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HQ FIRST ALLIED AIRBORNE ARMY
APO 740, U. S. Army
23 November 1944

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 Feb 44 (See II Bull 3, WD 1944) and in accordance with authority delegated by the War Department, and pursuant to authority contained in 3rd Ind. Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, US Army, AG 200.6/1 HPSA dated 3 Nov 44 to Commanding General, First Allied Airborne Army, and Cir 32 Hq SIGUSA dated 20 Mar 44 as amended by Cir 36 Hq SIGUSA, dated 27 May 44, a BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to each of the following named officers and enlisted men, organizations and residences as indicated, for meritorious service in connection with military operations in which units of the First Allied Airborne Army were engaged during the period 8 Aug 44 to 1 Oct 44 in the European Theater of Operations. The high degree of success achieved by the command in the invasion of Holland was to a marked extent attributable to the effort, zeal, and great devotion to duty demonstrated by those individuals and the superior standards maintained by them in the performance of their tasks. Their outstanding contributions have brought distinction to the command and are exemplary of the highest ideals of the Army of the United States.

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>BRANCH</u>	<u>ORGAN</u>	<u>RESIDENCE</u>
COL	LOUIS E HOBS	0249701	AG	Hq PAAA	San Antonio, Tex
LT COL	ROBERT C ANSELL	0131943	AG	Hq IX Troop	Ann Arbor, Mich
LT COL	THOMAS M BARTLEY, JR	0339769	AG	Hq PAAA	Waco, Tex
LT COL	JAMES D HENRY	0908457	AG	Hq PAAA	Washington, DC
LT COL	JOSEPH L. BOOQUE	0903804	AG	Hq PAAA	Bernardsville, N J
LT COL	DAVID H LILES	0429929	AG	Hq PAAA	Baltimore, Md
LT COL	ROBINSON VERRILL	0182647	AG	CGS, Det 70	Portland, Mo
LT COL	JONATHAN H MICHAEL	0246656	Inf	Hq Sd AB Bn	Tucson, Ariz
MAJ	JACK S BERGAMI	0340412	Inf	Hq PAAA	Bridgmont, Conn
MAJ	WILKIN BLOSSOM	0289980	PA	Hq PAAA	Brooklyn, N Y
MAJ	PATRICK J GIBBONS JR	024736	Inf	70th Prot Bn	New York, N.Y
MAJ	WILLIAM W HANMORE	0347329	ME	Hq PAAA	Silver Spring, Md
MAJ	ALFRED M OSGOOD	0320678	PA	Hq Adv Sec, G2	Washington, DC
CAPT	RAYMOND H DICKLEY	0661430	AG	Hq PAAA	Baldvire, Ill
1ST LT	PAUL W HAYO JR	01316753	Inf	Hq PAAA	Sarasota, Fla
WOJG	HENRY BARTOSCH	W0120506	USA	Hq PAAA	St Louis, Mo
WOJG	MIRIAM E GANT	V701748	USA	Hq PAAA	Tulsa, Okla
1st Sgt	Hankon E Halverson	19071376		Hq PAAA	Sidney, Mont
1st Sgt	George E Leibow	6628971		Hq PAAA	San Francisco, Calif
1st Sgt	James C Osoms	13112684		401st G1 Inf	Cincinnati, O
1st Sgt	James E Spint	3460925		Hq PAAA	Columbus, Ga
1st Sgt	Erwin V Perry	31149909		Hq PAAA	Paradise, Maine
S Sgt	George R Jusidy	11044830		Hq PAAA	New Haven, Conn
Tec 4	Carl F J Vollmer	36326714		401st G1 Inf	Chicago, Ill
Pvt	Francis M White	35147618		Hq PAAA	Porter, Ind

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Deputy Chief of Staff
Chief of Staff

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H. V. ORRITT,
Major, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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No. 9

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

NO FIRST ALLIED AIRBORNE UNIT
APO 740, U. S. Army
30 November 1944

1. By direction of the President, a BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to each of the following named officers, organizations and personnel as indicated, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in which units of the First Allied Airborne Army were engaged during the period 8 Aug 44 to 1 Oct 44 in the European Theater of Operations. The high degree of success achieved in the airborne invasion of Holland was to a marked extent attributable to the effort, zeal, and great devotion to duty demonstrated by those individuals and the superior standards maintained by them in the performance of their tasks. Their outstanding contributions have notably assisted in acting distinction to the First Allied Airborne Army and also exemplary of the best ideals of the Army of the United States.

NAME	UNIT	GRADE	BRANCH	ORGANIZATION	RESIDENCE
1ST COL. EDWARD J. HOLMAN		04700930	AO	Hq PAMA	Houston, Texas
1ST COL. RICHARD CHASE		016999	DAF	Hq PAMA	Charlottesville, Va
1ST LT. JAMES F. HENSON		056496	DAF	Hq P.L.A	Lincoln, Neb
1ST LT. VERNON A. VAIL, JR		0903729	AO	15th TDB	Remoto, Va
1ST LT. HAROLD L. KING		0836776	AO	Hq PAMA	Leedsville, Ky

NOTE: The provisions of Executive Order Number 9417, 4 Feb 44 (see II, Part 3, WD 1944) and in accordance with such delegated by the War Department and pursuant to authority contained in 3rd Ind Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, US Army, AG 200.671 BRDA dated 9 Nov 44 to Commanding General, First Allied Airborne Army, and CTR 32 Pq PROUSA dated 30 Mar 44 as amended by CTR 32 Pq PROUSA, dated 27 May 44.

2. By direction of the President, a BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to Private James E. Owsen, 34408958, Hq C3 2d AB Inf Bde, for exceptionally gallant service in the performance of duties as driver of his own, riding officer. His unflinching coolness under fire, his courage and skill in driving his commanding officer through withering enemy fire in a small unarmored vehicle under conditions which make reconnaissance missions prior to and during the invasion of Holland by troops of the First Allied Airborne Army. His unswerving devotion to duty and integrity by which heavy fire and shrapnel of the highest quality of the enemy, hindered military service from falling to him.

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The S. CO No. 9, Hq AFSA, APO 700, US Army, 4 Feb 44 (Contd)

In the provisions of Executive Order Number 9835, 4 Feb 44 (Sec 1, para 2, 19 Feb 44) and in accordance with authority delegated by the War Department and pursuant to authority contained in 3rd Ind, Hq AFSA, Hq AFSA, European Theater of Operations, US Army, AG 200, 6/1 MESA, 4 Feb 44 to commanding General, First Allied Airborne Army, and OI: 32 Hq AFSA, dated 20 Mar 44 as amended by OI: 32, Hq AFSA, dated 27 May 44.

By command of Lieutenant General HENSON

F. L. FARR,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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W. W. O'Connell
W. W. O'CONNOR,
Major, AGD,
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- Section I - - - - - Award of the BRONZE STAR MEDAL
- Section II - - - - - Award of the AIR MEDAL
- Section III - - - - - Award of the PURPLE HEART

Auth: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 Feb 44, (Sec II, Bull 3, WD 1944) and pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45 and 3rd Ed, Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, US Army, AG 200.6/1, MPA dated 3 Nov 44 to Commanding General, First Allied Airborne Army, and Cir 32, HQ ETOUSA, dated 20 Mar 44, as amended by Cir 36, HQ ETOUSA, dated 27 May 44, the following personnel are awarded medals as indicated:

AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, a BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to Third Grade JAMES BLANCHARD, 190686P, Infantry, Headquarters, First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement as an interpreter in the establishment of forward headquarters in connection with operations against the enemy from 17 November 1944 to 20 December 1944. Entered military service from Lakeport, Louisiana.

2. By direction of the President, a BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to WILLIAM T WILKINS, 0348769, Infantry, Headquarters, First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement as Assistant to the Assistant Chief of Staff, First Allied Airborne Army, in connection with military operations against the enemy from 17 August 1944 to 23 September 1944. Entered military service from Bryan, Texas.

3. By direction of the President, a BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to JULIUS T SCHUBERT, 024476, Infantry, 17th Airborne Division, for meritorious achievement as Assistant to the Assistant Chief of Staff, First Allied Airborne Army, in connection with military operations against the enemy from 17 August 1944 to 1 December 1944. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

15, 1944, APO 7-0, US Army, 30 Dec 44 (Contd)

AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, an AIR MEDAL is awarded to Lieutenant Colonel JAMES D HENRY, 090845, Air Corps, Headquarters, First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight on 17 September 1944. As combat observer in the airborne invasion of Holland, he surveyed the extensive operations from the air in the face of heavy enemy opposition. The information gained, despite the hazards encountered, combined with his demonstration of the highest qualities of courage, and deep devotion to duty reflects the highest credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Washington, D.C.

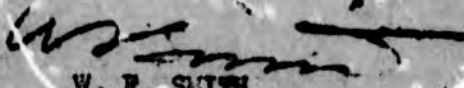
AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART

1. By direction of the President, the PURPLE HEART is awarded to 1st Lieutenant FRANK HEITZ JR., 0756027, Air Corps, Headquarters, First Allied Airborne Army, for wounds received in action on 29 November 1944 at Brokhuizen, Belgium. Entered military service from Roscoe, California.

By command of Lieutenant General HERRINGTON:

F. L. PAGES,
Brigadier General, G.S.,
Chief of Staff.

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Colonel, AGD,
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HQ FIRST ALLIED AIRBORNE ARMY
APO 740, U. S. Army
22 January 1945

Auth: Under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 Feb 44, (50 Stat. 11, Bull 3, WD 1944) and pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, and 3rd Ind, Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, US Army, AG 200.6/1 MESA dated 9 Nov 44 to Commanding General, First Allied Airborne Army, and Oir 30, Hq FTOUSA, dated 20 Mar 44, as amended by Oir 76, Hq FTOUSA, dated 27 May 44, and with the concurrence of the Commanding General, Ninth Air Force, the following personnel are awarded medals as indicated:

AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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1. By direction of the President, a BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to ~~LT COL~~ ~~EDWARD L. THOMAS, 0471020, OAC, Headquarters, Ninth Air Force,~~ for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 August 1944 to 1 October 1944. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

2. By direction of the President, a BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to EDWARD L. THOMAS, 0471020, AG, ACHU, RAF Station, ~~Michigan~~ for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 August 1944 to 1 October 1944. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

By command of Lieutenant General HERTFORD:

F. L. JAMES,
Brigadier General, GAC,
Chief of Staff.

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Lt Col, AGD,
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No. 9

HQ FIRST ALLIED AIRBORNE ARMY
APO 740, U. S. Army
8 February 1948

AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, an OAK LEAF CLUSTER to the BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to COLONEL FRANK WARD, USO-1, GSC, for exceptionally meritorious service as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, First Allied Airborne Army, for the period from 8 October 1944 to 1 February 1948.

As Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, COLONEL WARD was charged with the personnel matters of a combined headquarters for which there was no precedent. To this task he brought a wealth of military experience and professional ability together with an unwavering devotion to duty that overcame every problem and placed his section of the headquarters on an exceptionally efficient operating basis. He prepared plans to provide the proper reinforcements vitally needed by the airborne divisions engaged in combat.

During the Bandstedt offensive in Belgium which began 16 December 1944, when XVIII Corps (Airborne) was hastily thrown into action, COLONEL WARD on short notice took over and discharged with great efficiency the administrative personnel duties which the Corps had been performing as the administrative headquarters of United States airborne troops in the European Theater of Operations.

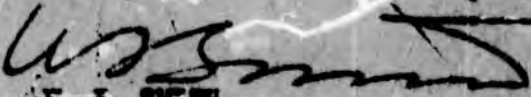
COLONEL WARD'S faculty for organization and administration, his qualities of leadership and soldierly example, and the superior standards maintained by him at all times are exemplary of the highest traditions and finest ideals of the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

Auth: Provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 Feb 44, (Sec II, Part 3, WD 1944), and pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45 and Cir 22, Hq European Army, 20 Mar 44, as amended by Cir 26, Hq European TO US Army, 27

By command of Lieutenant General BERTON:

F. L. PARR,
Brigadier General, USG,
Chief of Staff.

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Lt Col, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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No. 15

HQ FIRST ALLIED AIRBORNE ARMY
APO 780, U. S. Army
28 February

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

Auth: Under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9418, 5 Stat. 44 (See II, Bull 3, WD 1944) and pursuant to authority contained in AF 600-15, and Cir 38 Hq European TO US Army dated 30 Mar 44, as amended by Cir 88, Hq European TO US Army, dated 27 May 44, the following personnel are awarded medals as indicated:

I. -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, an OAK LEAF CLUSTER to the BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to LIEUTENANT COLONEL JAMES J. HENRI, 080657, Air Corps, United States Army, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious service from 17 September 1944 to 30 September 1944 in connection with military operations in Holland during the invasion of that country where, during a dangerous and vitally important mission, he rendered invaluable assistance to the Commanding General, First Allied Airborne Army in the execution of field duties. Entered military service from New York.

2. By direction of the President, an OAK LEAF CLUSTER to the BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to MAJOR DON C. FAITH, 0452017, Infantry, United States Army, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Holland from 17 September 1944 to 19 September 1944 where he rendered outstanding service during a critical period in this operation. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

II. -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, a BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to MAJOR CARL A. BURCHNER, 083188, Infantry, United States Army, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious service during the period 28 August 1944 to 17 September 1944 as Assistant G-4, First Allied Airborne Army in the organization of supplies to airborne troops in Holland during the invasion of that country. His efforts assisted materially in the establishment of proper procedures and channels for prompt delivery of supplies to the United States divisions engaged in this operation. Entered military service from Florida.

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CG No. 15. HQ FAAA, APO 740, US Army, 28 Feb 45 (Contd)

2. By direction of the President, a BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to PLAINT LIEUTENANT HAMILTON E HAYNE, OLS17066, Infantry, United States Army, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 17 October 1944 to 8 January 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

3. By direction of the President, a BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to FIRST LIEUTENANT JOHN B COOK, O2047897, Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 8 November 1944 to 8 January 1945. Entered military service from New York.

4. By direction of the President, a BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to Technical Sergeant James M Nichols, 12332878, Air Corps, United States Army, Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, IX Troop Carrier Comd, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 18 November 1944 to 8 January 1945. Entered military service from New York.

5. By direction of the President, a BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to Staff Sergeant Earl P Kitchie, 19032891, Infantry, United States Army, Headquarters Company, First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 17 October 1944 to 8 January 1945. Entered military service from Washington.

6. By direction of the President, a BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to Private Ira J Perry, Jr, 20362254, Infantry, United States Army, Headquarters Company, First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 17 October 1944 to 8 January 1945. Entered military service from Virginia.

By command of Lieutenant General BRENTON:

F. L. PARES,
Brigadier General, GPO,
Chief of Staff

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W. F. SMITH,
Lt Col, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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No. 21)

HQ FIRST ALLIED AIRBORNE ARMY
APO 740, U. S. Army
18 March 1945

AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS (POSTHUMOUS)


Auth: Under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 Feb 44, (See II, Bull 3, WD-1944) and pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, and Cir 32, HQ European TO US Army, dated 20 Mar 44, as amended by Cir 36, HQ European TO US Army, dated 27 May 44, the following enlisted man is awarded medal indicated (posthumously).

By direction of the President, a DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS is awarded posthumously to CORPORAL MARVIN G HANEY, 19123417, 806th Parachute Infantry.

CORPORAL MARVIN G HANEY, 19123417, Parachute Infantry, while serving with the army of the United States, distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action. On 7 October 1944 his squad was in a defensive position on a dike in the vicinity of Renswijk, Holland. Finding an unused .50 caliber machine gun, he moved it into position on the dike in order to supplement the fire of his weapons. When an enemy force of approximately sixty men attempted to penetrate the platoon area, CORPORAL HANEY manned the gun under heavy enemy small-arms and mortar fire, and returned such effective fire that the enemy was forced to withdraw. On the following evening he again set up the machine gun on the dike. When the enemy launched another attack on the position, CORPORAL HANEY opened fire but found that the gun was not properly adjusted. He re-adjusted the gun while under heavy enemy fire. He again opened fire with such accuracy that the enemy concentrated all its fire on his position. CORPORAL HANEY realized that the enemy was too strong for him to stop single-handed, but with complete disregard for his own safety, he manned his gun until an enemy mortar shell blasted him off the dike, killing him instantly. His actions were instrumental in repelling the enemy attack and preventing a penetration of the platoon area. Next of kin: Mrs. Florence Haney (Mother), 308 Park Avenue, Falton, Kentucky.

By command of Lieutenant General HENRY:

OFFICIAL:


W. F. SMITH,
Lt Col, AGD,
Adjutant General.

P. L. PARR,
Brigadier General, GSC,
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HQ FIRST ALLIED ARMY
APO 740, U. S. ARMY
13 April 1945

AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL

Article Under the provisions of Executive Order Number 9419, 4 Feb 44, (See II, Bull 3, WD 1944) and pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, and Cir 28, Hq European TO US Army, dated 20 Mar 44, as amended by Cir 86, Hq European TO US Army, dated 27 May 44, the following officer is awarded medal indicated.

By direction of the President, the SILVER STAR MEDAL is awarded to MAJOR GENERAL MATTHEW B RIDGWAY, O3864, United States Army, Commanding XVIII. Corps (Airborne), for gallantry in action in the vicinity of Windhoven, Holland, during the period 17-19 September 1944. On 17 September, MAJOR GENERAL MATTHEW B RIDGWAY flew with the assault echelon of the airborne invasion of Holland. On September 18-19 he proceeded by air and land through territory in imminent danger of seizure by the enemy. Despite the fact that the road to Windhoven was reported cut, MAJOR GENERAL RIDGWAY moved forward to join the troops in operation. His presence with the assault echelon of the airborne division encouraged and inspired the troops at critical moments and contributed materially to the shattering of enemy attempts to destroy the airborne effort. MAJOR GENERAL RIDGWAY's courage and inspiring leadership were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service in a Virginia.

By command of Lieutenant General WHEATON:

F. L. WALKER,
Trigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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HQ FIRST ALLIED AIRBORNE ARMY
APO 740, U. S. Army
7 April 1945

AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President and under the provisions of AR 600-10, as amended, the BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to the following named personnel:

LIEUTENANT COLONEL JOHN E NELSON, 01698315, Air Corps, Headquarters, Ninth Air Force, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in Western Europe from November 1943 to May 1944, inclusive. Entered military service from Louisiana.

FIRST LIEUTENANT BRADFORD G CARTER, 01648130, Signal Corps, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement in action against the enemy during the airborne invasion of Holland from 17 September 1944 to 20 September 1944. Entered military service from Michigan.

MASTER SERGEANT WILLIAM P FARMER JR, 18074884, 2872d Engineer Utilities Detachment, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in France from 2 January 1945 to 18 February 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

COLONEL EDWYD S PATTERSON, 0818143, Air Corps, Headquarters, First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in Western Europe from 28 August 1944 to 18 February 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL BURNETT:

F. L. FARRIS,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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HQ FIRST ALLIED AIRBORNE ARMY
APO 740, U. S. ARMY
26 April 1948

AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS (POSTHUMOUS).....SECTION I
AWARD OF BROWN STAR MEDAL.....SECTION II

SECTION I

By direction of the President and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Cir 38, Hq European TO US Army, 20 Mar 44, as amended, a DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS is awarded posthumously to the following named personnel:

CAPTAIN FRED O DREWMAN, 038388, Parachute Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action at Best, Holland on 18 September 1944. While leading his unit in an attack against very heavy enemy resistance, CAPTAIN DREWMAN, although severely wounded, refused to be evacuated and continued to lead the attack displaying superior skill and determination. While under intense enemy machine gun fire, CAPTAIN DREWMAN located an 88mm gun in a woods and after calling a 60mm mortar directed its fire so accurately that the entire enemy gun crew was destroyed. Then, with utter disregard for his personal safety, he advanced fearlessly over an open field and though armed only with a rifle annihilated an enemy machine gun crew that had been firing on his mortar position. Later while continuing the attack he was mortally wounded. CAPTAIN DREWMAN's great personal courage, gallant leadership and devotion to duty so inspired his men that they continued with grim determination to carry their ultimate objective. Next of kin: Mrs. Fred O Drewman, (wife), 188 Pallades Street, Spartanburg, South Carolina.

TECHNICAL SERGEANT JAMES O SINGLE, 38289608, Glider Infantry, while serving with the Army of the United States, distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action. On 7 October 1944 in the vicinity of Oshoverdam, Holland, after his platoon commander had been seriously wounded, he assumed command of his platoon in the defense against an attack by a numerically superior enemy. The enemy force, consisting of a battalion of infantry, tanks, and supporting artillery, directed heavy fire on his platoon inflicting severe casualties and causing confusion and disorientation among the men. Realizing that such a situation would result in disaster to the platoon, TECHNICAL SERGEANT SINGLE, with complete disregard for his personal safety, ran from man to man continually exposed to enemy fire in order to reorganize and encourage his men to withstand the enemy attack. He then called for artillery and mortar support and personally directed this fire on enemy positions. This accurate and effective shell fire forced the enemy to withdraw. Continuing to improve the positions of his men, TECHNICAL SERGEANT SINGLE again personally formulated and executed a defensive plan under heavy enemy fire which succeeded in repelling another strong enemy assault. Due in a large measure to the superior leadership, outstanding courage, and aggressiveness of TECHNICAL SERGEANT SINGLE his platoon was successful in defending an important position and in accounting for thirty-five enemy casualties and numerous prisoners during an intensive period of fighting.

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AR 600-45, Pt. I, Section 1, Award of Distinguished Service Cross, (as amended)
and Cir 28, Hq European TO US Army, 20 Mar 44, as amended, a
BROWN STAR MEDAL is awarded to the following named personnel:

SECTION II

By direction of the President and under the provisions of AR 600-45,
as amended, and Cir 28, Hq European TO US Army, 20 Mar 44, as amended, a
BROWN STAR MEDAL is awarded to the following named personnel:

LIEUTENANT COLONEL ARTHUR B. WALKER, 162157, British Army, Headquarters
First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement in direct support
of combat operations in Western Europe from 20 August 1944 to 1 October 1944.
Entered military service from London, England.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL ROBERT W. HENNING, 0801841, General Staff Corps,
for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in France
from 18 March 1945 to 24 March 1945. Entered military service from Virginia.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL ROY W. BAILEY, 0472277, Air Corps, Headquarters First
Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement in direct support of com-
bat operations in Western Europe from 25 August 1944 to 29 March 1945.
Entered military service from Kentucky.

MAJOR WELBY L. ATKINSON, 0226680, Chavalain Corps, Headquarters First
Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement in direct support of com-
bat operations in Western Europe from 17 August 1944 to 10 March 1945.
Entered military service from New York.

FIRST LIEUTENANT HORTON W. WOLFE, 01888648, Air Corps, for meritorious
achievement in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Wesel, Germany,
from 20 March 1945 to 20 March 1945. Entered military service from Washington

FIRST LIEUTENANT FRANKLIN M. DUBSON, 01002408, Army of the United States,
for meritorious achievement in action against the enemy in the vicinity of
Wesel, Germany, from 20 March 1945 to 20 March 1945. Entered military ser-
vice from New York.

MAJOR SERGEANT CLYDE GREGG, 0778878, (Headquarters First Allied Air-
borne Army) for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations
in Western Europe from 25 August 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered military
service from Virginia.

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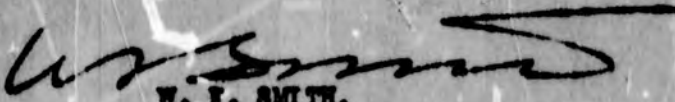
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STAFF SERGEANT DONALD M COUNTELL, 36801842, (Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army,) for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in Western Europe from 22 September 1944 to 19 February 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL BURKIN:

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AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL.....SECTION I
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SECTION I

By direction of the President and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Cir 37, Hq European TO US Army, 20 Mar 44, as amended a SILVER STAR MEDAL is awarded to the following named personnel:

COLONEL ALBERT H DICKERSON, 016838, while serving with the Army of the United States distinguished himself by heroic conduct in action against the enemy. COLONEL DICKERSON parachuted into combat in the vicinity of Wesol, Germany, at about 1030 hours, 24 March 1945, landed in an area strongly defended by the enemy and under heavy fire. He immediately engaged the enemy with his carbine and singlehandedly killed several enemy riflemen who were firing at incoming gliders. Thereafter, with calm courage and complete disregard for his own personal safety, COLONEL DICKERSON took charge of a small detachment of soldiers in the vicinity, personally led them against the enemy located in two stone houses, subdued or destroyed the enemy within the houses and captured some twenty prisoners. The prompt and aggressive action which reduced these key enemy defenses of the DZ materially assisted the safe landing in the immediate vicinity. Throughout the action which followed, COLONEL DICKERSON constantly displayed cool judgment and outstanding leadership under fire. Entered military service from Kansas.

SECOND LIEUTENANT CHARLES A HIGGINS JR, 01648625, while serving with the Army of the United States distinguished himself by heroic conduct in action against the enemy. On 24 March 1945, SECOND LIEUTENANT HIGGINS JR, flew with the parachute assault echelon of the airborne invasion across the Rhine River, Germany. On this date he was assigned the mission to photograph the ground marshalling of the airborne forces at an airfield in France. SECOND LIEUTENANT HIGGINS JR volunteered to fly on the mission in order to secure pictures of the actual operation from the air, fully aware of the grave danger to which he would expose himself. While on the mission, completely disregarding personal safety, he declined to wear either parachute or flak suit in order to give himself sufficient freedom of movement to obtain the best pictures. As a result, SECOND LIEUTENANT HIGGINS JR was unprepared to bail out when the aircraft was hit by hostile fire and set aflame. The courage and inspiring example of devotion to duty displayed by SECOND LIEUTENANT HIGGINS JR reflect great credit upon himself, and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Delaware. SECOND LIEUTENANT CHARLES A HIGGINS JR is missing following this action, next of kin: Mr. Charles A Higgins Sr, 90 Dupont Road, Blowing Rock, Delaware.

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GO No. 38, Hq PAAI, Section II, Award of Bronze Star Medal

SECTION II

By direction of the President and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Cir 32, Hq European TO US Army, 20 Mar 44, as amended a BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to the following named personnel:

MAJOR GENERAL FLOYD L PARKS, 010582, General Staff Corps, (then Brigadier General), for meritorious service in a position of great responsibility as Chief of Staff, First Allied Airborne Army, in connection with halting the German counter-offensive in the Ardennes 16 December 1944.

Due to aggressive action by GENERAL PARKS, when the 82d and 101st Airborne Divisions were withdrawn from airborne operations in Holland during November and December 1944, they were retained in France instead of being returned to their former bases in the United Kingdom. When the German counter-offensive through the Ardennes was launched 16 December 1944 these two divisions were in excellent strategic locations and moved immediately to blunt the penetration with their brilliant conduct culminating in the holding of Bastogne. Entered military service from Alabama.

BRIGADIER GENERAL STUART CUTLER, 06926, General Staff Corps, for meritorious service in performance of duties of great responsibility in connection with military operations. BRIGADIER GENERAL CUTLER organized and established a forward headquarters, First Allied Airborne Army, at Maisons-Laffitte, France that contributed materially to uninterrupted operations of the Army when it moved its base from the United Kingdom to France on February 19, 1945. BRIGADIER GENERAL CUTLER by his forcefulness, attention to duty, and professional skill, discharged his duties in an outstanding manner, reflecting great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL GEORGE KIRKSEY, 0908561, Air Corps, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in Western Europe from 20 March 1945 to 30 March 1945. Entered military service from New York.

MAJOR GEORGE L LYLE JR, 0390242, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in Western Europe from 12 October 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered military service from Virginia.

MAJOR THOMAS J LONE, 0241753, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in Western Europe from 2 September 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from California.

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GO No. 38, Hq FAAL, Section II, Award of Bronze Star Medal, (Contd)

CAPTAIN DON E. COWLES, 01733917, Infantry, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in Western Europe from 1 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Entered military service from Colorado.

CAPTAIN THEODORE F. COLEMAN, 01003494, Air Corps, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in Western Europe from 20 March 1945 to 30 March 1945. Entered military service from California.

CAPTAIN WILLIAM F. JACOBI, 0915446, Military Intelligence, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in Western Europe from 24 August 1944 to 27 November 1944. Entered military service from New York.

CAPTAIN HAROLD A. REYNOLDS, 0113352, Air Corps, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in Western Europe from 6 September 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

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FIRST LIEUTENANT RICHARD D. RINDELL, 01301586, Infantry, 334th Quartermaster Depot Supply Company (Airborne), for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 21 February 1945 to 31 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from California.

CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER RAYMOND A. GOOCH, W2110237, Adjutant General's Section, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in Western Europe from 29 October 1944 to 28 March 1945. Entered military service from Washington.

MASTER SERGEANT JOHN M. PHILLIPPE, 20604690, 4526th Quartermaster Service Detachment, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in Western Europe from 14 January 1945 to 1 February 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

TECHNICAL SERGEANT CECIL B. BRAY, 34086823, Headquarters Detachment, 9th Information and Historical Service, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in Western Europe from 22 December 1944 to 30 March 1945. Entered military service from Georgia.

STAFF SERGEANT ARTHUR L. LORTE JR, 32212525, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in Western Europe from 22 December 1944 to 10 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

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GO No. 38, Hq FAAA, Section II, Award of Bronze Star Medal, (Contd)

TECHNICIAN THIRD GRADE HAROLD F PHILLIPS, 32160123, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in Western Europe from 22 December 1944 to 28 March 1945. Entered military service from New York.

SERGEANT FELIX JOHNSON, 14104479, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in Western Europe from 12 October 1944 to 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Georgia.

TECHNICIAN FIFTH GRADE WILLIAM G SCHELLHASE, 39136083, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, for meritorious achievement in direct support of combat operations in Western Europe from 27 October 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from California.

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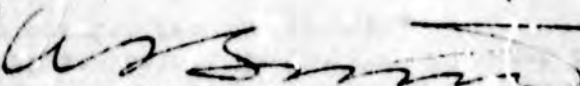
OK Par 1 GO No. 3, this headquarters, as announced the award of the BRONZE STAR MEDAL to LIEUTENANT COLONEL RICHARD CURTIN, 021888, Coast Artillery Co, Headquarters First Allied Airborne Army, is revoked.

By direction of the President and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Cir 32, Hq European TO US Army, 20 Mar 44, as amended an OAK LEAF CLUSTER to the BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to LIEUTENANT COLONEL RICHARD CURTIN, 021888, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Ninth Air Force, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 August 1944 to 1 October 1944. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL BRERETON,

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1. Pursuant to the provisions of WD Circular No. 185, 11 May 1944, the following named officers and enlisted men are awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy in the NORMANDY, FRANCE Campaign, 6 June 1944 to 9 July 1944:

MAJ	BEN Z. ROBERTSON JR.	INF	0-426215
1ST LT	PETER K. WHITE	INF	0-496745
2ND LT	JOSEPH FITZLAFFICK	1ST LT	0-1286810
JR/SGT	ARTHUR L. LEONARD		39019570
JR/SPT	EDWARD L. MORRIS		32181754
1ST/SPT	MARLBOROUGH D. MORSE, JR.		13036508
3/SPT	BARNARD B. MAJOR, JR.		14084018
4/SPT	EDWARD M. STONE, JR.		17087506
SGT	BILLIE H. LEMONS		18079932
SGT	THOMAS G. McDONALD		34018631
SGT 4	THOMAS J. BLANKY		18116252
SGT 4	JAMES H. JELINEK		19081012
SGT 4	LAWRENCE L. JENKINS		37249837
SGT 4	DALL F. OKEBY		35400704
CPL	PAUL R. HOFFMAN		57138540
SGT 5	GABRIEL A. PALONE		32572339
SGT 5	WILLIAM H. MURPHY		20224457
SGT 5	JOE D. OLSON		37372647
SGT 5	CLAUDE E. PARKER		18012223
SGT 5	RAY E. SMYTH		11998977
SGT	LEWIS D. GOE		35745884
SGT	CHARLES J. HYLAND, JR.		11105150
SGT	ABBURY MULLINIX, JR.		35206890
PVT	DONALD G. BELFORD		35857349
PVT	PAUL H. BERGE, JR.		32472617
PVT	BETHARD H. BOCKWEG		15326116
PVT	WALLACE KRZEMINSKI		20541345
PVT	BRADSHAW B. BYRD		33537106
PVT	DOMINICK M. BARRISTA		20225015
PVT	LEONARD M. DUMM		37499213
PVT	HOMER H. BROWN		36414154
PVT	JOHN P. HOWLAND		31314461
PVT	JOHN L. KUMPHREY		30589011
PVT	GEORGE W. JAMES		35741930
PVT	VINCENT O. JONES		6567485

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Additional pay for the above entitled personnel is authorized under the provisions of 50 Circular No. 371, 3 July 1944, and No. 6 June 1944.

1. CAPT GEORGE E. THEOBALD, O-456431, is held as Actg Asst 3-3.

2. CAPT LAWRENCE W. ROBERT, O-317112, 507 Provt Inf, is held fr OS with this Hqs as Brigade Provost Marshall, eff 20 July 1944, WOCG 82d Airborne Division.

3. CAPT GORDON S. STOTWELL, O-246939, 507 Provt Inf, is placed on OS with this Hqs as Brigade Provost Marshall, eff 20 July 1944, WOCG 82d Airborne Division.

4. MAJ JONATHAN H. MICHAEL, O-246696, Inf, is designated actg Executive Officer during the temp absence of COL HAROLD H. GANTWRIGHT, O-350129, Inf.

By command of Brigadier General HOWELL:

J. H. MICHAEL,
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AWARD OF THE COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE

Pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 249, War Department, 1943, the Combat Infantryman Badge is awarded to the following soldiers:

CAPTAIN BENJAMIN L. FUSON JR., O-420445, Infantry, Headquarters, 21 Airborne Brigade (Parachute), for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy in Normandy, France. Entered military service from MOBILE, ALABAMA.

1st LIEUTENANT PETER E. WHEELER, O-306765, Infantry, Headquarters, 21 Airborne Brigade (Parachute), for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy in Normandy, France. Entered military service from NEW YORK.

2nd LIEUTENANT JOSEPH FITZPATRICK, O-3786810, Infantry, Headquarters, 21 Airborne Brigade (Parachute), for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy in Normandy, France. Entered military service from PHILA DELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA.

Pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 269, War Department, 1943, the Combat Infantryman Badge is awarded to the following named enlisted men of Headquarters Company, 21 Airborne Brigade (Parachute), for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy in Normandy, France:

- ✓ Master Sergeant Leonard, Arthur L. 39013576
- ✓ Master Sergeant Morris, Edward L. 32181754
- ✓ Technical Sergeant McKee, Malison D. Jr. 13036508
- ✓ Staff Sergeant, Sr., Barnard B. Jr. 19084018
- ✓ Sergeant Emmons, Willie H. 11079932
- ✓ Sergeant McDowell, Thomas G. 34073631
- ✓ Technician 4th Grade Elobey, Thomas J. 13116352
- ✓ Technician 4th Grade Frazier, James M. 14087012
- ✓ Technician 4th Grade Jenkins, Lawrence L. 37249837
- ✓ Technician 4th Grade Stone, Edward M. Jr. 17083006
- ✓ Corporal Hoffman, Paul R. 37326642
- ✓ Technician 5th Grade Monroe, William H. 20224357
- ✓ Technician 5th Grade Parker, Claude B. 18012233
- ✓ Technician 5th Grade Smith, Ray E. 11098977
- ✓ Private First Class Coe, Leslie D. 38785864
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Private Di B. Alista, Dominick	20225075
Private Dunn, Leonard L.	37499318
Private Falcone, Gabriel A.	32672339
Private Hough, Homer H.	36414154
Private Howard, John P.	31314466
Private Humphrey, John L.	30559211
Private James, George A.	15741930
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1. AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL:- By direction of the President and under authority contained in Paragraph 6 a (3), Army Regulations 600-45, as changed by Change No. 6, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to each of the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant William R. O'Keefe, (Army Serial Number 12082386) Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 541st Parachute Infantry, United States Army (then private first class, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 508th Parachute Infantry, United States Army). For heroism near Camp Mackall, North Carolina, on 13 May 1943. Residence at Enlistment: San Francisco, California.

Technician fourth grade Robert J. Kee, (Army Serial Number 12090551) Headquarters and Service Battery, 462d Parachute Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroism at Greenwood Lake, New York, on 21 July 1943. Residence at Enlistment: New York, New York.

Private first class Clifford C. Worme, (Army Serial Number 12060336) Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 507th Parachute Infantry, United States Army. For heroism at Fort Benning, Georgia, on 20 December 1942. Residence at Enlistment: New York, New York.

By command of Major General CHAPMAN:

JOSEPH T. MILETTI, ,
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By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1925 (Bull. S, WD, 1925), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private Doyle F. Wise. 34545999, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism near Lake Charles, Louisiana on 12 March 1944. An automobile, driven by Mr. L. J. Quinn of Lake Charles, La., crashed through the guard rail of a bridge and plunged into the stream below. At the risk of his life, Private Wise, fully clothed, dove into the river, entered the submerged vehicle, and rescued the trapped occupant.

Home Address: Mrs. Sara Aline Wise (Wife), South 29th Street, Fort Pierce, Florida.

By command of Major General SWING:

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I By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull. S. W.D. 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division to the following named officer:

Second Lieutenant FRED R. GAMBLE, O-1316286, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism at Milne Bay, New Guinea on 9 June 1944. This officer, voluntarily and with complete disregard for his personal safety, descended into the turbulent waters between two moored vessels in an attempt to rescue Lieutenant Colonel MERICK R. REECK, M. C., who had fallen overboard. Although the strenuous struggle which ensued completely exhausted Lt. GAMBLE, his persistent efforts were also instrumental in rescuing First Lieutenant DANIEL J. COUGHLIN, T. C., (also participating in the rescue) who, because of physical exhaustion was unable to keep himself afloat.

Home Address: Mrs. C. M. Davis, 2607 Buena Vista Road, Columbus, Georgia (Mother).

By command of Major General SWING:

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II By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull. S. W.D. 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division to the following named enlisted man:

Technical Sergeant Walter Akers, 6666797, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism at Milne Bay, New Guinea on 9 June 1944. This enlisted man, voluntarily and with complete disregard for his personal safety, descended into the turbulent waters between two moored vessels in an attempt to rescue Lieutenant Colonel MERRICK R. BRIDGEMAN, MC, who had fallen overboard. Although the strenuous struggle which ensued completely exhausted Technical Sergeant Walter Akers, his persistent efforts were also instrumental in rescuing First Lieutenant LAWRENCE J. COUGHLIN, TC, (also participating in the rescue) who, because of physical exhaustion, was unable to keep himself afloat.

Home Address: Mr. John Akers, Scuddy, Kentucky (Father).

By command of Major General SWING:

IRVIN R. SCHINDLER
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III By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Dull. 8, W.D. 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division to the following a med enlisted man:

Private First Class Jack T. Speights, 18154506, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism at Milne Bay, New Guinea on 5 June 1944. This enlisted man, voluntarily and with complete disregard for his personal safety, descended into the turbulent waters between two moored vessels in an attempt to rescue Lieutenant Colonel MERICK R. BRECK, MC, who had fallen overboard. Although the strenuous struggle which ensued completely exhausted Private First Class Speights, his persistent efforts were also instrumental in rescuing First Lieutenant DANIEL J. COUGHLIN, TC, (also participating in the rescue) who, because of physical exhaustion, was unable to keep himself afloat.

Home Address: Mrs. Nellie Myers, Box #268, South San Antonio, Texas, (Mother).

By command of Major General SWING:

IRVIN R. SCHIMMELPENNIG
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IV By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Jull. 8, W. D. 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private Walter Rang, 39200133, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism at Indiantola, Texas, on 2 March 1944. Private Rang voluntarily and with complete disregard for his personal safety, seized and carried away a flaming burner which was endangering the lives of men and government property.

Home Address: Mr. W. A. Rang (Father), Milton, Washington.

By command of Major General SWING:

IRVIN R. SCHINGELFERNIG
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Walter Rang

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NUMBER 21)

E X T R A C T

I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull. 8, WD 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class Roland E. Taylor, 35438276, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism at APO #468 on 21 June 1944. Private First Class Taylor, assisted by Private First Class Laurence E. Wilbur, 39327236, Field Artillery, United States Army, voluntarily and with complete disregard for his personal safety rushed to the aid of Private Minichiello, whose clothing had been set on fire by a gasoline explosion and assisted in smothering the flames. His quick thinking and prompt action undoubtedly helped to save Private Minichiello's life.

Home Address: Mrs. Frances Taylor (Mother), Fenwick, West Virginia.

By command of Major General SWING:

IRVIN R. SCHIMMELPFENNIG
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GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 21)

E X T R A C T

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull. 8, WD 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:


Private First Class Laurence E. Wilbur, 39327236, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism at APO #468 on 21 June 1944. Private First Class Wilbur, assisted by Private First Class Roland E. Taylor, 36430276, Field Artillery, United States Army, voluntarily and with complete disregard for his personal safety, rushed to the aid of Private Minichiello, whose clothing had been set on fire by a gasoline explosion and assisted in smothering the flames. Private Wilbur's presence of mind, quick thinking and prompt action undoubtedly contributed to the saving of Private Minichiello's life.

Home Address: Mrs. Ella R. Wilbur, (Wife), 01301 S.E. Stark, Route 14, Box 80, Portland (16) Oregon.

By command of Major General SWING:

IRVIN R. SCHIMMELPENN,
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1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull. 3, WD, 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

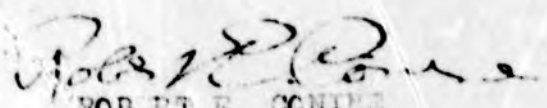
Technical Fifth Grade George A. Benthall, 38430534, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroism near APO #468, New Guinea on 26 July 1944. Technician Fifth Grade Benthall was a member of a squad which was effecting a perilous crossing of the Sambogo River. During the crossing, First Lieutenant PAUL J. PERGAMO, CE, lost his balance and was carried downstream by the powerful current. He managed to grasp on to a log, but he could not retain his hold and the current swept him under the log. With utter disregard for his personal safety, Technician Fifth Grade Benthall leaped into the river, swam out to mid-stream, and succeeded in rescuing Lieutenant PERGAMO.

Home Address: Mrs. Mary Benthall (Mother), Rt #6, Box 554B, Fort Worth, Texas.

By command of Major General SWING:

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15 August 1944

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 26)

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II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull. 8, WD 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Corporal Howard C. Bates, 35539973, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism near Sanananda Point, New Guinea on 26 July 1944. While on a night patrol Corporal Steve J. Rifton was proceeding along a reef about 150 yards off shore when he slipped and fell into a deep channel. Corporal Rifton struggled against the prevailing strong undertow, but he became exhausted and lost consciousness. With utter disregard for his personal safety and at the risk of his life, Corporal Bates, fully clothed, leaped into the ocean and assisted in bringing Corporal Rifton to shore where he was given artificial respiration and revived.

Home address: Mr. Arthur L. Bates (Father), 2035 East 96th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

By command of Major General SWING:

IRVING R. SCHIMMELPENNING
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15 August 1944

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NUMBER 26)

E X T R A C T

III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Publ. 8, 70 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man.

Private George R. Vespa, 34547201, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism near Sanananda Point, New Guinea on 26 July 1944. While on a night patrol Corporal Steve J. Riffon was proceeding along a reef about 150 yards off shore when he slipped and fell into a deep channel. Corporal Riffon struggled against the prevailing strong undertow, but he became exhausted and lost consciousness. With utter disregard for his personal safety and at the risk of his life, Private Vespa, fully clothed, leaped into the ocean and assisted in bringing Corporal Riffon to shore where he was given artificial respiration and revived.

Home Address: Mrs. Jane Vespa (Mother),
809 Elizabeth Street, Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania.

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15 August 1944

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IV. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Dull. 6, WD 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant Robert G. Hatten, 39561644, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism near Sanananda Point, New Guinea on 26 July 1944. While on a night patrol Corporal Steve J. Riffon was proceeding along a reef about 150 yards off shore when he slipped and fell into a deep channel. Corporal Riffon struggled against the prevailing strong undertow, but he became exhausted and lost consciousness. With utter disregard for his personal safety and at the risk of his life, Sergeant Hatten, fully clothed, leaped into the ocean and assisted in bringing Corporal Riffon to shore where he was given artificial respiration and revived.

Home Address: Mrs. Okia Boil Hatten, (Mother), Apt. E, 1432 9th Street, Santa Monica, Calif.

By command of Major General SWING:

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GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 27)

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I. By direction of the President, under the provision of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1922 (Bill. 8, W.D. 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class Bill A. Lively, 38431337, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism near APO 468 on 26 August 1944.

During a mass tactical parachute jump, two parachutists, Private First Class Bill A. Lively and Private First Class Floyd E. Oliver were dropping so near each other that their parachutes became entangled and collapsed. Approximately 100 feet from the ground, the parachute of Private First Class Lively opened. With utter disregard for his own personal safety, Private First Class Lively grasped the streaming parachute of Private First Class Oliver, wrapped it around his legs, and carried Private First Class Oliver safely to the ground. Private First Class Lively's quick thinking and heroic action saved his fellow soldier from death or serious injury.

Home Address: Mrs. Anora Lively (Mother), 6435 Gaston, Dallas, Texas.

By command of Major General SWING:

IRVIN R. SCHIMMELPFENNIG
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6 September 1944

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 30)

EXTRACT

I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1928 (Bull. S. W.D. 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

S Sgt William J. Day, 17146237, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism near Camp Mackall, North Carolina on 29 October 1943.

On the night of 29 October 1943, S Sgt Day was a passenger in a C-47 airplane which made a crash landing because of motor failure. Although suffering from a painful injury sustained in the crash, S Sgt Day, at the risk of his life, aided in rescuing Private First Class Cuskey from the flaming wreckage.

Home address: Mr. Erwin Day (Father), 932 South David St., Casper, Wyoming.

By command of Major General SWING:

IRVIN R. SCHIMMELPENNIG
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GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 33)

I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull. S. W.D. 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named Officer:

Second Lieutenant CLIFTON W. MELTON, O1822-27, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism at APO 468 on 2 September 1944. When a gasoline explosion set fire to the clothing of Private Frederick Smith, 11131684, Second Lieutenant CLIFTON W. MELTON, with utter disregard for his personal safety, rushed to Private Smith's aid, and extinguished the flames. Lieutenant MELTON's presence of mind, quick thinking, and prompt action undoubtedly contributed to the saving of Private Smith's life.

Home Address: Mrs. Hattie Melton, Route 1, Manchester, Georgia, (Mother).

By command of Major General SWING:

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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NUMBER 34)

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull. 8, W.D. 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private Oscar J. Bolduc, 11070268, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism at APO #68 on 5 September 1944. When a gasoline explosion set fire to the clothing of Private First Class Nathan Sciara, 32E17648, Private Oscar J. Bolduc, with utter disregard for his personal safety, rushed to Private First Class Sciara's aid, and extinguished the flames. Private Bolduc's presence of mind, quick thinking, and prompt action undoubtedly contributed to the saving of Private First Class Sciara's life.

Home Address: Mrs. Avelin Bolduc, 251 Rand Street, Central Falls, Rhode Island (Mother).

By command of Major General SWING:

IRVIN R. SCHIMMELPENN
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6 October 1944

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 38)

I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull. 8, W.D. 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Corporal John M. Starkovich, 39198530, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism at APO 468 on 27 July 1944. When a gasoline explosion set fire to the clothing of Private Otto R. Strobel, 32733991, Field Artillery, United States Army, Corporal Starkovich, with utter disregard for his personal safety, rushed to Private Strobel's aid, and smothered the flames. Corporal Starkovich's presence of mind and prompt action undoubtedly contributed to the saving of Private Strobel's life.

Home Address: Mrs. Mary Starkovich (Mother), Box 35, Ronald, Washington.

By command of Major General SWING:

IRVING R. SCHIMMELPFENNIG
Colonel, G. S. C.
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GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 42)

EXTRACT

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Pub. L. 69, 44 Stat. 1626), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant Frank M. Baracos, 12041043, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism at APO 468 on 29 September 1944. While attempting to ford a swift mountain stream, Private Eugene Collier, 3571070, Infantry, United States Army, was swept off his feet and carried downstream by the current. Unable to swim because he was weighted down by the heavy load of his equipment, Private Collier soon lost consciousness. With utter disregard for his own personal safety, Staff Sergeant Baracos swam to the drowning soldier's aid; and, assisted by two other soldiers succeeded in bringing him to shore, where artificial respiration was applied, and the soldier revived.

Home Address: Mrs. Mary Baracos (Mother), 1241 Frontage Ave., Schenectady, New York.

By command of Major General SWING:

IRVIN B. SCHIMMELPENNIG
Colonel, G. S. C.
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4 December 1944

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 43)

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EXTRACT

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Publ. 43, 40 Stat. 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer:

per [unclear] 46-12/16/44
* Colonel JOHN D. HAUGEN, 018254, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action *per [unclear] 465* on 27 November 1944. This officer displayed cool judgment and outstanding leadership in directing a unit of his command in an attack upon a strong enemy position. When his unit, heavily outnumbered was pinned down by machine gun fire and cut off from supporting elements, Colonel HAUGEN personally led a detachment through the enemy lines to secure reinforcements. He organized the relief of his beleaguered troops and the subsequent capture of the enemy position.

Home Address: Mrs. Marion Haugen (Wife), Hendersonville, South Carolina.

By command of Major General SWINE:

IRVIN R. SCHIMMELPENNIG
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GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 43)

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II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1915 (Dull. 43, WD 1915), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer:

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* Captain THOMAS A. MESSEREAU, 925822, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 27 November 1944. Captain MESSEREAU displayed great courage and devotion to duty in leading an attack on a strongly fortified enemy position. Although his company was outnumbered, he pressed the attack forward in the face of heavy machine gun and rifle fire and overcame all resistance. His bravery and coolness during the attack was an inspiration to all.

Home address: Mr. A. T. Messereau (Father), 92 North Staughton Street, Bergenfield, New Jersey.

By command of Major General SWING:

IRVIN R. SCHLOSSBERGER
Colonel, U. S. G.
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4 December 1944

GENERAL ORDERS)

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EXTRACT

III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer:

per G.O. #6-12/16/44
* First Lieutenant STANLEY ORCHEL, O1 30699, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action ~~in the assault on~~ on 27 November 1944. Lieutenant ORCHEL, platoon leader, was ordered to attack a strongly fortified enemy position. Although his platoon was outnumbered and the terrain was unsuitable for a frontal attack, Lieutenant ORCHEL moved forward in the face of heavy machine gun and rifle fire, wiping out all enemy resistance. Lieutenant ORCHEL's courage and devotion to duty made the attack successful, and his bravery and coolness during the attack was an inspiration to all.

Home Address: Mrs. Jacob Orchel (Mother), 67 Prince Street, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

By command of Major General SWING:

IRVIN R. SCHINDLER
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief of Staff

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4 December 1944

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 43)

EXTRACT

IV. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer.

* *per Let 46 - 12/16/44.*
First Lieutenant LEROY R. FULLER, O1173613, Field Artillery, (Liaison Pilot), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy *near Aklan, Luzon, on 3 December 1944.*
on Leyte, Philippine Islands

Home Address: Mrs. Eva L. Fuller (Wife), 608 South Main Street, Kannapolis, North Carolina.

By command of Major General SWING:

ERVIN R. SCHINGELPENNIG
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V. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9247-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 40, WD 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights ~~from 24 November 1944 to 11 December 1944~~

on Leyte, Philippine Islands (see Rec 46-12/14/44)

Second Lieutenant ALFRED H. BOUFF JR, 01184819, Field Artillery (Liaison Pilot), United States Army. Home Address: Mrs. Bonnie Lee Bouff (Wife), 2710 South Grant Street, St. Louis 18, Missouri.

Captain LYMAN S. FAULKNER, 023870, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mrs. Dorothy J. Faulkner (Wife), Orrick, Missouri.

First Lieutenant MEROY F. FULLER, 01173613, Field Artillery (Liaison Pilot), United States Army. Home Address: Mrs. Eva L. Fuller (Wife), 608 South Main Street, Kannapolis, North Carolina.

Major EDWIN L. HARLOFF, 0397878, Field Artillery (Liaison Pilot), United States Army. Home Address: Mrs. Marie L. Harloff (Wife), 7606 North Paulina Street, Chicago, Illinois.

First Lieutenant JACK P. KEIL, 01181322, Field Artillery (Liaison Pilot), United States Army. Home Address: Mr. John J. Keil (Father), 197 Woodbine Avenue, Warren, Ohio.

First Lieutenant LURNEY T. LANIER, 0523712, Field Artillery (Liaison Pilot), United States Army. Home Address: Mrs. Elvire K. Lanier (Wife), 4214 Avenue T, Central Park, Birmingham, Alabama.

Captain JOHN H. MACLEOD JR, 0409717, Field Artillery (Liaison Pilot), United States Army. Home Address: Mr. John H. MacLeod (Father), 609 Wayne Street, Sandusky, Ohio.

Captain ARTHUR L. MOSELEY, 01310750, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mrs. Mattie J. Moseley (Mother), Rochelle, Texas.

First Lieutenant DONALD H. NEFF, 0534919, Field Artillery (Liaison Pilot), United States Army. Home Address: Mrs. Hilda Y. Neff (Wife), Land o' Lakes, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant JOHN A. RICKS JR, 01183007, Field Artillery (Liaison Pilot), United States Army. Home Address: Mrs. John A. Ricks (Wife), 3219 Rosewood Avenue, Richmond 21, Virginia.

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First Lieutenant JOHN D. SULLIVAN, 01152271, Field Artillery
(Liaison Pilot), United States Army. Home Address: Mr. Mark F. Sullivan
(Father), 404 Jefferson Street, Harvard, Illinois.

By command of Major General SWINE:

IRVIN R. SCHIMMELFENNIG
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10 December 1944

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 44)

EXTRACT

I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WF 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer.

* Lieutenant Colonel WADE A. ESKRIDGE, ^{Just starting - 12/16/44} Ordnance Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action ^{at Camp 26, Ordinance Department, United States Army} on 7 December 1944. During an enemy bombing and parachute attack, this officer organized a defense position around an ammunition dump which was under heavy machine gun and rifle fire throughout the night. At daybreak when the enemy made an attack on the dump, Lieutenant Colonel ESKRIDGE organized and led a counter-attack. His courage and bravery under heavy fire inspired his outnumbered troops to attack vigorously and repulse the assault, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy.

Home address: Mrs. Ethel S. Eskridge (Wife), Altus, Oklahoma.

By command of Major General SWING:

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11. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer:

per Ser # 46 - 12/14/44
* Captain DAVID B. CARLHAN, 01827564, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action *on 7 December 1944*. During an enemy bombing and parachute attack, this officer organized an assault on a strong enemy position, and in the face of heavy machine gun and rifle fire continued the advance and wiped out the enemy position. His courageous action and zealous devotion to duty was an inspiration to all.

Home Address: Mrs. Ruth P. Carlhan (Wife), Island Ranch, Big Horn, Wyoming.

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III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Buil. 3, WD 1944), a Brass Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

ser. Co # 46-12/16/44.
* Technician Fourth Grade Herman C. Hellman, 3000945, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic subterfuge in connection with military operations against the enemy ~~at the time of the~~ December 1944. On the night of 6 December 1944, the enemy launched a bombing and parachute attack on an airstrip, which initially succeeded in completely surrounding our defending forces. Fully cognizant of the hazards involved, Technician Fourth Grade Hellman volunteered to go through the enemy lines and deliver an important message to the Commanding General. Running the gauntlet of both enemy and friendly fire, this soldier successfully accomplished his mission. In the performance of this feat, Technician Fourth Grade Hellman displayed bold initiative and a high sense of duty which is worthy of the highest praise.

Home Address: Mrs. Ruth Hellman (Mother), 1213 Glyndon Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland.

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IV. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull. 8, WD 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

per APO 46-12/16/44
* Staff Sergeant John M. Holko Jr., 3321450, Coast Artillery Corps (antiaircraft), United States Army. For heroism ~~per APO 46-12/16/44~~ on 23 November 1944. While swimming Staff Sergeant Prince T. Hargett, 3401238, Infantry, United States Army, was caught in a strong undertow and due to exhaustion and cramps was being drawn from shore. With utter disregard for his own personal safety, Staff Sergeant Holko swam to the drowning soldier's aid and assisted in bringing him to shore. Staff Sergeant Holko's presence of mind and prompt action undoubtedly contributed to the saving of Staff Sergeant Hargett's life.

Home address: Mrs. Susan Holko (Mother), 709 Whaffey Street, Duquesne, Pennsylvania.

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E X T R A C T

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 June 1918 (S. 11118) a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division to the following named officer:

post no # 46 - 12/16/44
* First Lieutenant ROBERT H. DIES, 01111005, Corps of Engineers, United States Army for gallantry in action on 7 December 1944. Lieutenant DIES assumed command of an Engineer combat company and led a daring attack across an airstrip in the face of heavy machine gun and rifle fire. During the attack this officer was wounded, but continued on with his company until the enemy had been driven out. His keen devotion to duty and courageous leadership were an inspiration to his entire command.

Home Address: Mrs. Olive Elizabeth Dies (Wife), 4627 Princeton Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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E X T R A C T

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer:

see last pg - 13/11/44
* Second Lieutenant WAYNE KISSEMER, OI105679, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For gallantry in action ~~in action~~ on 6 and 7 December 1944. During an enemy airborne attack on an airstrip this officer led his platoon in a vicious counterattack against numerically superior forces. This during a assault inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy and disorganized his attack. Later in the night, the enemy in an attempt to overrun Lieutenant KISSEMER's perimeter launched several suicidal attacks, which were all repulsed. This officer's bravery, coolness under heavy fire, and keen devotion to duty were an inspiration to his entire unit.

Home Address: Mrs. Marjorie M. Kissemer (Wife), 1427 Chino Street, Santa Barbara, California.

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III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

pen No # 46 - 12/16/44
* First Sergeant James A. Rase, 20921528, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy ~~in the Southwest Pacific Area~~ on 6 December 1944.

Home Address: Mrs. Dorothy J. Rase (Wife), 418 South East Grand Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

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IV. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Citation Amended for following merit read on Lt. Phillip's Report
First Sergeant Charles E. Bradley, 35110957, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action ~~at~~ on 8 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Jean Ann Bradley (Wife), Route #1, Brown Point, Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade Lonnie H. Bowers, 39283967, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action ~~at~~ on 8 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Ann Bowers (Mother), Peck and Deveau Streets, Ontario, California.

Technician Fifth Grade Ralph J. Fischer, 39283662, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action ~~at~~ on 8 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Mildred Goforth (Mother), 129 South Mt. Vernon Street, San Bernardino, California.

First Lieutenant GEORGE H. FUCHS, 01051963, Coast Artillery Corps (Antiaircraft), United States Army. For wounds received in action ~~at~~ on 7 December 1944. Home Address: Mr. Harry W. Fuchs (Father), 1226 Tyndall Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant JASPER C. HAGGERTY, JR., 01103192, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action ~~at~~ on 8 December 1944. Home Address: Mr. Jasper C. Haggerty (Father), 926 Main Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

Technician Fifth Grade William M. Irving, 37459855, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action ~~at~~ on 8 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Winifred Irving (Mother), Box 273, Lander, Wyoming.

Staff Sergeant Elbert M. Johnson, 39550256, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action ~~at~~ on 8 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Marie T. Johnson (Wife), 1609 North 10th Street, Phoenix, Arizona.

Corporal Jack A. Lawrence, 39559662, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action ~~at~~ on 8 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Jessie L. Lawrence (Mother), Route #1, Box 523, Huntington Beach, California.

Staff Sergeant Ralph L. Osborne, 20312730, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action ~~at~~ on 8 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Ellen L. Osborne (Wife), Route #2, Slippery Rock, Pennsylvania.

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Private Lester F. Smith, 36572023, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action ~~at 100-468~~ on 8 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Ruby Smith (Mother), 3313 14th Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class Henry B. Swinler, 19125039, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action ~~at 100-468~~ on 8 December 1944. Home Address: Mr. Henry B. Swinler (Father), 473 Hill Street, San Francisco, California.

Private Harold A. Young, Jr., 35093203, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action ~~at 100-468~~ on 8 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Dorothy Young (Mother), Route #1, Peru, Indiana.

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II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bull. 5, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer:

First Lieutenant JOHN KRAINZ, JR., 01048052, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. This officer led a patrol to the relief of eight men who were operating an important switchboard station that was being attacked by a strong enemy raiding party. The enemy force consisting of forty men was completely destroyed and the vital communication installation secured. Lieutenant KRAINZ's patrol suffered but one minor casualty in the performance of this feat, which reflects highest credit on this officer's splendid leadership.

Home Address: Mrs. Catherine Krainz (Mother), 17838 Hawthorne Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

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III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bull. 3, WL 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant Eugene W. Behrens, 35025195, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. When an enemy patrol, consisting of forty men, was sighted within six hundred yards of a switchboard station, a vital communication installation for the surrounding area, Sergeant Behrens and five other men went forward to engage the enemy. This small aggressive party killed six of the raiders and pinned down the remainder of the force until reinforcements arrived. Sergeant Behrens' good judgment, courageous initiative, and steadfast devotion to duty were a deciding factor in preventing the disruption of a vital communication center, and are worthy of the highest praise.

Home address: Mrs. Elaine Behrens (Wife), 4906 Parading Avenue, Parma, Ohio.

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EXTRACT

IV. So much of Sections I, II, III, IV, V, and VI, General Order Number 43 dated 4 December 1944; Sections I, II, III, and IV, Order Number 44 dated 10 December 1944; Sections I, II, III, General Order Number 45 dated 11 December 1944 of this Headquarters reads: APO 468, is amended to read: on Leyte, Philippine Is

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*Robert L. Satterberg
3/21/45*

I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. 11, Pub. Law 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 10th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Revised by 150 52, 26 Dec 44
Technician Fifth Grade Secondo M. Bosso, 1912584, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Lena Bosso (wife), 39 Wendell Street, Santa Cruz, California.

Private James H. Burke, 3553556, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 27 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Anita J. Burke (mother), 822 North Jefferson Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Revised by 150 52, 21 Dec 44
Technician Fifth Grade Joseph Cirigliano, 19124819, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Theresa Cirigliano (wife), 62 Auserais Avenue, San Jose, California.

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II. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted men:

✓ Private First Class Wilbur E. Campbell, 35093032, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 8 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Genevieve Hayden (mother), 1004 Mound Street, Attica, Indiana.

✓ Staff Sergeant Edward E. Duffy, 32769935, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Marion Duffy (wife), 76 Belmont Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey.

✓ Technical Sergeant David J. Finn, 12264924, Counter Intelligence Corps, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Frances G. Finn (wife), 2912 61st Avenue, New York, New York.

✓ Corporal Raymond C. Fortier, Jr., 39283667, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 8 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Betty M. Fortier, (wife), 1365 Alice Street, Highland, California.

✓ Private Tully W. Pope, 38370917, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 8 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Elizabeth Pope (mother), Menard, Texas.

✓ Private Verner J. Ordas, 39283696, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 8 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Pauline L. Ordas (wife), 715 California Street, Huntington Beach, California.

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer:

Second Lieutenant WILLIAM J. WYNE, C524415, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 8 and 9 December 1944. When his company commander was wounded in an attack against the enemy, Lieutenant WYNE assumed command of the unit and continued to press the attack. Despite fierce resistance, this officer skillfully directed the advance of his company and routed the enemy. On the following morning, while returning to the battalion area, the company was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire. Moving to an exposed forward position, Lieutenant WYNE discovered the machine gun emplacement, directed accurate mortar fire against it, and forced the enemy to withdraw from their concealed positions. Following up this advantage with a spirited attack, led by Lieutenant WYNE, this company cleared the immediate area of all enemy. This officer's great courage, skill, daring initiative, and zealous devotion to duty set an inspiring example for his unit and is worthy of the highest traditions of the armed forces.

Home Address: Mrs. Helen L. Wynn (wife), 2792 Date Street, Riverside, California.

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, MD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant Lloyd L. Peters, 39326457, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. While engaged in a frontal attack against enemy parachutists occupying prepared defensive positions on high ground, one of the assaulting platoons was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire. A soldier immediately crawled forward to an exposed position on top of a knoll and began firing his machine gun at the enemy emplacement. When this brave soldier was wounded, Sergeant Peters seized the weapon and continued to pour fire into the enemy machine gun position. In the performance of this heroic deed, Sergeant Peters was fatally wounded, but his heroic action enabled the platoon to eliminate the enemy position and resume the attack. Sergeant Peter's courageous initiative and serious devotion to duty was an inspiration to his entire unit and is worthy of the highest traditions of the armed forces.

Next of Kin: Mrs. Jean E. Peters (wife), 106 Front Street,
 Richwood, West Virginia.

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II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved July 1918 (Publ. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

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Technician Fifth Grade Doyle R. Lawrence, 39462585, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6, 7, ~~and 8~~ December 1944. While defending an airstrip against an enemy parachute attack, two machine gunners were wounded. In the face of heavy fire, Technician Fifth Grade Lawrence accompanied by an aide man, went forward to an exposed position to care for the wounded soldiers, and remained with them until they were evacuated to safety. During the night when his platoon leader called for volunteers to break through the enemy lines and procure ammunition, Technician Fifth Grade Lawrence, fully aware of the hazards involved, immediately volunteered. Crawling through heavy machine gun fire, this soldier penetrated the enemy lines and reached the ammunition tent, only to find that it was in the hands of the enemy. Technician Fifth Grade Lawrence, after firing into the tent, withdrew and reported back to his superior officer. On the morning of 7 December 1944 his platoon leader called for a volunteer to penetrate the enemy lines and obtain sorely needed reinforcements, and once again this intrepid soldier volunteered in his service. On ~~7~~ December 1944 *he was killed in action* in action. His courage, during initiative, high sense of loyalty to his fellow soldiers, and keen devotion to duty, set an inspiring example for his unit and is worthy of the highest traditions of the armed forces.

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Next of Kin: Mrs. Velda M. Lawrence (wife), Route #1, Dreary, Idaho.

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III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 Jul 1918 (Publ. 43, 40 Stat. 16), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class William G. Bowen, 2100515, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against enemy paratroopers, Private First Class Bowen's company was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire. Exposing himself to heavy fire, this soldier advanced on an enemy emplacement with a machine gun. When his machine gun became inoperative, this intrepid soldier continued to advance with a pistol until fatally wounded. Private First Class Bowen's heroic action enabled his platoon to take the emplacement which was holding up the attack of the company. His display of courageous initiative, keen devotion to duty, and heroic self-sacrifice is worthy of the highest traditions of the armed forces.

Next of Kin: Mrs. Lora E. Bowen (mother), Route #2, Panama, Missouri.

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IV. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant Sidney Slater, 32398720, Medical Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack on enemy parachute troops, Staff Sergeant Slater was placed in charge of the battalion aid station. Under his able leadership this installation functioned in an efficient manner while under direct mortar, machine gun, and sniper fire. Throughout the attack our forces suffered numerous casualties, all of which were treated and evacuated through the tireless painstaking efforts of Staff Sergeant Slater. This soldier's good judgement, courageous initiative, coolness under fire, and zealous devotion to duty inspired his men to a superior performance of duty which resulted in the successful operation of this vital medical installation under hazardous conditions.

Home Address: Mrs. Dora Slater (mother), 414 Avenue North, Brooklyn, New York.

By command of Major General SWING:

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V. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant James R. Brown, 36643036, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. While engaged in a frontal attack against enemy parachutists occupying prepared positions on high ground, one of the assaulting platoons was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire. Crawling to an exposed position on top of a knoll, Sergeant Brown directed machine gun fire on the enemy emplacement. While performing this heroic deed, this soldier was wounded, but his courageous action enabled his platoon to eliminate the enemy position and resume the attack. Sergeant Brown's courage, initiative, and zealous devotion to duty was an inspiration to his entire unit, and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces.

Home Address: Mrs. Harriet Brown (mother), 2143 Walter Avenue, Northbrook, Illinois.

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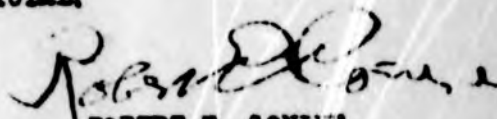
Technician Fifth Grade Melvin J. Skonseng, 37550562, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against enemy paratroopers, Technician Fifth Grade Skonseng while moving with an advance patrol into an area covered with high grass, was wounded by sniper fire from a nearby thicket. Shouting a warning to his companions and firing into the thicket, this soldier, despite his wounds, boldly closed in on the sniper. His heroic action saved the lives of his fellow soldiers. In the performance of this deed, Technician Fifth Grade Skonseng displayed great courage, daring initiative, and a spirit of self-sacrifice which is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces.

Home Address: Mr. Arthur Skonseng (brother), Fort Hanson, North Dakota.

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VII. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:


Sergeant Edward R. Olinger, #688569, Ordnance Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. During an enemy parachute attack on an airstrip at dusk on 6 December 1944, Sergeant Olinger voluntarily went forward from his position to assist in organizing a defense. Leading a patrol of twelve men, he successfully reconnoitered the portion of the airstrip which was under enemy control. Later in the night the enemy attacked his position. Opening fire with his submachine gun, this soldier repulsed the assault. Throughout the night, he stoutly defended his sector of the perimeter against all resistance, until relieved on the following morning. Sergeant Olinger's courage, initiative, and high sense of duty are worthy of the highest praise.

Home Address: Mrs. Elizabeth Olinger (mother), 204 South Maple Street, Osgood, Indiana.

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VIII. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class Charles C. Angell, 39283647, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 and 7 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Grace Angell (mother), 1141 South Flower Street, Santa Ana, California.

Technical Sergeant Clay D. Cary, 36302264, Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Eleanor J. Cary (wife), Route #4, Watska, Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade John A. Chaffin, 13118015, Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Marion F. Chaffin (wife), 195 Pine Street, North West, Apartment 459, Atlanta, Georgia.

Technician Fourth Grade Raymond D. Lauder milk, 33534036, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 12 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Earlen J. Lauder milk (mother), Oaklany, Virginia.

First Lieutenant PATRICK M. MALONE, 01051271, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. Home Address: Mr. Philip C. Malone (father), 209 South Putney Avenue, San Gabriel, California.

Private First Class Harold E. McGuffey, 39284455, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 and 7 December 1944. Home Address: Mr. Mary McGuffey (mother), Route #1, Box 334, Shafter, California.

Private First Class Merle E. Olson, 39283539, Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Clara Olson (mother), Route #3, Box 609, Santa Ana, California.

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First Lieutenant CARL F. ROGERS, 01062138, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Isabelle M. Rogers (mother), 3987 Ballard Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Technician Third Grade Anthony J. Scott, 32664789, Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Scott (mother), 67 Riverside Avenue, Coxsackie, New York.

First Lieutenant JULIUS H. WALKER, JR., 0534227, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Margery E. Walker (mother), 815 Laurens Street, Columbia, South Carolina.

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1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1518) a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer:

Captain FELIX H. COUNE, 9338555, Field Artillery (Aviation Pilot), United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. At dusk on 6 December 1944 the enemy launched a surprise parachute attack on an airstrip. Captain COUNE, fully aware of the hazards involved, volunteered to return to the operations tent to inform higher headquarters of the situation and to destroy maps and other vital data which if captured might be of great value to the enemy. Armed with only a trench knife and a hand grenade, this officer moved forward into an enemy infested area to accomplish the mission. In the performance of this heroic deed, Captain COUNE was killed in action. His courageous initiative and zealous devotion to duty exemplify the highest qualities of an officer and the finest traditions upon which the armed forces have been founded.

Home Address: Mrs. Isabel H. Coune (wife), 931 32nd Avenue, Tampa, Florida.

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II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (S.O. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer:

First Lieutenant AUBREY T. LANIER, 0523712, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 7 December 1944 to 21 December 1944.

Home Address: Mrs. Elvire K. Lanier (wife), 4214 Avenue T, Central Park, Birmingham, Alabama.

By command of Major General SWING:

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III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers:

Colonel ORIN D. HAUGEN, O18254, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Marion Haugen (wife), Hendersonville, South Carolina.

Major FRANK S. HOLCOMBE, O24218, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Mary B. Holcombe (wife), 219 Fisher Park Circle, Greensboro, North Carolina.

Lieutenant Colonel GLENN J. MCGOWAN, O290985, General Staff Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. L. M. McGowan (mother), Carbondale, Illinois.


Lieutenant Colonel DOUGLASS P. QUARDT, O20605, General Staff Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mr. Rudolph Quandt (father), 530 East K Street, Benicia, California.

Lieutenant Colonel NORMAN M. SHIPLEY, O352412, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Nancy G. Shipley (wife), Box 225, Dawson, Georgia.

By Command of Major General SWING:

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1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private Everett T. Miller, 309347, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. While moving through an enemy infested area, a patrol suddenly encountered a numerically superior enemy force and was pinned down by a hail of fire. Private Miller, who was voluntarily acting as guide, ordered the patrol to take cover, and then moved forward, in the face of heavy fire, to an exposed position to neutralize the enemy fire. His daring action prevented the enemy from launching an attack and enabled the patrol to organize for an assault. This untrepid soldier remained forward, braving enemy fire on himself, until the patrol launched its successful attack, annihilating the enemy. Private Miller's good judgment, courageous initiative, and outstanding leadership reflects highest credit on himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

Home Address: Mr. Everett Miller (father), Route #4, Wabash, Indiana.

By command of Major General **WING**:

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II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, 3D 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class David S. Taylor, 35093145, Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. At dusk on 6 December 1944 the enemy launched a surprise parachute attack on an airstrip. Private First Class Taylor, fully aware of the hazards involved, volunteered to return to the operations tent to inform his headquarters of the situation and to destroy maps and other vital data which if captured might be of great value to the enemy. Accompanied by an officer, he moved forward into an enemy infested area to accomplish the mission. In the performance of his heroic deed, this intrepid soldier was wounded. Private First Class Taylor's courageous initiative and zealous devotion to duty reflects highest credit on himself and is in keeping with the finest traditions upon which the armed forces have been founded.

Home Address: Mrs. Elma E. Taylor (wife), Route #4, Shelbyville, Indiana.

By command of Major General SWING:

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III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade Edward M. Davenport, 39694303, Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Mary E. Davenport (mother), 532 Wine Street, Richmond, California.

Private William Thomas Jr., 14097903, Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Island on 6 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Annie E. Thomas (mother), 3 Alta Place North West, Atlanta, Georgia.

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IV. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 00-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class David S. Taylor, 5093145, Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Elma B. Taylor (wife), Route #4, Shelbyville, Indiana.

Corporal Gerard J. Tessler, 1023373, Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Marion H. Mather (mother), 11 Clark Street, Newburgh, New York.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

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I. So much of Section I General Orders No. 47 this Headquarters dated 17 December 1944 as pertains to Technician Fifth Grade Secondo M. Basso, 9124584 and Technician Fifth Grade Joseph Cirigliano, 9124819, is rescinded.

By command of Major General SWINE:

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GENERAL ORDERS)

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant Joseph R. Caldwell, 34140971, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 5 December 1944 to 20 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Ora Caldwell (mother), 189 Highland, Ryley, Tennessee.

Technician Third Grade Frank A. Catone, 32398824, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 5 December 1944 to 20 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Vincent Catone (father), 2718 Hoyt Avenue, South West, Astoria, New York.

Staff Sergeant Albert A. Linhoss, 20710045, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 5 December 1944 to 20 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Ellen Linhoss (mother), Route #3, Box 426, Memphis, Tennessee.

Technician Third Grade Frank A. Scocozzo, 32015356, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 5 December 1944 to 20 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Antinette Scocozzo (mother), 148 Brook Avenue, Bay Shore, Long Island, New York.

Technician Third Grade Bryan J. Whitmer, Jr., 35547572, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 5 December 1944 to 20 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Helen L. Whitmer (mother), 74 Hunter Street, Tiffin, Ohio.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 9, WD 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain JOHN M. COOK, 0384015, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Carolyn G. Cook (wife), 2306 18th Avenue, Columbus, Georgia.

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First Lieutenant RAYMOND M. HUBBELL, O1303891, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Thelma B. Hubbell (wife), Box 144, Colwich, Kansas.

First Lieutenant LESLIE T. PITTS, O1303941, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Grace V. Pitts (wife), Box 293, Columbus, Georgia.

Captain WILLIAM J. SCHLOTH, O339137, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Maude W. Schloth (wife), 1320 Edgewood Drive, Columbus, Georgia.

Captain HOBART B. WADE, O1290852, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Gladys Wade (wife), 414 Judson Street, Dalton, Georgia.

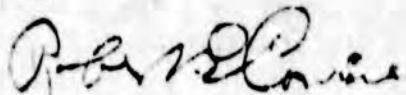
III. By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to Captain KENNETH F. KILPATRICK (then second lieutenant) by the War Department, as published on page 8, Section VIII, General Orders No. 85, dated 17 December 1943, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 92424, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1942). The citation is as follows:

Captain KENNETH F. KILPATRICK (then first lieutenant), O1320904, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Mar. M. Kilpatrick (mother), 934 Capouse Avenue, Scranton, Pennsylvania.

By command of Major General SWING:

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GENERAL ORDERS)

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer:

First Lieutenant **FRANK C. RISHEL, JR.**, O1176485, Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. When a large enemy force attacked a radio relay station, Lieutenant RISHEL and a small party of men, although heavily outnumbered, stoutly defended the communication center against repeated assaults. In the morning orders were received to withdraw. Under Lieutenant RISHEL's leadership the withdrawal was effected without a loss, despite the fact that it was carried out in an enemy infested area. This officer's courage and outstanding leadership inspired his men to heroic efforts, enabling them to overcome the overwhelming odds which faced them, and is in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service.

Next of kin: Mrs. Daisy Rishel (mother), 427 West Pine Street, Clearfield, Penna., Av. 14.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer:

First Lieutenant **RAYMOND M. YOUNGHANS, JR.**, O1175513, Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against enemy paratroopers Lieutenant YOUNGHANS bravely led his unit in assault against enemy strong points. Deploying his platoon on the flanks, this officer launched a single-handed frontal attack, in the face of heavy machine gun fire, against a fortified enemy emplacement. Though wounded by grenade fragments, Lieutenant YOUNGHANS refused to be evacuated, and continued to advance until the position had been taken. His gallant action set an inspiring example for his platoon and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces.

Home address: Mrs. Helen M. Younghans (wife), 159 Garfield Place, Brooklyn, New York.

III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull. 8, WD 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

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Staff Sergeant Gilbert L. Hunt, 3935584, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 9 December 1944. A carabao train was crossing a flooded river when one of the carabao floundered in midstream, lunging the driver into the turbulent waters. With complete disregard for his personal safety, Staff Sergeant Hunt dove into the stream and rescued the driver.

Home Address: Mrs. Maude Ora Hunt (mother), 7115 South West Virginia Street, Portland, Oregon.

IV. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3 WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Major RALPH J. ALBARANO, 0394309, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 20 December 1944 to 28 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Serena G. Albarano (wife), 206 Pine Street, Wilson, North Carolina.

Technician Fifth Grade James C. Hash, 38771244, Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Opal I. Hash (wife), c/o Hash Welding Shop, Ballinger, Texas.

Technician Fourth Grade Floyd E. Kennedy, 39201426, Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Betty A. Kennedy (wife), 2520 South Rosmer Street, Tacoma, Washington.

V. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 3 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 43, WD 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Warrant Officer, Junior Grade, ANTHONY C. D'AGOSTINO, W2106102, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Jean C. D'Agostino (wife), 401 Busti Avenue, Buffalo, New York.

First Sergeant Fletcher A. Milligan, 6928029, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Minnie Milligan (wife), 409 Russell Street, Fayetteville, North Carolina.

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First Lieutenant ARNOLD OLSEN, 0129975, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Coates T. Olsen (wife), 180 South Millidge Avenue, Athens, Georgia.

Technical Sergeant John F. Pursley, 696514, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Mildred Pursley (wife), Route #1, Calhoun Falls, South Carolina.

Technical Sergeant Gordon Roberts, 6959500, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Lizzie Roberts (mother), Route #2, Nacogdoches, Texas.

Chief Warrant Officer WILLIAM C. ZITLOW, W2120715, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Carol V. Zittlow (wife), 342 Bates Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

VI. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Corporal Jerald M. Bergdoll, 20641579, Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home Address: Mr. Chancy Bergdoll (father), 1756 Mortinville Drive, Wyandotte, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Anthony D. Etrio, 31125449, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 10 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Carnella Etrio (mother), 236 Cleveland Avenue, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Sergeant James T. Pyper, 35029169, Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Louise Pyper (wife), 636 East Huffman Avenue, Dayton, Ohio.

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant Wayne C. Mense, 39284756, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 22 December 1944. While on patrol Sergeant Mense killed an enemy officer. Despite heavy fire, this soldier went forward and searched the body. Upon his return he immediately dispatched the papers he had procured to the nearest intelligence officer. Translation revealed that the document was a letter from the Commanding General of the 16th Japanese Division to the Commanding General of the 35th Army. It outlined the enemy situation and revealed future plans for the employment of their forces. This information materially aided the formulation of plans for future operations, which culminated in the final destruction of the enemy. Sergeant Mense's courageous initiative, good judgment and intelligent action in rendering this valuable service is worthy of the highest praise.

Home Address: Mr. Henry J. Mense (brother), 1532 Keystone Street, Burbank, California.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private James F. Bond, 13132878, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mr. Harley Bond (father) 940 Greenfield Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Private Leon J. Mikell, 14000138, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mr. Lem S. Barber (uncle), Cross City, Florida.

Private Michael T. Rumora, 35014023, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Agnes Rumora (wife), 850 East 141st Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

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First Sergeant Joseph A. Simon, 35154185, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Angeline Simon (mother), Route #2, Bicknell, Indiana.

First Sergeant Thomas M. Smith, 14067486, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Helen S. Smith (wife), Robert, Georgia.

Master Sergeant Frederick Thomas, 14000121, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Romelle R. Thomas (wife), 3045 Columbus Avenue, Jacksonville, Florida.

III. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Captain ARTHUR L MOSELEY, 01310750, Infantry, United States Army. Wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 24 December 1944. Home Address: Mr. Arthur Moseley (father), Rochelle, Texas.

Private Robert L. White, 19012414, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 25 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Lille Mae White (mother), 1139 East Broadway, Tucson, Arizona.

IV. By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to Second Lieutenant ALFRED H. ECOFF, JR, by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, as published on page 1, Section V, General Orders No. 43, dated 4 December 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9342-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1942). The citation is as follows:

Second Lieutenant ALFRED H. ECOFF, JR, 01184811, Field Artillery (Liaison Pilot), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 4 December 1944 to 28 December 1944. During this period, Lieutenant ECOFF flew over one hundred and fifty emergency supply missions to troops in the mountainous area of Leyte, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Berne Lee Ecoff (wife), 2710 South Grant Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

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By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant LEROY F. FULLER, by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, as published on page 1, Section V, General Orders No. 43, dated 4 December 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1942). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant LEROY F. FULLER, 01173613, Field Artillery (Liaison Pilot), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 4 December 1944 to 23 December 1944. During this period, Lieutenant FULLER flew over one hundred and fifty emergency supply missions to troops in the mountainous area of Leyte, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Eva L. Fuller (wife), 606 South Main Street, Kannapolis, North Carolina.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to Major EDWIN L. HARLOFF, by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, as published on page 1, Section V, General Orders No. 43, dated 4 December 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1942). The citation is as follows:

Major EDWIN L. HARLOFF, 097278, Field Artillery (Liaison Pilot), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 4 December 1944 to 23 December 1944. During this period, Major HARLOFF flew over one hundred and fifty emergency supply missions to troops in the mountainous area of Leyte, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Marie E. Harloff (wife), 7606 North Pauline Street, Chicago, Illinois.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant JACK P. KEIL, by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, as published on page 1, Section V, General Orders No. 43, dated 4 December 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1942). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant JACK P. KEIL, 01161322, Field Artillery (Liaison Pilot), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 4 December 1944 to 23 December 1944. During this period, Lieutenant KEIL flew over one hundred and fifty emergency supply missions to troops in the mountainous area of Leyte, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. John J. Keil (father), 197 Woodbine Avenue, Warren, Ohio.

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By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant AUBREY T. LANIER, by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, as published on page 1, Section V, General Orders No. 43, dated 4 December 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1942). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant AUBREY T. LANIER, 0523712, Field Artillery (Liaison Pilot), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 4 December 1944 to 28 December 1944. During this period, Lieutenant LANIER flew over one hundred and fifty emergency supply missions to troops in the mountainous area of Leyte, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Elvire K. Lanier (wife), 4214 Avenue T, Central Park, Birmingham, Alabama.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to Captain JOHN H. MACLEOD JR. by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, as published on page 1, Section V, General Orders No. 43, dated 5 December 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1942). The citation is as follows:

Captain JOHN H. MACLEOD JR, 0409717, Field Artillery (Liaison Pilot) United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 4 December 1944 to 28 December 1944. During this period, Captain MACLEOD flew over one hundred and fifty emergency supply missions to troops in the mountainous area of Leyte, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. John H. MacLeod (father), 609 Wayne Street, Sandusky, Ohio.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant DONALD E. NEFF, by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, as published on page 1, Section V, General Orders No. 43, dated 4 December 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1942). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant DONALD E. NEFF, 0534919, Field Artillery (Liaison Pilot), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 4 December 1944 to 28 December 1944. During this period, Lieutenant NEFF flew over one hundred and fifty emergency supply missions to troops in the mountainous area of Leyte, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Hilda Y. Neff (wife), Land o' Lakes, Wisconsin.

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By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant JOHN D. SULLIVAN, by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, as published on page 1, Section V, General Orders No. 43, dated 4 December 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1942). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant JOHN D. SULLIVAN, O1152271, Field Artillery (Liaison Pilot), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 4 December 1944 to 25 December 1944. During this period, Lieutenant SULLIVAN flew over one hundred and fifty emergency supply missions to troops in the mountainous area of Leyte, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Mark P. Sullivan (father), 404 Jefferson Street, Harvard, Illinois.

By command of Major General SWING:

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class Robert Bergendorff, 39279845, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Private First Class Bergendorff's squad was pinned down by sniper fire. This soldier deliberately exposed himself in order to draw fire from the sniper and enable the remainder of the squad to determine the enemy's location and destroy him. Private First Class Bergendorff was killed by sniper fire. In this heroic act Private First Class Bergendorff displayed great courage, a high sense of duty, and a spirit of self-sacrifice which exemplify the finest traditions upon which the military service has been founded. Next of kin: Mrs. Ruth M. Bergendorff (mother), 646 Asbury Avenue, Evanston, Illinois.

Technical Sergeant Eric DiLuigi, 20309196, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 8 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Technical Sergeant DiLuigi moved forward in the face of heavy machine gun and sniper fire to administer first aid and remove his wounded platoon leader to safety. While performing this heroic deed, Technical Sergeant DiLuigi was mortally wounded. In giving his life to save his platoon leader, this soldier displayed great courage and a heroic spirit of self-sacrifice which exemplify the finest traditions upon which the military service has been founded. Next of kin: Mrs. Theresa M. DiLuigi (wife), 2606 North Cedar Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant PETE D. DIFFENBAUGH, 0507417, Infantry (Parachutist) United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. While on patrol, Lieutenant DIFFENBAUGH'S lead scouts were pinned down by heavy machine gun fire. With utter disregard for his own personal safety, Lieutenant DIFFENBAUGH moved forward to destroy the machine gun with hand grenades. Then, under the fire of snipers, he administered first aid to one of his scouts who had been wounded, and removed him to a position of safety. In so doing, Lieutenant DIFFENBAUGH was fatally wounded. His extreme courage, and willingness to risk his life exemplify the highest traditions upon which the military service has been founded. Next of kin: Mrs. Ann L. Diffenbaugh (wife), Post Office Box 2776, Tampa, Florida.

Private First Class Paul L. McKees, 33433162, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. During an attack against an enemy-held ridge, Private First Class McKees courageously led his squad over difficult and firewept terrain

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toward the objective. When his squad was pinned down by machine gun fire, this soldier moved forward to engage the enemy and killed three in a fire fight. He then located the machine gun nest which was holding up the advance of his squad and destroyed it with a hand grenade. The elimination of this position enabled his squad to seize a commanding position on high ground. The enemy launched a vicious counterattack to retake the position, but inspired by their leader's intrepid actions, the squad successfully defended their hard won ground. During the counterattack of the enemy, Private First Class McNees was killed. His great courage, daring initiative, and keen determination to close with and destroy the enemy set an inspiring example for his unit and are worthy of the finest traditions upon which the military service has been founded. Next of kin: Mrs. Lulu Faulk (sister), 319 McConnel Street, Grove City, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class George O. Felley, 39616721, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. A wounded member of his squad was lying in a position exposed to enemy observation and close enough to the enemy to be within the range of hand grenades. Under heavy machine gun fire, Private First Class Felley worked himself forward to the wounded man, and carried him to a position of safety. This heroic act inspired his fellow soldiers on to greater efforts towards taking the objective. While attacking the enemy position, Private First Class Felley was mortally wounded. His courageous initiative exemplifies the finest traditions upon which the armed forces have been founded. Next of kin: Mrs. George Vold (mother), Charlo, Montana.

Private James E. Van Curen, 39134611 Medical Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. Exposing himself to heavy fire, Private Van Curen repeatedly went to the aid of wounded men. While attending two wounded soldiers, he himself was seriously wounded, but he refused medical aid and continued with his work until he died from his injuries. Private Van Curen's zealous devotion to duty and heroic spirit of self-sacrifice set an inspiring example for his unit and exemplify the finest traditions upon which the military service has been founded. Next of kin: Mrs. Effie V. James (mother), 204 Everest Street, Vallejo, California.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 Jul. 1918 (Bull. 43, MD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Corporal Charles G. Blase, 6999368, Medical Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. Under constant and heavy fire Corporal Blase went to the aid of two wounded comrades, and removed them to a place of safety. In the performance of this heroic deed Corporal Blase was seriously wounded. His courageous action was an inspiration to his unit and is in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Valma Klingensmith (sister), Dine Road, Vandergrift, Pennsylvania.

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Staff Sergeant Leo T. Deschak, 33457966, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 19 December 1944. While operating in enemy-held territory, Staff Sergeant Deschak's five man patrol was suddenly attacked from both flanks by a superior enemy force. This soldier immediately dispatched a runner to the rear to bring up reinforcements, collected the remainder of the patrol, and prepared to withdraw. Under cover of rifle fire and phosphorus and fragmentation grenades the patrol was able to effect an orderly withdrawal. Unable to move any further because of the casualties sustained, Staff Sergeant Deschak, the one remaining rifleman, stubbornly held off the enemy until reinforcements arrived. Staff Sergeant Deschak then personally supervised the evacuation of the wounded and remained behind to cover the withdrawal of the force. Staff Sergeant Deschak's coolness, great courage, and skillful leadership, which inspired his men to heroic efforts, enabling them to overcome the overwhelming odds which faced them, reflect great credit on himself and are worthy of the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Walter Deschak (father), 52 Cherry Street, Edwardsville, Pennsylvania.

Private Glen W. Gott, 39911620, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. Private Gott replaced his squad leader who had been seriously wounded. His squad was defending the left flank of the perimeter. When the enemy launched a strong attack against this position, the squad began to fall back. Rallying the members of the squad, Private Gott persuaded them to remain. Despite heavy grenade and machine gun fire, this unit under Private Gott's leadership repelled all assaults and held the position until reinforcements arrived. Private Gott's courageous initiative and inspiring leadership is worthy of the finest traditions of the armed forces. Home address: Mr. Glen W. Gott, Sr. (father), 1121 Seventh Avenue, East, Twin Falls, Idaho.

Private First Class Earl L. Greenhalgh, 39118387, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. During an enemy attack, Private First Class Greenhalgh's squad suffered heavy casualties. The machine gunner was killed and his weapon had become inoperative. In the face of intense fire, this soldier directed the evacuation of the three remaining members of the squad, all of whom were wounded, and continued to defend the position, using hand grenades and a carbine. Private First Class Greenhalgh's heroic action reflects great credit on himself and is in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Frank W. Greenhalgh (brother), Guide Rock, Nebraska.

Private First Class William W. Jones, 34603333, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. During an enemy attack, Private First Class Jones' company was pinned down by three machine guns. The lead elements had withdrawn so that mortar fire could be brought to bear on the enemy emplacements. Disregarding the mortar shells that were falling near him, Private First Class Jones remained at his forward position and directed the fire. Later, he advanced upon an enemy machine gun nest single-handed, and destroyed it.

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inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy. This soldier's courageous initiative and willingness to be of service above and beyond the normal call of duty exemplify the finest traditions upon which the military service has been founded. Home address: Mrs. Neta D. Hippi (mother), Route #1, Box 201, Greensboro, North Carolina.

Private First Class James M. Massey, 34606884, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 1 December 1944. When his company was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun fire, Private First Class Massey moved forward to an exposed position and silenced two enemy machine guns with his deadly fire. This heroic action enabled his unit to withdraw to a more advantageous position. Private First Class Massey's great courage and daring initiative reflects great credit on himself and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Dora M. Massey (mother), Route #3, Box 645, Kannapolis, North Carolina.

Private David W. Reynaud, 39301080, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 19 December 1944. As lead scout, Private Reynaud crawled forward in the face of heavy machine gun and mortar fire to a position within a few yards of the enemy perimeter and gained valuable information which enabled his unit to effect a speedy capture of the enemy stronghold with a minimum of casualties. In the performance of this deed, Private Reynaud displayed great courage, daring initiative, and zealous devotion to duty which reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Ida M. Reynaud (mother), Bethow, Washington.

Sergeant Edward J. Siemer, 35622247, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 18 December 1944. During an attack against a heavily defended enemy position, Sergeant Siemer, from a position on the company's extreme right flank, moved his men forward over difficult and fireswept terrain. Leading his men up a steep incline, this intrepid soldier placed his unit in a position from which it was able to pour a deadly flanking fire on the enemy. This advance disorganized the enemy defenses and enabled the company to effect a speedy seizure of the objective. Sergeant Siemer's great courage, daring initiative, and keen determination to close with and destroy the enemy set an inspiring example for his unit and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Louise Siemer (mother), Corning, Ohio.

Private First Class Gordon G. Swartz, 35580650, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 30 November 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Private First Class Swartz, single-handed, attacked and destroyed a machine gun nest manned by five enemy soldiers. The elimination of this position enabled his company to advance and seize the objective. Private First Class Swartz's daring and heroic action set an inspiring example for his unit and is in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Shirley J. Swartz (wife), 22314 Carolina Court, St. Clair Shores, Michigan.

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Lieutenant Colonel NORMAN M. SHIPLEY, O351412, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For gallantry in action near the Labi area, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 December 1944. This officer displayed superior judgment and outstanding leadership in directing a unit of his battalion in an attack against a strong enemy position. His keen determination to close with the enemy and destroy him, and his constant presence in the forward positions, was an inspiration to the entire unit and incited them to press a vigorous attack and win the position, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy. At the conclusion of the attack, Lieutenant Colonel SHIPLEY was seriously wounded by enemy artillery fire. Home address: Mrs. Nancy G. Shipley (wife), Box 225, Dawson, Georgia.

Captain BARRIS W. WHEELER, O25825, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 1 December 1944. When his company was held up by close range machine gun and rifle fire, Captain WHEELER, with utter disregard for his own safety, immediately moved forward and destroyed the enemy machine gun position and routed the riflemen with bazooka fire. This outstanding deed enabled his company to advance and capture a key terrain feature, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy. Captain WHEELER's great courage and daring initiative reflects great credit on himself and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Marion F. Wheeler (wife), 400 York Street, Hanover, Pennsylvania.

By command of Major General SWING:

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(GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 2)

I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43 WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer:

Lieutenant Colonel LUKAS E. HOSKA, O-2077, Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. In an attack against enemy paratroopers Lieutenant Colonel HOSKA skillfully directed the movement of his battalion. His constant presence with the forward element of his unit inspired his men to heroic efforts which resulted in the speedy seizure of the battalion's objective. This officer's gallant actions are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces.

Home address: Mrs. Florence Elisabeth Hoska (wife), 1319 Alvarado Terrace, Walla Walla, Washington.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class George F. Nicklau, Jr., 38327590, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 10 December 1944. During an enemy attack against his platoon's position, Private First Class Nicklau, in the face of heavy machine gun fire, jumped from his fox-hole and charged the assailants, killing four of the enemy. His courageous action materially aided the platoon in repelling the enemy assault and is in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Nellie Nicklau (mother), 136 North Louisville Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Private William R. Taylor, 10 3421, Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. At dusk on 6 December 1944 the enemy launched a surprise parachute attack on an airstrip. Although on duty at a place several miles from the scene of the enemy landing, Private Taylor, upon hearing that the defenders were sorely in need of weapons and ammunition, procured the necessary supplies from a nearby dump and arranged for the transportation of these vitally needed supplies to the front lines with a unit that was being sent forward as reinforcements. When he arrived at the forward area, this intrepid soldier immediately attached himself to a company engaged in attacking the enemy, fighting with them until the enemy had been cleared from the airstrip. When the ammunition supply was again running low, Private Taylor, leading a group

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of volunteers back to the rear area, secured a supply of ammunition and carried it to the forward positions. This soldier then remained and fought with the forward unit until the situation became stabilized. Private Taylor's courage, daring initiative, and willingness to be of service above and beyond the normal call of duty reflects highest credit on himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Home Address: Mrs. Thelma L. Taylor (wife), Cooleman, North Carolina.

Technician Fourth Grade William W. Verlander, 35601203, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 12 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, this soldier, in the face of hostile rifle and machine gun fire, courageously went forward to administer first aid and evacuate the wounded. Technician Fourth Grade Verlander's heroic action reflects great credit on himself and is worthy of the highest praise. Home Address: Mrs. Ethel Verlander (mother), 1194 Magnolia Avenue, Akron, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Robert H. Weaver, 34337130, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 16 December 1944. At dawn on 16 December 1944 the enemy attacked a hospital located in a forward area. Although wounded, Staff Sergeant Weaver rose from his sickbed, took up a defensive position, and assisted in repulsing the enemy assault. Such a display of initiative and keen devotion to duty is worthy of the highest praise. Home Address: Mrs. Janey Moe's (grandmother), 504 Halsey Avenue, Huntsville, Alabama.

Private First Class Thomas P. Zaharis, 19276318, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 16 December 1944. At dawn on 16 December 1944 the enemy attacked a hospital located in a forward area. Although wounded, Private First Class Zaharis rose from his sickbed, took up a defensive position, and assisted in repulsing the enemy assault. Such a display of initiative and keen devotion to duty is worthy of the highest praise. Home Address: Miss Mary Zaharis (sister), 1617 Roscrans Street, Gardena, California.

III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9152, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant Daniel Belajack, 32004373, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievements while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Mildred Belajack (mother), 40 Helland Avenue, Mariners Harbor, Staten Island, New York.

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Private First Class Matthew E. Pike, 32766029, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 12 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Elizabeth Pike (mother), 11 West 34th Street, Bayonne, New Jersey.

Private Stanley E. Storey, 37553372, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. Home Address: Mr. Walter Storey (father), 504 Bellows Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Private First Class Charles A. Wood, 12189162, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 1 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Myrtill Wood (mother), 301 West 97th Street, New York, New York.

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V. Chief Warrant Officer RICHARD E. BRITAIN, W2105339, Band, United States Army, is cited for outstanding performance of duty. On 8 December 1944 near Abuyog, Leyte, Philippine Islands, upon hearing a wounded American soldier groaning in a nearby swamp and although fully aware an armed Japanese soldier lurked in the swamp, Chief Warrant Officer BRITAIN, with utter disregard for his own safety, entered the swamp, and aided by Private Earl L. Ray, 35428256, Infantry, United States Army, carried the wounded soldier to safety on the road. His courageous initiative is worthy of the emulation of the entire command.

Home Address: Mrs. Sophie E. Brittain (wife), 1106 North Lawrence Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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VI. Private Earl L. Ray, 35428256, Infantry, United States Army, is cited for outstanding performance of duty. On 8 December 1944 near Abuyog, Leyte, Philippine Islands, upon hearing a wounded American soldier groaning in a nearby swamp and although fully aware an armed Japanese soldier lurked in the swamp, Private Ray, with utter disregard for his own safety, entered the swamp, and aided by Chief Warrant Officer RICHARD E. BRITAIN, W2105339, Band, United States Army, carried the wounded soldier to safety on the road. His courageous initiative is worthy of the emulation of the entire command.

Home Address: Mr. Forrest T. Ray (father), 2005 Ordiz, Dallas, Texas.

By command of Major General SWIND:



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Major James J. [redacted] 35, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Anna C. Ciscot, (wife), 1561 West Main Street, Willimantic, Connecticut.

Private First Class Henry T. Drew, 9561525, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Helen H. Drew (wife), 630 South Soto Street, Los Angeles 23, California.

Private Michael Hrichak, 33617991, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Helen Hrichak (mother), 75 Clearfield Street, Freemansburg, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Thomas A. Mancuso, 32818311, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mr. Felice Mancuso (father), 1332 Herkimer Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Private Leon Pittman, 14027462, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Daisy Pittman (mother), Pierson, Florida.

First Lieutenant CARMINE A. SANTARE, 01294909, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Mary Santare (wife), 2904 Beverly Road, Brooklyn, New York.

IV. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class Edwin B. Bucholdt, 9122355, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 27 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Mable B. Bucholdt (mother), 921 Addison Avenue, Palo Alto, California.

Private Sam J. Messina, 36613384, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 27 November 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Grace Messina (mother), 753 Ingleside Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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 *Private First Class Michael Moroco, 35096977, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 8 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Alto Moroco (wife), Wayne Apartments, Gary, Indiana.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 3)

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bill. 3, 70 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Major JOHN W. ATWOOD, 024703, Signal Corps (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home Address: Colonel Frank J. Atwood (father), 11 South Goodman Street, Rochester, New York. *RECOMMEND. BY CG# 122 - 23 Nov 44*

* Lieutenant Colonel ROBERT E. CONINE, 024793, (Infantry), Adjutant General Department (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 7 December 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home Address: Mr. Ernest E. Conine (father), 7 Arville Place, Cortland, New York.

Lieutenant Colonel WILLIAM R. CRAWFORD, 020797, (Infantry), General Staff Corps (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. William R. Crawford (wife), 311 East Main Street, Washington, North Carolina.

Second Lieutenant MADE H. HOVER, 0540054, Military Intelligence, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. During an enemy parachute attack on an adjacent airstrip, this officer volunteered to lead a patrol of three men to establish a road block between the Division Command Post and the landing zone. Although subject to both friendly and enemy fire, he established the position and remained there until relieved by perimeter guards. At dawn, Lieutenant HOVER was wounded when he left cover to warn several enlisted men who were nearby, that they were exposed to possible sniper fire. Later, this officer requested permission to leave the aid station so that he could proceed to the area where fighting was in progress in order to secure documents of the enemy parachute units. This display of initiative and keen devotion to duty reflects great credit on this officer and the United States Army. Home Address: Mrs. Edith A. Hover (mother), 312 North Alpine Drive, Beverly Hills, California. *RECOMMEND. BY CG# 131 - 15 Nov 44*

* Brigadier General ALBERT PIERSON, 0011838, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Albert Pierson (wife), The Kennedy-Warren, Washington, D. C.

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Staff Sergeant Marti J. Scura, 3238551, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home Address: Miss Rose Scura (sister), 102-30 48th Avenue, Corona, Long Island, New York.

Colonel ROBERT A. SOULE, 0117388, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Genevieve H. Soule (wife), 4412 Greenwich North West Parkway, Washington, D. C.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer:

First Lieutenant ARTHUR W. BROWN, 01295164, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home Address: Mr. Will W. Brown (father), Box 445, Sterling, Colorado.

III. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Lieutenant Colonel NORMAN M. SHIPLEY, 0351412, Infantry (Parachutist) United States Army. For wounds received in action near the Lubi Area, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 19 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Nancy G. Shipley (wife), Box 225, Dawson, Georgia.

Technician Fifth Grade Joseph F. Zampetti, 33778142, Ordnance Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 7 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Kathryn Zampetti, (wife), 5022 Orange Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

By command of Major General SWIG:

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GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 4)

I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

✓ Technical Sergeant Russell W. Appleyard, 13083480, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 December 1944. Technical Sergeant Appleyard repeatedly exposed himself to intense hostile fire in order to direct accurate fire against an enemy force which was attempting to overrun the perimeter. He also made frequent rounds of the perimeter, supplying his men with grenades and ammunition. His heroic actions contributed materially to the successful defense of the perimeter and set an inspiring example for his unit. Home Address: Mrs. Mary Belle Appleyard (mother), 418 Fifth Street, Windber, Pennsylvania.

✓ *Citation AMEND BY GOA 162 19 Oct 45*
Brigadier General FRANCIS W. FARRELL, 012764, (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from ~~25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944~~ December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Anne R. Farrell (wife), 118 Calloway Drive, Macon, Georgia.

✓ Lieutenant Colonel GLENN J. MCGOWAN, 025985, (Infantry), General Staff Corps, (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. L. N. McGowan (mother), Carbondale, Illinois.

✓ Staff Sergeant Lawrence Martoglio, 3665207, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 12 December 1944. In the midst of an enemy attack Staff Sergeant Martoglio crawled forward in the face of heavy fire to an extremely exposed position to retrieve a light machine gun which had become inoperative. He then moved back, repaired the weapon, and returned it into action before the attack ended. Staff Sergeant Martoglio's courageous initiative is worthy of the highest praise. Home Address: Mrs. Columbia Martoglio (mother), 1103 South Lickliter Street, Benton, Illinois.

✓ Captain GEORGE W. OLIVER, 01575042, Infantry, (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mr. George W. Oliver (father), Salmon, Idaho.

✓ Lieutenant Colonel DOUGLASS P. QUANDT, 020605, (Field artillery), General Staff Corps, (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Rudolph Quandt (father), Benicia, California.

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✓ Staff Sergeant Harold S. Robbins, 3930661, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Staff Sergeant Robbins moved forward to an exposed position, in the face of intense hostile rifle and machine gun fire, and rendered medical aid to the wounded. His courageous action was inspirational to his unit and is in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Otis C. Robbins (father), Claremore, Oklahoma.

Citation Awarded by CG 4 162-196445
 Colonel IRVIN R. SCHIMMELFENNIG, 01804 (Field Artillery), General Staff Corps, (Parachutist) United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from ~~December 1944~~ December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Elizabeth R. Schimmelpfennig (wife), 86 Brookes Avenue, Burlington, Vermont.

✓ Private First Class James W. Western, 36518723, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 3 December 1944. Private First Class Western's excellent reconnoitering of trails and passes in enemy controlled territory enabled his unit to make a rapid advance over difficult terrain. Such a display of initiative, good judgement, and high sense of duty is worthy of the highest praise. Home Address: Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Western (mother), 3514 Second Boulevard, Detroit, Michigan.

✓ Technician Fourth Grade Kazuo Fred Yoshida, 30106708, Military Intelligence, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 10 December 1944. Technician Fourth Grade Yoshida, completely aware of the dangers involved, volunteered for the hazardous mission of tapping an enemy telephone line that was situated on the enemy's main supply trail. Exposed to heavy fire from all sides, this brave soldier tapped the line and gained vital information which was of great value to the military intelligence and which aided in the final destruction of the enemy forces operating in that area. In rendering this valuable service, Technician Fourth Grade Yoshida displayed great courage and a zealous devotion to duty which reflects great credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mr. Tsutomu Yoshida (brother), 938 Waiohale Road, Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

By command of Major General SWING:

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GENERAL ORDER 3)
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NUMBER 5)

I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Major HENRY A. BURGESS, 0411435, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mr. James H. Burgess (father), 517 South Main Street, Sheridan Wyoming.

Lieutenant Colonel DOUGLAS C. DAVIS, 018985, Corps of Engineers (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Gratia H. Davis (wife), Box 2497, Carmel, California.

Private First Class Edward F. Frey, 36646412, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 4 December 1944. Exposing himself to enemy fire, Private First Class Frey left his perimeter at night to give first aid to a wounded soldier. After rendering treatment, Private First Class Frey crawled 150 yards in the face of heavy fire to reach medical help. This soldier's great courage and high sense of loyalty to his fellow soldiers are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Kathryn Frey (mother), 6719 Ferry Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

First Lieutenant ROBERT J. KITZ, 01287895, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 20 December 1944. Lieutenant KITZ's platoon was assigned the mission of leading a flank attack against a fortified enemy position. This unit, skillfully directed and personally led by Lieutenant KITZ, seized the objective before the frontal attack was launched. Pressing his advantage, Lieutenant KITZ urged his men onward to capture two more key enemy positions. This officer's courageous initiative and outstanding leadership inspired his men to heroic efforts, enabling them to overcome the overwhelming odds which faced them. Home address: Mrs. Virginia M. Kitz (wife), 3640 Watson Street, Toledo, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Edward Miah, 32602748, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. Staff Sergeant Miah repeatedly exposed himself to intense hostile fire in order to direct

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accurate fire against an enemy force which was attempting to overrun the perimeter. He also made frequent rounds of the perimeter, supplying the positions with grenades and ammunition. His heroic actions contributed materially to the successful defense of the perimeter and set an inspiring example for his unit. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth High (wife), 505 East Green Street, Highpoint, North Carolina.

Lieutenant Colonel HENRY J. MULLER, JR, 024508, (Infantry), General Staff Corps, (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Henry J. Muller (mother), 3724 Mound View, North Hollywood, California.

Major WALDO NELSON, 0351054, Adjutant General's Department (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Hazel B. Nelson (wife), 163 Mayfair Drive, Westwood, Massachusetts.

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Lieutenant Colonel FRANCIS W. REGNIER, 022699, Medical Corps (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. F. W. Regnier (wife), 108 Linwood Street, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Corporal John D. Squires, 12034202, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 3 December 1944. Corporal Squires' excellent reconnoitering of trails and passes in enemy controlled territory enabled his unit to make a rapid advance over difficult terrain. Such a display of initiative, good judgment, and high sense of duty is worthy of the highest praise. Home address: Mrs. Gloria Squires (wife), 313 Tuscarawas Street, Myria, Ohio.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers:

Captain WALTER L. BRUGH, 046326, Corps of Engineers (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Rhoda Lois Brugh (wife), 513 Taylor Street, Lexington, Virginia.

Captain MANSFORD W. CANARY, 0456536, Corps of Engineers (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ester D. Canary (wife), 1270 Second Street, Monterey, California.

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Brigadier General ALBERT PIERSON, 011838, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Albert Pierson (wife), The Kennedy-Warren, Washington, D. C.

Captain JOSEPH B. SEAY, 0292956, Corps of Engineers (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Margaret G. Seay (wife), Big Stone Gap, Virginia.

Major EDWIN F. SMITH, JR., 0325548, (Corps of Engineers), General Staff Corps, (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Edwin F. Smith (wife), 311 Sixth Avenue, Grinnell, Iowa.

Lieutenant Colonel NORMAN E. TIPTON, 018408, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Sylvia E. Tipton (wife), Route #3, Box 112, San Antonio, Texas.

By command of Major General SWING:

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GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 6)

I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade Robert L. Lescher, 36731778, Medical Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. When a squad of Technician Fifth Grade Lescher's platoon was held up and pinned to the ground by heavy and accurate enemy fire, this brave soldier, completely disregarding his own safety moved forward to an exposed position to aid several wounded men. Although constantly under enemy fire, Technician Fifth Grade Lescher continued to render first aid, until he too was wounded. Disregarding orders to take cover, he continued to work until he collapsed from loss of blood. This heroic action cost Technician Fifth Grade Lescher his life. His personal bravery, self-sacrifice and determination exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Eleanor Lescher (wife), 204 Brook Road, Rockford, Illinois.

Private Robert J. Moffett, 37546482, Medical Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 16 December 1944. When his platoon came under heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire, Private Moffett, with complete disregard for his own personal safety, crawled forward to an exposed position to aid three wounded soldiers. Although wounded several times during his advance, Private Moffett continued to work his way to the wounded men and administered first aid to them. In the performance of this heroic deed, Private Moffett was killed. This courageous soldier's fighting determination and intrepidity, exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Nora Moffett (mother), 317 North 24th Avenue West, Duluth, Minnesota.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant Charles C. Brown, Jr., (then Sergeant), 35726369, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. When the machine gunner and assistant gunner of Staff Sergeant Brown's squad were mortally wounded, this courageous soldier carried the weapon to a forward position to bring fire on an enemy machine gun. Staff Sergeant Brown destroyed the enemy gun, and remained in position after repulsing repeated enemy counterattacks. Staff Sergeant Brown's great courage and daring initiative reflect great credit on himself

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and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Lillian A. Brown (wife), 502 North St. Joseph Street, Evansville, Indiana.

Staff Sergeant Edward J. Deeley, 36581520, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy. Staff Sergeant Deeley's squad was assigned the mission of protecting the company's right flank. As the company advanced, the enemy launched a vicious counter attack against Staff Sergeant Deeley's squad. Firing an automatic weapon from his hip, Staff Sergeant Deeley charged the enemy, inflicting heavy casualties upon them. This daring action inspired his men to hold their ground, and enabled the company to continue its advance. Staff Sergeant Deeley's courage and inspiring leadership are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Marjorie Deeley (mother), 751 Lantz Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class Raymond D. Elias, 37552708, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. During an enemy attack against his squad's perimeter, Private First Class Elias immediately assumed control of the squad when both the squad leader and assistant squad leaders were wounded. Private First Class Elias, in the face of heavy fire, reorganized the remaining members of the squad and successfully defended the position. His daring initiative, great courage, and high sense of duty set an inspiring example for his men and are worthy of the highest traditions of the armed forces. Home address: Mrs. Anna Elias (mother), 814 Thirteenth Street North, Virginia, Minnesota.

First Lieutenant ARTHUR FENSKE, 01302959, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 12 December 1944. Lieutenant FENSKE's platoon was assigned the mission of seizing and holding a commanding hill from which the enemy was delivering accurate mortar fire. Moving forward in the face of intense machine gun and rifle fire to an exposed position, this officer directed a mortar barrage against the enemy position. Lieutenant FENSKE then led his platoon in a determined attack to route the enemy, and seize the objective. Lieutenant FENSKE's courageous initiative and inspiring leadership are in keeping with the finest traditions upon which the military service has been founded. Home address: Mr. Frederick Fenske (father), 133 Sycamore Avenue, Livingston, New Jersey.

Technical Sergeant James B. Hendry, (then Staff Sergeant), 34548456, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. During an attack against a fortified enemy stronghold, Technical Sergeant Hendry's platoon was held up by enemy fire. This soldier, a squad leader, rallied his men and led a successful bayonet attack against the enemy. Throughout the action he displayed superior qualities of leadership and bravery. The courage of Technical Sergeant Hendry and his unhesitating willingness to sacrifice his life unquestionably gave his men the offensive spirit necessary to

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drive the enemy from this stronghold. Sergeant Hendry's skill and intrepidity exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn M. Hendry (mother), Jacksonville, Florida.

✓ Lieutenant Colonel EDWARD M. LAHTI, 021392, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 5 December 1944. While his battalion was moving through an enemy infested territory forward element were pinned down by intense machine gun fire. With utter disregard for his own personal safety, Lieutenant Colonel LAHTI went forward to locate the enemy machine gun positions. He returned to his unit, took a platoon forward, and directed fire on the enemy emplacement destroying them. This courageous act enabled his battalion to clear an important supply trail and made possible the uninterrupted movement of the remainder of the regiment. Lieutenant Colonel LAHTI's courageous devotion to duty and his constant presence among his front line troops, while under fire, were an inspiration to his entire command and are worthy of the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth J. Lahti (wife), 119 Atlantic Avenue, Ocean City, New Jersey.

TH Staff Sergeant Lewis Maylock, 3674984, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 20 December 1944. When the advance of the platoon of which Staff Sergeant Maylock was a member was held up by machine gun and sniper fire, he quickly assembled a squad who had lost their leader and led a charge against the enemy, killing ten and routing the remainder. His daring initiative and outstanding devotion to duty set an inspiring example for his unit and are worthy of the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Carol M. Maylock (wife), 14231 Mayfield Street, Detroit, Michigan.

✓ Corporal James L. Mitchem, 17169578, Medical Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 16 December 1944. When his platoon came under heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire, Corporal Mitchem, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, moved forward to aid a wounded soldier. He successfully administered first aid to the man and removed him to a place of safety. Later, Corporal Mitchem again moved forward to an exposed position to help another wounded man. During his advance, he himself was seriously wounded but continued on to the wounded soldier and administered first aid to him. This courageous soldier's actions, above and beyond the call of duty, exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Nabel Mitchem (mother), 5875 South West 21st Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

✓ Private First Class Walter D. O'Connor, 3910139, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. During an attack against a strongly fortified enemy position, Private First Class O'Connor moved forward in the face of heavy machine gun fire to destroy a machine gun nest. He destroyed the nest after killing nine enemy soldiers. When his rifle became inoperative, this intrepid soldier drew his pistol and courageously continued to advance, killing two more enemy soldiers. Private First Class O'Connor's heroic action enabled his unit to continue the attack, and is worthy of the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Ida C. Edwards (mother), Box 157, Caliente, Nevada.

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III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel JAMES H. FARREN, 0342383, Coast Artillery Corps (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Marion H. Farren (wife), 606 18th Avenue, San Francisco, California.

First Lieutenant MILES W. GALE, 01295777, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 25 December 1944. While attacking enemy positions situated on commanding ground, Lieutenant GALE courageously led his platoon in the advance, skillfully directing and coordinating the fire of all weapons. On being ordered to withdraw, this officer held his position and covered the withdrawal of his men to safety. The courageous leadership and readiness for self-sacrifice of Lieutenant GALE were an inspiration to his unit, and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Ann A. Gale (wife), 1201 Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina.

Private First Class James H. Kolkman, 35546101, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 20 November 1944. As a member of a flank patrol, Private First Class Kolkman with outstanding initiative and courage, made possible the destruction of an enemy machine gun position. His courageous action was an inspiration to his unit and is worthy of the highest praise. Home address: Mrs. Alda A. Kolkman (mother), 1918 Hawmee Avenue, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Sergeant John R. Kuhl, (then Private First Class), 36638202, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. During an engagement with the enemy, this soldier, acting as assistant squad leader, placed a machine gun into action killing ten of the enemy personnel. In the face of heavy enemy fire, Sergeant Kuhl crawled into an enemy controlled area to render first aid treatment to a wounded scout, and carried him to safety within his own lines. The initiative and heroism displayed by Sergeant Kuhl exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Pauline Kuhl (mother), 4827 South Justine Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Major WALTER J. MAGADIEU, 0237277, Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Walter J. Magadiou (wife), 701 Goodwin Avenue, Anniston, Alabama.

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Private John F. Rossen, 31260261, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. Private Rossen, in the face of heavy enemy fire and in spite of his own painful wounds, crawled forward to assist and administer first aid to a wounded fellow soldier. He did not make known his own wounds until his comrade had been treated and evacuated. This magnificent demonstration of unselfishness and courage is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Julia Rossen (mother), Box 300, Washington Street, Warren, Massachusetts.

Major EDWIN F. SMITH, JR., 0325548, (Corps of Engineers), General Staff Corps, (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Edwin F. Smith (wife) 311 Sixth Avenue, Grinnell, Iowa.

Lieutenant Colonel ROY E. STOUT, 0351442, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ann K. Stout (wife), 2961 Tyler Street, Corvallis, Oregon.

Private First Class Floyd J. Teter, 37553120, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an enemy attack, Private First Class Teter, while defending a vital position on the perimeter, was wounded. Completely disregarding his own welfare, this soldier remained on duty throughout the night, keeping his watch. On the following morning he did not seek medical attention until he was assured that the position was secure. Private First Class Teter's exemplary conduct and high sense of duty are worthy of the highest praise. Home address: Mrs. Nell Teter (mother), 984 87th Avenue West, Duluth, Minnesota.

IV. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9282-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer:

Major NICHOLAS G. STADTHER, 0303823, Field Artillery (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 8 December 1944 to 25 December 1944 in connection with the planning, organizing, and executing of a combat jump involving the employment of a parachute field artillery battery in the mountainous area of the island. Home address: Mr. Leo Stadtherr (brother), 4022 Dentley Drive, Dallas, Texas.

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By command of Major General SWING:

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class Donald L. Barnes, 3654353, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. While engaged in an attack against fortified enemy positions, Private First Class Barnes advanced his machine gun to an exposed position and delivered highly effective fire on the enemy. By this action, the courageous soldier diverted enemy fire and enabled his squad to deploy and seize the objective. Such gallantry and zealous devotion to duty are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Billie Barnes (mother), 620 Asylum Street, Flint, Michigan.

Private First Class Harold J. Berry, Jr., 31345548, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 27 November 1944. On his own initiative and in the face of heavy fire Private First Class Berry led an attack across a creek which succeeded in destroying an enemy position that was holding up his company's advance. His courageous action is in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces. Home address: Mrs. Jane C. Berry (mother), 49 Arnoldale Road, West Hartford, Connecticut.

Sergeant Clarence K. Brutcher, 34761470, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 27 November 1944. Encountering an enemy patrol while his squad was acting as point for a company, Sergeant Brutcher exposed himself to heavy hostile fire in order to direct his men and personally organize for an assault which succeeded in routing the enemy. His daring initiative and outstanding leadership were a source of inspiration to his unit and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Anne K. Brutcher (mother), 118 East Henry Street Savannah, Georgia.

Private First Class James H. Burnett, 31327564, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 10 December 1944. When his unit was pinned down by enemy fire from a ridge, Private First Class Burnett, a first scout, advanced and engaged the enemy alone. He thereby created a diversion which enabled his unit to clear the enemy from the ridge. Private First Class Burnett's courageous action was an inspiration to his unit, and is worthy of the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Sylvia J. Burnett (wife), 1120 South West Jefferson Street, Portland, Oregon.

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Technician Fifth Grade Wiley J. Davis, 14015720, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 12 December 1944. In the face of intense hostile machine gun and rifle fire, Technician Fifth Grade Davis moved forward to an exposed position to render first aid and evacuate several wounded soldiers. His courageous action was an inspiration to his unit and is in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Ellen Davis (mother), Box 423, Atmore, Alabama.

Sergeant Paul W. Farris, (then Private First Class), 39695532, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. While under heavy enemy rifle and machine gun fire, Sergeant Farris, a rifleman, assisted in covering his squad's withdrawal from a forward position. With complete disregard for his safety, he moved forward to a vantage point and poured a deadly fire into the ranks of the attacking enemy, enabling his unit to effect an orderly withdrawal. Sergeant Farris' courage and skill are worthy of the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mary C. Farris (mother), Route #6, Box 510, Fresno, California.

Private William V. Fronts, 32795154, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Although wounded while participating in an attack on an enemy-held ridge, Private Fronts refused evacuation and continued to advance with his squad. Despite his wounds, this courageous soldier continued to fight for two hours until the position had been secured. His fortitude and determination are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Freda Hammi (mother), 65 South 4th Street, Locust Valley, (Nassau), New York.

Private Jack L. Hyatt, 38060871, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 12 December 1944. Private Hyatt, in the face of intense enemy fire moved to an exposed position, applied first aid to two fellow soldiers, and assisted in their evacuation to safety. His courageous action is in keeping with the high traditions of the United States Army of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Virginia Hyatt (wife), Box 121, Glen Alpine, North Carolina.

Private First Class Dudley Powell, 34760649, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 20 December 1944. With utter disregard for his own safety Private First Class Powell crawled forward in the face of heavy fire to a wounded comrade and carried him to safety. This courageous act reflects great credit both on himself and his unit. Home address: Mr. Cordie M. Powell (brother), Kite, Georgia.

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Private First Class Hoke K. Reece, 3482251, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 20 December 1944. Private First Class Reece, a mortar gunner, volunteered to act as scout on an extremely hazardous mission. Discovering the enemy's position, Private First Class Reece, completely disregarding his safety, succeeded in diverting enemy fire while a machine gun was brought forward. The enemy position was destroyed by machine gun fire. His courageous action contributed largely to the success of the mission and is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Dester B. Reece (mother), Oak Hill, Georgia.

Sergeant Steve J. Riffon (then Corporal), 35214098, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. When the advance of his unit against a ridge was held up by enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant Riffon, with a member of his squad, advanced his machine gun and silenced the enemy fire. His heroic action enabled the unit to occupy the commanding ground. Sergeant Riffon's great courage and daring initiative are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces. Home address: Mrs. Mary Riffon (mother), Pursglove, West Virginia.

Private First Class Cecil E. Searcy, 3285258, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. During an attack on an enemy-held ridge, Private First Class Searcy's unit was pinned down by machine gun fire. Under heavy fire Private First Class Searcy moved his gun forward to pour deadly fire on the enemy. His brave act enabled the unit to achieve its objective. His courage and devotion to duty are worthy of the highest traditions of the armed forces. Home address: Mrs. Winnie Searcy (mother), 392 Hoffman Street, Riverside, California.

Private First Class Herbert E. Weeast, 32768090, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 25 December 1944. Acting as assistant gunner on a mortar squad, Private First Class Weeast remained at his position under a constant barrage of enemy mortar fire. When his unit was ordered to withdraw, this valiant soldier secured a flank position and covered the withdrawal. His courage and zealous devotion to duty are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces. Home address: Mrs. Ella Weeast (mother), Route #2, Milford, New Jersey.

Corporal John R. West, 32738003, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 27 November 1944. Repeatedly exposing himself to intense enemy machine gun and sniper fire, Corporal West, while acting as personal messenger for the regimental commander, set down a protective cover of fire in order to provide his commander freedom of action to direct the maneuver of his troops. Corporal West's loyalty and devotion to duty are worthy of the highest praise. Home address: Mrs. Susan A. West (mother), 20 Riverview Avenue, Cortland, New York.

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Private First Class George Woynovich, 36738349, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 12 December 1944. While withdrawing from an exposed position, Private First Class Woynovich, a machine gunner, observed that an adjacent squad was pinned down by enemy machine gun fire. With complete disregard for his safety he voluntarily remained behind and laid down a protective cover of fire which enabled the squad to withdraw. Such valor and initiative are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Woynovich (mother), 3370 Anthony Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Joseph Yarchak (then Sergeant), 33586031, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Staff Sergeant Yarchak, observing a wounded man lying in an exposed forward position, advanced without hesitation through heavy enemy fire and brought the man back to safety. Staff Sergeant Yarchak's courageous action was an inspiration to his unit and is in keeping with the highest military tradition. Home address: Mrs. Pauline Yarchak (mother), 500 Stonehouse Lane, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Floyd T. Zobel, 37551436, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an advance along a trail, Staff Sergeant Zobel, a squad leader, suddenly encountered the enemy. Quickly maneuvering his squad into a flanking movement, he succeeded in routing the enemy with heavy casualties. His courage, cool judgment, and initiative are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Ella Zobel (mother), Fertile, Iowa.

By command of Major General SING:

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3 January 1945

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class Edwin H. Gregory, 3563522, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. When his squad was pinned to the ground by heavy enemy fire, Private First Class Gregory continued to advance against the enemy, firing his rifle and throwing hand grenades. His single handed assault reduced enemy resistance, enabling his squad to resume the attack, seize the position, and rout the enemy. Private First Class Gregory was fatally wounded during this action. His courageous initiative and keen determination to close with and destroy the enemy set an inspiring example for his unit, and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mr. Quentin Gregory (father), Fairfax, North Carolina.

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*Private First Class Francis H. Stevens, 39911111, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Private First Class Stevens' rifle became inoperative. Unarmed, this soldier, on his own initiative, made repeated trips over fire swept terrain to supply a forward machine gun position with ammunition and grenades. When he discovered two wounded soldiers lying in an exposed position, Private First Class Stevens moved forward in the face of hostile fire and evacuated his wounded comrades to safety. This soldier then found a rifle and went forward to engage the enemy. While participating in the attack, Private First Class Stevens was killed. His great courage, daring initiative, and willingness to be of help above and beyond the call of duty were an inspiration to his unit, and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Kay Larue Stevens (wife), 610 Central Avenue, Colinas, California.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Private First Class Jesse F. Miller, 34603716, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Private First Class Miller, lead scout, observed a fortified enemy position. This soldier attacked the position, destroyed a machine gun, and killed two enemy soldiers. He then

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continued his aggressive reconnaissance of the enemy positions and rendered reports to his platoon which saved the unit from ambush. Such a display of courage, daring initiative, and zealous devotion to duty exemplify the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Gurney F. Miller (father), Route #1, Box 7, Lexington, North Carolina.

(Captain ARTHUR T. PARRISH, 0448313, Field Artillery (Parachutist), United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 25 December 1944. On the morning of 25 December 1944, the patrol of which Captain PARRISH was a member, encountered an enemy machine gun nest. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Captain PARRISH single-handedly attacked and killed the enemy machine gunner before the gun could be brought to bear on the patrol. Captain PARRISH's courageous initiative and zealous devotion to duty reflect highest credit upon himself and are in keeping with the finest traditions upon which the armed forces have been founded. Home address: Mr. Russell C. Farris (father), Route #1, Alliance, Ohio.

III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Technician Fifth Grade James G. Felton, 37547491, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. During an engagement with the enemy, Technician Fifth Grade Felton repeatedly exposed himself to heavy hostile fire while administering first aid to wounded members of his unit. While aiding a wounded man in an exposed forward position Technician Fifth Grade Felton was killed. This soldier's courageous self-sacrifice and devotion to duty reflect the highest traditions of the armed forces. Next of kin: Mrs. Ethel Felton (mother), 74 Melbourne Avenue, South East, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

IV. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class Claybourne S. Adams, 34663363, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 8 December 1944. During a strong enemy counterattack Private First Class Adams, his squad leader having been wounded, assumed command of his squad. He calmly and courageously rallied his men and beat off the enemy attack. When ordered to withdraw and evacuate the wounded, he did so without loss. Private First Class Adams by his intrepid leadership, initiative and calm judgment set an inspiring example to his men and acted in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Ella S. Adams (mother), Route #2, Angler, North Carolina.

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Private First Class James H. Cross, 35535790, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. During an advance, Private First Class Cross was posted as security on the right flank of his platoon. This soldier steadfastly held his position against repeated attacks by the enemy. The outstanding courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Cross reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Stephen A. Cross (uncle), 5050 North St. Louis Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class Carl P. DeCoudres, 37216968, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 30 December 1944. Private First Class DeCoudres, as a member of a flank patrol, with a display of exemplary courage and initiative, assaulted an enemy machine gun position and assisted in its destruction. By his courageous example Private First Class DeCoudres inspired the men in his patrol and acted in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Madge DeCoudres (mother), 115 North Crawford Street, Fort Scott, Kansas.

Technician Fifth Grade Thomas D. Parker, 34576184, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Technician Fifth Grade Parker's company was engaged in ambushing an enemy force. With utter disregard for his own personal safety, this soldier continuously moved under heavy machine gun and mortar fire to render first aid and organize the evacuation of the wounded. The devotion to duty and calm courage displayed by Technician Fifth Grade Parker are in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Ann Parker (wife), 326 North West 1st Street, Miami, Florida.

Private First Class Lonnie C. Rea, 3509687, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. Acting as scout in a squad that had been ordered to withdraw before a numerically superior enemy, Private First Class Rea remained at his position until his fellow soldiers had reached safety. While covering their withdrawal, this courageous soldier inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy. Private First Class Rea's initiative and bravery are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Elmer G. Rea (father), Route #2, Merridan, Idaho.

Staff Sergeant Willie L. Valentine, 14119663, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Staff Sergeant Valentine, repeatedly exposing himself to intense enemy fire, advanced to the aid of several wounded men of his unit and remained to administer first aid treatment until all the wounded had been evacuated. The courageous and unselfish action of Staff Sergeant Valentine is in keeping

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with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy J. Valentine (wife), 521 East Temple Street, College Park, Pennsylvania.

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class George L. Adams, Jr., 3554356, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. Moving his machine gun to an extremely exposed forward position, Private First Class Adams knocked out a machine gun nest and killed ten enemy soldiers with his accurate fire. When his machine gun was hit, he continued to defend his position with rifle fire, thus enabling his squad to effect an orderly withdrawal. This soldier's courageous initiative and zealous devotion to duty are worthy of the highest traditions of the armed forces. Home address: Mrs. Laura G. Adams (mother), Route #2, Box 111a, Walkerton, Indiana.

Private First Class Frank Asbury, 3702335, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 12 December 1944. With complete disregard for his own safety, Private First Class Asbury advanced under heavy enemy fire to administer first aid treatment to several wounded men. The courageous action of Private First Class Asbury was an inspiration to the men of his unit and is in accordance with the finest military traditions. Home address: Mrs. Rosa Bellomy (mother), Avondale, West Virginia.

Private First Class John E. Bradford, 34708912, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. Private First Class Bradford, a machine gunner, was a member of a squad providing security to the right flank of a platoon. When the machine gun sergeant and first gunner were wounded, Private First Class Bradford, completely disregarding intense enemy fire, carried his fellow soldiers to safety. He then took command of the gun and repelled an enemy attack. While performing this heroic deed, Private First Class Bradford was wounded. Such a display of fortitude and zealous devotion to duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Stella Barnes Bradford (mother), 1905 Broad Street, Selma, Alabama.

Private First Class Michael J. Carroll, 32315844, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. When an enemy flank attack was seriously threatening a machine gun position, Private First Class Carroll moved to a position from which he successfully repelled

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the attack. The exemplary initiative and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Carroll are in keeping with the finest military traditions of the armed forces. Home address: Mrs. Winifred Carroll (mother), 2154 Crotona Avenue, Bronx, New York.

Private First Class Alfred Catalini, ³⁹¹²⁴⁵¹⁹ 3-24519, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Private First Class Catalini, in the face of direct enemy fire, went to the assistance of a wounded fellow soldier and carried him over difficult terrain to safety. Such a display of courage and initiative is worthy of the highest praise. Home address: Mrs. Genira Catalini (mother), Pleasanton, California.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM M. MILEY, JR., 01390950, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 1 December 1944. He led his platoon in a daring attack against the enemy during which twenty-six of the enemy were killed without injury to any member of his platoon. His actions are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Julia S. Miley (mother), Starkville, Mississippi.

Private First Class Eugene V. Schoener, 37548156, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 27 November 1944. Repeatedly exposing himself to intense enemy machine gun and sniper fire, Private First Class Schoener, while acting as personal messenger for the regimental commander, set down a protective cover of fire in order to provide his commander freedom of action to direct the maneuver of his troops. Private First Class Schoener's loyalty and devotion to duty are worthy of the highest praise. Home address: Mrs. Rose Schoener (mother), Malrose, Minnesota.

Second Lieutenant ABRAHAM H. SNYDER, 01205289, Infantry (Parachutist) United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. In the face of heavy fire, Second Lieutenant SNYDER carried sorely needed medical supplies and equipment to his battalion. Second Lieutenant SNYDER's great courage and zealous devotion to duty were an inspiration to his unit and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Fannie Snyder (mother), 238 Roosevelt Avenue, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 13 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant RICHARD B. DYKEMAN, 0448346, Field Artillery (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating

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in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Hazel I. Keman (mother), 714 Luce Street, Logansport, Indiana.

Lieutenant Colonel EDWARD M. LAITI, 021322, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth J. Laiti (wife), 119 Atlantic Avenue, Ocean City, New Jersey.

Sergeant Edward M. Lambert, 32784700, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Anne Lambert (mother), 137 Rogers Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

First Lieutenant JOHN J. MARSHALL, 01294869, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn A. Marshall (wife), Rockingham, North Carolina.

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer:

✓ First Lieutenant JOHN C. HURSTER, 01316295, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 10, 11 December 1944. On the night of 10, 11 December 1944 the enemy launched a surprise attack on a General Hospital. First Lieutenant HURSTER, who was in charge of a battalion supply dump near the hospital, immediately assumed the responsibility of defending the hospital area. This officer quickly established a perimeter and a skirmish line. Throughout the engagement, First Lieutenant HURSTER, with complete disregard for his own personal safety, moved under fire to each position to personally coordinate the defense. As a result of his courageous actions, all enemy attacks were repulsed; and on the following morning, First Lieutenant HURSTER led a successful counterattack which cleared the enemy from the area. This officer's good judgment, daring initiative, and skillful direction of the forces at his disposal, saved many lives, and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Clara L. Hurster (mother), 1015 West Bewick Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

✓ Private Kenneth E. Poling, 15324908, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. In the face of heavy fire Private Poling carried sorely needed medical supplies and equipment to his battalion. Private Poling's great courage and zealous devotion to duty were an inspiration to his unit and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mr. Charles W. Poling (father), 96 Alley 15, Wheeling, West Virginia.

III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

✓ Technical Sergeant Stephen Antonishak, 33077855, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. When

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the advance of the platoon of which this soldier was a member was held up by enemy fire, Technical Sergeant Antoniahak led his squad in an attack upon the flank of the enemy and caused him to withdraw. The outstanding leadership, courage, and cool judgment displayed by this soldier reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Home address: Mr. Michael Antoniahak (father), 129 South Sherman Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

✓ First Lieutenant RICHARD V. BARNUM, 01285175, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 9 December 1944. While twenty yards from enemy machine gun positions and under heavy enemy fire, First Lieutenant BARNUM directed mortar fire against the enemy which caused many casualties among them. The accuracy of this mortar fire was instrumental in repelling a strong enemy assault. First Lieutenant BARNUM's courageous action is in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Jane G. Barnum (wife), 470 26th Street, Santa Monica, California.

✓ Private First Class John J. Benanti, 32807953, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. In the face of heavy fire Private First Class Benanti carried sorely needed medical supplies and equipment to his battalion. Private First Class Benanti's great courage and zealous devotion to duty were an inspiration to his unit and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mary Montero (mother), 550 Jackson Avenue, Bronx, New York.

✓ Private First Class John E. Dysterud, 36738130, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. During an attack in the face of enemy machine gun and grenade fire, Private First Class Dysterud worked his way forward to a commanding position, and held this position against stiff enemy resistance while his comrades moved up to join him. The outstanding courage and exemplary initiative displayed by Private First Class Dysterud reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Millicent Dysterud (mother), Route #1, Ellison Bay, Wisconsin.

✓ Staff Sergeant John E. Manire, 16070436, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Staff Sergeant Manire observed a wounded fellow soldier lying near the enemy position, and without hesitation advanced in the face of heavy enemy fire, returning with the wounded man to safety. Staff Sergeant Manire's courageous and unselfish action is in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. June B. Manire (wife), 203 Rowland Street, Syracuse, New York.

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✓ Private First Class Richard W. Martin, 36418287, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 19 December 1944. Private First Class Martin was a member of a five man patrol which was attacked by thirty of the enemy. When two members of the patrol were wounded, Private First Class Martin, aided by another soldier, held off the enemy while the remaining member rescued the wounded men. Private First Class Martin's steadfast courage and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Gladys A. Martin (mother), 401, West End Avenue, Flint, Michigan.

✓ Private John P. Mason, 37229007, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 27 November 1944. Repeatedly exposing himself to intense enemy machine gun and sniper fire, Private Mason laid down a protective cover of fire to cover the withdrawal of his regimental commander and staff. Private Mason's loyalty and devotion to duty are worthy of the highest praise. Home address: Mr. John G. Mason (father), Nashville, Arkansas.

✓ Technician Third Grade Robert Querin, 35534861, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. During a defensive action Technician Third Grade Querin, completely disregarding intense hostile fire, moved forward to treat two wounded fellow soldiers, and evacuated them to safety. Technician Third Grade Querin's courage and devotion to duty are in keeping with the finest military traditions. Home address: Mrs. Gladys A. Querin (wife), Route #1, Homerville, Ohio.

✓ Staff Sergeant Adrian E. Southers, (then Private First Class), 35580090, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 18 December 1944. During an enemy night attack, Staff Sergeant Southers, with complete disregard for his own personal safety, moved forward to an exposed position and administered first aid through the night to two seriously wounded soldiers. At dawn he evacuated the wounded to safety. The cool courage and devotion to duty displayed by Staff Sergeant Southers reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Geneva Southers (mother), 2118 East Lynn Street, Anderson, Indiana.

✓ Captain CHARLES E. VAN EPPS, 0473806, Medical Corps (Parachutist), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Captain VAN EPPS, at the first contact with the enemy, moved up to the point platoon and with complete disregard for his personal safety treated the wounded as they fell. His courageous action is in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Helen Perkins Van Epps (wife), 62 West Vernon Street, Phoenix, Arizona.

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IV. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

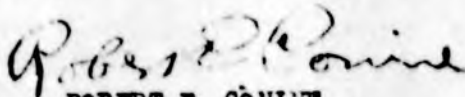
Staff Sergeant George E. Sharp, 19082955 Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mary Ann Sharp (wife), 3245 V. Street, Sacramento, California.

Major JOHN L. STRONG, (then Captain) 0386288, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobodura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. LaVerne A. Strong (wife), 2768 Walnut Street, Huntington Park, California.

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bill. 43, WD 118), a ~~Silver Star~~ is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant Clarence S. Siena, (then Technician Fifth Grade), 3206115, Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against enemy parachutists, the advance of Sergeant Siena's platoon was held up by heavy fire from enemy machine gun positions. This soldier, with utter disregard for his own safety, moved forward in the face of hostile fire and laid down a protective cover of rifle fire for his commander who had gone forward to direct tank fire against the enemy positions. When the positions were destroyed, Sergeant Siena led his men in the attack that routed the enemy from the area. Sergeant Siena's great courage, daring initiative, and keen determination to close with and destroy the enemy set an inspiring example for his unit and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Siena (wife), 8624 58th Avenue, Elmhurst, Long Island, New York.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 1 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a ~~Brass Star~~ Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class George L. Fogarty, 3040968, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 12 December 1944. When the advance of his unit was held up by enemy machine gun fire, Private First Class Fogarty voluntarily moved forward to reconnoiter the enemy's position. During his reconnaissance, this courageous soldier was killed by a sniper. Private First Class Fogarty's daring initiative and gallantry were an inspiration to his unit and are worthy of the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mr. Jeremiah D. Fogarty (father), 4174 Park Boulevard, Oakland, California.

Sergeant Emil W. Ulander, 36420411, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. In the face of heavy fire Sergeant Ulander moved his mortar squad to an exposed position and succeeded in knocking out an enemy machine gun nest. This soldier then remained forward and covered the withdrawal of his squad. In the performance of this heroic deed Sergeant Ulander was killed. His daring initiative, great courage and zealous devotion to duty were an inspiration to his unit and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Anna Ulander (mother), 31 Ernst Street, Cadillac, Michigan.

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III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant Albert J Adler, (then Sergeant), 37460022, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 23 December 1944. While administering aid to a wounded man under heavy sniper fire, an enemy grenade was thrown at the wounded soldier. Staff Sergeant Adler picked up the grenade and threw it for a sufficient distance to make its burst ineffective. He then carried his wounded comrade to safety. This courageous action is in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Olinda Adler (wife), 1014 East 4th Street, Loveland, Colorado.

Captain WILLIS T. ALBADE, 045370, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Helen F. Albade (mother), 7158 Grandon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Martin F. Buck, 37092789, Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 2 December 1944 to 29 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Susan Buck (mother), 218 Wheeler Avenue, North Mankato, Minnesota.

Technician Fifth Grade Herbert L. Camien, 12190279, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. When additional men were needed to evacuate wounded, Technician Fifth Grade Camien voluntarily moved forward through enemy fire to an exposed position and evacuated three wounded soldiers. Technician Fifth Grade Camien's courage, initiative, and high sense of duty are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. John F. Camien (father), 1656 East 51st Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Technician Fifth Grade Alden L. Carney, (then Private), 9278506, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. In the face of hostile machine gun and rifle fire Technician Fifth Grade Carney crawled beyond friendly lines to administer first aid to a wounded soldier. He remained at this exposed position and assisted in evacuating the wounded man to a place of safety. Technician Fifth Grade Carney's courageous action was an inspiration to his unit and is worthy of the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Alden LaVerne Carney (son) Enterprise, Kansas.

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Technician Fifth Grade Alvin Dowe, 16006657, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy a section of Technician Fifth Grade Dowe's platoon came under heavy enemy fire and suffered several casualties. With utter disregard for his own safety, Technician Fifth Grade Dowe moved forward to an exposed position and administered to the wounded. The courage and initiative which he displayed are in keeping with the high traditions of the military forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Anna Dowe (mother), 1504 East Loyd Place, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant ERMA E. ERMATINGER, 01296346, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. During an attack against an enemy-held ridge, one squad of First Lieutenant ERMATINGER's platoon was pinned to the ground by intense hostile fire. With complete disregard for his own safety, this officer led his squad in a hazardous flanking movement which relieved the pinned-down squad, enabling them to continue the attack. This action contributed materially to the successful accomplishment of the company's mission. Such inspiring leadership and intrepidity are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. William Ermatinger (father), Laverne, North Dakota.

Technician Third Grade John Fulton, 30367704, Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 2 December 1944 to 29 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Anna M. Fulton (mother), 668 East 25th Street, Paterson, New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant Owen I. Hedges, 20835120, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. During a defensive action Staff Sergeant Hedges, completely disregarding intense hostile fire, moved forward to two wounded fellow soldiers, and evacuated them to safety. Staff Sergeant Hedges' courage and devotion to duty are in keeping with the finest military traditions. Home address: Mrs. Estella Hedges (mother), Box 156, Lawhaska, Oklahoma.

Technician Fourth Grade Charles W. Hogg, Jr., 38267206, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. Under heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire he successfully reached and administered medical aid to six wounded men. Technician Fourth Grade Hogg's heroic action reflects great credit on himself and is worthy of the highest traditions of the armed forces. Home address: Mrs. Betty G. Hogg (wife), 2766 Lydia Avenue, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Private First Class William J. McValley, 36740060, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Private First Class McValley moved forward in

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the face of heavy hostile fire and carried a wounded comrade to an aid station. While performing this heroic deed, Private First Class LaValley was wounded. Ignoring his wounds, he returned to his unit and continued to participate in the attack. Such a display of courageous initiative and fortitude are in keeping with the high traditions of the military forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Bellen (mother), 4203 Drexel Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant William F. Lynch, (then Sergeant), 3595291, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. Staff Sergeant Lynch, acting as observer for 60 mm mortars, repeatedly advanced to within 100 yards of enemy automatic weapon positions to direct accurate and effective fire upon the enemy positions. The cool courage and devotion to duty displayed by Staff Sergeant Lynch are in accordance with the highest military traditions of the armed forces. Home address: Mrs. Addie L. Lynch (mother), 1702 Rowan Street, Louisville, Kentucky.

Technician 5th Grade Keith H. Martin, 11013017, Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 2 December 1944 to 29 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Marguarite Martin (wife), 25 Grove Street, Lancaster, New Hampshire.

Second Lieutenant GRANT H. NEUTEBOOM, 01825042, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. In the face of heavy hostile machine gun and rifle fire this officer moved forward to an exposed position and evacuated seven wounded soldiers. His courageous action was an inspiration to his unit and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Anna H. Neuteboom (mother), 520 21st Street, Ogden, Utah.

Private First Class Bernard F. Nondorf, 36728696, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. When the platoon of which Private First Class Nondorf was a member was pinned down by heavy fire and lost communication with its company, this soldier volunteered to return to the company to secure reinforcements. Under heavy fire Private First Class Nondorf infiltrated through an enemy controlled area to accomplish this mission. The cool courage and exemplary initiative of Private First Class Nondorf are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military forces. Home address: Mrs. Anna Nondorf (mother), 18245 Ridgewood Avenue, Lansing, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Leonard E. Pilaraki, 20228796, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. While directing mortar fire against an enemy machine gun position that was holding up his unit's advance, Staff Sergeant Pilaraki was wounded in the leg. Disregarding his wounds, Staff Sergeant Pilaraki led the assault that captured the position

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This soldier's courageous action is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Anita Pilarski (mother), 3047 41st Street, Astoria, New York.

Corporal William E. Silva, 20501427, Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 26 November 1944 to 5 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Betty Silva (wife), 1028 Woodview Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

IV. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 2 May 1942 (Bull. 35, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 21 September 1942 (Bull. 43, WD 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Technical Sergeant John D. Bond, Jr., 34689500, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobson, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ellen D. Bond (wife), 512 West End Place, Atlanta, Georgia.

By command of Major General SWING:

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded ~~posthumously~~ by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division to the following ~~named~~ enlisted men:

Private ~~Myron A.~~ ^{Myron A.} Truxton, 36565371, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Private Truxton, with utter disregard for his own safety, moved forward to an exposed position in the face of heavy hostile fire to render first aid and carry a wounded comrade to safety. Private Truxton's intrepidity and high sense of loyalty set an inspiring example for his unit and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Josephine Truxton (wife), 1407 East Harry Street, Hazel Park, Michigan.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 4, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class Raymond M. Balsa, 33438597, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. When the assistant gunner in a machine gun squad was wounded, Private First Class Balsa, an ammunition bearer, completely disregarding his own safety, crawled over difficult, fire-swept terrain to substitute for his fellow soldier. Despite fierce enemy counterattacks, Private First Class Balsa remained with the gun; his accurate fire destroyed two enemy machine guns and contributed materially to the successful defense of the position. This soldier's great courage, daring initiative, and high sense of duty are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Theresa Balsa (mother), 1012 Lower Meadow Avenue, Charleroi, Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant Stanley B. Beblo, 33265505, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. During an attack by his platoon on an enemy position, Technical Sergeant Beblo, in the face of intense hostile fire personally supervised the supply of ammunition, the evacuation of wounded, and the deployment of troops. When his platoon leader was wounded, Technical Sergeant Beblo assumed command and skillfully directed the platoon in the successful accomplishment of its mission. Such a display of courage and daring initiative is in keeping with the finest military traditions. Home address: Mrs. Nora Beblo (mother), Route #4, Butler, Pennsylvania.

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Corporal Harold I. Bosh, 39409472, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against enemy paratroopers, the platoon of which Corporal Bosh was a member was held up by heavy machine gun fire from a concealed position. With utter disregard for his own safety, Corporal Bosh immediately moved forward over fireswept terrain and killed an enemy rifleman protecting the concealed position. This heroic action inspired the platoon to press a vigorous attack and destroy the enemy. Corporal Bosh's great courage and intrepid initiative is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Ruth A. Bosh (wife), Box 457, Farmland, Indiana.

Private First Class Raymond R. Brown, 32578594, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 12 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy Private First Class Brown, with utter disregard for his own safety moved forward in the face of heavy fire to within grenade throwing distance of the enemy positions. He remained at an exposed position, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy with hand grenades. This intrepid action contributed materially to the seizure of the position. While performing this deed, Private First Class Brown was wounded. His great courage, daring initiative, and keen determination to close with and destroy the enemy were an inspiration to his unit and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Gladys Brown (mother), Route #1, Lake Road, Ithaca, New York.

Staff Sergeant John A. Chamberlain, 34691843, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. In the face of heavy fire Staff Sergeant Chamberlain carried sorely needed medical supplies and equipment to his battalion. Staff Sergeant Chamberlain's great courage and zealous devotion to duty were an inspiration to his unit and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Tessa N. Davis (mother), 245 26th Street, Hermosa Beach, California.

Sergeant Robert E. Considine, 36735923, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 2 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, the lead scout of Sergeant Considine's platoon was wounded and fell in an exposed position. Although wounded himself, Sergeant Considine moved forward in the face of heavy fire and carried the wounded scout to safety. Sergeant Considine's courage and high sense of loyalty are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Edna Considine (mother), 424 Swiss Street, Dixon, Illinois.

Sergeant Edward F. Czech, 36648037, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. While covering the company's right flank during a withdrawal, all members of a machine gun team

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were wounded. Sergeant Csech, despite his wounds and intense enemy rifle and grenade fire, remained at his position repelling enemy attacks until the withdrawal had been accomplished. Sergeant Csech's courage and stamina set an inspiring example for his unit and are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Frank Csech (father), 2638 West 25th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Private Louis M. Day, 34604243, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. When his squad hit an enemy ambush of approximately one-hundred men, Private Day skillfully directed and coordinated the movement and fire of his unit, enabling them to destroy two machine guns and kill twenty-three enemy soldiers. He supervised the evacuation of the wounded and covered the withdrawal of his squad. Private Day's outstanding leadership reflects great credit on himself and is worthy of the highest traditions of the armed forces. Home address: Mrs. Nora R. Day (mother), 501 Oakwood Avenue, Durham, North Carolina.

Private First Class Walter Elledge, Jr., 4600818, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 19 December 1944. Private First Class Elledge was a member of a five man patrol which was attacked by thirty of the enemy. When two members of the patrol were wounded, Private First Class Elledge, aided by another soldier, held off the enemy while the remaining member rescued the wounded men. Private First Class Elledge's steadfast courage and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Marjorie O. Elledge (wife) Box 411, North Wilkesboro, North Carolina.

First Lieutenant ANDREW H. GALLIGAN, 01253238, Infantry (Parachute) United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. During an enemy attack, First Lieutenant Galligan repeatedly exposed himself to intense sniper fire to secure machine guns, small arms, and ammunition from a supply point outside the perimeter of his unit. His heroic action was an important factor in the repulse of the enemy attack. The calm, determined initiative, and high sense of duty demonstrated by First Lieutenant GALLIGAN reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. J. L. Galligan (father), 60 South Madison Avenue, Highland Park, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade Louis M. Gleason, 33442960, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 27 November 1944. During an enemy attack against the regimental command post, Technician Fifth Grade Gleason, while acting as messenger for the regimental commander, with utter disregard for his own safety, repeatedly exposed himself to heavy hostile fire in order to pour a deadly fire into the attacking enemy. His heroic action was an inspiration to his unit and is in keeping with the high traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Buelah E. Gleason (mother), 427 3rd Street, North East, Charlottesville, Virginia.

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Private First Class Eugene P. Heath, 347104, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 20 December 1944. While acting as scout for a unit advancing into enemy-infested terrain, Private First Class Heath moved forward in the face of intense hostile fire and single-handedly attacked an enemy fortification, killing three of the enemy. This heroic action silenced the enemy fire and enabled the squad to move into position for its task. Such a display of courage and daring initiative is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Thelma M. Heath (mother), 213 North East 76th Street, Portland, Oregon.

Sergeant George Kovich, 346053, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 20 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Sergeant Kovich, with utter disregard for his own safety, repeatedly exposed himself to intense hostile fire to lay wire from the battalion command post to forward elements. The communications established as a result of Sergeant Kovich's heroic actions made it possible for the battalion to support the attack with an accurate mortar barrage and enabled the assault units to launch a coordinated attack and seize the position. Sergeant Kovich's intrepid initiative and zealous devotion to duty are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Janja Ajdukovic (mother), 72 Haine Street, St. Maries, Idaho.

Private Earl A. Kramer, Jr., 36722625, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy Private Kramer, with utter disregard for his own safety, repeatedly moved forward in the face of heavy enemy fire to extremely exposed forward positions to direct mortar fire on the enemy. This soldier's intrepid actions enabled his mortar team to concentrate an accurate fire on the hostile positions, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy. Private Kramer's great courage, daring initiative, and keen devotion to duty were an inspiration to his unit and are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. E. Kramer (mother), 353 West Cabrini Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class James E. Lowman, 3460672, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 15 December 1944. During an enemy attack, Private First Class Lowman remained forward in an exposed position and poured a deadly machine gun fire into the attacking enemy. When the enemy attack penetrated to within grenade throwing distance of his position and a hand grenade destroyed his ammunition box, this soldier steadfastly remained at his position and continued to repel the attack. Such a display of courage and zealous devotion to duty was an inspiration to his unit and is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Precious M. Lowman (mother), Route #1, Granite Falls, North Carolina.

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Staff Sergeant Luther G. Lynn, Jr., 346278, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Staff Sergeant Lynn's squad was pinned to the ground by heavy enemy fire. With utter disregard for his own safety, Staff Sergeant Lynn, accompanied by another soldier, moved forward in the face of heavy hostile fire to evacuate a wounded soldier. Staff Sergeant Lynn's great courage and high sense of loyalty were an inspiration to his unit and are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Flossie M. Lynn (mother), Route #4, Charlotte, North Carolina.

Sergeant Edna J. McNamara, 35462090, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 18 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Sergeant McNamara, with utter disregard for his own safety led his squad forward over fire-swept terrain, setting an inspiring example to his men by conspicuously being in the lead and killing several of the enemy. Sergeant McNamara's skillful direction of his squad contributed materially to the success of the attack. This soldier's great courage, intrepid initiative, and inspiring leadership are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Dannie McNamara (wife), Route #1, Box 9, Pineville, Kentucky.

Sergeant Bernard G. Nehlsen, 35602331, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 20 December 1944. While participating in an attack against the enemy, Sergeant Nehlsen carried his machine gun forward to an exposed position and laid down a protective cover of fire which enabled his squad to deploy for an attack. This soldier steadfastly held his position and supported the attack by pouring a deadly fire into the enemy. The courage and daring initiative displayed by Sergeant Nehlsen are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mary Nehlsen (mother), 1905 East Market Street, Akron, Ohio.

Technical Sergeant Vincent Pisani, 3039666, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 20 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Technical Sergeant Pisani assisted his platoon leader in deploying the platoon, and personally led a successful attack against an enemy fortification. His skillful direction of the platoon while exposed to heavy enemy fire inspired the men to heroic efforts. Technical Sergeant Pisani's courage and daring initiative are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Rose Pisani (mother), 1011 West 5th Street, Chester, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Allan D. Pitzer, 3556932, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Private First Class Pitzer's squad was ordered to withdraw to a more favorable position. Although the target of intense

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hostile fire, Private First Class Pitzer voluntarily remained behind and covered his squad's withdrawal. This soldier's intrepid action is in keeping with the high traditions of the military forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Lois M. Pitzer (mother), 2134 West Forrest Drive, Sandusky, Ohio.

Private Victor O. Rossi, 32564572, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, the platoon of which Private Rossi was a member was pinned down by hostile fire. Although wounded, Private Rossi worked his way forward and singlehandedly attacked and destroyed an enemy machine gun position. His intrepid action enabled the platoon to continue the attack. The great courage, daring initiative, and zealous devotion to duty displayed by Private Rossi reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Julie Rossi (mother) 267 Jelliff Avenue, Newark, New Jersey.

Private Stanley Scavo, 37565050, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. When a machine gunner and his assistant were wounded, Private Scavo, an ammunition bearer, moved forward and took command of the gun. In so doing he was wounded. He refused to be evacuated and continued to defend the position. His courageous action inspired his squad to repel all enemy attacks. Such a display of fortitude and devotion to duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Clara Scavo (mother), 627 Buchanan Street, North East, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Private Donald K. Speelman, 9908238, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. With utter disregard for his personal safety Private Speelman crawled forward in the face of heavy fire to administer first aid to a wounded fellow soldier. His courageous action is in keeping with the finest traditions of the armed forces. Home address: Mrs. Bernine L. Speelman (mother), Terroton, Idaho.

Major JOHN L. STRONG, 0386285, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. Major STRONG, while under heavy fire, personally directed the movement of two machine guns from one position of the battalion perimeter to another position which was under heavy enemy attack. Major STRONG's complete disregard for his personal safety while coordinating the fire of all weapons inspired his men to heroic efforts, enabling them to repulse all enemy attacks at a time when the perimeter was only lightly defended. Such courage and inspiring leadership are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. LeVerne A. Strong (wife), 2768 Walnut Street, Huntington Park, California.

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Technical Sergeant Jerrold L. Sumnerlin, 6290300, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. Technical Sergeant Sumnerlin charged an enemy emplacement, single-handedly, to relieve one squad of his platoon that was pinned down by enemy fire. His heroic action is worthy of the highest praise. Home address: Mrs. Ethel Sumnerlin (mother), Pearne, Texas.

Second Lieutenant RICHARD E. TOMES, 01298154, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 18 December 1944. This officer personally led his platoon in an attack against a heavily defended enemy position. His courageous action inspired his men to heroic efforts, enabling them to effect a speedy capture of this position. Home address: Mrs. Clara M. Tones (wife), 202 West Regent Street, Inglewood, California.

Private Howard Tornquist, 36613419, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 18 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Private Tornquist advanced through heavy fire to a position twenty yards from a strongly defended enemy position. Although exposed to concentrated fire, this soldier steadfastly held his ground and destroyed the enemy position with hand grenades and rifle fire. Private Tornquist's courageous devotion to duty was an inspiration to the men of his unit and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Curlie Tornquist (mother), 11120 Eggleston Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3 WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant Edward T. Connolly, 30250141, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Staff Sergeant Connolly's platoon was pinned down in an exposed position by heavy hostile fire. With utter disregard for his own safety, Staff Sergeant Connolly led his men forward to the protection of a ridge, and then moved forward in the face of heavy machine gun fire to reconnoiter the enemy's position. In the performance of this deed, Staff Sergeant Connolly was fatally wounded. His courageous initiative and outstanding leadership were an inspiration to his unit and exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Elizabeth Connolly (mother), 3232 43rd Street, Long Island City, New York.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade Dominic J. Arcuri, 2022926, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against enemy parachutists, the platoon of which Technician Fifth Grade Arcuri was a member was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire. With utter disregard for his personal safety, Technician Fifth Grade Arcuri moved to an exposed position and laid down a protective cover of fire for his battalion commander who had gone forward to direct tank fire against the enemy emplacements. This soldier's heroic action contributed materially to the destruction of the enemy positions. Home address: Dr. Anthony J. Arcuri (brother), 12 Center Street, Fort Edward, New York.

Second Lieutenant JOSEPH O. BARRETT, 01636974, Signal Corps (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 26 November 1944 to 5 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Martha Jane Barrett (wife), 237 North 7th Street, Newark, New Jersey.

Private William E. Beckman, 35093008, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 20 November 1944 to 29 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Beckman (mother), Route 15, Brookville, Indiana.

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Major JOHN C. CICERI, 01255385, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 3 December 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anne C. Ciceri (wife), 1561 West Main Street, Willimantic, Connecticut.

Captain JOHN T. COOPER, 01165108, Field Artillery (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 6 December 1944 to 5 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ann Koban Cooper (wife), 1718 East 30th Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

Corporal Mike DelSignore, 13012890, Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 16 November 1944 to 5 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Rocco DelSignore (father), White, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Arthur J. Durocher, 20203111, Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 26 November 1944 to 5 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Marie E. Durocher (wife), 100 Rensselaer Avenue, Catskill, New York.

Corporal Travis G. Eastridge, 3856564, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against enemy parachutists, the unit of which Corporal Eastridge was a member was held up by heavy hostile fire. With utter disregard for his own safety, Corporal Eastridge moved forward over fire-swept terrain and singlehandedly attacked and destroyed an enemy machine gun position. Corporal Eastridge's heroic action inspired his unit to press a vigorous attack on the enemy. Such a display of courage and intrepid initiative is in keeping with the high traditions of the military forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. H. G. Eastridge (mother), Box 112, Chandler Heights, Arizona.

First Lieutenant JOSEPH M. GRANT, 02173623, Field Artillery (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 27 November 1944 to 26 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Daisy Grant (mother), Box 505, Erie, Pennsylvania.

Corporal Samuel Howard, 35093319, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 29 November 1944 to 29 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Anna Howard (mother), 110 South 10th Street, Clinton, Indiana.

Private Lowell E. Jacobs, 39135328, Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 26 November 1944 to 5 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Rosetta Jacobs (mother), Route #2, Box 705-U, Santa Cruz, California.

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First Lieutenant ROBERT E. MADSEN III, 01168792, Field Artillery, (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 3 December 1944 to 27 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Vonita F. Madsen (mother), 33 Calumet Avenue, San Anselmo, California.

Private First Class Lawrence E. McConnell, 39462679, Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 26 November 1944 to 5 December 1944. Home address: Mr. John W. McConnell (father), Fossil, Oregon.

Private Thomas B. McGee, 18227573, Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 26 November 1944 to 5 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ethel Bouffler (mother), 1204 Rosedale Drive, Port Arthur, Texas.

Sergeant James E. Pyper, 35629169, Field Artillery, United States Army. For Heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against enemy paratroopers, the platoon of which Sergeant Pyper was a member was held up by heavy enemy fire. With utter disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Pyper moved forward over fireswept terrain and attacked the enemy, routing him from his position. His heroic action inspired the men of his unit to press a vigorous attack and clear the enemy from the area. Sergeant Pyper's great courage and intrepid initiative are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Louise Pyper (wife), 636 Huffman Avenue, Dayton, Ohio.

Private Gerard J. Schum, 32516452, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 20 November 1944 to 26 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude Schum (mother), 207 Beach and 49th Streets, Rockaway Beach, New York.

Private Walter A. Young, 3555100, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 20 November 1944 to 26 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Anna Young (mother), 5107 North 15th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

By command of Major General SWING:

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted men:

First Sergeant James D. Sturdivant, 695070, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 31 December 1944. During an engagement with the enemy, the patrol of which First Sergeant Sturdivant was a member was pinned down by heavy hostile fire. First Sergeant Sturdivant, with utter disregard for his own safety, moved forward over fireswept terrain to an exposed position and administered first aid to a wounded comrade. While performing this heroic deed, this intrepid soldier was fatally wounded. First Sergeant Sturdivant's great courage and high sense of loyalty to his fellow soldiers were an inspiration to his unit and exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Marjorie L. Sturdivant (wife), 102 North Monroe Street, Wilmington, North Carolina.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull. 8, WD 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following enlisted men:

Corporal Walter H. McCoy, 3541292, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945. With utter disregard for his own personal safety, Corporal McCoy swam through a turbulent surf and rescued a drowning soldier. Home address: Mrs. George P. McCoy (mother), 654 Youngblood Drive, Idlerator Village, Fort Worth, Texas.

III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class Daniel B. Alford, 3901194, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 14 December 1944 to 4 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lillie Alford (mother), Route #1, Box 183, Georgetown, South Carolina.

Captain DAVID H. CARRAHAN, 0182364, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 1 December 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ruth P. Carrahan (wife), Island Branch, Big Horn, Wyoming.

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✓ ✓ First Lieutenant DAVID C. CUTHELL, 0514498, Field Artillery (Parachutist), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against enemy parachutists, First Lieutenant CUTHELL personally led his platoon over fire-swept terrain in an attack that contributed materially to the seizure of three enemy strongpoints which had been delaying the battalion's advance. When one of his scouts was wounded, First Lieutenant CUTHELL moved forward in the face of heavy fire and carried the wounded scout to safety. He then continued to lead his unit in the attack until the enemy had been cleared from the area. First Lieutenant CUTHELL's great courage and intrepid initiative were an inspiration to his men and are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy B. Cuthell (mother), South Norwalk Connecticut.

Corporal Roy B. Fly, 39284039, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 24 December 1944 to 4 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cary F. Fly (mother) 205 E Street, Brawley, California.

First Sergeant Lester R. Gordon, 20203759, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 14 December 1944 to 4 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anne Gordon (wife), 48 West Street, Fairhaven, Vermont.

Technician Fifth Grade Floyd E. Harrington, 38431041, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against enemy parachutists, the unit of which Technician Fifth Grade Harrington was a member was held up by heavy hostile fire. With utter disregard for his own safety, Technician Fifth Grade Harrington moved forward over fire-swept terrain and singlehandedly attacked and destroyed an enemy machine gun position. Technician Fifth Grade Harrington's heroic action inspired his unit to press a vigorous attack and rout the enemy. Such a display of courage and intrepid initiative is in keeping with the high traditions of the military forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Mary Harrington (mother), Route #2, Grapewine, Texas.

Staff Sergeant Frank G. Hoerning, 32015680, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 14 December 1944 to 4 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Julia Hoerning (mother), 207 Evans Avenue, Elmont, Long Island, New York.

Corporal Richard Hunt, 33464171, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 14 December 1944 to 4 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Hunt (wife), 204 South Courtland Street, East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania.

Corporal John H. Lukas, 33617577, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against enemy parachutists, the platoon of which Corporal Lukas was a member was held up by heavy enemy fire. With utter disregard for his own safety, Corporal Lukas moved

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forward over fire swept terrain and attacked the enemy with hand grenades, forcing him to withdraw. This heroic action enabled the platoon to continue its advance and clear the enemy from the area. The great courage and intrepid initiative displayed by Corporal Lukus reflect great credit on himself and the military forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Anna Lukus (mother), Route #3, Easton, Pennsylvania.

Corporal Laddie M. Moll, 327936, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 14 December 1944 to 4 January 1945. Home address: Miss Florence Moll, (sister), 406 First Avenue, Yuma, Arizona.

Technician Fourth Grade Philip A. Schweitzer, 32815940, Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 1 December 1944 to 6 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Martha A. Schweitzer (mother), 308 East 121st Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Technician Fifth Grade Don L. Shirk, 3625831, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 19 December 1944. Technician Fifth Grade Shirk, in the face of intense enemy fire moved to an exposed position, applied first aid to fellow soldiers, and evacuated them to safety. His courageous action is in keeping with the high traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Ruth E. Shirk (wife), Forest, Ohio.

IV. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1542), a Meritorious Achievement Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Technical Sergeant Charles J. Branson, 5107677, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights in connection with resupply of ground units on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 17 December 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Iva R. Branson (wife), Route #2, Hanson, Kentucky.

Technician Fourth Grade Delbert H. Thomsen, 20716045, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights in connection with resupply of ground units on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 17 December 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Thomsen (mother), 2412 North 2nd Street, Clinton, Iowa.

First Lieutenant JAMES M. WATSON, 01308337, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights in connection with resupply of ground units on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 17 December 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Arline M. Watson (wife), 5933 West Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Private First Class Doyle E. Casselman, 3554369, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 17 December 1944. During an attack against a strong enemy position, the stand of which Private First Class Casselman was a member was pinned down by heavy hostile fire. Private First Class Casselman, with utter disregard for his own safety, moved forward and assisted in setting up a machine gun. Although the target of intense machine gun, rifle, and mortar fire, this intrepid soldier remained forward and assisted in the firing of the weapon until he was mortally wounded. His great courage, daring initiative, and serious devotion to duty set an inspiring example for his unit and exemplify the finest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of Kin: Mrs. Leah Casselman (mother), 321 North Oak Street, Kendallville, Indiana.

Private First Class Cole J. Harrell, 3879867, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 12 December 1944. During the withdrawal of a rifle platoon, Private First Class Harrell, a member of a machine gun section attached to a rifle platoon, did, with complete disregard of his own safety, remain behind to shoot a sniper who was firing into the men withdrawing. On doing so, Private First Class Harrell disclosed his position, was fired upon, and later died of wounds. His action beyond the call of duty is an outstanding example of gallantry in combat. Next of Kin: Mrs. Gladys E. Harrell (mother), Route 1, Leedey, Oklahoma.

Second Lieutenant ROBERT MORRIS, 0444574, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 8 December 1944. During an enemy attack against his platoon's position, Lieutenant MORRIS by his great courage and intrepid actions inspired his men to heroic efforts, enabling them to repel several determined enemy assaults. While covering his unit's withdrawal, Lieutenant MORRIS discovered a wounded fellow soldier. He moved forward over fire-swept terrain to rescue the wounded man, and in so doing, he was fatally wounded. The inspiring leadership and heroic spirit of self-sacrifice demonstrated by Lieutenant MORRIS exemplify the finest qualities of an officer and are in keeping with the highest traditions upon which the military forces of the United States have been founded. Next of Kin: Mr. Harry L. Morris (father), 22 Devens Road, Hampscott, Massachusetts.

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Private First Class Charles M. Swiger, 248929, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 8 December 1944. During an enemy attack, Private First Class Swiger moved over fireswept terrain to an extremely exposed but advantageous position, from which he poured deadly fire into the enemy. His accurate fire aided materially in the repulsing of three enemy attacks. In the performance of this heroic deed, Private First Class Swiger was fatally wounded. His great courage, during initiative, and keen determination to close with and destroy the enemy were an inspiration to his unit and exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of Kin Mrs. Andy Swiger (mother), Randolph, West Virginia.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 18) a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant Daniel R. Morrison, 3238976, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. During an engagement with the enemy, the commander of the company of which Staff Sergeant Morrison was a member was seriously wounded and laying in an exposed position near the enemy. With utter disregard for his own safety, Staff Sergeant Morrison moved forward in the face of heavy hostile machine gun and rifle fire and carried the wounded officer to safety. His heroic action was an inspiration to his unit and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude Morrison (mother), 706 Seventh Avenue, Beshelton, Pennsylvania.

III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull. 8, WD 19) a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant James B. Hendry, 3454456, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 20 November 1944. With utter disregard for his own safety, Technical Sergeant Hendry swam to a point two hundred yards from shore and rescued a drowning soldier. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn B. Hendry (mother), Jacksonville, Florida.

Private Richard M. Spreckelsen, 3232487, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For heroism on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 23 December 1944. With utter disregard for his own personal safety, Private Spreckelsen swam through a strong current and rescued a drowning soldier. Home address: Mrs. Caroline Spreckelsen (mother), 70-36 Sixty-first Street, Ridgewood, Queens, New York.

IV. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bull. 5, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

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Major RALPH . . ELLISON, 0286184, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 14 December 1944 to 3 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lois D. Ellison (wife), Berkeley Apartments, Birmingham, Alabama.

Private Henry J. McInnis, 31264153, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Private McInnis, with utter disregard for his own safety, moved forward over fire-swept terrain to an exposed position and rendered first aid to the seriously wounded commander of the company to which he was attached. The dauntless initiative and high sense of loyalty displayed by Private McInnis are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth A. McInnis (mother), 316 Adams Street, Lowell, Massachusetts.

Private First Class Alex S. Rivera, 39856469, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. Private First Class Rivera on his own initiative advanced through heavy fire and over sniper-infested terrain to inform a platoon that was operating in advance of the main body that the company was withdrawing. Private First Class Rivera's dauntless initiative and high sense of duty exemplify the finest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Lope S. Rivera (mother), 411 Rosales Street, Tucson, Arizona.

Lieutenant Colonel ARTHUR H. WILSON JR., 020693, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 1 December 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mary P. Wilson (wife) 523 North Seventh Street, Burlington, Vermont.

V. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Corporal Douglas L. Beeson (then Technician Fifth Grade), 39200744, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Jane E. Beeson (mother), 100 North Sixth Street, Kelso, Washington.

Private Peter W. Bellesi, 39124759, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 27 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Issa Bellesi (mother), 342 York Street, San Francisco, California.

Private First Class Melvin E. Grubar, 38430855, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 24 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Grace Grubar (mother), 1001 Cherry Street, Waco, Texas.

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First Lieutenant M X D. HARROND, 031778291 Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 9 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mable J. Harrond (wife), Route #1, Plato, Missouri.

Private James E. Hyden, 3725374, Medical Corps, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Alice J. Hyden (wife), Route #6 Paducah, Kentucky.

Private First Class William M. Hess 3350217, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 26 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Evange-line Hess (wife), Route #4, York, Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant MAURICE W. LUNDelius, 0513023, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Earl J. Lundelius (father), 1448 Euclid Street, North West, Washington, D. C.

Technician Fifth Grade Irvin B. McDaniel, 3839974, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Sybil E. McDaniel (wife), 426 1/2 Avenue, Lawton, Oklahoma.

Staff Sergeant Thomas Edward McLellan, 3923973, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 27 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Violette McLellan (mother), Route #4, Box 555, Upland, California.

Technician Fourth Grade Thomas A. Reeves, 3923551, Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Nita Reeves (mother), 2074 West 21st Street, Los Angeles, California.

Technician Fifth Grade Melvin E. Starker, 3839588, Medical Corps, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 23 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Roberta Fay Starker (wife), Route #1, Garber, Oklahoma.

Private Walter M. Fiegler, 3218673, Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Shirley Fiegler (wife), 916 North Columbus Street, Muskogee, Oklahoma.

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III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain JULIUS J. TOTH, O450328, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Captain TOTH's company was held up by heavy machine gun and sniper fire. This officer, with utter disregard for his own safety, advanced to a forward position and personally directed artillery fire by radio on the enemy positions. Captain TOTH then reorganized his company and led the attack to seize its objective. The skillful leadership, good judgment, and intrepidity displayed by Captain TOTH were an inspiration to his men and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Marion L. Toth (wife), 1429 Minnesota Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

By command of Major General SWING:

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Pub. L. 15, 40 Stat. 1012), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant Leo F. Parkinson, 39037605, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippines Islands on 17 December 1944. During an attack against a strong enemy position, the squad of which Sergeant Parkinson was a member was pinned down by heavy hostile fire. Sergeant Parkinson, with utter disregard for his own safety, set his machine gun up in an exposed position and opened fire on the enemy. Although he was the target of intense machine gun, rifle, and mortar fire, Sergeant Parkinson continued to fire on the enemy until he was mortally wounded. His great courage, gallant initiative, and untiring devotion to duty set an inspiring example for his unit and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service of the United States. Next of kin: Mr. Nathan F. Parkinson (father), Route 11, Box 24, Graham, Oregon.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Pub. L. 15, 40 Stat. 1012), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Sergeant William E. Moore, (Last Name First) Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippines Islands on 17 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Sergeant Moore moved well forward of his unit and singlehandedly attacked three enemy positions, killing all the occupants and destroying several rifles and a mortar. His great courage, gallant initiative, and untiring devotion to duty set an inspiring example for his unit and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Mattie Lovell (mother), 230 West Oxford Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Sergeant Frederick ... Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippines Islands on 17 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Sergeant ... moved well forward of his unit and singlehandedly attacked three enemy positions, killing all the occupants and destroying several rifles and a mortar. His great courage, gallant initiative, and untiring devotion to duty set an inspiring example for his unit and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service of the United States. Next of kin: ...

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III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 1 Jul 1926 (Pub. L. 69-15), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class Lawrence E. Clark, 3462321, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945. With other personnel, for his own personal safety, and at the risk of his life, Private First Class Clark overcame an exceptionally strong undertow to rescue a drowning soldier. Home address: Mrs. Julia A. Clark (wife), 903 Federal Street, The Dalles, Oregon.

IV. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9409, 4 February 1944 (Sec. 11, Pub. L. 76-1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class Clyde E. Agent, 3462356, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 9 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Private First Class Agent, a lead scout, moved forward over open terrain to destroy an enemy sniper. While advancing, Private First Class Agent was fatally wounded, but his heroic action warned his squad of the sniper's location. Private First Class Agent's zealous devotion to duty and intrepid initiative were an inspiration to his unit and exemplify the finest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Lillie E. Agent (mother), Decatur, Mississippi.

Private First Class Jack D. Boyle, 3910611, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Private First Class Boyle, a scout, was fired upon by an enemy machine gun and was wounded. Subsequently this intrepid soldier, with other personnel for his own safety, deliberately exposed himself to draw fire from the machine gun, which would disclose its position to his comrades. The machine gun was located and destroyed. In the performance of this heroic deed, Private First Class Boyle was killed. His great courage, zealous devotion to duty, and willingness to be of service above and beyond the normal call of duty set an inspiring example for his unit and exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mr. John Shaw Boyle (father), 405 South 1st West Street, Logan, Utah.

Private First Class James E. Chenoweth, 35749347, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 16 December 1944. During an attack against a strongly defended enemy position, Private First Class Chenoweth moved his machine gun in the face of intense hostile fire to an extremely exposed position from which he poured an accurate fire on the enemy. In the performance of this deed, Private First Class Chenoweth was killed. His intrepid initiative and keen determination to close with and destroy the enemy were an inspiration to his unit and exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Ella B. Chenoweth (mother), Beverly, West Virginia.

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III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 7449, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 1, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant ROBERT E. BRIDGES, JR., 025542, Infantry (Paratrooper), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. During an engagement with the enemy, First Lieutenant BRIDGES discovered a wounded enemy soldier lying on the ground. With utter disregard for his own safety, this officer advanced through heavy fire to capture the enemy soldier. First Lieutenant BRIDGES' intrepid action is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Anne F. Lued (friend), 39 2nd Street, Ukiah, California.

Technician Fifth Grade J. E. Rhone, 3694039, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against enemy paratroopers, Technician Fifth Grade Rhone, with utter disregard for his own safety, voluntarily joined the assault party, armed with a single hand grenade. This intrepid soldier saved well forward and pressed the attack until the enemy had been driven from the area. His daring initiative and zealous devotion to duty are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mabel DeLoody (mother), 3015 6th Avenue, Oakland, California.

Private First Class Rudy Mechanic, 5601699, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 11 December 1944. When the enemy, attempting to break through an ambush, launched a vicious attack Private First Class Mechanic placed his machine gun in a position from which he poured a deadly fire into the enemy. Although the target of intense enemy fire, Private First Class Mechanic steadfastly remained at his position and repelled the attack, killing thirteen of the enemy. Private First Class Mechanic's courageous initiative and zealous devotion to duty are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Frank Mechanic (father), 945 Nathan Street, Akron, Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade Robert J. Cheselha, 35167706, Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 1 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ann Cheselha (mother), 1925 South Calhoun Street, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Private Lawrence D. Clinard, 3025735, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 2 December 1944. When a fellow soldier was pinned down by machine gun fire, Private Clinard, with utter disregard for his personal safety, deliberately exposed himself to the enemy to divert the fire. His heroic act enabled his comrades to have to a more advantageous

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... In the action which followed Private Clinton captured two of the enemy. The heroic and self-sacrificing action displayed by Private Clinton reflects great credit on himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Hazel Clinton (mother), Route 25, Shelbyville, Tennessee.

... Sergeant Fourth Grade Dudley E. Corfield, 305730, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Lillian Johnson Corfield (wife), Box 53, Barstow, California.

Private First Class Elias Meyer Cohen, 3055310, Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 21 December 1944 to 17 December 1944. Home address: Miss Lillian Cohen (mother), 234 West Albert Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant JAMES M. COOPER, 0117639, Field Artillery (Parachute), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 18 December 1944 to 4 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary (superintendent), 2075 East Wacker Drive, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Private Robert E. Dotto, 3057186, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 8 December 1944. While performing their mission of reconnoitering the main enemy supply trail, Private Dotto and another soldier encountered an enemy patrol of nine men. Displaying exceptional courage, Private Dotto and his companion closed with the enemy, killed three, and routed the remainder. They then continued their reconnaissance and accomplished the mission assigned to them. Private Dotto's intrepid initiative and control will live in legend with the other gallant deeds of United States Infantrymen. Home address: Mrs. Marjorie Dotto (wife), 270 West 21st Street, Richmond Center, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant VALERIE J. DONAH, 0117638, Field Artillery (Parachute), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 24 December 1944 to 4 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Viola M. Donah (wife), 714 Columbia, New York.

Captain ERNEST C. DUNN, 0117633, (Parachute) (unassigned), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 November 1944 to 21 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Dunn (mother), 125 East Thirty-fifth Street, Brooklyn, New York.

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Technician Fourth Grade Michael E. Fedalle, 320379, National Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 12 December 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Angelina Fedalle (mother), 143 Seventh Avenue, New York, New Jersey.

Private First Class Robert A. Gilman, 3470005, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 3 December 1944. Being on duty against the enemy, Private First Class Gilman, with minor disregard for his own safety and repeated trips over fire-swept terrain to render first aid and evacuate the wounded. Private First Class Gilman's great courage and high sense of loyalty exemplify the finest qualities of a soldier and are in keeping with the traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Jeanette E. Gilman (wife), Rock Hills, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade Charles V. Heliger, 1606970, Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 1 December 1944 to 21 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Ann Heliger (wife), 203 Audrey Avenue, Brooklyn, Maryland.

Private First Class Robert E. Rode, 1933574, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 22 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Dorcas M. Rode (wife), Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade Clifford P. Johnson, 3558274, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December and 7 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Johnson (wife), 1212 East Fifth Street, Pomona, California.

Private Ernest C. Johnson, 3401207, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. While performing their mission of reconnoitering the main enemy supply trail, Private Johnson and another soldier encountered an enemy patrol of nine men. Displaying exceptional courage, Private Johnson and his companion closed with the enemy, killed three, and routed the remainder; they then continued their reconnaissance and accomplished the mission assigned to them. Private Johnson's intrepid initiative and superb skill are in keeping with the fine traditions of United States military service. Home address: Mrs. Lucille Johnson (mother), 23 East Hill Street, Sumner, Georgia.

First Lieutenant ERIC W. JACOBSON, 6101740, Infantry (Decorated), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. During the enemy attack, First Lieutenant JACOBSON discovered a wounded soldier lying in an exposed position. With utter disregard for his own personal safety, this officer advanced through heavy hostile fire to render first aid

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and carry the wounded to the safety. First Lieutenant **LEONARDI**, military action was an inspiration to his unit and is in keeping with the characteristics of the men of valor. Home address: Mrs. Della Letourneau (mother), 55 Armory Street, Worcester, Massachusetts.

First Sergeant **Arthur J. Lombardi**, 760343, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 11 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Mary Lombardi (mother), 215 Milliver Road, South West, Capton, Ohio.

Sergeant **Ed M. Wisney**, 7113978, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 11 December 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Wisney (mother), 231 West Clementine Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant **Henry M. McCants**, 3599814, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 11 December 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Wayne W. McCants (mother), 1111 South Highland Street, Sapulpa, Oklahoma.

Technical Sergeant **Bealy E. Hurdock**, 3194574, Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 27 November 1944 to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Annie R. Hurdock (mother), 546 East Main Street, Jackson, Tennessee.

Lieutenant Colonel **GEORGE G. PARKER**, 0251134, Infantry (Parachute), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 1 December 1944 to 8 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Sally E. Parker (wife), Sheridan, Wyoming.

Technician Fifth Grade **Samuel S. Solomon**, 3211561, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 19 December 1944. Technician Fifth Grade Solomon, in the face of intense enemy fire moved to an exposed position, applied first aid to fellow soldiers, and protected them to safety. His courageous action is in keeping with the high traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Rebecca Solomon (mother), 90 Winhurst Avenue, New York City, New York.

First Lieutenant **JOHN J. STARR**, 032152, Infantry (Parachute), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 26 November 1944 to 26 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. A. V. Starr (wife), 2180 Street, Danbury, Connecticut.

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Captain JULIUS J. BETH, 0490325, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Captain BETH's company was held up by heavy machine gun and sniper fire. This officer, with utter disregard for his own safety, advanced to a forward position and personally directed artillery fire by radio on the enemy positions. Captain BETH then reorganized his company and led the attack to achieve its objective. The skillful leadership, good judgment, and integrity displayed by Captain BETH were an inspiration to his men and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Marion L. Beth (wife), 1403 Minnesota Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

First Lieutenant EDWIN S. WARRIAM, 0291206, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 5 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, First Lieutenant WARRIAM, with utter disregard for his own safety, consistently exposed himself to heavy hostile fire to coordinate and lead the assault of his platoon. While the wounded were being evacuated, this officer made frequent trips over a swept terrain to personally supervise the evacuation. His great courage and initiative inspired his men to heroic efforts and contributed materially to the success of the attack. Home address: Mrs. Harriet S. Wayland (wife), 176 Calumet Avenue, Aurora, Illinois.

Private Carl J. Wilson, 1946702, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Private Wilson, with utter disregard for his own safety, moved forward over a swept terrain to an exposed position and rendered first aid to the seriously wounded commander of the company to which he was attached. Private Wilson's daring initiative and high sense of loyalty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: c/o Paul A. Wilson (brother), United States Army.

Sergeant John V. Wolfe, Jr., 2014424, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 11 December 1944 to 4 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mildred L. Wolfe (wife), Box 1161, Shelby, North Carolina.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9155, 17 May 1943 (S. 11, 75 Stat. 1943), as amended by Executive Order No. 9823-A, 11 September 1943 (S. 11, 75 Stat. 1943), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following special officers:

First Lieutenant VAUGHN J. DOLAN, 0417678, Field Artillery (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobo-duro, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider-training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Viola B. Dolan (wife), Flatbush, New York.

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted men:

✓ Sergeant Elvy D. Newsom, 35371083, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, communication between a forward observation post and the command post was disrupted. Completely aware of the hazards involved, Sergeant Newsom moved forward over fireswept terrain to re-establish the communication line. In the performance of this deed, Sergeant Newsom was fatally wounded. His daring initiative and zealous devotion to duty were an inspiration to his unit and exemplify the finest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Bertha Newsom (mother), Route #1, Rochester, Texas.

✓ Private First Class Kenneth M. Pitman, 19115627, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 18 December 1944. During an attack against an enemy position, Private First Class Pitman, acting assistant squad leader, led his squad over fireswept terrain to within grenade throwing distance of the enemy, and killed several of them with rifle and grenade fire. Private First Class Pitman's courageous actions and his skillful direction of the squad when orders from higher leaders were lacking inspired his men to press a vigorous attack, which aided materially in the seizure of the company's objective. Private First Class Pitman was killed in a later action. His intrepid initiative, outstanding leadership, and zealous devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Sadie O. Pitman (wife), 2619 Campbell Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

✓ Corporal John R. Thistle, 3438115, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 17 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, heavy hostile fire pinned down the assault platoon of which Corporal Thistle was a member, and killed the crew of a machine gun. Corporal Thistle, the signal and code clerk of the platoon, crawled forward in the face of heavy fire, voluntarily manned the machine gun, and opened fire on the enemy. While performing this heroic deed, Corporal Thistle was killed. His great courage, intrepidity, and willingness to be of help above and beyond the call of duty were an inspiration to his unit and exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Freddie Jo Thistle (wife), La Posta Cafe, Roswell, New Mexico.

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II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, AD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

✓ Private First Class Richard Armas, 39285617, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Ray Armas (father), 11253 Virginia Avenue, Lynwood, California.

✓ Private First Class Ervin L. Barnstable, 36753464, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 27 November 1944. Repeatedly exposing himself to intense enemy machine gun and sniper fire, Private First Class Barnstable laid down a protective cover of fire to cover the withdrawal of his regimental commander and staff from an enemy ambush. Private First Class Barnstable's loyalty and devotion to duty are worthy of the highest praise. Home address: Mrs. Frances Barnstable (mother), Lake Villa, Illinois.

✓ Private James J. Erakine, 39327796, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an attack against enemy parachutists, the platoon of which Private Erakine was a member was held up by heavy hostile fire. With utter disregard for his own safety, Private Erakine moved forward over fire-swept terrain and attacked the enemy with hand grenades, forcing him to withdraw. This heroic action enabled the platoon to continue its advance and clear the enemy from the area. The great courage and intrepid initiative displayed by Private Erakine reflect great credit on himself and the military forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Marjorie Erakine (mother), 5717 North East 16th Street, Portland, Oregon.

✓ Private First Class Warren G. Hardy, 35096120, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an enemy attack against a position which Private First Class Hardy's company was defending, his squad's machine gun became inoperative. Private First Class Hardy, with utter disregard for his own safety, deliberately exposed himself to draw the enemy fire, thus enabling his machine gun team to repair the weapon. Such a display of courage and intrepid initiative are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle Hardy (mother), Route #1, Unionville, Indiana.

✓ Captain OSWALD L. HAYMAKER, 01041164, Coast Artillery Corps (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 26 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Ernest G. Haymaker (father), 706 Cedar Street, St. Paul, Minnesota.

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✓ Private Frederick L. Homan, 32078844, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 17 December 1944. During an attack against a strongly defended enemy position, Private Homan, with utter disregard for his own safety, advanced in the face of heavy hostile fire to an exposed forward position from which he could more effectively fire his rifle. In so doing Private Homan was seriously wounded, but continued to press his attack, killing several of the enemy. His incredible initiative and fortitude were an inspiration to his unit and exemplify the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Angeline A. Homan (mother), 13 Potter Street, West Carthage, New York.

✓ Lieutenant Colonel EDWARD H. LAHTI, 021322, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth J. Lahti (wife), 119 Atlantic Avenue, Ocean City, New Jersey.

✓ Second Lieutenant ERNEST H. MARTIN, 04897961, Infantry (Parachutist) United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, the platoon which Second Lieutenant MARTIN commanded was pinned down by heavy enemy fire. This officer, with utter disregard for his own safety, moved to extremely exposed forward positions to direct fire against the enemy. When his platoon was ordered to withdraw, Second Lieutenant MARTIN, repeatedly exposing himself to hostile fire, supervised the evacuation of the wounded and covered his platoon's withdrawal. His courage, daring initiative, and outstanding leadership were an inspiration to his men and exemplify the high traditions of the military forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Helen P. Martin (wife), 2520 Stewart Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas.

✓ First Lieutenant JOHN F. MCCOY, 01048094, Coast Artillery Corps (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 7 December to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Cortlandt McCoy (mother), 812 Crosby Street, West Monroe, Louisiana.

✓ Private First Class Jesse E. Rowe, 35704686, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 20 December 1944. During an enemy counter attack, Private First Class Rowe voluntarily moved his machine gun forward to a seriously threatened position. Although the target of enemy fire, this soldier held his position and repulsed the attack. The cool judgment, exemplary initiative and steadfast courage of Private First Class Rowe are in keeping with the highest military traditions of the armed forces. Home address: Mr. Jesse L. Rowe (father), 440 Boxley Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky.

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✓ Technician Fourth Grade Ernest D. Slagus, 32615400, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 19 December 1944. Technician Fourth Grade Slagus, in the face of intense enemy fire moved to an exposed position, applied first aid to fellow soldiers, and evacuated them to safety. His courageous action is in keeping with the high traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Frances Slagus (mother), 409 Autumn Street, Brooklyn, New York.

✓ First Lieutenant JOHN D. SULLIVAN, 01162271, Field Artillery (Liaison Pilot), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 24 November 1944 to 15 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Mark P. Sullivan (father), 404 Jefferson Street, Harvard, Illinois.

✓ Private First Class William Taylor, 9708474, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Private First Class Taylor, with utter disregard for his own safety, moved forward and protected his unit's right flank, enabling a machine gun situated on that flank to remain in position and pour a deadly accurate fire into the enemy. When the enemy attacked Private First Class Taylor's position, this intrepid soldier, although the target of intense hostile fire, steadfastly remained at his post and repelled the enemy. Such a display of courage, initiative, and fortitude is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Lessie Weathers (sister), Route #1, Crossly, Missouri.

✓ Private First Class Gale M. Wegener, 39616476, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. During an enemy attack against a position which Private First Class Wegener's company was defending, his squad's machine gun became inoperative. Private First Class Wegener, with utter disregard for his own safety, deliberately exposed himself to draw enemy fire in order that the machine gun team might repair the weapon. Such a display of courage and intrepid initiative are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Bonona Wegener (mother), 714 West Calendar Street, Livingston, Montana.

✓ Captain PATRICK W. WHEELER, 025525, Infantry (Parachute), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 10 December 1944 to 15 December 1944. The company which Captain WHEELER commanded was given the mission of establishing contact with an isolated unit. Captain WHEELER skillfully led his command through difficult, enemy-infested territory without the loss of a man to accomplish the mission. The skillful leadership and intrepid initiative displayed by Captain WHEELER reflect great credit on himself and were an inspiration to his unit. Home address: Mrs. Marian K. Wheeler (wife), 400 York Street, Hanover, Pennsylvania.

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III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9156, 11 May 1942 (Ball. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Ball. 49, WD 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

✓ First Lieutenant JACK T. CLIFT, 0112672, Corps of Engineers (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement involving aerial flights in combat operations on Leyte, Philippine Islands, during the period 16 November 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Lillian M. Clift (mother), 372 Ninth Street, North East, Atlanta, Georgia.

✓ Major GEORGE G. HISENBERG, 0310591, Corps of Engineers (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobo-dura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Lucille K. Hisenberg (wife), Warrenton, Missouri.

✓ Technician Fourth Grade John O. Grimes, 18045316, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights in connection with resupply of ground units on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 17 December 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bertha L. Grimes (mother), 281 East Helen Street, Tucson, Arizona.

✓ Technician Fourth Grade Elmer E. Kendall, 11052220, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights in connection with resupply of ground units on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 17 December 1944 to 1 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Kendall (wife), 49 Richardson Street, Newton, Massachusetts.

IV. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-25, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

✓ Private Frank Asbury, 37081325, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Rosa Bellamy (mother), Avondale, West Virginia.

✓ Private First Class Donald L. Burnes, 307453, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Billie Burnes (mother), 620 Asylum Street, Flint, Michigan.

✓ First Sergeant Cecil A. Britt, 634174, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 16 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn D. Britt (wife), Leesville, Georgia.

✓ Private First Class Alfred Cattalini, 3912519, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Cecira Cattalini (mother), Box 526, Pleasanton, California.

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✓ Technician Sergeant Robert Cox, 325 051 Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Cox (mother), 156 Lakmont Street, Buffalo, New York.

✓ Private First Class James H. Cross, 355 3590, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Stephen A. Cross (uncle), 5050 North St. Louis Street, Chicago, Illinois.

✓ Private Walter J. Harlukowicz, 325 0954 Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 27 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Sophia Harlukowicz (mother), 214 Easton Avenue, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

✓ Staff Sergeant Owen P. Hedges, 20835/20 Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Estella Hedges (mother), Box 156, Pothunka, Oklahoma.

✓ Staff Sergeant James B. Hendry, 345 4456, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Warren Candler Hendry (father), Jacksonville, Florida.

✓ Private First Class Clyde F. Kennedy, 34608157, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ora B. Kennedy (mother), Route #1, Thomasville, North Carolina.

✓ Private First Class James B. Lowman, 34607672, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Precious M. Lowman (mother), Route #1, Granite Falls, North Carolina.

✓ Technician Fourth Grade Hilmer Lund, 37547613, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Virginia Lund (wife), 1501 11th Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

✓ Private James A. McMahon, 6562982, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Ruth McMahon (wife), 1020 Post Street, San Francisco, California.

✓ Staff Sergeant John B. Meyers, 37453201, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 14 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Meyers (wife), Route #3, Wadeboro, North Carolina.

✓ Technician Fifth Grade Thomas D. Parker, 34536184, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 8 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy A. Parker (wife), 626 North West 31st Street, Miami, Florida.

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✓ Private First Class Kenneth E. Peterson, 37553288, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ida Peterson (mother), 301 West Park Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

✓ Technician Third Grade Robert Quarin, 3534861, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Gladys Quarin (mother), Route #1, Hamerville, Ohio.

✓ Private First Class Carl W. Engle, 3676819, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in actions on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 1 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ruby Mae Engle (mother), 444 South 15th Street, Murphysboro, Illinois.

✓ Private First Class Kenneth L. Ruesch, 37663627, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Hazel Ruesch (mother), Hudson, Iowa.

✓ Private First Class Hoke K. Reece, 34822681, Infantry, United States Army. For wound received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 20 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Doris E. Reece (mother), Oak Hill, Georgia.

✓ Private First Class Colbert J. Renfro, 34684368, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 27 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Emma J. Renfro Koon (mother), 3020 Fourth Avenue, Columbus, Georgia.

✓ Staff Sergeant Lemoin H. Staten, 35389331, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 19 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mary Staten (wife), 508 Sherman Street Danison, Ohio.

✓ Private First Class Harlan R. Southworth, 3128233, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Southworth (mother), Route #1, Clays Mill Road, Lexington, Kentucky.

✓ Private First Class James L. Taylor, 34105422, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Arrie Ann Taylor (mother), Route #2, Kernersville, North Carolina.

✓ Private First Class Justin M. Tibbets, 31361337, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 18 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Jessie M. Tibbets (mother), 66 Sawyer Avenue, Dorchester, Massachusetts.

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✓ Private First Class Richard Travis, 7548469, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Carmen Travis (mother), 1557 LaGrosse Avenue, Saint Paul, Minnesota.

✓ Captain JAMES VAN ZEPPE, 0473806, Infantry (Parachute), United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 20 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Helen P. Van Zeppe (wife), 62 West Vernon Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona.

✓ Technical Fourth Grade William W. Verlander, 5601203, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 8 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ethel Verlander (mother), 1194 Magnolia Avenue, Akron, Ohio.

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✓ Private First Class Thomas P. Schartz, 9876328, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 27 November 1944. Home address: Miss Mary Kubala (sister), 1617 Rosecrans Street, Gardena, California.

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

** Citation date amended by Hqs #149-Cong 18, V5*
Technical Sergeant Albert V. Barreiro, 2059967, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Technical Sergeant Barreiro moved forward over fireswept terrain to the rescue of a wounded comrade. In the performance of this deed, Technical Sergeant Barreiro was killed. His daring initiative and high sense of loyalty to his fellow men exemplify the highest qualities of a soldier and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Elvira Barreiro (wife), 517 West 11th Street, Gary, Indiana.

Private First Class Edward W. Carleton, 39905101, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 17 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy Private First Class Carleton moved forward in the face of intense hostile fire and singlehandedly attacked and destroyed an enemy machine gun position. Although his rifle had become inoperative, this intrepid soldier continued to press the attack, using hand grenades. In the performance of this heroic deed, Private First Class Carleton was mortally wounded. His great courage, during initiative, and keen determination to close with and destroy the enemy set an inspiring example for his unit and are in keeping with the highest traditions upon which the military forces of the United States have been founded. Next of kin: Mrs. Ruth E. Carleton (wife), Box 325, Montpelier, Idaho.

Captain CHARLES E. JENKINS, 025076, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Following an engagement with the enemy, Captain JENKINS organized and personally led a party to the rescue of the wounded who were lying in an exposed position subject to fire from concealed enemy positions. With utter disregard for his own safety, this intrepid officer led the party over fireswept terrain and rescued all the wounded. The cool courage, intrepidity, and outstanding leadership displayed by Captain JENKINS exemplify the finest qualities of an officer and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mr. Ned W. Jenkins (father), Box 151, Mansfield, Louisiana.

Corporal Herbert G. McDagin, 36182569, Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 22 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Corporal McDagin, with utter disregard for his own safety, moved forward over fireswept terrain to

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neutralize an enemy machine gun which was pinning down the remainder of his unit. By attacking the enemy singlehandedly, this intrepid soldier drew fire on himself, which enabled his comrades to attack and destroy the machine gun, routing the enemy from the area. In the performance of this heroic deed, Corporal McDagin was killed. His cool courage, intrepidity, and zealous devotion to duty set an inspiring example for his fellow soldiers and exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mr. Donald McDagin (brother), Route #1, Charlevoix, Michigan.

Private First Class Ned J. Sibich, 35584269, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 10 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, the squad of which Private First Class Sibich was a member was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire. With utter disregard for his own safety, Private First Class Sibich moved forward over fire-swept terrain to assist in carrying his wounded squad leader to a place of safety. While so doing, this intrepid soldier was mortally wounded by enemy machine gun fire. His great courage, intrepidity, and high sense of loyalty to his fellow soldiers were an inspiration to his unit and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Dorothy Sibich (mother), 2248 West 10th Avenue, Gary, Indiana.

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* First Lieutenant ~~MORRIS~~ VARNER, 01291918, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on ~~7~~ ~~November~~ 1944. During an enemy attack against his company, First Lieutenant VARNER organized and led a patrol to a position to the rear of the enemy. From this point First Lieutenant VARNER personally led a determined assault against the surprised enemy, routing him from the area. In the performance of this deed, First Lieutenant VARNER was killed. His daring initiative and inspiring leadership set an outstanding example for his unit and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Mildred Varner (wife), Box 521, Vista, California.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1518), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private Robert B. Barker, 34724544, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 30 November 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Private Barker singlehandedly attacked and destroyed an enemy machine gun nest. The elimination of this position enabled his unit to continue its attack and seize its objective. Private Barker's daring and heroic action set an inspiring example for his unit and is in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Roxie B. Smith (mother), 617 - 1st Hotel, Jackson, Florida.

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First Lieutenant STANLEY M. FERNWOOD, 0443421, Field Artillery (Parachutist), United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 22 December 1944. While leading a patrol in a mopping up mission, First Lieutenant FERNWOOD attacked the inner defense of a dug in enemy command post. He led his men to the tent area, killing many of the enemy before being pinned down by intense machine gun and sniper fire. He then ordered a withdrawal of his patrol, remaining forward until his covering fire had allowed the men to retire. The good judgment, courageous initiative, and outstanding leadership displayed by First Lieutenant FERNWOOD reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest tradition of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Cecile L. Fernwood (wife), 1009 South 31st Street, Birmingham, Alabama.

Private First Class Lowell Hagler, 3583166, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 10 December 1944. During an engagement with the enemy, Private First Class Hagler moved forward in the face of intense hostile fire to rescue his wounded squad leader. While performing this deed, this intrepid soldier was severely wounded. The great courage and high sense of loyalty to his fellow soldiers displayed by Private First Class Hagler exemplify the finest qualities of a soldier and are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Anna Hagler (mother), 1222 South Granger Street, Harrisburg, Illinois.

Captain MILTON R. HOLLOWAY, 01166507, Field Artillery (Parachutist), United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 25 December 1944. When the assault company to which Captain HOLLOWAY, an artillery observer, was attached encountered heavy enemy fire and was forced to withdraw, this officer, with utter disregard for his own safety, remained well forward and directed artillery fire on the enemy positions which were only thirty yards away. As a result of his heroic action an accurate concentration of artillery fire was placed on the hostile emplacements. A subsequent attack carried the positions and routed the enemy from the area. The daring initiative and zealous devotion to duty displayed by Captain HOLLOWAY reflect the highest credit on himself and are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Norma J. Holloway (wife), 1100 Clover Lane, Longview, Texas.

Private First Class Julius C. Mohr, 39326700, Medical Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 24 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Private First Class Mohr with utter disregard for his own safety, moved forward over fire swept terrain to an extremely exposed position, administered first aid to two wounded comrades, and assisted in carrying them to a place of safety. The daring initiative and high sense of loyalty displayed by Private First Class Mohr reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Florence A. Mohr (wife), 5 George Willig, Mt. Angel, Oregon.

Second Lieutenant EULAS V. LINDSEY, 01289104, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 22 December 1944. During an action against the enemy, the patrol of which

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Second Lieutenant LINDSEY was the leader encountered a strong enemy position. Four members of the patrol were wounded by machine gun fire. With utter disregard for his own safety, Second Lieutenant LINDSEY moved forward in the face of hostile fire and administered first aid to the wounded soldiers. After evacuating the wounded, this intrepid officer organized the remaining six members of the patrol and led an assault against the enemy, routing him from the area. Second Lieutenant LINDSEY'S great courage and daring initiative set an inspiring example for his men and exemplify the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Annie E. Lindsey (wife), East Sumner Street, Greenville, Tennessee.

Private First Class Emil J. Naccarato, 5093125, Medical Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 24 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, the assault platoon of which Private First Class Naccarato was a member was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire. With utter disregard for his own safety, Private First Class Naccarato moved forward over fireswept terrain to an exposed position, administered first aid to two wounded comrades, and assisted in carrying them to a place of safety. The daring initiative and high sense of loyalty displayed by Private First Class Naccarato reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Ida Naccarato (mother), 3709 Adams Street, Gary, Indiana.

Captain THOMAS A. NESTOR, 0447367, Medical Corps (Parachutist), United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. Despite the fact that an enemy attack had penetrated to within thirty yards of his aid station, Captain NESTOR, completely disregarding small arms fire, successfully performed a major operation which saved the life of a wounded soldier. Such a display of courage and zealous devotion to duty exemplifies the finest qualities of an officer and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mary V. Nestor (wife), 97 East Manning Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Corporal Joseph C. Picinotti, 33438676, Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 22 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Corporal Picinotti discovered a seriously wounded soldier. Moving forward in the face of intense hostile machine gun and rifle fire to the exposed position where the wounded soldier lay, Corporal Picinotti administered first aid and carried his wounded comrade to safety. Such a display of daring initiative and high sense of loyalty exemplifies the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Emma Picinotti (mother), 713 Meadow Avenue, Charleroi, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant George F. M. Taylor, 3666426, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 22 December 1944. During an attack, Staff Sergeant Taylor personally led his squad in the face of heavy fire in a determined assault against the enemy. Despite fierce resistance, the squad, inspired by their leader's intrepid actions, maintained the impetus of its attack until the enemy was routed and the objective secured. The cool courage, daring initiative, and keen determination to close with and destroy the enemy displayed by Staff Sergeant Taylor reflect the highest credit on himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Florence K. Taylor (mother), Box 200, Richlands, North Carolina.

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Captain JULIUS J. TOTZ, 0450328, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 20 December 1944. During an attack against a strongly fortified enemy position, Captain TOTZ personally led his men up a fire-swept hill in a determined assault which routed the enemy and secured the objective. Captain TOTZ's great courage, daring initiative, and inspiring leadership exemplify the finest qualities of an officer, and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Marian Totz (wife), 1429 Minnesota Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9449, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private Clifford L. Anderson, 39284628, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Pearl Anderson (mother), 9061 Haze Street, Los Angeles, California.

Corporal Leroy B. Baingo, 39283513, Co. 3, Artillery Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 23 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Louise Baingo (mother), 5400 Rockwell Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Private Ralph G. Casler, Jr., 32770170, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Dallas Casler (mother), 27 Park Avenue, Hampton Plains, New Jersey.

Private First Class Vern S. Cleverley, 39910008, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Emily Harmon Cleverley (mother), 496 Seventh Street, Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Major PAUL R. ELLIS (then Captain), 025455, Corps of Engineers (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands, during the period 6th, 7th, 8th, December 1944. Home address: Mr. Lucian H. Ellis (father), 719 Kentucky Street, Quincy, Illinois.

First Lieutenant STANLEY E. FORBES, 0513014, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 and 16 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Berta M. Forbes (mother), 151 Sumner Street, Lowell, Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade Harry L. Henshaw, 38399840, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Technician Fifth Grade Henshaw,

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with utter disregard for his own safety, moved forward over fire-swept terrain to an exposed position, administered first aid to a wounded comrade, and carried him to a place of safety. Such a display of daring initiative and zealous devotion to duty is in keeping with the high traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Lusy Wise (mother), Box 134, Seminole, Oklahoma.

Colonel HARRY B. HILDEBRAND, 05016, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 7 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Lucile V. Hildebrand (wife), 420 Monroe Street, Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Private First Class Ray Shadden, 3834203, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 13 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Fannie B. Shadden (mother), Route #3, Weatherford, Texas.

First Lieutenant ROBERT C. SIGEL, 0513982, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 6 December 1944 to 8 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Josephine C. Sigel (mother), 5018 South Builong Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Captain FLECHER SMITH, 0116529, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 14 December 1944 to 4 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucille W. Smith (wife), Hamilton Hotel, Chicago, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Thomas P. Spitznagel, 32770046, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 26 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, Staff Sergeant Spitznagel personally led his squad in a determined assault against a fortified enemy position. His heroic actions while under intense fire inspired his men to press a vigorous attack and rout the enemy. Staff Sergeant Spitznagel's great courage and daring initiative are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Bertha Spitznagel (mother), 570 Jesse Place, Union, New Jersey.

Captain STANFORD C. WEST, 0454938, Field Artillery (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 14 December 1944 to 4 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. June B. West (wife), Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

IV. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 12 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-a, 11 September 1942 (Bull. 49, WD 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

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Private Charles R. Beckman, 36540421, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights in connection with resupply of ground units on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 1 December 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Juanita R. Beckman (wife), Box 422, Asheboro, North Carolina.

Private First Class George F. Capasso, 32818777, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights in connection with resupply of ground units on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 1 December 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Anna Capasso (mother), 758 Glamore Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

Private First Class Basil T. Laszlo, 39326995, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights in connection with resupply of ground units on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 1 December 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Pearl J. Laszlo (wife), 3702 North Morsby Street, Portland, Oregon.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM M. HILEY, 01309950, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobo-dura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Julian Hiley (mother), Starkville, Mississippi.

Second Lieutenant HENRY J. REID, 01302522, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Dobo-dura, New Guinea, in connection with combined parachute-glider training program from 1 July 1944 to 1 November 1944. Home address: Mrs. Henry J. Reid (wife), 11 Cass Street, West Springfield, Massachusetts.

Private Raymond D. Richards, 36575005, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights in connection with resupply of ground units on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 1 December 1944 to 31 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy L. Richards (wife), 1814 Getty Street, Wakegon, Michigan.

7. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Corporal Peter J. Agruso, 35788329, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 9 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Irene Agruso (wife), 1628 C. Hill Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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~~First Lieutenant ROBERT F. ALABURY, 01309950, Infantry (Parachutist); United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Helba Alabury (wife), 321 South 23rd Street, San Jose, California.~~

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Private Carl W Anders 15054373, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mary K. Anders (wife), Box 903, Springfield, Illinois.

Private First Class Warren C Apker, 36723154, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Letha M. Apker (mother), 7534 West Devon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Private Jesse Barkett, 34544341, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 18 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Sarkis Barkett (father), 2138 West Flagler Terrace, Miami, Florida.

Private First Class Ward Bates, 3626497, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 17 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ella Bates (mother), 488 Olpp Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

Private First Class Robert A. Burnside 9407733, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 11 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Emma Doll (mother), 2859 Maryville Road, North Sacramento, California.

Staff Sergeant John A Chamberlain, 39694543, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Teresa M. Davis (mother), 245 26th Street, Loma Beach, California.

Private First Class Frank H. Conway, 36647109, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 16 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Conway (mother), 400 South 27th Street, Apartment 2-A, Richmond, California.

Technical Sergeant William E. Cook, 35536909, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Byron Cook (father), 1244 East 71st Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Private First Class Norris Cooper, 33480399, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 17 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Sarah Cooper (mother), 436 Clark Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Hubert Daniels, Jr., 38365447, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 18 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Bonnie Daniels (mother), Star Route, Corpus Christi, Texas.

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~~Private First Class William J. Decker, 38737194, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Catherine E. Decker (mother), 510 Madison Street, Syracuse, New York.~~

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Staff Sergeant Leo T Deschak, 33457960, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Walter Deschak (father), 100 Green Street, Edwardsville, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class John C. Donaldson, 37528492, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 17 December 1944. Home address: Mr. George F. Donaldson (father), Route #2, Atchison, Kansas.

Technical Sergeant Jefferson L. Dull, 35127900, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 18 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Miriam R. Dull (wife), 422 11th Street, Columbus, Georgia.

Private William A. Exline, 19086707, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 17 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Thelma Exline (wife), 1609 1st Avenue, Jasper, Alabama.

Corporal Joseph W. Forster, 20447447, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 17 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Sara A. Forster (wife), Box 255, Rockingham, Richmond, North Carolina.

Private First Class Thomas J. Freidhof, 33568951, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Blanche Freidhof (mother), William Penn Highway, Cresson, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Tony A. Friedt, 37565664, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 17 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Anna Friedt (mother), Route #4, Mott, North Dakota.

Private First Class Edward O. Hickenbottom, 320294, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 16 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Clarence E. Hickenbottom (father), Route #2, Box 799, Bramelaw, Washington.

Sergeant Robert E. Higgins, 3279285, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Esther M. Higgins (mother), 3207 West 134th Place, Hawthorne, California.

Private First Class Edward R. Johnson, 37552769, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 16 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Johnson (mother), 1312 North 58th Avenue West, Duluth, Minnesota.

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Staff Sergeant Wendell M. Judson, 35548152, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Fred C. Judson (father), Route #3, Bowling Green, Ohio.

Private First Class Ray C. Keffer, 15174140, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Lola Keffer (mother), Box 106 Milburn, West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant Vernon E. Kessinger, 38395675, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ida Mae Kessinger (wife), 725 South West 34th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Private First Class Harold D. Kline, 3495902, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy R. Kline (wife), 1345 Salem Road, York, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class George A. Kokonon, 36176278, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Virginia R. Kokonon (wife), 1545 Beniteau Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class Robert J. Lavery, 34362172, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 1 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Lavery (mother), 120 Central Avenue, Cedarhurst, New Jersey.

Private James E. Law, 35408554, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 18 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Nora Haller (mother), 561 East Main Street, Springfield, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Oliver H. Lewis, 3907089, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 17 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Vera Lewis (mother), 1337 Marilyn Drive, Ogden, Utah.

Private First Class Russell W. Long, 34665378, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 11 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Anne H. Long (wife), 615 Vickers Avenue, Durham, North Carolina.

Private First Class Norman E. Martin, 37553066, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 16 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ellen Martin (mother), 709 Cherokee Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Private First Class Jesse F. Miller, 34603716, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mary F. Miller (mother), Route #1, Box 7, Lexington, North Carolina.

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Private First Class George F. Mikulin, 39406492, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Anna F. Mikulin (mother), 5348 11th Avenue, Sacramento, California.

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 Staff Sergeant Howard C. Mosnier, 31145011, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 9 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Anna Mosier (wife), 112 Beawell Avenue, Norwich, Connecticut.

Private First Class George P. Nicklau, 36387590, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 17 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Nellie Nicklau (mother), 136 North Louisville Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Private First Class Bernard F. Nondorf, 36728695, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Anna Nondorf (mother), 18245 Ridgewood Avenue, Lansing, Illinois.

Private First Class Lowell R. Nygren, 37546102, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 16 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Louise Nygren (mother), Route #1, Taylors Falls, Minnesota.

Sergeant Anderson M. Peters, 35623740, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 17 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Stella Peters (mother), Merahons, Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant Leonard E. Pilaraki, 20228796, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 21 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Anita Pilaraki (mother), 3047 41st Street, Astoria, New York.

Private First Class James E. Reaves, 34706336, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 17 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Mattie Reaves (mother), Box 45, Camp Hill, Alabama.

Private First Class Richard E. Roedel, 37672247, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 18 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Laura Roedel (mother), 1118 West 2nd Street, Waterloo, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant Carl R. Sparks, 34602307, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 18 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Eber B. Sparks (mother), Cliffside, North Carolina.

Private First Class Carlton B. Stallings, 6967871, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 18 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Frances Stallings (wife), 327 "F" Street, Thomaston, Georgia.

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Staff Sergeant George F. Taylor, 34665426, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 22 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Katie Lee Taylor (wife), Richlands, North Carolina.

Private First Class Wayne F. Terhune, 35585550, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 6 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Bonnie Cooper (mother), Route #1, Jacksonville, Florida.

Private Howard Tornquist, 36613419, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 17 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Gurlie Tornquist (mother), 1120 Effleaton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Casimir Tyminski, 6862922, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 18 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Anna Tyminski (mother), 2617 Aldrich Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Private Norman B. Vagher, 37342890, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 16 December 1944. Home address: Mr. John Vagher (father), 2401 Aerhue Street, Los Angeles, California.

Second Lieutenant FRANCIS E. WALKER, 01320793, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 16 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Rezia I. Walker (mother), 1100 5th Street South West, Canton, Ohio.

Corporal Robert C. Weston, 36109274, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 17 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Ethel Weston (mother), 10410 East Jefferson Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

First Sergeant Sidney D. Wilder, 32094707, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 18 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Lillian Wilder (wife), 1609 Broadway Street, Melrose Park, Illinois.

Private First Class Charles B. Williams, 31363800, Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 11 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Sarah G. Williams (mother), 38 Haverhill Street, Charlestown, Massachusetts.

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I. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class Donald T. Vanker, 36559828, Infantry, United States Army for gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 12 December 1944. During an enemy attack, Private First Class Vanker moved forward to a position on the outer perimeter and manned a machine gun. Although he was the target of intense enemy fire, he remained at his position and poured an accurate fire into the attacking enemy. His heroic actions contributed materially to the successful defense of the perimeter. Private First Class Vanker was killed in a later action. His courage, fortitude, and zealous devotion to duty were an inspiration to his unit and exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Ollena Vanker (wife), 8470 16 Mile Road, Warren, Michigan.

II. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD 1918), a ~~Silver Star~~ is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant William C. Brook, 38370919, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 16 December 1944. During an enemy attack, Staff Sergeant Brook moved his squad over fire-swept terrain and placed them in an advantageous position. This action considerably strengthened the company perimeter. After his men were properly placed, Staff Sergeant Brook, with utter disregard for his own safety, assisted in the evacuation of patients from a nearby hospital while under heavy fire. His great courage and daring initiative set an inspiring example for his unit and are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Almeda Brook (mother), General Delivery, Ozona, Texas.

Staff Sergeant Warren E. Daley, 6578247, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 10 December 1944. During an engagement with the enemy, Staff Sergeant Daley moved forward and singlehandedly attacked and destroyed an enemy machine gun nest. His courageous action was an inspiration to his unit and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Home address: Mr. Robert L. Daley (father), 2761 Devesadero, San Francisco, California.

Major FRANK S. HOLCOMBE, 024218, Infantry (Parachutist), United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 27 November 1944. During an enemy attack, Major HOLCOMBE, with utter disregard for his own safety moved forward in the face of enemy fire to an exposed position and rescued two wounded soldiers. This officer's courageous action

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and constant presence in the front line inspired the men to heroic efforts, and enabled them to successfully repel the enemy assaults. Major HOLCOMBE'S daring initiative and outstanding leadership exemplify the finest qualities of an officer and are in keeping with the high traditions upon which the military forces of the United States have been founded. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Holcombe (wife), 221 Florence Street, Greensboro, North Carolina.

Private First Class Eugene V. Schoener, 37548156, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 18 December 1944. During an attack against an enemy position, Private First Class Schoener, a member of a flame thrower team, was moving to a position to the rear of the army when he came upon a squad which had lost its leader. Rallying the men, Private First Class Schoener led them in a determined assault on the enemy. The attack routed the enemy and enabled the unit to secure the position. The daring initiative and skillful leadership displayed by Private First Class Schoener reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Rose Schoener (mother), 221 First Street, Malrose, Minnesota.

III. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1925 (Sull. 8, WD 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Corporal Bernard S. Bergman, 3578321, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 11 December 1944. A DUK amphibious truck was crossing the mouth of the Marabang river, four-hundred yards off shore, when it sank plunging all passengers into the turbulent ocean. With complete disregard for his personal safety, Corporal Bergman rescued the negro driver who could not swim and was unable to save himself. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Bergman (mother), 2413 Stanley Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Private Robert R. Dunham, 32728035, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 11 December 1944. A DUK amphibious truck was crossing the mouth of the Marabang river, four-hundred yards off shore, when it sank plunging all passengers into the turbulent ocean. With complete disregard for his personal safety, Private Dunham rescued Private First Class John D. Vigil, who could not swim and was unable to save himself. Home address: Mrs. Bernice Dunham (wife), 110 South Main Street, Pearl River, New York.

Private First Class Thomas W. Easton, 3499800, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 11 December 1944. A DUK amphibious truck was crossing the mouth of the Marabang river, four-hundred yards off shore, when it sank plunging all passengers into the turbulent ocean. With complete disregard for his personal safety, Private First Class Easton, while swimming for shore, rescued Private Henry Kupronis, who was unable to save himself. Home address: Mrs. Leona M. Easton (mother), 1833 North Cameron Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

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First Sergeant Arthur P. Lombardi, 35692343, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 11 December 1944. A DUKW amphibious truck was crossing the mouth of the Marabang river, four-hundred yards off shore, when it sank plunging all passengers into the turbulent ocean. With complete disregard for his personal safety, First Serg. at Lombardi rescued Technical Sergeant Henry J. Kieff, who was unable to save himself. Home address: Mrs. Mary Lombardi (mother), 2135 Bolivar Road South West, Canton, Ohio.

Private First Class William C. Newill, 33582801, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 11 December 1944. A DUKW amphibious truck was crossing the mouth of the Marabang river, four-hundred yards off shore, when it sank plunging all passengers into the turbulent ocean. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Private First Class Newill rescued Private Harold W. Weigel, who could not swim and was unable to save himself. Home address: Mrs. Sarah Newill (mother), 617 West 6th Street, Chester, Pennsylvania.

Private Wilbur J. O'Donnell, 32727350, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 11 December 1944. A DUKW amphibious truck was crossing the mouth of the Marabang river, four-hundred yards off shore, when it sank plunging all passengers into the turbulent ocean. With complete disregard for his personal safety, Private O'Donnell rescued Sergeant Robert L. Morris, who was unable to save himself. Home address: Mrs. Anna Hillman (mother), Marlboro Street, East Meadow, Long Island, New York.

Private First Class Oscar Sierra, 34534999, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 11 December 1944. A DUKW amphibious truck was crossing the mouth of the Marabang river, four-hundred yards off shore, when it sank plunging all passengers into the turbulent ocean. With complete disregard for his personal safety, Private First Class Sierra rescued Private First Class Leonard W. Scott, who could not swim and was unable to save himself. Home address: Miss Ofelia Sierra (sister), 1212 East Columbus Street, Tampa, Florida.

First Lieutenant HUBERT W. WELTON, 01165688, Field Artillery (Parachutist), United States Army. For heroism on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 11 December 1944. First Lieutenant WELTON, with utter disregard for his own safety, swam to the aid of two drowning soldiers and rescued them. Home address: Mrs. Pauline F. Welton (wife), 1300 P Street, Gering, Scott's Bluff, Nebraska.

IV. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9819, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named enlisted man:

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Private First Class Darold O. Jensen, 37546547, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 15 December 1944. During an enemy attack, Private First Class Jensen repeatedly exposed himself to heavy hostile fire and repaired unit machine guns. As a result of his heroic actions, the weapons continued in operation, which contributed materially to the repelling of the enemy attack. Private First Class Jensen was killed in action while repairing the machine gun. His great courage and zealous devotion to duty were an inspiration to his unit and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Helen L. Jensen (wife) Chamberlain, Brule, South Dakota.

V. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (S. II, Bull. 3, WD 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private Roy E. Annis, 31323615, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands on 4 December 1944. During an attack against the enemy, heavy hostile fire plowed down the platoon of which Private Annis was a member and killed the platoon leader and lead scout. The second scout seriously wounded, fell into a swift stream. Moving forward over fire-swept terrain, Private Annis reached the stream and carried the wounded scout back to a position of safety. His courageous action inspired the platoon to heroic efforts, enabling them to overcome the enemy. Such a display of courage and daring initiative is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military forces. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle B. Annis (mother), 17 Franklin Street, Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

Master Sergeant Isadore Cohen, 33269476, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 24 November 1944 to 24 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Fanny Cohen (mother), 3244 Dawson Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Thomas E. Croley, 15104394, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 5 January 1945 to 14 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Violette J. Croley (wife), 2275 8th Street South West, Akron, Ohio.

Private First Class Donald L. Davis, 39462769, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 25 December 1944 to 28 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Paris O. Davis (father), Route #2, Box 209-C, Tacoma, Washington.

Technician Fourth Grade Earl K. Foster, 35630524, Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Leyte, Philippine Islands from 6 December 1944 to 24 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Blanche Foster (mother), 304 East 2nd Street, Waverly, Ohio.

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