vicinity of Meyersviller, France. As scout of a combat patrol, Private Sanchez moved forward in advance of his comrades through open and heavily-mined terrain and, together with the officer commanding the patrol, surprised and took prisoner the two occupants of a hostile entrenchment. Advancing to a second fox hole, Private Sanchez and the patrol leader found two more enemy infantrymen, knocked their weapons from their hands as they emerged from the emplacement and took them prisoner, then repeated the operation at still a third fox hole, thus seizing a total of six prisoners who, upon interrogation, gave information of definite value to our forces. Entered military service from Brownsville, Texas.

JOHN C. SCHWAB, 32319555, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. When a member of an engineer combat battalion was killed at his post beside a road block, Private Schwab with three companions volunteered to advance and detonate the demolition charges already installed, thereby completing the road block. While so engaged, two members of the group were seriously wounded by hostile artillery and were later reported as missing in action, but Private Schwab and his remaining comrade courageously proceeded with their task, set off the explosives, and thus prevented the advance of enemy vehicles and a hostile attempt to encircle our forces. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

KENNETH A. SCHWARTZ, 12226905, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. When enemy artillery, mortar, twenty millimeter and small arms fire halted

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and immobilized his company, Private Schwartz advanced across open ground at great risk to his own life in order to retrieve a machine gun abandoned by a wounded gunner. After darkness fell, Private Schwartz again crossed the open area in order to guide remaining elements of his company to safety. The courage and daring which he thus displayed reflected great credit upon himself. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual:

WILLIAM O. WEAVER, 38661845, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 February 1945, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. While the company of which Private Weaver was a member was occupying defensive positions, hostile mortar fire severed communication lines between his platoon and the company command post. In the absence of a wireman, Private Weaver, a platoon runner, volunteered to repair the line. Advancing under continuing heavy fire, he located and spliced the break, thus reestablishing communications. While returning to his position, Private Weaver was wounded by shell fragments and evacuated. By his courage and heroism, vital communications were reestablished. Entered military service from Sherrill, Texas.

SECTION II -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to the following named individual:

JACK A. ETHRIDGE, 34687969, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. While his unit was preparing defensive positions, a sudden enemy counterattack developed, with the main force of the thrust directed toward Private Ethridge's position. Seizing his carbine and opening fire when the first German appeared, he succeeded in killing one and forcing the remainder of the hostile force to take cover. Maintaining a steady stream of fire, he prevented the enemy from advancing and gained time to permit his platoon to organize its defenses and eventually repel the enemy. Private Ethridge was subsequently reported killed in action after a fierce engagement in the vicinity of Guising. Next of kin: Mildred K. Ethridge (Mother), 300 Pierce Avenue, Macon, Georgia.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

DOMINICK CLASSI, 32649678, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. When his aid man was wounded during an enemy counterattack, Sergeant Classi, a rifle squad leader, unhesitatingly went to his assistance despite the intensity of hostile action. After crawling one hundred yards over open terrain subjected to fire from mortars, artillery, small arms and automatic weapons, he skillfully administered first aid and placed the casualty in a protected position from where he could be reached by litter bearers and evacuated. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

SEYMOUR B. ROSWICK, 32680068, Staff Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Guising, France. When heavy rocket fire fell on the town of Guising inflicting many casualties in the battalion reserve company. Sergeant Roswick, a section leader assigned to the aid station, unhesitatingly proceeded to the shelled area. Despite the continuing intensity of the enemy bombardment, he rendered first aid to the more seriously wounded, and at the same time, directed the evacuation of all wounded personnel. His prompt action and deliberate calmness under enemy fire resulted in swift evacuation and immediate medical treatment of the wounded. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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WILLIAM T. SWANN, JR., 33049660, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Displaying great courage and ability Sergeant Swann led his squad in a day long assault on Forts Freudenberg and Schiesseck, hostile strongpoints of the Maginot Line. Although his men were subjected to intense shelling and small arms fire throughout, not a single one was injured. Time after time, he left the shelter of his fox hole to check on his men and direct them in subsequent actions, though this meant exposing himself to enemy fire. His bravery and concern for the safety of his men inspired them in the performance of their duties. Entered military service from Danville, Virginia.

SIDNEY M. DOBKIN, 36637219, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Trouche, France. Instructed to care for the wounded when prompt evacuation of numerous casualties seemed impossible, Sergeant Dobkin worked without let-up among his injured comrades. Constantly exposed to heavy enemy mortar fire which continued to fall in the area, Sergeant Dobkin gathered the casualties together, established them in sheltered positions, bandaged wounds and did all that was possible to contribute to the comfort and welfare of the injured. His untiring efforts were undoubtedly responsible for the eventual recovery of many of his wounded comrades. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

CARL F. LESHER, 16177275, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on the night of 2 February 1945 and 3 February 1945, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. Second in command of the squad from the raider platoon that had the assigned mission of going deep into the enemy lines to bring back information and prisoners, Sergeant Leshar, a rifleman displayed great initiative when his squad had become disorganized after the leading elements ran into booby traps and a field of shumpies. As a result of the explosions the patrol leader was separated from his men and one of the leading scouts was seriously injured. Assuming command, Sergeant Leshar quickly applied first aid to the wounded man, directed his evacuation and conducted a thorough search for the missing squad leader. The heroic action and the courageous leadership of Sergeant Leshar saved the life of the wounded man and prevented total disorganization of the raider patrol. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

DAVID F. PORTMAN, 15013572, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on the night of 24 February 1945 and 25 February 1945, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. Leading a patrol from the battalion raider platoon that had the assigned mission of drawing fire and engaging the enemy in a fire fight, Sergeant Portman displayed outstanding tactical skill when the enemy opened fire. Finding that the adjacent raiding section was under fire and that their original mission of surrounding the enemy could not be accomplished he kept his patrol in position and continued his intense fire on the enemy. This heroic action permitted the safe withdrawal of the troops in both patrols. Entered military service from Morgantown, West Virginia.

PAUL E. SPARROW, 35469769, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. While his platoon was withdrawing under cover of smoke shells from an area subjected to artillery, automatic weapon and mortar fire, Sergeant Sparrow observed a number of casualties lying exposed to the enemy fire. Once his platoon had successfully withdrawn, he immediately volunteered to return and evacuate the wounded soldiers, and with other enlisted men re-entered the area. Helping to carry a number of the injured men to safety, Sergeant Sparrow thus saved the lives of comrades who might otherwise have succumbed to their wounds or the continued hostile shelling. Entered military service from Xenia, Ohio.

HENRY C. G. FONTEYNE, 6149972, Technician Fourth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During his battalion's attack on Forts Freudenberg and Schiesseck, Sergeant Fonteyne bravely maintained radio communications although his forward outpost was subjected to a day long bombardment by enemy mortars, artillery and automatic weapons. At one time, his radio was struck by a shrapnel fragment and rendered useless. Despite the intensity of enemy action and sniper fire directed at him, he crawled back over several hundred yards of exposed terrain, secured another radio, and returned to resume his duties. His outstanding performance made possible continuous communications between the companies and the battalion outpost. Entered military service from New Bedford, Massachusetts.

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HERBERT W. BOOK, 13188895, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. After the attacking companies had attained their objective and were preparing defensive positions on Hill #370, Private Book, a rifleman, established himself on the left flank of his platoon and company sector. When a sudden counterattack developed, he opened fire instantly and with accurate shots killed two of the enemy and forced the remainder of the assaulting force to seek cover. By his immediate action and constant small arms fire, the surprise element of the counterattack was lost and his unit was given sufficient time to complete its organization and then repel the hostile thrust. Entered military service from Slippery Rock, Pennsylvania

MARTIN E. DUDLEY, 20285552, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 February 1945, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. While his squad was halted by enemy fire from an unknown source during a raid on hostile emplacements, Private Dudley, the first scout, courageously moved forward alone despite the intensity of enemy action and located the German gun positions. He returned to his patrol leader with this information, and as a result, his squad was able to deploy, deliver accurate fire on the hostile installations and effectively silence them. His brave performance under fire enabled the raiding party to continue on its assigned mission. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

EARL D. HOYT, 11121731, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Guising, France. After his squad leader had advanced and selected a gun position during an engagement in which his weapons platoon supported an assault company, the enemy started an intense shelling of the area. Undaunted by the ferocity of the bombardment and heedless of warnings to wait for the fire to lift, Private Hoyt, the first gunner, courageously led his men forward and set up his weapon at the new station. As a result of his heroic action under heavy enemy fire, his gun and crew were in position, completely prepared to repel any counterattack which might have followed the artillery bombardment. Entered military service from Cambridge, Massachusetts.

FRANCIS A. HUNT, 12225950, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Trouche, France. Despite the physical and mental fatigue from the day-long assault against intense enemy small arms, mortar and automatic weapons fire which resulted in the capture of the company objective, Private Hunt, a rifleman, volunteered to lead litter bearers to a group of casualties. Disregarding the ever-present sniper and mortar fire, Private Hunt bravely led the medical aid and litter men to points where the wounded were medically treated and evacuated. As a result of his devotion to duty, many wounded men were evacuated hours earlier than would have been otherwise possible. Entered military service from Bronxville, New York.

JAY E. JOHNSON, 12220180, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 February 1945 and 25 February 1945, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. In order to divert the enemy's attention from another section of a raider patrol executing a flanking maneuver, Private Johnson swiftly placed his light machine gun in action when hostile forces detected his group. He delivered fire of such accuracy and effectiveness that two hostile machine gun emplacements were destroyed. Then, although the enemy concentrated their fire on him, he moved to a more exposed but more favorable position and silenced a third German machine gun. His courageous performance in the face of intense hostile action was a major contributing factor to the accomplishment of the mission. Entered military service from Babylon, New York.

RICHARD T. NEWMAN, 16174409, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Etival, France. During an attack on an enemy strongpoint near Etival, Private Newman's unit was halted by heavy hostile shelling, automatic and small arms fire. Realizing that his unit would suffer many casualties if the enemy guns continued to fire, he courageously crawled to within fifty yards of one German installation and fired rounds from his rocket launcher. Private Newman's brave action in sacrificing his own life to remove a threat to the lives of his comrades and the preservation of his entire organization. Entered military service from

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EDWARD A. SUMMERS, 33774745, Private First Class, 398th Infantry, for heroic achievement in action on 23 February 1945, in the vicinity of [redacted]. Establishing his own machine gun in position to give support to a platoon [redacted] enemy lines, Private Summers was fired upon by a hostile machine gun. [redacted] the fire, enemy flares brilliantly illuminated the area and exposed [redacted] opposing troops, but he courageously continued to man his gun and with [redacted] fire silenced the hostile weapon. He then turned his fire upon the position [redacted] which the flares were being discharged and halted that action, thus preventing [redacted] infliction of serious casualties upon our patrol. Entered military service [redacted] Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

PAUL V. WEBB, 34738766, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Trouche, France. While advancing against the enemy, the company of which Private Webb was a member was subjected to heavy fire from hostile mortars and received numerous casualties. Instructed to care for the wounded, Private Webb worked valiantly in administering first aid and establishing the casualties in sheltered positions where they were safe from the hostile shells still falling in the area. Not until all other injured had received medical attention did Private Webb reveal that he himself had been wounded in the initial shelling of the area. Entered military service from Maryville, Tennessee.

JOHN H. WYNE, 42081668, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitch, France. Displaying great courage and devotion to duty, Private Wyne, a rifleman, distinguished himself by advancing in the face of heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire during a day-long assault on strongly fortified enemy positions guarding the approaches to Forts Freudenberg and Schiesseck. When he and other members of his platoon withdrew, he voluntarily returned to the field he had just left, despite heavy bombardment of the area, and successfully evacuated a number of casualties, and by his brave performance helped save many lives. Entered military service from Burlington, New Jersey.

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

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JAMES S. HOWARD, 01998062, Second Lieutenant, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. While directing artillery fire from a forward observation post in the town of Rimling during an enemy attack in strength, Lieutenant Howard observed the approach of an infiltrating patrol of approximately thirty hostile infantrymen. Stationing three members of his party in a building covering his position, Lieutenant Howard remained at his post and continued to direct artillery fire in support of our attacked infantry forces until the enemy patrol reached an open area, then with a hand grenade signaled to his men to open fire. The resulting fusillade dispersed the enemy in confusion with a subsequent loss of two prisoners, and although his party had expended its ammunition and was subjected to constant small arms and artillery fire, Lieutenant Howard continued to man his observation post and adjust our artillery with great effectiveness. When the two prisoners, who were being guarded by a radio operator with an empty carbine, sensed the situation and attempted to escape, Lieutenant Howard killed both with a single grenade. By his courageous and aggressive conduct, Lieutenant Howard reflected credit upon himself and contributed greatly to the repulse of the enemy. Entered military service from Saratoga Springs, New York.

JOHN W. BORDERS, 34591454, Staff Sergeant, 39th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 12 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Leading a combat patrol into hostile territory, Sergeant Borders encountered an enemy mine field and, advancing alone, cleared a path for his men. Once safely past the mine field, the patrol was subjected to fire from several hostile machine gun and rocket positions, and Sergeant Borders led the group forward under fire to within twenty-five feet of an enemy pillbox, where a flame thrower was directed at the entrance to the fortification and killed at least one of its defenders. Sergeant Borders then hurled grenades into one machine gun position, silencing the hostile weapon, and subsequently withdrew his force under continued machine gun and mortar fire. His skillful and inspiring leadership was primarily responsible for the accomplishment of the patrol's mission, and reflected credit upon himself. Entered military service from Shelby, North Carolina.

MAYNARD W. ROISEN, 37682033, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. After securing the assigned objective, our forces were preparing defensive entrenchments when the enemy launched a determined and unexpected counterattack. Private Roisen, whose partially-completed fox hole was in advance of those of other members of his platoon, immediately engaged the enemy and, despite the intense fire directed at him, succeeded in killing two of the attackers and halting the advance of the entire hostile force. His gallant and unhesitating action, which invited heavy enemy fire upon himself, thus afforded his platoon an opportunity to organize defenses and repulse the attack. Entered military service from Northwood, Iowa.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

Award of Third Oak Leaf Cluster:

IRWIN L. TWINDT, 01171399, Captain, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 16 March 1945 to 10 April 1945. Entered military service from Newfolden, Minnesota.

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BASIL L. SWIGTAR, 01176188, First Lieutenant, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 16 March 1945 to 11 April 1945. Entered military service from Morenci, Michigan.

RICHARD D. HAMMERLY, 35035203, Staff Sergeant, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in Germany during the period 23 March 1945 to 11 April 1945. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

Award of Second Oak Leaf Cluster

JOHN J. VANTERS, 01174775, Captain, 100th Division Artillery, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 14 March 1945 to 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

FRANK A. BALDWELL, 01186384, First Lieutenant, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 5 March 1945 to 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Queens Village, New York.

ROBERT W. SAIDS, 0542096, First Lieutenant, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 13 February 1945 to 2 April 1945. Entered military service from Russell, Kansas.

ROBERT W. WIEBE, 01174963, First Lieutenant, 100th Division Artillery, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 9 March 1945 to 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

MORACE P. WILLIAMSON, JR., 0523724, First Lieutenant, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 21 February 1945 to 5 April 1945. Entered military service from Anniston, Alabama.

EUGENE THOMAS, 01182281, First Lieutenant, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 15 March 1945 to 11 April 1945. Entered military service from Peoria, Illinois.

Award of First Oak Leaf Cluster

WENDY L. ROBERTS, 0558123, First Lieutenant, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 22 February 1945 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from Lawton, Oklahoma.

CORNELIUS F. AHEARN, 32654722, Corporal, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 2 January 1945 to 13 April 1945. Entered military service from New York, New York.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Air Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

RAYMOND E. HURPHY, 01166338, Major, 100th Division Artillery, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 9 November 1944 to 13 April 1945. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

LEONARD W. BESSLER, 01179850, Second Lieutenant, 100th Division Artillery, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 13 March 1945 to 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

JAMES H. MAGNAY, 36828189, Corporal, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 25 January 1945 to 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

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~~ARTHUR E. DMEUCA, 33850026, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 2 April 1945. Entered military service from Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania.~~
DAVID A. JACOBSON, 12227404, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 9 January 1945. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

Award of First Oak Leaf Cluster

JOSEPH S. MURRAY, 31217256, Technical Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Portland, Maine.
CLYDE R. BOYER, 20539299, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Columbus, Indiana.
JOHN Z. BURKHALTER, 34581426, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945. Entered military service from Langdale, Alabama.
JAMES R. NAUGHTON, 37484776, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 1 February 1945. Entered military service from Des Moines, Iowa.
JAMES F. CARLISLE, 16105513, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 4 December 1944. Entered military service from Port Huron, Michigan.
GEORGE J. HANSEN, 39930497, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Eureka, Utah.
CHARLES E. CAMPBELL, 35626892, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 7 April 1945. Entered military service from Nelsonville, Ohio.
FOUSSEL D. SAIDLIN, 15362367, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Hamilton, Ohio.
WILLIAM J. ELAM, 34179462, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Union Grove, North Carolina.
ERVIN R. FONDA, 36956513, Private, 399th Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945. Entered military service from Beloit, Wisconsin.
ELWYN O. JOHNSON, 31456910, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Orange, Massachusetts.

SECTION V -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

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~~CHARLES F. MEYER, 01048386, First Lieutenant, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Flushing, New York.~~
LYLE A. McDONALD, 02010573, Second Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945. Entered military service from Grand Marais, Michigan.
SAMUEL L. ROSENBERG, 02006989, Second Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
WILLIAM G. FURSE, JR., 33051915, Technical Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
ALBERT G. WUNDER, 6901234, Staff Sergeant, 781st Tank Battalion, 1 April 1945. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.
EDWARD J. CAVANAUGH, 35032199, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Youngstown, Ohio.
ROBERT J. FITTERTY, 33013349, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 7 April 1945. Entered military service from Jonestown, Pennsylvania.
CYRIL B. FORSYTHE, 33001621, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Hagerstown, Maryland.
HUGH J. BYRNE, 32697134, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Hackensack, New Jersey.
DANIEL B. SARGENT, 31282045, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Bangor, Maine.
CENCIL H. MART, 6274354, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 13 December 1944. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
ARTHUR A. IRVIN, 32657328, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.
JAMES A. SIZERDE, 15333356, Technician Fourth Grade, 781st Tank Battalion, 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Viper, Kentucky.
GEORGE F. HONYS, 31232983, Sergeant, 100th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, 4 December 1944. Entered military service from Newton, Massachusetts.
JOSEPH S. PAZEK, 31214334, Corporal, 397th Infantry Regiment, 3 April 1945. Entered military service from Westfield, Massachusetts.
WILLIAM E. BISHAUME, 31255509, Technician Fifth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.
EDWARD W. JACOBUS, 32596371, Technician Fifth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Glen Ridge, New Jersey.

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THOMAS J. DOOREY, 33054467, Technician Fifth Grade, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, 9 January 1945. Entered military service from Upper Darby, Pennsylvania.

MAX D. CAYLOR, 34822206, Technician Fifth Grade, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, 11 April 1945. Entered military service from Dalton, Georgia.

EDWARD H. GORE, 34916241, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Albertville, Alabama.

ARLIE S. JOHNSON, JR., 44040697, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Bristol, Tennessee.

ERNEST J. COLLABOLLETTA, 32273743, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Tuckahoe, New York.

ELLIS F. TROYELL, 35170014, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, 24 March 1945. Entered military service from Anderson, Indiana.

MICHAEL YUHAS, 32597763, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 393th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Ridgewood, New Jersey.

ALLAN T. SHIRLEY, 44037320, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Jasper, Florida.

REUEL B. MOORE, 38670158, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Batesville, Arkansas.

~~HAYDEN O. EVANS, JR., 42121754, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945. Entered military service from Utica, New York.~~

ALEXANDER F. RACINSKI, 31245598, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 10 April 1945. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

GEORGE OLSIAN, 12134186, Private First Class, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

JOSEPH W. BOLCER, 33202908, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

WESLEY J. PATTERSON, 36841471, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Lac Du Flambeau, Wisconsin.

ARTHUR L. FLETCHER, 36875622, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

WILLIAM T. DOWER, 35783119, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 7 April 1945. Entered military service from Fayetteville, West Virginia.

THOMAS G. SWEET, 37530592, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 7 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

DIODATO RATTIERI, 31032685, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 7 April 1945. Entered military service from Quincy, Massachusetts.

PERCY F. NELSON, 36992519, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Balsam Lake, Wisconsin.

ROBERT W. LYNCH, 32649994, Private First Class, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 7 April 1945. Entered military service from New York, New York.

CHARLES F. SHEEHAN, 31262313, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945. Entered military service from Lowell, Massachusetts.

SAMUEL W. BRADFORD, 13115357, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, 11 April 1945. Entered military service from Morton, Pennsylvania.

NICHOLAS SODANO, 32773423, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Cliffside Park, New Jersey.

MARCELLINO W. SAPIEN, 37220130, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 7 April 1945. Entered military service from Eldorado, Kansas.

MICHAEL DEVARDO, 32649937, Private First Class, 325th Medical Battalion, 11 April 1945. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

ROBERT E. HARRISON, 44035058, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Mahanta, Georgia.

RALPH L. WILLIFORD, 33883613, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Aulander, North Carolina.

MARVIN R. KELLEY, 38677807, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

JOHN E. VOELKER, 35723878, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 12 April 1945. Entered military service from Terre Haute, Indiana.

GEORGE F. SOL'S, 34847851, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 11 April 1945. Entered military service from West Columbia, South Carolina.

JACK S. DEWTON, 34739113, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Loudon, Tennessee.

JULIO M. CORRAL, 38253267, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 1 April 1945. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

JOSEPH A. BREAU, 38485382, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 7 April 1945. Entered military service from Youngsville, Louisiana.

CHARLES E. FURRILL, 31402170, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 7 April 1945. Entered military service from Schowhegan, Maine.

MICHAEL J. CURRY, 32680510, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945. Entered military service from Elmhurst, New York.

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HUGH F. BURNS, 32194786, Private, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

BEN CAMALLO, 35843119, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

JACK Z. PECHENICK, 32912601, Private, 781st Tank Battalion, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

RICHARD T. CAMPBELL, 37585033, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Beaulieu, Minnesota.

ROBERT L. CREEP, 39599137, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Liverdale, California.

EDWARD H. HILLIGAN, 33877626, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Camp Hill, Pennsylvania.

RAY E. PARKS, 38608212, Private, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Amarillo, Texas.

WILLIAM G. JOHNSON, 17006938, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, 7 April 1945. Entered military service from Overland, Missouri.

JOHN H. MORRIS, 42135736, Private, 398th Infantry Regiment, 11 March 1945. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

NICHOLAS FEDYK, 33813756, Private, 399th Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Perkiomenville, Pennsylvania.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to the following named individual:

JOSEPH GALIAZZI, 32484099, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 22 January 1945, in the vicinity of Glassemberg, France. As Sergeant Galiazzi's platoon was moving through a wooded and snow-covered area, one member detonated a mine and was seriously wounded in the explosion. Calling to his comrades, the wounded man warned them to remain at a distance as the immediate vicinity was infested with mines, but Sergeant Galiazzi and another soldier courageously disregarded the warning and advanced to the assistance of the casualty. In so doing, Sergeant Galiazzi detonated a second mine and was killed instantly by the resulting explosion. Next of kin: Jean Galiazzi (Wife), 16 South Thirty-Third Street, Camden, New Jersey.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

JACK WILLIAMS, 34515486, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 January 1945, in the vicinity of Lembach, France. Advancing with the platoon to which he was attached as aid man during an attack on hostile positions near Lembach, Sergeant Williams swiftly and efficiently rendered first aid to all casualties. At one time, during a particularly heavy concentration of enemy small arms and artillery fire which seriously wounded his platoon leader, he crawled forward in the face of direct machine gun fire and administered to the casualty's injuries, and as a result of his courageous performance under fire helped save the lives of many of his comrades. Entered military service from Graniteville, South Carolina.

JOSEPH J. BALSAM, 32654951, Technician Fifth Grade, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During a pre-dawn attack upon enemy-held fortifications of the Maginot Line, wire communications between the fire direction center and the forward observer party were disrupted by hostile mortar and artillery shelling. Despite the intensity of enemy fire, Corporal Balsam and a companion unhesitatingly left the comparative security of their sheltered position to advance across an open, heavily-mined field under machine gun and small arms fire in order to find and repair the severed wire lines. Successfully accomplishing their mission, Corporal Balsam and his comrades thus made possible the continued artillery support of our attacking forces. Entered military service from New York, New York.

SECTION III -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to the following named individual:

JOHN O. PAPPAS, 33576513, Private, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. While on a hazardous night patrol, Private Pappas placed his automatic rifle in a position from which he could cover his patrol's movement across open ground to their objective.

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When the enemy shelled the area on detecting the patrol as it returned, Private Pappas heroically remained behind until every man had withdrawn in safety, but was himself fatally wounded when he attempted to retire behind his patrol. His valiant performance enabled successful accomplishment of his unit's mission. Next of kin: Penelope Pappas (Mother), 3248 Longshore Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual, missing in action:

EARL H. LELAND, 17053771, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Isolated from other elements of their company and without food or water, Sergeant Leland and two other men maintained a position within a building in Rimling for a period of two days. Attacked by a numerically superior force, the three men stood their ground and repulsed the assault with small arms fire. A hostile tank then moved into position to shell the building which Sergeant Leland and his comrades occupied, but, despite three direct hits upon the structure, the men refused to withdraw and turned back a subsequent attack with heavy casualties, thus thwarting enemy attempts to launch an assault upon the battalion rear. Next of kin: Louise Leland (Mother), Fingal, North Dakota.

SECTION V -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

PERRY L. V. MORRIS, 01313116, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Guising, France. In an attack upon hostile positions, the platoon under Lieutenant Morris' command advanced more rapidly than adjacent units and was in danger of becoming isolated from friendly troops. Alert to the urgency of the situation, Lieutenant Morris disregarded intense enemy fire from artillery, mortars, rockets, tanks and small arms to move from individual rifleman to another, personally issuing orders to withdraw and reorganize. His courageous action made possible the prompt and orderly retirement of his unit and thus prevented the possible capture or annihilation of the entire platoon. Lieutenant Morris was himself severely wounded in the action. Entered military service from Winnsboro, Texas.

SAMUEL F. D'ARPINO, 02010707, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 31 December 1944, in the vicinity of Beyersviller, France. While Lieutenant D'Arpino's platoon was engaged in defending a road junction, a sudden enemy thrust severed contact with adjacent forces and isolated the platoon leader. Immediately assuming command, Lieutenant D'Arpino directed the withdrawal of the unit to nearby buildings, then moved forward alone under machine gun and mortar fire, succeeded in locating his platoon leader, and led him to the shelter of the buildings. Lieutenant D'Arpino subsequently deployed the members of the platoon and played an instrumental part in the repulse of two hostile attacks, during which he killed one and wounded three of the enemy. Entered military service from Mount Vernon, New York.

ARCHIE L. FORTNER, 6974498, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Applachin, New York.

EARL L. FARENTEAU, 20143979, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Biddeford, Maine.

HARBERT D. RICE, 36777888, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Waverly, Iowa.

PROBENS N. RYDISKI, 31245604, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

OWENS H. BARNES, 34507411, Technician Fifth Grade, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Chesterfield, Tennessee.

JOHN W. DAY, 39342293, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

FRANKIE L. GURLEY, 1113089, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Newton Center, Massachusetts.

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ERWIN G. PEDERSEN, 32753783, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Vineland, New Jersey.

FLOYD C. SALMI, 36829010, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Superior, Wisconsin.

JOHN J. SOKOLOWSKI, 32619803, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

For heroic achievement in action during the period 25 December 1944 to 30 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. For five days these men occupied a captured pillbox overlooking the fortified, enemy-held town of Bitche despite almost constant hostile mortar, artillery and small arms fire. From their vantage point they observed and reported movements of opposing troops within the town, directed our artillery fire on enemy positions, and contributed markedly to the repulse of five hostile attacks strongly supported by mortar fire. Receiving their supplies of food and ammunition under cover of night, and on five occasions braving mortar fire to repair breaks in vital wire lines during hours of darkness, these men by their fortitude and courageous conduct were instrumental in the infliction of severe casualties upon the enemy and the successful achievement of their company's mission.

IA WAYNE J. YOXY, 42144362, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 393th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During an attack upon a strongly fortified objective, the machine gun platoon of which Sergeant Yoxy was a member was established in a position to provide overhead supporting fire for attacking riflemen. Although in so doing he was subjected to intense small arms fire from an adjacent hill, Sergeant Yoxy, a gunner, courageously and steadfastly remained at his weapon, ignoring concentrations of artillery fire falling in the immediate vicinity, and by his determination and devotion to duty rendered effective and valuable support to rifle troops in securing a number of fortified enemy positions. Entered military service from Merchantville, New Jersey.

MAURICE L. BETSWORTH, 37697779, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Although artillery fire was falling in the immediate vicinity and infiltrating enemy groups subjected the area to crossfire from automatic weapons, Private Betsworth volunteered with three companions to advance to a projected road block and detonate explosive charges already installed there. Two members of the group were wounded by artillery fire and later reported as missing in this action, but Private Betsworth and his remaining comrade proceeded with their hazardous mission, detonated the explosives and thus completed the road block, which prevented the advance of hostile vehicles and halted an attempt by the enemy to encircle our forces. Entered military service from Merrill, Iowa.

HOWARD J. GRANDUSKY, 42107237, Private First Class (then Private), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. After skillfully leading his night patrol through dense woods and across an open booby-trapped draw, Private Grandusky placed his men in position to isolate a hostile machine gun nest. Upon setting up protective squads on the left flank and rear, he and two others silently crept forward and suddenly rushed to their objective, throwing grenades into the dugout. Three Germans were killed instantly and a fourth killed by Private Grandusky when he attempted to escape. Seizing the machine gun, they withdrew under heavy mortar bombardment, having successfully accomplished their mission of destroying the enemy strongpoint. Entered military service from Allegany, New York.

ERIC OLSON, JR., 39685107, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Salma, California.

WILLIAM H. WAGNER, 35821080, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

For heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Isolated from other elements of their company and without food or water, these men maintained a position within a building in Rimling for a period of two days. Attacked by a numerically superior force, they stood their ground and repulsed the assault with small arms fire. A hostile tank then moved into position to shell the building which they occupied, but, despite three direct hits upon the structure, the men refused to withdraw and turned back a subsequent attack with heavy casualties, thus thwarting enemy attempts to launch an assault upon the battalion rear.

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MARIO E. PACE, 31252395, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Lembach, France. After the evacuation of the casualties under enemy fire during the battle for Lembach, it was discovered that a seriously wounded officer still lay on the battlefield in a position subject to direct enemy observation. Utilizing a tank for protection, Private Pace, leader of a litter squad, and one other man went forward despite the continuing enemy fire and evacuated the casualty to the battalion aid station, thereby making possible speedy medical attention for the wounded officer. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

RALPH L. STEWART, JR., 30692014, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. After accompanying a night patrol into enemy territory, Private Stewart and two others volunteered to destroy a machine gun nest, the patrol's objective. While the remainder of the patrol deployed to isolate the emplacement, he and his comrades stealthily infiltrated to the front, then suddenly rose and rushed the position, throwing grenades into the dugout. Three Germans were killed instantly by Private Stewart's grenade, and a fourth, trying to escape, was killed by his patrol leader. Seizing the German machine gun, Private Stewart and his comrades made their way under heavy mortar fire to friendly lines, having successfully accomplished their mission. Entered military service from Ponca City, Oklahoma.

MARVIN WADLER, 32899530, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Lembach, France. During an attack on Lembach, an officer was seriously wounded and lay on a hill in full view of the enemy, who fired at all who attempted to come to his assistance. Utilizing a tank as protection, Private Wadler, a litter bearer, and his squad leader went out under the continuing enemy fire, reached the casualty, placed him on top of the tank, and safely evacuated him to the battalion aid station, facilitating speedy medical attention for the wounded officer. Entered military service from New York, New York.

WILLIAM S. PROCTOR, JR., 30854851, Private, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. While three men of his combat patrol prepared to assault a machine gun nest, Private Proctor took up a covering position to the rear. When the enemy opened fire from a nearby building after the emplacement had been attacked, its occupants killed and weapon captured, Private Proctor maintained a steady stream of fire on the enemy until all action ceased in the structure. He then withdrew with the patrol, but was wounded by shrapnel fragments when the area was heavily bombarded by mortars. His brave performance was materially beneficial to the successful completion of the patrol's raiding mission. Entered military service from Kilmarnock, Virginia.

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Award of Bronze Star Medal, Missing in Action..... I
Award of Bronze Star Medal..... II

SECTION I -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals, missing in action:

EVARISTE J. PAULIN, 31078942, Corporal, 399th Infantry Regiment. Next of kin: Cecile Paulin (Mother), 23 Walnut Street, Waltham, Massachusetts.

WALLACE E. BROWN, 37588966, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment. Next of kin: Louise Berrard (Mother), Post Office Box 67, Redby, Minnesota.

For heroic achievement in action on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon l'Etape, France. Assigned the mission of clearing the enemy from an area which separated units of our forces, Private Brown and Corporal Paulin together with other members of the third platoon of K Company moved forward aggressively in the face of fire from hostile riflemen and two enemy machine gun emplacements. With several men crawling to within grenade range, the platoon engaged the opposing troops with grenade and rifle fire, killing five and capturing seven of the enemy and thus making contact to close the gap between our units.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

EUGENE GOLDSMITH, 32649918, Technician Fourth Grade, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bitchy, France. Prior to an infantry attack upon enemy-held fortifications of the Maginot Line, Sergeant Goldsmith, a member of an artillery forward observer party, established a wire line to a position flanking and forward of our line of infantry, then subsequently advanced the wire forward, crossing open terrain under direct enemy observation and heavy hostile fire on four consecutive occasions in order to establish communications. Upon completion of his task, Sergeant Goldsmith observed a wounded infantryman seventy-five yards distant and, crawling to his side, tied the injured man to his person and dragged him to a place of comparative safety. Entered military service from New York, New York.

DONALD R. KENNEDY, 13168902, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Guising, France. In an attack upon strong enemy positions, Private Kennedy's platoon advanced more rapidly than adjacent units and was in critical danger of becoming isolated from friendly troops. Together with the platoon leader, Private Kennedy moved from one individual soldier to another under intense fire from enemy artillery, mortars, tanks, rockets and small arms, issuing instructions to retire and reform. When the platoon leader was wounded, Private Kennedy continued with his task alone, and thus made possible the prompt and orderly withdrawal of the platoon and prevented possible capture or annihilation of our forces. Entered military service from Butler, Pennsylvania.

DONALD E. RUSSELL, 35575828, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. During an attack against strongly defended enemy positions, wire and radio communications between our attacking forces and the battalion observation post were disrupted. Private Russell, a runner, was dispatched to the latter position with an important message and made his way over several hundred yards of open terrain under heavy fire from hostile artillery, tanks and rockets. Twice knocked to the ground by the concussion of nearby shellbursts, he courageously continued and succeeded in reaching his objective. Subsequently returning to his company with a second message, Private Russell was wounded by small fragments while traversing the same hazardous route. Entered military service from Michigan City, Indiana.

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RICHARD W. SNYDER, 32648057, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 January 1945, in the vicinity of Siersthal, France. When the contact patrol of which he was a member was isolated from other units by the fire of infiltrating enemy infantry, Private Snyder was instructed to remain behind and cover the withdrawal of his comrades. Manning his automatic rifle, he delivered such effective fire upon the opposing troops that he put one hostile machine gun out of action and completely disorganized the attacking force, thus by his skillful and courageous action enabling his comrades to retire to safety without casualty. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

MACK SPENCE, 34852068, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Delivering overhead fire in support of attacking riflemen engaged in an assault upon strongly defended hostile positions, Private Spence was subjected to intense small arms fire from an adjacent hill but refused to leave his weapon. Although heavy concentrations of artillery fire were also directed upon the immediate vicinity, he courageously and steadfastly continued to man his gun, and by his determination and devotion to duty rendered effective and valuable support to rifle troops in their capture of a number of fortified enemy positions. Entered military service from Graham, North Carolina.

CHARLES T. YORK, 12527032, Private, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Concentrated hostile shelling during a pre-dawn attack upon enemy-held fortifications of the Maginot Line severed vital wire communications between the artillery fire direction center and the forward observer, and Private York, a member of the observer's party, together with a companion left the comparative safety of his position to repair the line. Moving across an open field which they knew to be heavily mined, the two men crawled forward under machine gun and small arms fire, succeeded in finding the break and re-establishing wire communications, thus making possible the continued artillery support of our attacking forces. Entered military service from Ridgewood, New York.

HENRY F. PRYSL, 01312223, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 16 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

MARCEL W. NOVOTNY, 01692532, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 18 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Yankton, South Dakota.

WILLIAM A. PATERSON, 0548591, Second Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 17 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Barre, Vermont.

ROBERT B. STARK, 02006126, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

ROY C. CARLSON, 37012385, Staff Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 December 1944 to 14 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Fencer, Minnesota.

BERNARD O. MOORE, 33641768, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Portsmouth, Virginia.

JOHN B. SILLAJA, 36183677, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 3 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

RYE C. GUFTON, 6359734, Sergeant (then Private), 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 15 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Neptune, Tennessee.

HARRINGTON A. LACKEY, 17167111, Sergeant (then Private), 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 26 November 1944 to 19 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Salina, Kansas.

JAMES B. QUINLEY, 36654231, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 16 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Villa Park, Illinois.

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VINCENT J. COLLIMORE, 13073056, Technician Fourth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 6 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

JACK J. SANFILLIPPO, 32647435, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 5 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

ANTHONY DE SIMONE, 32652765, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

MANUEL S. HERNANDEZ, 30420350, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Van Horn, Texas.

ARTHUR W. HUDGENS, JR., 34984012, Private First Class (then Private), 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Nashville, Tennessee.

BOB S. LUGO, 38682107, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Waco, Texas.

JAMES R. PARKER, 34925362, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 22 December 1944 to 3 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Maud, Mississippi.

ISIDORE VLADIMIR, 12193666, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 8 November 1944 to 15 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

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Posthumous Award of Bronze Star Medal..... I
Award of Bronze Star Medal, Missing in Action..... II
Award of Bronze Star Medal..... III

SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to each of the following named individuals:

CHARLES MC FADDEN, 01692605, Second Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 17 March 1945, in Eastern France. Next of kin: Mary G. McFadden (Wife), 1800 Edmondson Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland.

LACY E. CLINE, 35869747, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 8 January 1945, in Eastern France. Next of kin: Florna B. Cline (Mother), Inez, Kentucky.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals, missing in action:

JOHN H. COOK, 36951542, Private First Class (then Private), 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 15 November 1944 to 2 January 1945, in Eastern France. Next of kin: Esther B. Worstall (Mother), Box 848, Bureau, Illinois.

JAMES T. HEADY, 35811916, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 15 November 1944 to 2 January 1945, in Eastern France. Next of kin: Grace Heady (Mother), Rural Route #1, Rockport, Indiana.

GERARD A. SEVIGNY, 31456700, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Next of kin: Elana M. Sevigny (Mother), 41 Sawtelle Place, Lowell, Massachusetts.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

KARL S. THORNEBURG, 0256906, Lieutenant Colonel, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 10 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Muncie, Indiana.

MARSHALL H. ENGLAND, 0405415, Major, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 3 November 1944 to 30 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Warrensburg, Illinois.

JOHN W. IRELAND, JR., 0268790, Major, Headquarters 100th Division Artillery, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 9 November 1944 to 23 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

RALPH G. MC CRUM, 022643, Major, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 27 January 1945 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brunswick, Maine.

QUINTIN W. MERRYBERRY, 0406014, Captain, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 12 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Lima, Ohio.

DARYL W. FREDERICK, 01171147, Captain, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 5 November 1944 to 5 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Leesburgh, Pennsylvania.

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JOHN B. KEENE, 01295896, Captain, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 5 November 1944 to 20 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Troy, New York.

JOHN E. FRITCH, 01295862, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 27 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

EDWARD A. KEELING, JR., 01295894, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 17 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Jamestown, New York.

WAYNE H. PAGE, 0548590, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 10 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hyde Park, Vermont.

CHARLES H. ECKHARDT, 32591924, First Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 9 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dunellen, New Jersey.

EDWARD J. MC LAUGHLIN, 32652828, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 27 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

GRADY T. MUSE, 34537160, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 6 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Daytona Beach, Florida.

JOHN A. PORZIO, 33070797, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 9 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Clairton, Pennsylvania.

PHILLIP K. BRIGGS, 17148923, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 5 November 1944 to 30 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Omaha, Nebraska.

WILLIAM J. MYATT, 34495974, Sergeant, Military Police Platoon, 100th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jackson, Tennessee.

HARRY E. SQUIRES, 31245520, Sergeant, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 20 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

WILLIAM A. PENNYWITT, 35685580, Corporal, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 3 November 1944 to 14 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from West Union, Ohio.

JOHN H. C. ROBINSON, 31236942, Corporal, 925th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 20 October 1944 to 15 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

ROBERT A. MALLAM, 32483588, Technician Fifth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 6 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

HAROLD BRADFORD, JR., 34988564, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 14 December 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Shelby, Mississippi.

JOHN W. BURNS, 37628714, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

EDMUND HURZYCKI, 32658149, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 20 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

ANTHONY W. CAFONE, 32594349, Private First Class, (then Private), 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 5 November 1944 to 10 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Scotch Plains, New Jersey.

NORMAN D. FREITAG, 32938001, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 5 November 1944 to 1 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.

MANNFRED GALE, 33631646, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 5 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Richmond, Virginia.

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CHARLES B. GERHARDT, 32833807, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

HARVEY L. HOLLAND, 38688281, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 17 December 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Entered military service from Mineola, Texas.

EARL R. LOVELACE, 34737865, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 14 December 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Knoxville, Tennessee.

FONTAINE L. MEZZANOTTE, 20342031, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 5 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Mount Ranier, Maryland.

JOHN A. MILLER, 42110113, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Paterson, New Jersey.

JOHN C. MORGAN, 32680803, Private First Class, Military Police Platoon, 100th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Buchanan, New York.

BRADLEY C. PHIPPS, 34594388, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 16 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Grassy Creek, North Carolina.

JULIUS O. PURCZINSKY, JR., 38626283, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 5 November 1944 to 10 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Lovena, Texas.

WILLIAM H. RICE, 33614021, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 15 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Forty Fort, Pennsylvania.

FRED J. TRAVAGLINI, 12231570, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 January to 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Entered military service from Congers, New York.

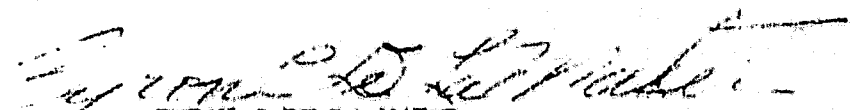
EDWARD P. WARDA, 33434245, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Erie, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM J. YAUCH, 35871184, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 19 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Norwood, Ohio.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

Rec'd by Sta #175 Jan 21, 1945
~~RICHARD G. PRATHER, 035592, Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 100th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered the United States Military Academy from Hickman, Kentucky.~~

Rec'd by Sta #175 Jan 21, 1945
~~KENNETH E. ECKLAND, 0354746, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 100th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 6 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Scottsbluff, Nebraska.~~

LOUIS H. MUSSLER, 0333559, Lieutenant Colonel, Signal Corps, Headquarters 100th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 12 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hicksville, New York.

Rec'd by Sta #175 Jan 21, 1945
~~WILLIAM V. RAWLINGS, 0325494, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 100th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 6 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Franklin, Virginia.~~

Rec'd by Sta #175 Jan 21, 1945
~~ALAN S. REYNOLDS, 033281, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 100th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 6 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered United States Military Academy from Pennsylvania.~~

Rec'd by Sta #175 Jan 21, 1945
~~ROBERT M. STEGEMAN, 020725, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 100th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 6 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered United States Military Academy from Maryland.~~

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~~HOWARD W. WILLIAMS, 01891261, Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, Headquarters 100th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jordan, New York.~~

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~~WILHELM H. BARRETT, JR., 0342738, Major, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 20 October 1944 to 16 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from New York, New York.~~

MARTIN H. CURTIS, 0461240, Captain, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 4 December 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Charles City, Iowa.

JOE H. ROTHE, 0409769, Captain, Headquarters Special Troops, 100th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 8 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hondo, Texas.

IRVING R. WYETH, 01288343, Captain, Headquarters 100th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 30 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Segreganset, Maine.

HARRY J. DODD, 01295843, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 28 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Princeton, Indiana.

EDGAR KJAUFF, JR., 01171229, First Lieutenant, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 3 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

NELSON MC FARLAND, 01320757, First Lieutenant, Headquarters 100th Infantry Division, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

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ROBERT L. SAVAGE, 02000630, Second Lieutenant, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Southbridge, Massachusetts.

ROBERT L. ARMSTRONG, 14021397, Technical Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 10 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Charlotte, North Carolina.

WALTER G. LEIGHT, 31214535, Technical Sergeant, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 3 November 1944 to 20 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Great Barrington, Massachusetts.

KENNETH C. BUSHWAY, 11133194, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 12 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

ALEXANDER B. PEDEMONTE, 39135339, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Santa Cruz, California.

DANIEL B. SARGENT, 31282045, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 9 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bangor, Maine.

ALVIN M. WILSON, 36415464, Staff Sergeant, 100th Counter-Intelligence Corps Detachment, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 5 March 1945 to 29 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

HERLIN N. DUBBELDE, 6937988, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

RICHARD E. GILBERT, 6912532, Corporal, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 12 December 1944 to 21 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Danville, Illinois.

EDWARD M. BENNETT, 15401610, Technician Fifth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 6 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from McComb, Ohio.

JAMES H. PICORARO, 32596842, Technician Fifth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lodi, New Jersey.

HARRY L. STIEGEL, JR., 32650396, Private First Class, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Richmond Hill, New York.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to the following named individual:

PAUL H. MERRICK, 0553708, Second Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 3 December 1944, in Eastern France. As leader of a rifle platoon, Lieutenant Merrick distinguished himself by his conduct in the many engagements in which his company participated during the period. On 3 December, volunteering to lead a patrol to reconnoiter hostile defenses preparatory to an attack upon the enemy-held town of Wingen, Lieutenant Merrick was moving forward in advance of his men, when he was killed by fire from a hostile machine gun. The personal courage, which he so readily displayed in this and all other actions in which he took part, won the admiration of his men and superior officers alike. Next of kin: Jane H. Merrick (Sister), 1722 North East Clackamas Street, Portland, Oregon.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

SAMUEL G. CAHOON, 3230737, Staff Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 November 1944 and 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon l'Etape, France. During an attack through mountainous and strongly defended terrain which made evacuation of wounded extremely difficult and hazardous, the officer in charge of evacuation himself became a casualty, and Sergeant Cahoon unhesitatingly assumed command of medical personnel. When a change in evacuation routes subsequently became necessary, Sergeant Cahoon personally led his men through a known mine field and areas infested with enemy snipers in order to reach wounded men, and by his personal courage and devotion to duty made possible the saving of many lives during the action. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

STANLEY A. SIUBA, 36304339, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitchy, France. In an attack upon enemy-held fortifications of the Maginot Line, our forces were immobilized by automatic weapons and small arms fire from entrenchments near the objective, and Sergeant Siuba led his squad in a brilliant flanking movement which neutralized the hostile positions. Under his direction his men opened fire upon the opposing troops, killing one enemy and forcing the withdrawal of the remainder into the fortification itself, thus relieving other elements of our forces and contributing greatly to the capture of the objective. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

CYRUS S. LOMBARD, 12030036, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitchy, France. After securing their objective, our troops were preparing defensive entrenchments when the enemy launched a determined counterattack. Observing a hostile infantryman in the act of hurling a grenade toward the position which he and two companions occupied, Sergeant Lombard instantly fired a single round from his rifle at the attacking grenadier, then, aware that his weapon contained no further ammunition, with remarkable speed and accuracy ripped a grenade from his bandolier and flung it at the hostile soldier, wounding him seriously and by his alertness and presence of mind saved the lives of himself and his two comrades. Entered military service from Frankfurt, New York.

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ALFRED H. KELLEY, 31282066, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Meyersviller, France. Informed that three men had been seriously wounded during an advance against strongly-defended enemy entrenchments, Corporal Kelley immediately and upon his own volition drove his medical vehicle forward under heavy fire from hostile artillery mortars and automatic weapons. Reaching the casualties, he administered first aid while in full view of enemy machine gunners and then evacuated the wounded men who would have succumbed to their wounds had it not been for Corporal Kelley's courageous action. Entered military service from Seal Cove, Maine.

JOHN G. ALFONSO, 6145055, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rindling, France. In an attack upon strongly defended enemy positions, our troops encountered heavy fire from hostile artillery, mortars, tanks, rockets and small arms, and all radio and wire communications were disrupted. Private Alfonso, a company runner, was dispatched to the battalion observation post and, alternately running and crawling across several hundred yards of open terrain under constant shelling by the enemy, succeeded in reaching his objective. He then returned to forward elements with tactical instructions, traveling again over a route which was constantly shelled by the enemy in an attempt to prevent supplies and communications from reaching our attacking troops. Entered military service from Fall River, Massachusetts.

MICHAEL J. AMICCHIARICO, 32929469, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Meyersviller, France. When hostile mortar and artillery shelling inflicted numerous casualties upon our forces, Private Amicchiarico, a litter bearer, unhesitatingly made his way forward under continuing enemy fire to evacuate the casualties. Although he was repeatedly fired upon by enemy machine guns and time and again forced to take cover in a shallow trench, on each occasion he resumed his efforts as soon as the hostile fire ceased, and by his courageous action saved the lives of many injured soldiers who would otherwise have succumbed to their wounds. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

CHARLES A. CADE, 37597874, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Meyersviller, France. Upon learning that a member of the leading platoon in an attack had been seriously wounded by hostile artillery fire, Private Cade, a litter bearer, immediately volunteered to go to his assistance. Crawling forward under intense fire, he reached the casualty, administered first aid, and was attempting to evacuate the wounded man when he was fired upon by several hostile machine guns. Refusing to abandon his efforts, he eventually succeeded in bringing his injured comrade to safety under cover of smoke shells laid down by friendly mortars, thus saving the life of a fellow soldier. Entered military service from Labette, Kansas.

CARL E. NEAL, 34913794, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 March 1945, in the vicinity of Lamberg, France. Acting as scout of a reconnaissance patrol instructed to determine the strength and location of hostile positions, Private Neal advanced to a point two hundred and fifty yards forward of friendly lines, where he and his comrades found their path obstructed by an enemy outpost. Courageously crawling forward alone to within twenty yards of the enemy, Private Neal investigated the deployment of hostile units beyond the outpost and returned to our lines with information which subsequently proved of great value in planning future operations. Entered military service from Kingsport, Tennessee.

HERBERT F. PHILLIPS, 33827775, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Meyersviller, France. When forward elements of our attacking forces were immobilized by fire from hostile artillery, mortars and automatic weapons, Private Phillips, a litter bearer, immediately moved forward to assist in the evacuation of casualties. Advancing in full view of enemy machine gunners, he went from one wounded man to another, administering first aid and helping to bear the injured soldiers to the rear. Barely missing death on repeated occasions, he labored unremittingly throughout the day and succeeded in saving the lives of many comrades who would otherwise have succumbed to their wounds. Entered military service from Cambridge, Maryland.

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ROBERT D. SWENSON, 31456666, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. A reconnaissance patrol moving forward to investigate hostile positions a thousand yards to the front of our lines was discovered and subjected to intense artillery, rocket and automatic weapons fire. The main body of the patrol halted, but Sergeant Swenson and two companions upon their own initiative continued to advance to a point from which they were able to determine rocket gun positions and observe supply routes, thus returning to our lines with information vital to the success of future operations. Entered military service from Barrington, Rhode Island.

DONALD W. YELTON, 37606442, Private First Class, 396th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. As a member of a wire team assigned to an infantry company engaged in an attack upon strongly defended enemy positions, Private Yelton with his comrades advanced under heavy fire from hostile artillery, mortars, rockets and tanks in order to establish communications with the company command post. When within two hundred yards of the objective, members of the team found their supply of wire exhausted, and Private Yelton volunteered to make his way under intense shelling to a nearby town in order to obtain more wire. While enroute, he observed a seriously wounded infantryman, and by his direction of medical assistance to the casualty contributed to saving the injured soldier's life. Entered military service from Wellsville, Missouri.

HARRY J. SMITH, 20835125, Private, Medical Detachment, 198th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Reversviller, France. When the company to which Private Smith was attached as aid man was subjected to intense hostile artillery, mortar and automatic weapons fire during an attack, three members of the leading platoon were seriously wounded and fell but a few yards from an enemy machine gun emplacement. Without hesitation Private Smith crawled forward under fire until he reached the wounded soldiers, administered first aid, and then one by one, dragged the casualties to the safety of a nearby dugout, thus saving the lives of comrades who would otherwise have succumbed to their wounds. Entered military service from Pawhuska, Oklahoma.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Germany:

Award of Third Oak Leaf Cluster

ARTHUR P. DELUCA, 33850026, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 19 April 1945. Entered military service from Puxsutanancy, Pennsylvania.

Award of First Oak Leaf Cluster

ALFRED H. WELER, 01309999, Captain, 397th Infantry Regiment, 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Connersville, Indiana.

WALTER R. VAUGHN, 02010677, Second Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 3 April 1945. Entered military service from Paducah, Kentucky.

JAMES H. DRUER, 33100379, Technical Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Delaware, Pennsylvania.

EDWARD J. BOYER, 39158022, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Firebaugh, California.

PAUL F. MOSHER, 15120037, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945. Entered military service from Delaware, Ohio.

WILLIE J. MULLENS, 38787795, Technician Fourth Grade, 398th Infantry Regiment, 12 April 1945. Entered military service from Alexandria, Louisiana.

EDWARD J. MUNLEY, 33489123, Private First Class, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Lost Creek, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM G. SULLIVAN, 38683036, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 12 April 1945. Entered military service from Stephenville, Texas.

VINCENT R. FERWELL, 39585476, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Lontebello, California.

CHARLES D. CLIMARD, 35705469, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 13 April 1945. Entered military service from Franklin, Kentucky.

ARTHUR G. TRILJO, 36583635, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 3 February 1945. Entered military service from Sapinaw, Michigan.

A. V. LALIER, 34591446, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 12 April 1945. Entered military service from Shelby, North Carolina.

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SECTION IV -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Germany:

- FRANK C. ZALMSKI, 01061595, First Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 12 April 1945. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.
- CHARLES J. WILKERSEMA, 01317716, First Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 17 April 1945. Entered military service from Muskegon, Michigan.
- ARTHUR W. WENDEL, 01295239, First Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 12 April 1945. Entered military service from Camden, Ohio.
- FRANCIS J. McNEE, 01900301, First Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.
- FRANK G. EVINERT, JR., 0547372, Second Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 12 April 1945. Entered military service from Fort Bragg, North Carolina.
- JAMES H. CROGAN, 34145272, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 17 April 1945. Entered military service from Bloomington Springs, Tennessee.
- JOHN A. JENNISTON, 32105418, Staff Sergeant, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.
- STANLEY J. MAZALEWSKI, 33000106, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.
- FRANK A. IERICH, 32653998, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 11 April 1945. Entered military service from Astoria, New York.
- EDWARD J. BOREBOA, 39158022, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Firebaugh, California.
- HAROLD P. COATES, 16177196, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from West Allamhurst, New Jersey.
- ROBERT J. WELCH, 12166867, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 12 April 1945. Entered military service from Geneva, New York.
- JOE M. LITZ, 36983463, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.
- WILBUR A. BLANCHARD, 11089244, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 17 April 1945. Entered military service from Bridgewater, Vermont.
- LLOYD P. CUNNINGHAM, 18170433, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 12 April 1945. Entered military service from Middletown, Pennsylvania.
- DAVID G. HURT, 35241522, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Lebanon, Kentucky.
- ROBERT G. GUMER, 32936333, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 16 February 1945. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- WILNER T. NELSON, 33946720, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 13 March 1945. Entered military service from Shippensburg, Pennsylvania.
- ROYAL E. WELLS, 37632369, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Tattle, Missouri.
- JOHN M. TRAVIS, 32651329, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, 19 February 1945. Entered military service from New York, New York.
- CRVIN P. ARCHERPAULT, 31256409, Technician Fourth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment, 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Haverhill, Massachusetts.
- GEORGE W. BEAMAN, JR., 37516772, Technician Fourth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment, 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.
- AL HAGAR, 36597441, Corporal, 397th Infantry Regiment, 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.
- OSCAR PADICWASKY, 32593090, Corporal, 225th Field Artillery Battalion, 25 April 1945. Entered military service from Passaic, New Jersey.
- RAYMOND L. MILLER, 36022341, Corporal, 21st Tank Battalion, 16 March 1945. Entered military service from Lansing, Michigan.
- LEONARD A. IATO, JR., 36454753, Corporal, 397th Infantry Regiment, 12 April 1945. Entered military service from Green Bay, Wisconsin.
- ROBERT B. WASSERLY, 12394293, Technician Fifth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment, 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Alexandria Bay, New York.
- VITO A. LICHA, 32680574, Technician Fifth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment, 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Fortchester, New York.
- DAVID W. WOFFORD, 35147247, Private First Class, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Huntington, Indiana.
- GENE J. BLASZAK, 32944344, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Alameda, California.
- EDWARD L. JAMES, 31871282, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Meriden, Connecticut.

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JOHN LASKO, 32556484, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Lodi, New Jersey.

FRIQUE Z. SALINAS, 30113184, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Harlingen, Texas.

PAUL J. WAGNER, 14174927, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Brinkley, Arkansas.

THOMAS G. KELLY, 32655227, Private First Class, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

ANTONIO VASQUEZ, 32655919, Private First Class, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 16 April 1945. Entered military service from New York, New York.

GEORGE E. CROY, 33951044, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 14 April 1945. Entered military service from West Newton, Pennsylvania.

MARTIN A. GILOWSKI, 39305620, Private First Class, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, 22 April 1945. Entered military service from Amsterdam, New York.

BAXTER R. SMITH, JR., 34946512, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

WALBERT J. PAOLO, 12156284, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 781st Tank Battalion, 13 March 1945. Entered military service from New York, New York.

JOHN R. MURPHY, 42143576, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Utica, New York.

WILLIAM G. TOMPKINS, 33239779, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 12 April 1945. Entered military service from Scranton, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT M. WITHELSPOON, JR., 14201802, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 10 April 1945. Entered military service from Beaufort, South Carolina.

FRANCIS J. JONAS, 42140108, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 11 April 1945. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

ARTHUR MERRICK, 31456627, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from New Britain, Connecticut.

JOHN H. HENDERSON, 14174768, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Albany, New York.

ALBERT A. DUZZIE, 36984303, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

THOMAS O. HAM, 34946476, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Red Bay, Alabama.

JOSEPH M. BERTHAUS, 32023074, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

PAUL BREITBERMAN, 42137600, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 10 April 1945. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JOSEPH DEVITO, 12194204, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Piermont, New York.

SAMUEL A. LEE, 34966243, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Scranton, South Carolina.

THOMAS FLAKO SAI, 32651834, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 17 April 1945. Entered military service from Union, New Jersey.

PAUL FLOCHMAN, 33417919, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 2 April 1945. Entered military service from McDonald, Pennsylvania.

WILHEM T. TURNER, 42135515, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 2 April 1945. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JAMES E. VAN DALLE, 42143582, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Phelps, New York.

VERNON C. WESTON, 37563417, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Maddock, North Dakota.

ROY J. SANDS, 37530153, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 22 April 1945. Entered military service from Edna, Kansas.

JOE J. TERADO, 39588612, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 18 April 1945. Entered military service from San Diego, California.

JAMES P. HEGAN, 12223305, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 14 November 1944. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

THOMAS DRUGAN, 33059076, Private, 500th Ordnance Company, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Elkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

RAYMOND G. GONZALES, 38349904, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Albuquerque, New Mexico.

CHARLIE A. McCARD, 34302854, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Prattville, Alabama.

GOMER R. EDWARDS, 13132450, Private, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

DONALD G. MONIA, 42150338, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 17 April 1945. Entered military service from North Haver, New York.

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FRANCIS W. HICKMAN, 33903862, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Pocomoke City, Maryland.

H. LTON L. BURR, 345114753, Private, 397th Infantry Regiment, 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Bishopville, South Carolina.

EDWARD H. ATCHLEY, 34720983, Private, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Knoxville, Tennessee.

SECTION V -- RESCISSION OF AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

OK So much of Section V, General Orders Number 83, this headquarters, current series, as awards a Purple Heart to CHARLES F. MEYER, 01648386, First Lieutenant, 625th Engineer Combat Battalion is rescinded.

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

JOHN R. MOHR, 32697898, Sergeant, 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bettviller, France. When one of his gun crew was seriously wounded by a concentration of hostile artillery fire, Sergeant Mohr, gun commander, quickly administered first aid, walked two hundred yards over an exposed area, obtained a vehicle and drove the wounded man through artillery fire to a point where he was met by company aid men. The prompt medical attention given has assured the recovery of the wounded man. Sergeant Mohr's heroism under fire is a source of great inspiration to his men. Entered military service from Glendale, New York.

GEORGE C. FARRIS, 0326005, Major, 781st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 29 November 1944 to 13 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Ravenna, Kentucky.

GEORGE C. BLANCHARD, JR., 01015292, Captain, 781st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 29 November 1944 to 2 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Port Neches, Texas.

VINCENT J. DONISE, 01015361, Captain, 781st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 29 November 1944 to 2 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dayton, Ohio.

KEITH MAXWELL, 01170072, First Lieutenant, 250th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 24 July 1944 to 1 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

DAVID SCHREIBER, 01015375, First Lieutenant, 781st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 29 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

TROY E. TARPLEY, W2123066, Chief Warrant Officer, 781st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 29 November 1944 to 2 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sidney, Texas.

WALLIS J. THOMPSON, 39611851, Technical Sergeant, 781st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 29 November 1944 to 2 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Columbus, Montana.

RAYMOND F. PALMER, 7084156, Staff Sergeant, 250th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service during the period 24 July 1944 to 1 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Calderwood, Tennessee.

LACOSTE HERDOCK, 6397484, Sergeant, 250th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 24 July 1944 to 1 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Cheraw, South Carolina.

HENRY A. VACCARRO, 38376581, Corporal, 250th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service during the period 24 July 1944 to 31 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

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Award of Fifth Oak Leaf Cluster

LOUIS J. FRIER, 01173612, First Lieutenant, 242nd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 14 September 1944 to 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

Award of Fourth Oak Leaf Cluster

BERNARD F. HEANEY, 01181626, First Lieutenant, 242nd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 14 September 1944 to 12 April 1945. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Award of Third Oak Leaf Cluster

JOHN W. MASELL, 01183358, First Lieutenant, 242nd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 19 December 1944 to 3 April 1945. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Air Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

HAROLD V. SMITH, 0383460, Captain, 242nd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 12 September 1944 to 17 April 1945. Entered military service from Pocatello, Idaho.

ROBERT J. TYRL, 01168117, Captain, 242nd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 24 December 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to each of the following named individuals:

WILLIAM T. MCCLELLAN, JR., 34980887, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 13 November 1944 to 8 January 1945, in Eastern France. Next of kin: Mary B. McClellan (Wife), Blountstown, Florida.

ELMER R. MINK, 33811741, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 15 November 1944 to 8 January 1945, in Eastern France. Next of kin: Anna Mink (Mother), 155 West Wyoming Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual, missing in action:

PAUL A. LIEBSCH, 16175320, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Assigned the mission of clearing the enemy from an area separating units of our forces, Private Liebsch and five other members of the third platoon of K Company moved forward aggressively in the face of fire from hostile riflemen and two enemy machine gun emplacements. With several men crawling forward within grenade range, Private Liebsch and his five comrades engaged the opposing troops with grenade and rifle fire, killing five and capturing seven of the enemy and thus making contact with adjacent forces to close the gap between our units. Next of kin: Loretta Liebsch (Mother), 1006 Prairie Avenue, Park Ridge, Illinois.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

CHARLES W. ALLIN, 01325847, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. In an attack against enemy positions on high ground, Lieutenant Allin led his platoon across the brow of a hill but fifty yards from a large hostile force, then moved forward fifty yards in advance of his men over open terrain under direct fire from an enemy self-propelled gun. While delivering rifle fire against the hostile weapon in an attempt to neutralize its position, he simultaneously signalled individual members of the platoon to cross the open area by rushes. As he subsequently attempted to reorganize his force, the area was subjected to intense artillery, machine gun and small arms fire, and Lieutenant Allin was wounded but refused evacuation until the platoon had safely withdrawn from its untenable position. Entered military service from Seattle, Washington.

ROBERT J. BLAHA, 01317750, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 February 1945, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. After planning all details of a raid upon enemy positions situated on high ground, Lieutenant Blaha personally led his men in the action. Successfully moving past all hostile outposts, he then directed his troops in an attack in which they swept across the hill, subjecting the occupants of enemy fox holes to intense fire from rifles and grenades. Although determined opposition from small arms and automatic weapons was encountered, Lieutenant Blaha's skillful deployment and direction of his force resulted in the wiping out of all enemy resistance without loss to our attacking troops. Entered military service from San Diego, California.

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RAY H. SNYDER, 02010705, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 March 1945, in the vicinity of Raversviller, France. After volunteering to lead a combat patrol, Lieutenant Snyder, while moving toward enemy lines in advance of his men, was stunned by the detonation of hostile grenades hurled by two enemy soldiers from a concealed position. Recovering consciousness, he killed one of the opposing infantrymen with rifle fire and the second was killed by a member of his patrol. The enemy then opened fire from several positions, and Lieutenant Snyder skillfully directed the withdrawal of his men before he himself retired. Although the group was subjected to machine gun fire in returning to friendly lines, the mission was successfully accomplished without casualty to our forces as a result of Lieutenant Snyder's capable and courageous leadership. Entered military service from Pontiac, Michigan.

ALFRED TRIPPLER, 02006996, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Clifton, New Jersey.

LOUIS E. LEVY, 32658183, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

JOHN A. MARAFFINO, 32657108, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from New York, New York.

ROBERT D. HAUSHARDT, 33032051, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JERE M. ZIMMERLY, 32262079, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Jamaica, Long Island, New York.

ARK G. CHIT, 39215970, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Aberdeen, Washington.

STANLEY L. GACEK, 36022361, Sergeant (then Corporal), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

WALLACE R. MC ALEXANDER, 34925574, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Holly Springs, Mississippi.

GEORGE H. ACKERMAN, JR., 33811295, Private First Class (then Private), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

PAVOS GALIDAS, 42059938, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from New York, New York.

LAWRENCE E. WALKER, 31200602, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Island Pond, Vermont.

For heroic achievement in action on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. When machine gun and mortar fire from well-entrenched enemy positions on high ground halted the advance of an adjacent battalion, these members of the second platoon of K Company moved to the attack. Advancing rapidly one hundred yards behind a rolling barrage laid down by friendly artillery, they crossed open terrain, cut a passage through hostile barbed wire and advanced through the obstacle under heavy small arms and mortar fire, then assaulted and overran the enemy entrenchments, thus by their aggressive and courageous tactics securing a difficult and strongly-defended objective in less than an hour's time.

EDWARD W. STORE, 31235037, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Lynn, Massachusetts.

JULIUS YOUNG, 12189456, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

VINCENT J. FERAGOLA, 32597500, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Fairlawn, New Jersey.

GEVE L. HATFIELD, 38602648, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Conway, Arkansas.

WILLIAM R. SANTUS, 35558593, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

For heroic achievement in action on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. Assigned the mission of clearing the enemy from an area separating units of our forces, these members of the third platoon of K Company moved forward aggressively in the face of fire from hostile riflemen and two enemy machine gun emplacements. With several men crawling forward to within grenade range, the platoon engaged the opposing troops with grenade and rifle fire, killing five and capturing seven of the enemy and thus making contact with adjacent forces to close the gap between our units.

SAMUEL P. LAFFERTY, JR., 33846723, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 February 1945, in the vicinity of Spitzberg, France. As leader of one of several combat patrols engaged in coordinated raids upon enemy positions, Sergeant Lafferty, while moving forward

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some twenty yards in advance of his men, observed the exact location of a hostile machine gun which was firing upon adjacent patrols. Although he was himself subjected to machine gun and rifle fire, Sergeant Lafferty indicated the position of the enemy weapon to his comrades, then led them in an expertly executed flanking movement and by skillful use of the firepower at his disposal silenced the hostile machine gun, inflicting five casualties upon the enemy and enabling other patrols to continue their advance. Entered military service from Stevenson, Maryland.

JACK LEE, 35800631, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Spitzberg, France. In the attack upon Spitzberg Hill, Sergeant Lee moved forward with his platoon over open terrain under heavy mortar and artillery fire which inflicted numerous casualties and mortally wounded the platoon runner. Aware of the vital need of communications, Sergeant Lee crawled toward the fallen runner, obtained his reel of wire, and completed the establishment of wire communications to the command post. As he finished his task, the enemy launched a counterattack in strength and the platoon leader was able, as a direct result of the foresight and initiative of Sergeant Lee, to call for friendly artillery fire, which dispersed the attacking force in confusion and saved the lives of many of our riflemen who would otherwise have been killed in the action. Entered military service from Oaks, Kentucky.

KAOHLIN H. COFFMAN, 13184642, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During an attack upon strongly defended enemy positions, Sergeant Coffman, communications sergeant of one of the attacking companies, observed that the runner carrying an important radio set had fallen behind. Immediately starting in search of the missing soldier, Sergeant Coffman discovered that he had fallen from exhaustion. Seizing the set himself, the communications sergeant moved forward and, although repeatedly subjected to intense artillery and mortar shelling, refused to seek cover until he had made his way to the company command post, thus establishing vital communications with the battalion commander. Entered military service from Waynesboro, Pennsylvania.

GEORGE BROWN, 34573805, Technician Fifth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 January 1945, in the vicinity of Urbach, France. After having been in position and subjected to almost constant artillery and mortar fire for several days and nights, the company of which Corporal Brown was a member was in critical need of food, water and supplies. Although each previous attempt to supply the unit had failed, Corporal Brown upon his own initiative took his vehicle over snow-covered roads under heavy mortar fire and, despite the intensity of enemy action, succeeded in reaching his company with the rations and equipment which were so sorely needed, and which enabled our forces to maintain their positions. Entered military service from Ludowici, Georgia.

VICTOR HOROWITZ, 12227417, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. When the platoon to which he was attached as aid man was immobilized by severe hostile artillery and small arms fire, Private Horowitz repeatedly exposed himself to enemy action in administering first aid to casualties not only of his own but adjacent units. Time after time he crept, crawled or ran up and down our forward line of infantry and frequently remained in full view of the enemy for considerable lengths of time in order to care for his wounded comrades. His courageous and untiring efforts resulted in saving the lives of many men who would otherwise have succumbed to their wounds. Entered military service from Laurelton, Long Island, New York.

ROBERT BRAILEY, 0456187, Captain, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 6 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Colone, New Jersey.

BROWN MC DONALD, JR., 0511145, Captain, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 5 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Montgomery, West Virginia.

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MICHAEL SNOW, 01295955, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Superior, Wisconsin.

EDWARD J. HAMELIN, 02000674, Second Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Whitman, Massachusetts.

AUGUST WIEDERFOER, 02000638, Second Lieutenant (then Technician Fifth Grade), Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations during the period 12 November 1944 to 30 March 1945, in Eastern France and Germany. Entered military service from Huntsville, Texas.

MICHAEL H. CLARKE, 32005221, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 14 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from West Pittston, Pennsylvania.

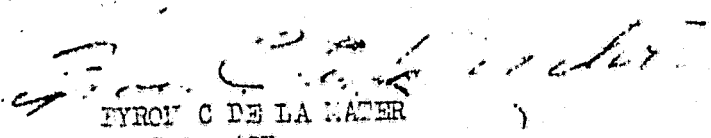
CLARENCE E. BOYCE, 6828670, Private First Class, 375th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 6 December 1944 to 30 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin.

CHARLES C. WUTTERLICH, 33715409, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Elizabeth, Pennsylvania.

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

FRED B. HART, 32483765, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Reversviller, France. During an attack by our forces, Corporal Hart was engaged in administering aid to wounded men when he was himself wounded by an enemy shellburst. Despite the pain of his injury, he continued the treatment of three other casualties before caring for his own wound, and, when litter bearers arrived, refused evacuation until his comrades were removed to safety and well on their way to the rear. Only when the enemy shelling had subsided did Corporal Hart submit to evacuation and the further medical treatment which he so sorely needed. His determined gallantry reflected great credit upon himself and his branch of service. Entered military service from Titusville, New Jersey.

HENRY F. DE FORGE, 31252701, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Soucht, France. During concentrated shelling of our positions by hostile artillery, Private DeForge heard an infantryman call for help and unhesitatingly crawled forward despite the intensity of the enemy fire. Fragments from a nearby shellburst severely wounded him, but he continued to inch his way in the direction from which the call had come, eventually succeeded in reaching the wounded man and administered first aid to the casualty before treating his own wound as best he could. He then dragged himself and his comrade to a defiladed position where he awaited the arrival of litter bearers, thus by his unselfish heroism saved the life of a fellow soldier and emulated the highest traditions of the medical corps. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF SOLDIERS MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldiers Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

ARTHUR ATHAS, 31256161, Technician Fifth Grade, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 6 March 1945, in the vicinity of Frankenbach, Germany. When a soldier's clothing, accidentally splashed with gasoline, became ignited and burst into searing flames, the panic-stricken victim ran into the open, where he was seen by Corporal Athas. Without regard for his own safety, Corporal Athas instantly ran after the blazing soldier, threw him to the ground and extinguished the flames, thus by his quick thinking and heroic action saving his comrade from disfigurement if not death itself. Entered military service from Salem, Massachusetts.

EVAN M. MILLER, 1.080131, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 28 February 1945, in the vicinity of Siersthal, France. While standing guard at a road block, Private Miller saw flames burst from a nearby building in which soldiers were quartered. Quickly running to the blazing house, he found that in the sudden outbreak of the fire the occupants were still asleep or dazed, and one by one he carried or led the men from the burning structure. Although small arms ammunition began to explode in the intense heat and his own clothing became ignited from the flames, Private Miller returned to the blazing building again and again and refused to cease his efforts until all occupants had been evacuated, thus by his alert and courageous action saving the lives of seven men. Entered military service from Montpelier, Vermont.

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SECTION III -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

DUNCAN M. EMERY, 01300300, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 March 1945, in the vicinity of Reversviller, France. Acting upon his own initiative, Lieutenant Emery led a six-man patrol toward enemy lines and, coming upon a hostile dugout, called upon the occupants to surrender. When the opposing troops refused to do so and opened fire, Lieutenant Emery killed one of the enemy and a second was wounded by a member of his patrol. Rifle fire from his rear indicated the presence of additional hostile forces, and Lieutenant Emery skillfully directed the withdrawal of his group, maintaining such excellent control of his men that the patrol returned to friendly lines without casualty despite intense fire from machine guns and small arms. Entered military service from Macon, Georgia.

LYLE A. MC DONALD, 02010573, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. During the attacks on Fort Freudenberg and Fort Schiesseck of the Maginot Line, Lieutenant McDonald displayed qualities of leadership and courage when, learning that his superior officers had been killed or wounded, he took charge of the company, reorganized the platoons and sent a messenger to his battalion commander for instructions. Upon receiving orders to prepare defensive positions for the night, he personally supervised the deployment of his men with a total disregard for his personal safety. Despite intensified enemy shelling he maintained the company in an organized manner until an officer arrived to take command. Entered military service from Grand Marais, Michigan.

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

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~~EDWARD J. MALONEY, 07637, Colonel, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 12 January 1945 to 2 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Amherst, Massachusetts.~~

FRANKLIN KERBLE, JR., 019418, Lieutenant Colonel, Ordnance Department, Headquarters 100th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered United States Military Academy from Pennsylvania.

MORRIS ZERROWITZ, 0375533, Major, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 26 November 1944 to 29 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

JOHN A. HOWELLS, 01171195, Captain, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 3 November 1944 to 7 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Girard, Ohio.

GEORGE I. FURINGTON, 01300081, Captain, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 18 November 1944 to 14 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Rathdrum, Idaho.

DOUGLAS J. BURROWS, 01296480, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Montgomery, Alabama.

ERWIN GLADSTONE, 0446956, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 21 October 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

ROBERT G. MOSS, 01298102, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 12 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Waterloo, Iowa.

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WARREN D. BEHRENS, 01692633, Second Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

DAVID W. GOODWIN, 11131022, Sergeant, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 24 December 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Haverhill, Massachusetts.

JOHN M. KINNEY, 32680323, Corporal, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations during the period 14 November 1944 to 6 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Morristown, New Jersey.

MILTON H. TAYLOR, 31255181, Technician Fifth Grade, 325th Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Haverhill, Massachusetts.

DONALD L. CHARLTON, 31237122, Private First Class, 325th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Malden, Massachusetts.

ADRIEN J. MOREAU, 31217212, Private First Class, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations during the period 14 November 1944 to 6 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sanford, Maine.

RICHARD D. PAGE, 33846301, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 3 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Mineral Point, Pennsylvania.

ROY M. SAYNE, 34572279, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 22 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Clermont, Georgia.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

EDWIN J. RAJOTTE, 01998115, Second Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 December 1944 in the vicinity of Bitché, France. Lieutenant Rajotte had deployed his weapons platoon in a defensive position near unit #11, part of Fort Schiessack, when the enemy launched a counterattack which threatened to cut off the platoon on the right flank. He immediately organized elements of his platoon, plus company headquarters, led them through heavy artillery and mortar fire, and inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy. By his prompt action a serious enemy counterattack was repulsed. Entered military service from Bridgeport, Connecticut.

ROBERT L. SHULTS, JR., 02011702, Second Lieutenant (then Sergeant), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ron L'Etape, France. After attainment of the company objective, Lieutenant Shults was reconnoitering for mortar positions when the enemy launched a counterattack against our forces. Without hesitation Lieutenant Shults led his squad to an exposed position from which he could bring fire upon the attacking troops, and despite hostile artillery and small arms fire remained in the open directing the fire of his men until the enemy withdrew. His prompt and courageous action was instrumental in repulsing the attack and enabled our troops to reorganize and prepare defensive entrenchments for the night. Entered military service from Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

WILFRED B. HOWSMON, JR., 1E402123, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. Detecting hostile movements which presaged a counterattack against his position, Sergeant Howsmon alerted his squad and permitted the enemy to advance within twenty yards before he discharged a flare which exposed the attacking troops and served as a signal for his men to open fire. Advancing in the face of concentrated enemy action to direct the fire of an automatic rifleman and subsequently to reach a field telephone and adjust artillery upon the opposing forces, Sergeant Howsmon by his aggressive tactics and devotion to duty was responsible for the infliction of heavy casualties upon the enemy and the repulse of the attack. Entered military service from Dayton, Ohio.

WILLIAM L. PANFELL, 36782772, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. Members of a large combat patrol, Sergeant Panfell and another man were ordered to defend the left flank while the others attempted to destroy a hostile machine gun. While assuming their assigned positions, they were suddenly subjected to heavy fire from enemy mortars. Realizing the importance of his mission, Sergeant Panfell remained in position until the patrol had accomplished its mission. When ordered to withdraw, he discovered that his comrade had been seriously wounded and was unable to walk. In spite of the fact that the main body of the patrol had already withdrawn and the enemy was quickly closing in, Sergeant Panfell administered first aid treatment to the casualty and then assisted him to the rear. His heroic act prevented capture of the wounded man and reflects the greatest credit upon himself and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Rock Island, Illinois.

ARTHUR C. GEERS, 35679289, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. When his battalion made the initial assault on Forts Freudenberg and Schiessack, strongpoints of the Maginot Line, Sergeant Geers' platoon and machine gun section were subjected to sniper fire, followed immediately by heavy artillery and mortar fire which inflicted many casualties. Sergeant Geers, a machine gunner, despite the intensity of enemy fire, brought his gun forward, set it into position, and with a steady stream of fire, routed the enemy snipers and enabled the platoon to continue the attack. Entered military service from Lexington, Kentucky.

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FRANK A. BEISEL, 33505361, Corporal, 375th Field Artillery Battalion. Entered military service from South Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

JOHN H. CURTIN, 12192020, Private First Class, 375th Field Artillery Battalion. Entered military service from New York, New York.

For heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. During an attack upon Fort Freudenberg of the Maginot Line, when our forces were immobilized by hostile artillery, mortar and machine gun fire, Corporal Beisel and Private Curtin unhesitatingly exposed themselves to intense enemy action in order to establish a wire line to a forward observer's position. This accomplished, the two wiremen again advanced under fire to bring a radio to the observer, and subsequently, when wire communications were severed by hostile shelling, they moved forward under severe fire and succeeded in repairing the break in the wire lines. The outstanding courage of these men provided continued communications, directly responsible for direction of destructive artillery fire which enabled the infantry to seize their objective.

WALTER A. WEITMEYER, 36701923, Technician Fifth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Belvidere, Illinois.

NEIL G. KACHUR, 36955688, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

For heroic achievement in action on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Kouterhouse, France. On 5 December near Kouterhouse, B Company encountered observed artillery and mortar shelling, and thirty-one men were seriously wounded by the hostile action. Every attempt to evacuate the casualties in daylight intensified enemy fire, nevertheless these two men risked their lives time and again by entering the fire-swept area and successfully evacuating all injured men. Their heroic performance under fire in complete disregard of their own personal safety saved the lives of many of their comrades and won them the admiration of all members of their organization.

ERIC D. BOWERS, 39048102, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. Assigned the hazardous task of clearing the enemy out of a small patch of woods, the Second Battalion Raider Platoon was approaching its objective when suddenly it was subjected to an intense concentration of fire from several concealed enemy machine guns and mortars. Ordered to defend the left flank of the platoon, Private Bowers, a rifleman, discovered the exact location of three of the automatic weapons and immediately crawled toward them. He reached a partially covered position and began delivering a deadly stream of fire against the hostile gunners, killing three of them and wounding an undetermined number. Taken completely by surprise, the enemy abandoned their positions and fled for safety. His aggressiveness inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy and was an inspiration to his comrades. Entered military service from San Leandro, California.

NICOLAS A. CHEVEZ, 39572678, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Reon L'Etone, France. When his platoon's assault upon hostile positions was obstructed by concertina obstacles, Private Chavez voluntarily and courageously moved forward alone in the face of machine gun fire for a distance of seventy-five yards, cut guns in the wire, and thus enabled his comrades to swiftly and successfully culminate the attack. His personal bravery and disregard for his own safety were instrumental in the immediate and timely accomplishment of the company's mission. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

EDWARD G. HOFSTETTER, 13962408, Private First Class (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Urbech, France. While manning a light machine gun at the most advanced outpost of his company, a heavily armed hostile force suddenly attacked his unit's position. Realizing that the enemy was advancing over ground he could not cover, he voluntarily moved from his prepared position across open fire-swept terrain to set up his weapon in a more advantageous position. With utter disregard for his own safety, he fired steadily and accurately upon the advancing troops, inflicting heavy casualties and by his courageous performance under heavy fire materially helped repulse the strong German assault. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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RICHARD H. KEEFER, 33367831, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. While assaulting a hostile machine-gun emplacement, one of our combat patrols was suddenly subjected to fire from enemy mortars located nearby. Taking cover in an abandoned fox hole, Private Keefer saw a mortar shell explode injuring one of his comrades. With complete disregard for the increasing intensity of the hostile fire, he began crawling toward the wounded man. After administering emergency first aid treatment, he carried him back to a pre-arranged rendezvous point, where a medical aid man was waiting. Private Keefer then returned to his former position and joined the other men in a final successful assault against the position. His heroic act saved the life of a wounded comrade. Entered military service from Tamaqua, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT S. LEGASSIE, 6142369, Private First Class (then Sergeant), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. While reconnoitering for possible gun positions for his section, Private Legassie observed the approach of five hostile tanks. Instantly aware of the danger to our forces, Private Legassie transmitted information of the armored activity to the observation posts of two adjacent infantry companies, and, maintaining his position despite mortar and artillery shelling, directed mortar fire upon the enemy tanks and forced their withdrawal. Private Legassie's quick thinking and exemplary leadership prevented a surprise armored attack and reflected great credit on himself. Entered military service from Lewiston, Maine.

ROBERT LEHRER, 42064240, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. When it was discovered that a small farm house directly in front of our positions was being used as a forward observation post by the enemy a combat patrol was dispatched immediately with the mission of destroying the structure. Ordered to occupy a position behind the building and cover the men while they went inside, Private Lehrer suddenly sighted a group of enemy mounting a machine gun only a few yards away. Realizing that this weapon covered the only entrance to the building he placed a grenade adapter on his rifle and crawled forward. Then, firing several rifle grenades, he scored a direct hit, killing three gunners and silencing the weapon. His aggressiveness and quick thinking enabled the patrol to complete its mission and return without a single casualty. Entered military service from New York, New York.

GEORGE C. MATHEWS, 39086314, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. When his company had secured important high ground and the enemy had begun a fierce counterattack, Private Mathews, a mortar gunner had his mortar in position in a shell crater. Although he was less than two hundred and fifty yards from the enemy and his position was receiving heavy fire from enemy mortars and small arms, he immediately began firing and kept a steady barrage on the attacking enemy until they withdrew in disorder. His heroic stand in the face of heavy fire aided greatly in repulsing the counterattack. Entered military service from Oroville, California.

THOMAS R. McNAMARA, 32211106, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. Private McNamara, together with other members of a combat patrol assigned the hazardous task of silencing a hostile machine gun, had advanced to within a few yards of the position when he was seriously wounded. Administering first aid treatment to himself, he continued with the patrol and aided in destroying the enemy emplacement. As the group withdrew, Private McNamara volunteered to remain behind to act as cover, and, effectively repelling the pursuing enemy, enabled the mission to be successfully completed. Private McNamara's courageous and heroic actions reflected great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Utica, New York.

MYROSLAW H. MIKIN, 39576348, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. After completing its assigned mission of destroying a hostile machine gun, a large combat patrol was preparing to return to our lines when it was discovered that one man, who had been seriously wounded during the action, was unable to walk. Realizing that the enemy was attempting to surround the patrol and that the entire group would have to withdraw quickly or risk being captured, Private Mikin, a

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runner, volunteered to remain behind and assist in evacuating the wounded comrade. Moving slowly over a path that was subjected to intense fire from hostile mortars, they eventually reached friendly positions. His heroic act prevented the capture of the wounded man and reflects the greatest credit upon himself and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Long Beach, California.

RICHARD E. SCHMIDT, 37737562, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During his battalion's attack upon Fort Freudenberg and Fort Schiesseck of the Maginot Line, Private Schmidt, as observer for the intelligence section, exposed himself almost continuously to enemy artillery, mortar, twenty millimeter, machine gun and sniper fire in order to obtain adequate observation of hostile forces. His outstanding conduct of his duty, which terminated only when he was wounded by sniper fire, was responsible for the securing of valuable knowledge of enemy strength and dispositions. Entered military service from Dodge City, Kansas.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is posthumously awarded to the following named individual for gallantry in action:

JOHN C. MEANEY, JR., 01296558, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. After securing the high ground north of Bitche his company was fired upon by an undetermined number of Germans located in a pillbox. Lieutenant Meaney, executive officer of the company, disregarding the enemy fire crawled alone to the very doors of the pillbox calling to the occupants to surrender. Instantly, enemy fire was directed upon him and he was killed, but his gallant efforts to remove a serious threat to his company inspired his company to greater achievement and reflected credit on himself and the military service. Next of kin: Carroll Meaney (Mother), 2120 Birmingham Highway, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

MATTHEW B. EINSMANN, 01295852, Captain, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Directing his company in its assault upon Fort Schiesseck of the Maginot Line, Captain Einsmann found the advance blocked by an extensive mine field. Immediately moving to the head of the company, he personally assisted the engineers in clearing a route through the obstacle, and when the area was subjected to intense mortar shelling, he courageously moved from one platoon to another, encouraging his men and organizing them for the assault upon the enemy fortifications. Under Captain Einsmann's skillful and inspiring leadership, Fort Schiesseck was secured by his men and the capture of the city of Bitche was thus greatly facilitated. Entered military service from Jamaica, New York.

GEORGE H. ADAMS, 01289849, First Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Assigned the hazardous task of seizing the bitterly defended Fort Schiesseck, Company F was advancing toward its objective when the leading platoons were suddenly subjected to a deadly stream of fire from a hostile machine gun located in a concrete pillbox directly ahead. Realizing that this strongpoint was holding up the entire battalion's advance, Lieutenant Adams, commanding officer, crawled forward across an open field in an attempt to locate a vantage point from which effective counter-fire might be delivered against the emplacement. After crawling fifty yards over terrain that was infested with cleverly concealed mines and booby traps, he finally ordered one squad to attempt a flanking movement. Remaining in his exposed position, he fired his carbine continually at the emplacement, forcing the enemy to concentrate their fire against him, thereby enabling the other men to outflank the positions and silence the automatic weapon with hand grenades. Lieutenant Adams' personal courage enabled his company to seize this strongpoint and continue their advance. Entered military service from Kinston, North Carolina.

WILLIAM E. STODDARD, 02014955, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. During the attacks on Forts Freudenberg and Schiesseck, strongpoints of the Maginot Line, Lieutenant Stoddard skillfully deployed his squads, bringing his men to the very doors of the pillbox which was their immediate objective. In their advance forward they killed five and captured two of the enemy.

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When other attempts to rout the enemy gunners from their positions on the inside failed, Lieutenant Stoddard climbed to the top of the pillbox and dropped grenades near the slits in the wall, completely disregarding the automatic fire which was directed at him from other enemy positions. By Lieutenant Stoddard's skillful leadership and gallant action the mission was completed without a casualty to his platoon. Entered military service from Saginaw, Michigan.

LOUIS W. SNYDER, 38540212, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. During an attack upon an enemy-held town, members of Sergeant Snyder's platoon were subjected to direct fire from a hostile automatic weapon. Moving forward to an advantageous position, Sergeant Snyder delivered a consistent volume of fire upon the opposing gunner, thus permitting the remainder of the platoon to maneuver into firing positions, and then, without regard for his own safety, rose to his feet and advanced on the enemy gunner firing as he went forward. When he was within a few feet of the position, he tossed a hand grenade into the hole killing the occupant. Inspired by his gallant and courageous action, the platoon charged the enemy positions, killing five more of the hostile force and capturing fourteen prisoners. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

LLOYD R. CAIN, 15313402, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 December 1944, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. Sergeant Cain volunteered to go forward alone and locate a large enemy force digging in to his company's front. He strung a telephone line as he advanced, and finally after traveling over four hundred yards, he sighted the hostile forces and quickly called for artillery fire. However, before completing his message, a mortar barrage landed in the area and severed the line. He then traced the line, located the break, quickly repaired it and started forward again. Calling for artillery fire a second time, he skillfully adjusted it on the hostile positions, inflicting heavy casualties on the foe and eventually forcing them to withdraw. His action eliminated a serious threat to our positions and reflects the greatest credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Lafayette, Indiana.

RAYMOND P. CHATY, 16175394, Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. A five-man reconnaissance patrol under the leadership of Sergeant Chaty was subjected to an intense volume of fire from hostile machine guns and automatic weapons and Sergeant Chaty, ordering his companions to take cover, courageously moved forward alone for more than seventy-five yards despite enemy action and the presence of hostile mines in the area. Determining the exact location of the enemy weapons and the strength of their crews, he then engaged the opposing troops and by his accurate delivery of fire held them at bay until his companions had withdrawn before retiring himself. By his gallant action under enemy fire Sergeant Chaty distinguished himself and obtained information of marked value in the planning of future operations. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

JACOB H. VOGT, 15373665, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Spitzberg, France. In an attack upon well-entrenched and strongly-defended enemy positions on a ridge, the platoon of which Private Vogt was a member constituted the spearhead of our assault forces. Moving forward in advance of his comrades under a steady volume of hostile small arms and automatic weapons fire, Private Vogt drove opposing infantry from their fox holes by use of grenades and bayonet, expending five bandoleers of ammunition in the attack and killing four enemy, capturing fourteen and wounding many more. His gallant and aggressive action, performed at great risk to his own life, enabled our troops to secure the objective with a minimum of casualties and a maximum of speed. Entered military service from Corydon, Indiana.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

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WANDA A. DAVIDSON, 4489468, Major, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 10 November 1944 to 20 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Ruston, Louisiana.

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ALLAN R. GREENE, 0294164, Major, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service during the period 5 November 1944 to 20 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Plainfield, New Jersey.

WILLIAM T. ONG, JR., 0297747, Major, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 6 November 1944 to 22 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from York, Pennsylvania.

CHARLES E. BEAVER, JR., 01286592, Captain, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Asheville, North Carolina.

BOYD V. BURNETT, 01296479, Captain, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 30 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Forest City, North Carolina.

PAUL M. COX, 0340736, Captain, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 21 October 1944 to 22 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from New Bern, North Carolina.

BENKELEY W. CUE, 01295838, Captain, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 10 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in Eastern France and Germany. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

JAMES HUMPHRY III, 0374876, Captain, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 3 November 1944 to 25 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Reading Massachusetts.

GEORGE F. MC ALISTER, JR., 01296725, Captain, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 30 November 1944 to 20 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

JACK L. RHEA, 01296148, Captain, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 5 November 1944 to 20 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Webster Cove, Missouri.

EDMUND J. RUNDLELL, 01296584, Captain (then First Lieutenant), 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 5 November 1944 to 20 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Owego, New York.

WILLIAM E. STALLWORTH, 0406255, Captain, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bennettsville, South Carolina.

ADDISON R. YEHL, 0446894, Captain, 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 3 November 1944 to 20 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Olean, New York.

WILLIAM E. BAMBRICK, 01299838, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 6 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

RICHARD C. STRICKLAND, 01296602, First Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 14 November 1944 to 20 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

CLARK V. WHITED, 01300109, First Lieutenant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in action during the period 12 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.

WILLIAM K. HOAGLAND, 02007150, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 373rd Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service during the period 2 December 1944 to 5 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Glen Rock, New Jersey. *Rec'd by 20261-2*

~~CHALLENGER N. MAGGIACOMO, 32656570, Master Sergeant, 100th Signal Company, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 20 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Poughkeepsie, New York.~~

DONALD POLIS, 37555550, Technical Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fargo, North Dakota.

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WILLIAM E. BARTHART, 33037932, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 17 December 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. Entered military service from Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania.

RICHARD T. COSTELLO, 12088116, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 8 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

WILLIAM S. KUMPEL, 324 3267, Sergeant, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in action during the period 20 November 1944 to 11 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Mount Holly, New Jersey.

ERNEST PEIRCE, 32593623, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service during the period 12 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Paterson, New Jersey.

MELVIN H. HELLMAN, 38094108, Technician Fourth Grade, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in action during the period 11 November 1944 to 24 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Donna, Texas.

MICHAEL F. BAUER, 33778531, Corporal, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in action during the period 10 December 1944 to 15 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

CARL P. ROMAN, 36161857, Corporal, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in action during the period 20 November 1944 to 11 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Flint, Michigan.

BLAGIO J. PEZZA, 31384638, Technician Fifth Grade, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in action during the period 11 November 1944 to 11 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Cranston, Rhode Island.

HOMER C. WALL, 34591473, Technician Fifth Grade, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations during the period 14 November 1944 to 6 March 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Shelby, North Carolina.

RAYMOND R. DAVIS, 31271917, Private First Class, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in action during the period 11 November 1944 to 15 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Southington, Connecticut.

JAMES HOBSON, 32427880, Private First Class (then Private), 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in action during the period 11 November 1944 to 15 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Palm Springs, California.

MARTIN A. ORLOWSKI, 39305690, Private First Class (then Private), 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in action during the period 20 November 1944 to 11 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Amsterdam, New York.

JOSEPH M. SACHS, 32017157, Private First Class, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 3 November 1944 to 3 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

JOHN E. STOREY, JR., 36757522, Private First Class, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 3 November 1944 to 3 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

CHARLES A. CORTELLINO, 32516418, Private, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 3 November 1944 to 24 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to the following named individual:

CLYDE M. OLIVER, 34870947, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 January 1945, in the vicinity of Siersthal, France. During a lull in the attack, Private Oliver, an automatic rifleman, was sent by his squad leader to the platoon command post to deliver a message. While absent, a sudden enemy counterattack developed on the platoon's right flank. After completing his mission, Private Oliver, in utter disregard of his personal safety, returned through concentrated hostile artillery, small arms and automatic fire to his original station, manned his weapon and delivered accurate and destructive fire on the advancing enemy, inflicting many casualties. His heroic action helped repulse the counterattack which had threatened to overrun his platoon and company positions. Next of kin: Lyla F. E. Oliver (Wife), Route #1, Banner, Mississippi.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual, missing in action:

ALFRED J. RIZZO, 02000651, Second Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 February 1945 and 25 February 1945, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. Forced to alter his previously arranged plans for the capture of prisoners when the enemy opened fire simultaneously on both sections of his twenty man raiding patrol, Lieutenant Rizzo skillfully deployed his men in strategic positions and directed them in a fierce engagement against the hostile troops. When ammunition ran low after a thirty-five minute fire fight, he gave the signal to retire and himself remained behind to cover the successful withdrawal. His aggressive and heroic leadership resulted in the destruction of an estimated six enemy without loss of a single one of his men. Next of kin: Carmela Rizzo (Mother), 21-70 28th Avenue, Long Island City, New York.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

WILLIAM H. ENGLISH, 02011713, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. During a strong enemy counterattack, Lieutenant English unhesitatingly moved along the platoon front in the face of concentrated hostile fire at close range in order to coordinate and direct the action of his men, and when the supply of ammunition became dangerously low, went from one fox hole to another to bring additional rounds to each individual soldier. His vigorous leadership and the personal courage which he displayed so inspired his men that the enemy attack was repulsed with heavy losses. Entered military service from Kings Mountain North Carolina.

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CHARLES S. ADAMCEK, 31251922, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. Advancing in the first wave of the attack, Sergeant Adamcek's platoon was moving across an open field when it was immobilized by intense enemy crossfire from artillery, mortars and automatic weapons. Unable to advance or withdraw, and subjected to direct fire upon the slightest movement, the platoon remained in its exposed position throughout the day. Without regard for his own safety, Sergeant Adamcek moved from one member of his squad to another, directing their deployment and administering aid to the wounded. Although seriously wounded himself during the action, he refused evacuation and superintended the withdrawal of his unit under cover of darkness. Sergeant Adamcek's outstanding courage and devotion to duty have been an inspiration to his men. Entered military service from Glastonbury, Connecticut.

WILLIAM J. GOSTKOWSKI, 32681028, Technical Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Wimmenau, France. When two frontal assaults had failed to drive the enemy from well-defended positions Sergeant Gostkowski as acting platoon sergeant withdrew his unit and by a skillfully-executed enveloping movement succeeded in bringing his entire platoon to the rear of the hostile entrenchments without detection. Then he led his men in an assault in which an undetermined number of enemy were killed, three captured, and the remainder dispersed in confusion. The alert and aggressive leadership thus displayed by Sergeant Gostkowski was instrumental in the capture of the battalion objective. Entered military service from Northport, New York.

RICHARD F. JACKSON, 11110129, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lemberg, France. After enemy shelling and automatic fire had halted B Company in an open field and forced his company to take cover in adjacent woods, Sergeant Jackson, on his own initiative, left his sheltered position, and joined by another soldier, carried his mortar out into the open from where he could fire at an enemy machine gun. Despite the volume of fire directed at him, he accurately adjusted his mortar fire and neutralized the hostile installation. His brave performance eliminated a source of deadly cross-fire on B Company and permitted members of C Company to attack and capture two flak guns. Entered military service from Walpole, Massachusetts.

ALFRED URRESTI, 31237439, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Reyersviller, France. When leading elements of our troops were subjected to heavy hostile artillery, mortar, and automatic weapon fire, Private Urresti, a litter bearer, moved forward to evacuate the casualties. Informed that one seriously wounded man who lay but a few yards from a hostile machine gun position was in desperate need of medical attention, Private Urresti upon his own volition crawled forward under concentrated enemy fire, succeeded in reaching and administering first aid to the casualty, then, although forced to halt time and again by the intensity of the hostile shelling, eventually brought the wounded man to safety. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

NICHOLAS STALIKAS, 02000689, Second Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. While passing through enemy lines, the Battalion Raider Platoon ran into a strongly entrenched enemy force and a heavy fire fight ensued. Seeing that the leading elements had taken cover from a deadly stream of fire from a hostile machine gun and realizing that they would not be able to withdraw without suffering extremely heavy casualties, Lieutenant Stalikas started out alone in an attempt to out-flank the automatic weapon. Occupying a partially covered position behind a fallen tree, he began firing at the hostile gunners with his carbine. Taken completely by surprise, the foe quickly shifted their fire to engage this new target, allowing the other members of the patrol time to withdraw safely. His heroic act enabled the patrol to withdraw without suffering a single casualty and reflects the greatest credit upon himself and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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FRANCIS E. BLUM, 33009426, First Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Wimmennau, France. When two frontal assaults had failed to drive the enemy from well-defended positions, Sergeant Blum as acting platoon leader withdrew his unit and by a skillfully-executed enveloping movement succeeded in bringing his entire platoon to the rear of the hostile entrenchments without detection. Then he led his men in an assault in which an undetermined number of enemy were killed, three captured, and the remainder dispersed in confusion. The alert and aggressive leadership thus displayed by Sergeant Blum was instrumental in the capture of the battalion objective. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

WILLARD H. ROBERTS, 34132655, Staff Sergeant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. During the attack on Forts Freudenberg and Schiesseck, one rifle platoon and machine gun section of the company were forced to take cover by sniper fire and immediately the enemy threw in intense artillery and mortar fire. Sergeant Roberts, realizing the threat to his platoon, ordered his machine guns set up, and then with disregard for his own personal safety exposed himself so as to direct the machine gun fire upon the enemy. By his courageous and heroic action he directed the fire of his guns so accurately that the German snipers were forced to withdraw, allowing his platoon to continue the attack. Entered military service from Canton, Mississippi.

PAUL W. JEPSON, JR., 42082294, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. After the seizure of Hill 370, his company was digging in when the enemy counterattacked before they could establish their defensive positions. Sergeant Jenson, a machine gunner, had his gun set up and immediately opened fire and forced the attacking enemy to take cover. Despite the intense small arms and automatic weapons fire which was directed upon him, Sergeant Jenson remained at his gun and continued firing until the enemy was repulsed. By his cool and heroic performance in the face of intense fire, he contributed greatly in repulsing a strong enemy counterattack. Entered military service from Haddonfield, New Jersey.

JAMES L. HASSELSCHWERT, 35552509, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Spitzberg, France. Bravely advancing in the face of heavy artillery and small arms fire, Private Hasselschwert and other members of his platoon stormed an enemy-held hill. Although wounded during this attack, he refused evacuation and remained in his position firing his rifle until the enemy withdrew. Hostile forces again counterattacked while first aid was being administered to his wounds, but he seized his rifle and helped repel the assault. Unmindful of the pain from his wounds, he maintained his station until reinforcements arrived later in the day. This magnificent display of courage under fire inspired his comrades to greater achievement and reflects great credit on the military service. Entered military service from Defiance, Ohio.

JACOB R. HOUCK, 34548079, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzbruck, France. After participating in a combat patrol action in which an enemy machine gun was destroyed and the troops who manned it were killed, Private Houck volunteered to help evacuate a comrade who had been severely wounded in the action and was unable to walk. The entire route of withdrawal was under fire of such intensity that he was forced to take cover from time to time but, although slowed by the weight of his companion and in danger of becoming isolated from other members of the patrol, Private Houck succeeded in bringing the wounded man to safety. Entered military service from Perry, Florida.

ROBERT C. KOCHER, 42001110, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. While returning to our lines, members of a small combat patrol found themselves closely followed by a vastly superior hostile force and in imminent danger of capture or annihilation, and Private Kocher volunteered to remain behind and cover the withdrawal of his comrades. Armed with a submachine gun, he moved from one tree to another, delivering a deadly stream of fire upon the enemy troops, and by the infliction of heavy casualties completely disorganized their pursuit. Other members of the patrol having meanwhile withdrawn to safety, Private Kocher then retired before the hostile forces were able to reform. Entered military service from Washington, New Jersey.

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JOHN A. SCHELLER, JR., 12101114, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, in the vicinity of Goetzenbruck, France. When it was discovered that the enemy had succeeded in mounting a machine gun in a small patch of woods directly in front of our positions, a combat patrol was dispatched immediately with the mission of destroying the automatic weapon. Realizing that a frontal assault against such a well defended emplacement would prove very costly, Private Scheller volunteered to attempt to attract the enemy's attention while the other men attempted an outflanking movement. Choosing a route directly in front of the weapon, he began moving ahead in full view of the enemy until he drew fire. Then, disregarding the continuing automatic fire, he continued on, forcing the enemy to concentrate their fire against him and enabling the other men to approach the objective without detection and destroy it quickly. His outstanding aggressiveness enabled the patrol to accomplish its hazardous mission and return without a single casualty. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

OSCAR M. STROBEL, 38559083, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitche, France. Private Strobel, a machine gunner, performed with magnificent courage and devotion to duty in the attacks on Forts Freudenberg and Schiesseck. Moving aggressively forward while under the observed fire of the enemy, he brought his gun into close support of the attacking riflemen, and, although wounded during the opening phase of the attack, he refused to be evacuated until his company had completed their mission and was relieved. Private Strobel's performance in action was in accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Eagle Pass, Texas.

MILLARD T. HAYES, 01296689, Captain, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brewton, Alabama.

WALTER R. MC GUIRE, 01177078, Captain (then First Lieutenant), 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 12 November 1944 to 30 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Asheville, North Carolina.

BERNARD E. CAPILLY, 32209366, Sergeant, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations during the period 8 November 1944 to 8 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Somerdale, New Jersey.

WALTER W. ANTON, 33471217, Corporal, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 27 November 1944 to 24 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

ISMAEL A. CARBO, 32654795, Private First Class, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 3 November 1944 to 3 February 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

JOHN J. MARSHALL, 31237212, Private First Class, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 3 November 1944 to 24 January 1945, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Melrose, Massachusetts.

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual:

WILLIAM K. JEALOUS, 0109136, Lieutenant Colonel, 250th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in action during the period 20 December 1944 to 20 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fair Lawn, New Jersey.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

MORGAN J. SHEEHAN, 0453427, First Lieutenant, 898th Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 8 August 1944, in the vicinity of Casciana, Italy. A five man patrol under command of Lieutenant Sheehan had traced a sniper to a group of buildings in an open area affording no protection from the sniper's fire. Lieutenant Sheehan advanced alone across fifty yards of open ground lacking either cover or concealment, reached the buildings and searched the area until he discovered the enemy rifleman. Forcing the sniper to surrender, he thus eliminated a dangerous threat to the security of our troops in the vicinity. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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EDWARD W. IRA, 01824189, First Lieutenant, 776th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19 December 1944, in the vicinity of Reyersviller, France. When his tank destroyer platoon was placed in support of an infantry regiment, Lieutenant Ira upon his own initiative made a foot reconnaissance of the sector to select available routes and firing positions. Advancing to the forward line of infantry and exposing himself to severe enemy artillery, mortar, small arms and sniper fire, he obtained all possible information of the disposition of friendly and hostile forces, and by his thorough reconnaissance made possible the successful accomplishment of the mission. Entered military service from Lisbon, North Dakota.

MICHAEL F. BAVARO, 023117, Major, 250th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 24 July 1944 to 22 February 1945, in France. Entered United States Military Academy from Highland Falls, New York.

HERBERT E. MOYER, 13091572, Sergeant, 250th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 24 July 1944 to 1 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Erie, Pennsylvania.

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual, missing in action:

JAMES L. SMITH, 14117481, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. Upon returning from a contact patrol mission, Sergeant Smith and three companions found their company immobilized by automatic weapons fire from a hostile strongpoint and subjected to intense enemy artillery shelling. Instead of rejoining their unit, the members of the patrol moved to the flank of the hostile positions and destroyed the strongpoint with accurate rifle fire. As a result of the alertness of Sergeant Smith and his comrades, seventeen of the enemy were killed, two captured, and our forces continued their advance with but a single casualty. Next of kin: Harriet L. Smith (Mother), Box 745, Spindale, North Carolina.

SECTION II -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to the following named individual:

WILFORD L. DODD, 34515752, Technician Fifth Grade, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Senones, France. In the attack by our troops upon Senones, heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire was encountered and wire communications between the battalion command post and Corporal Dodd's company were disrupted by enemy action. Despite the intensity of the hostile fire, Corporal Dodd's unhesitatingly left the comparative security of his position to repair the severed line. Without regard for his personal safety, he remained at his task until he was mortally wounded and by his devotion to duty succeeded in making possible vital communication between his unit and higher elements. Next of kin: Virginia C. Dodd (Wife), Route Number One, Campbello, South Carolina.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual, missing in action:

THOMAS J. WRIGHT, 30663155, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 6 January 1945 to 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. After volunteering for his hazardous mission, Sergeant Wright led a five-man party five hundred yards in advance of our lines to establish an observation post. Despite direct enemy observation, artillery and tank fire, he manned this post for three days and by his accurate adjustment of friendly artillery fire inflicted heavy casualties upon the enemy and enabled the battalion to maintain its defensive position. Sergeant Wright's devotion to duty was such that he refused to withdraw until eventually the enemy organized and launched a combined tank-infantry attack against our forces. He was subsequently reported as missing in action in this engagement. Next of kin: Hazel L. Wright (Wife), 1007 Capitol Street, Little Rock, Arkansas.

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

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JOHN B. ZINN, JR., 0407041, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 31 December 1944 and 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. As a result of his foresight and skill in placing his antitank gun in a strategic location and directing his supporting riflemen into strong defensive outposts, Lieutenant Zinn and his men were able to repel several initial enemy counterattacks with heavy losses. When ordered to withdraw after stubbornly maintaining their positions in the face of numerically superior hostile forces closing in from three sides, he and his men fought their way through concentrated enemy machine gun and small arms fire and took up new defensive stations. His courage and leadership contributed greatly to the aggressive battalion defense. Entered military service from Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

ALBERT CAMPBELL, 0200180, Second Lieutenant, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 17 December 1944 to 21 December 1944, in Eastern France. In attacks upon key emplacements supporting enemy-held Forts Schiessens and Traudenberg of the Maginot Line, the rifle platoon under Lieutenant Campbell's command encountered heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire which made any movement extremely hazardous. In order to avoid casualties to his unit, Lieutenant Campbell personally advanced numerous times to front and flanks in order to determine the most advantageous route by which to continue the attack. Then led his men forward in a skillful maneuver which secured both objectives with but minor casualties. Entered military service from Elizabeth, New Jersey.

JACK I. MCGEE, 02011731, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Mouterhouse, France. While members of his platoon were engaged in preparing defensive entrenchments, they were subjected to a concentration of hostile mortar fire and Lieutenant McGee, realizing that the hostile weapons were registered upon the positions, led his men forward. An enemy machine gun opened fire on the platoon and Lieutenant McGee immediately engaged the automatic weapon, expertly directing his forces in the execution of a skillful maneuver in which the machine gun was put out of action, two of its crew killed and the remainder forced to flee. His alert and courageous action thus prevented the infliction of serious casualties upon our forces. Entered military service from Peterson, Alabama.

MARTIN E. DIAMOND, 33585, Technical Sergeant (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

CLARICE V. INGRAM, 32456284, Staff Sergeant (then Private), 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Cove, Oregon.

SYLVESTER F. HENKE, 39705562, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 397th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Vancouver, Wisconsin.

For heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrichamps, France. Upon returning from a contact patrol mission, these men found their company immobilized by automatic fire from a hostile strongpoint and at the same time subjected to intense enemy artillery shelling. Instead of rejoining their unit, the members of the patrol moved to the flank of the hostile positions and with accurate rifle fire destroyed the strongpoint. As a result of the alertness of Sergeants Diamond, Ingram, and Henke, seventeen of the enemy were killed, two captured, and our forces continued their advance with but a single casualty.

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*SEBASTIANO TIMMARE, 32597170, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. During a night attack in battalion strength which the enemy directed against the rifle company to which he was attached, Sergeant Timmare by accurate adjustment of mortar fire repulsed the attacking forces with heavy casualties. He subsequently directed fire upon hostile groups organizing for a second attack, blowing up an ammunition dump and dispersing the enemy troops. Although his observation post was eventually discovered by the enemy and subjected to intense artillery fire, he left his position to repair a severed communications line while hostile shells fell about him, then returned to his post to help repel still another assault with severe losses. Entered military service from Hackensack, New Jersey.

ROBERT H. BORN, 19204423, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Raon L'Etape, France. When the enemy's well-emplaced automatic weapons halted the advance of our forces, Sergeant Born upon his own initiative moved forward with his

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light machine gun to a position from which he could engage the hostile troops. Although he was himself the target of intense small arms fire, he succeeded in putting an enemy machine gun out of action, then provided supporting fire which made it possible for the company to continue its attack, thus by his alertness and personal courage playing a major role in the capture of the company objective. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

PAUL L. CRUTCHFIELD, 37087426, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Husteville, Missouri.

CHARLES W. DRYG, 36593283, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Beantown, Michigan.

For heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. While standing guard at an anti-tank gun position, Privates Dryg and Crutchfield alertly observed the approach of a three-man enemy patrol. Permitting the heavily armed hostile infantrymen to approach within ten yards, the two soldiers then opened fire with the result that one enemy was killed and his two companions were wounded and captured. By their courage in allowing the opposing riflemen to advance within such close range, Privates Dryg and Crutchfield made certain of the destruction of the hostile patrol and thus prevented costly infiltration of our positions.

JOSEPH G. MARSHALL, 38682332, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 November 1944, in the vicinity of Etival, France. While pressing forward in an attack across open terrain, our forces were subjected to intense artillery and mortar fire which inflicted numerous casualties and killed a gunner carrying a heavy machine gun. Upon his own initiative, Private Marshall, an ammunition bearer, ran to the fallen man and, despite the concentrated hostile fire falling in the immediate area, unhesitatingly and without pausing to seek cover retrieved the machine gun and continued in the attack. Had it not been for the courageous action of Private Marshall, our assault forces would have been deprived of sorely-needed supporting fire and his machine gun squad would have been valueless in the attack. Entered military service from Terrell, Texas.

JOSEPH A. MATTINGLY, 35475772, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. While members of Private Mattingly's company were preparing defensive entrenchments for the night, they were fired upon by a hostile sniper from a defiladed position to the front. Upon instructions from his commanding officer, Private Mattingly advanced during the night under intermittent artillery and mortar fire and through barbed wire obstacles to the vicinity of the sniper, and on the ensuing morning when the enemy rifleman disclosed his position by firing upon our forces, Private Mattingly killed him with a single shot. Private Mattingly's courageous action removed this threat to the men of his company. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

JOHN E. VOELKER, 35723870, Private First Class, 398th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. After taking Hill 412, our forces were harassed by machine gun fire from an enemy pillbox some two hundred yards distant from the position where Private Voelker, as acting squad leader, had established the heavy machine gun of his own squad. Leaving two comrades to man the gun, he courageously and voluntarily crawled forward to the summit of a small hill completely exposed to enemy fire, and from this vantage point hurled a grenade which wounded the hostile gunner and disabled his weapon. By his determined and heroic efforts, he eliminated a major threat to our positions. Entered military service from Terre Haute, Indiana.

JOHN O. WRIGHT, JR., 33849836, Private First Class, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. While advancing against the enemy, the mortar platoon of which Private Wright was a member encountered an enemy mine field which inflicted numerous casualties upon the platoon. Despite warnings of his comrades, Private Wright unhesitatingly entered the field to administer first aid and help evacuate the wounded men, and by his strenuous and unremitting efforts brought many injured soldiers to a place of safety. While so engaged he was himself wounded by the detonation of a mine, but not before his unselfish and courageous action had saved the lives of comrades who would otherwise have succumbed to their wounds. Entered military service from Marion, Virginia.

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~~EDWARD J. MALONEY, 07537, Colonel, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 12 January 1945 to 2 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Asherst, Massachusetts.~~

ARTHUR C. JOHNSON, 01285948, First Lieutenant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 28 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

CHARLES P. BREEDMAN, 79334460, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Colton, Oregon.

GUNTHER J. WEINSTEIN, 31111111, Staff Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 6 November 1944 to 25 March 1945 in Eastern France. Entered military service from Weehawken, New Jersey.

ROBERT C. KUBER, 15323416, Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 1 November 1944 to 28 December 1944, in Eastern France. Entered military service from Hamilton, Ohio.

HARRY RICHMOND, 32683451, Technician Fourth Grade, 574th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

THOMAS F. KENNY, JR., 32649569, Private First Class, 325th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during the period 1 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

SECTION V -- RESCISSION OF AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

So much of Section IV, General Orders Number 92, this headquarters, current series, as awards a Bronze Star Medal to EDWARD J. MALONEY, 07537, Colonel, 399th Infantry Regiment, is rescinded. (See Section IV above)

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is posthumously awarded to the following named individual for gallantry in action:

JOSEPH F. MYERS, 32108519, Private First Class, Military Police Platoon 100th Infantry Division, for gallantry in action on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Heilbronn, Germany. During the fighting in Heilbronn, Private Myers was assigned the dangerous task of directing armored vehicular traffic over a pontoon bridge spanning the Neckar River. He effectively performed this duty despite the constant enemy shelling. When an extremely heavy concentration of artillery fire began to land in his area he totally disregarded his own safety and refusing to take cover courageous remained at his post directing the last of the vehicles across the bridge. He was mortally wounded as he directed the last vehicle from the danger zone. His great courage and fearlessness in the face of extreme danger has won for him the highest admiration of his comrades and reflects great credit on the military service. Next of kin: Joseph Myers (Father), 3947 - 49th Street, Long Island City, New York.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following named individual for gallantry in action:

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THOMAS H. GARAHAN, 01296610, Captain, 398th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bitché, France. Assigned the task of seizing the bitterly defended Freudenberg Farms, two platoons of Company E were subjected to direct fire from enemy artillery and contact was temporarily lost with the platoon which was defending the left flank. Realizing that this strong point was holding up the entire battalion advance, Captain Garahan, the commanding officer, organized his company command group and the sixty millimeter mortar section into several rifle squads and prepared them for an assault on the position. When the column began its advance, with Captain Garahan directing its movements, an enemy sniper suddenly fired upon him. Taking careful aim with his carbine he killed the sniper allowing the column to move forward and forcing the enemy to retreat in disorder. Captain Garahan's courageous and gallant actions serve as an inspiration to his men and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York, New York.

SECTION III -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to the following named individual:

RICHARD L. CARTER, 32658426, Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Clairrupt, France. Upon returning from a patrol mission, Sergeant Carter discovered that his company had been immobilized by enemy artillery, automatic weapons and small arms fire. Instead of rejoining the company, Sergeant Carter alertly led his comrades to the flank of the enemy positions and engaged the hostile forces, with the result that seventeen of the enemy were killed, two captured and the company continued its advance without the loss of a single man. Sergeant Carter was later killed in action while advancing with his unit in the face of intense enemy artillery fire. Sergeant Carter's heroic leadership and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Next of kin: Martha Carter (Wife), 1811 Avenue "J", Brooklyn New York.

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SECTION IV -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual, missing in action:

NATHAN LEVY, 32651951, Technician Third Grade, Medical Detachment, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ron L'Etape, France. During an attack on a heavily armed enemy position the platoon leader was seriously wounded. Sergeant Levy, calling for protective fire from his comrades, crawled twenty yards forward under intense small arms and machine gun fire to the platoon leader and administered first aid. He courageously remained in this exposed position although the enemy was directing fire at his area and only when he assured himself that his efforts to save his platoon leader had failed did he retire to a safe position. Sergeant Levy's fearlessness and devotion to duty has earned the highest respect and admiration of his comrades. Next of kin: Irene Levy (Wife), 446 Kingston Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

SECTION V -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

ROBERT H. THENA, 02014933, Second Lieutenant (then Sergeant), 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rimling, France. When he observed the movement of enemy tanks toward our lines, Sergeant Thena attempted to communicate this information to his company. Upon discovering that enemy artillery and mortar fire had severed the communication lines, he left the comparative safety of his fox hole and in the face of enemy mortar shelling crawled to a nearby unit and by telephone advised his commanding officer of the approaching enemy tanks. This information enabled friendly artillery to be brought to bear upon the hostile armor, repelling their advance. Sergeant Thena then crawled back to his fox hole, pausing several times enroute to repair the broken lines. Entered military service from York, Pennsylvania.

PAUL F. FISHER, 33051962, Technical Sergeant, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JOHN E. STAFFORD, 34497442, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Memphis, Tennessee.

ANTHONY MOITOEZA, JR., 39036711, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

JOHN R. HESS, 15359786, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Mishawaka, Indiana.

WAKELIN W. HAYNIE, 72398081, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Alfonso, Virginia.

JOHN BORATKO, 33759801, Corporal, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

COLLEMAN ADKINS, 35075531, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

GENE L. VOLLRATH, 15140570, Private First Class, 399th Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Marysville, Ohio.

For heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945, in the vicinity of Singalberg, France. In an attack upon strongly-defended hostile positions on Singalberg Hill, the leading rifle platoon was halted by heavy enemy mortar fire. These men, members of a sixty-millimeter mortar section, advanced two hundred and fifty yards under mortar and small arms fire to reach the forward line of infantry, established their weapons under direct observation of the enemy, then by accurate fire neutralized the hostile mortar positions. Their courageous action, made entirely upon their own volition, enabled the rifle units to advance and secure the objective and reflected great credit upon the members of the mortar section.

ERNEST H. BLACKWEIDER, 34590934, Staff Sergeant, 397th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Rothbach, France. In an attack upon entrenched enemy positions, Sergeant Blackweider skillfully directed the advance of his squad through two hostile mine fields, then, when hostile fire was encountered, crept forward to observe the defeat of the opposing troops. Courageously exposing himself to the enemy in order to direct the deployment of his unit, he was the target of concentrated small arms fire which he returned with accu-