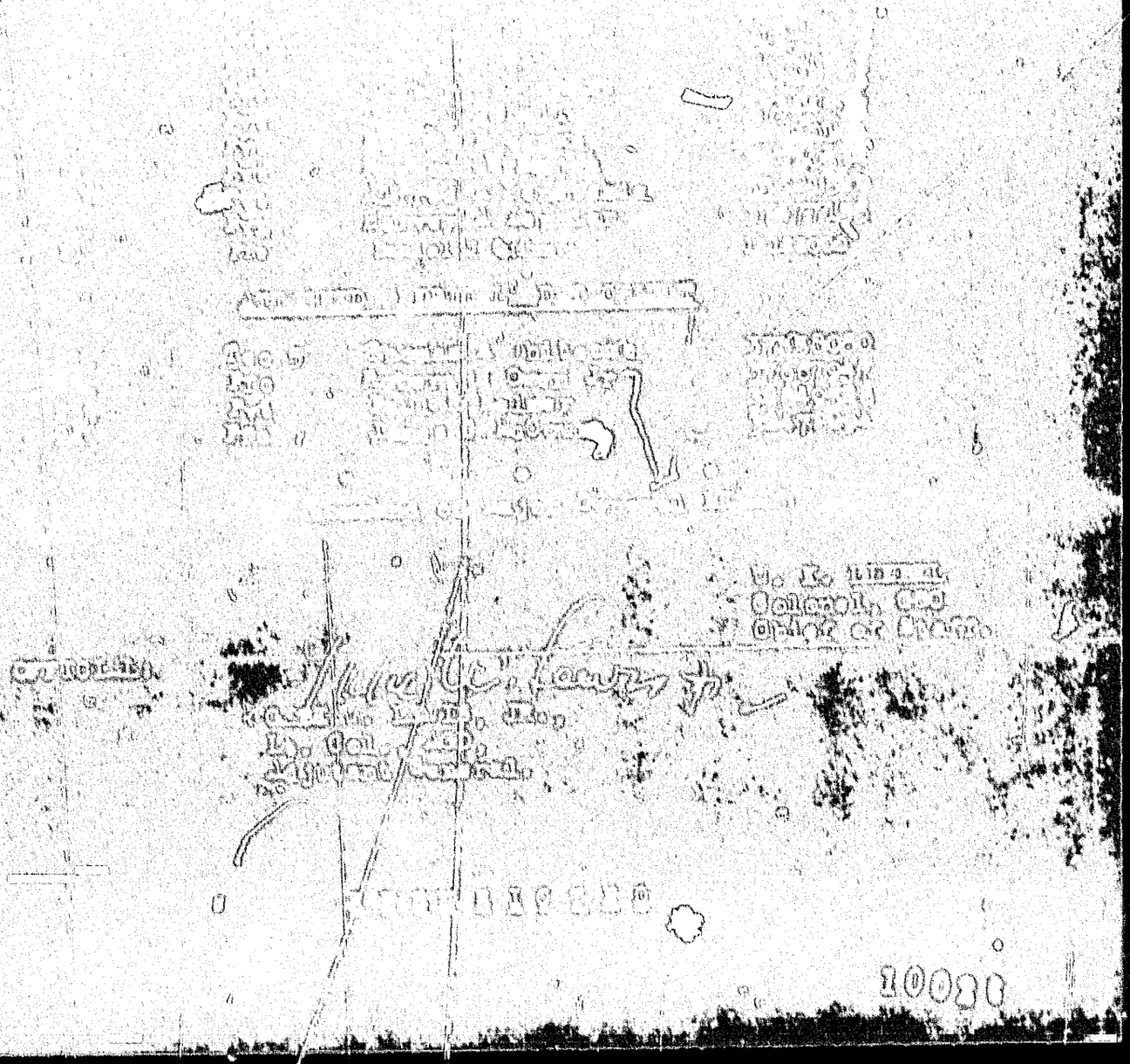

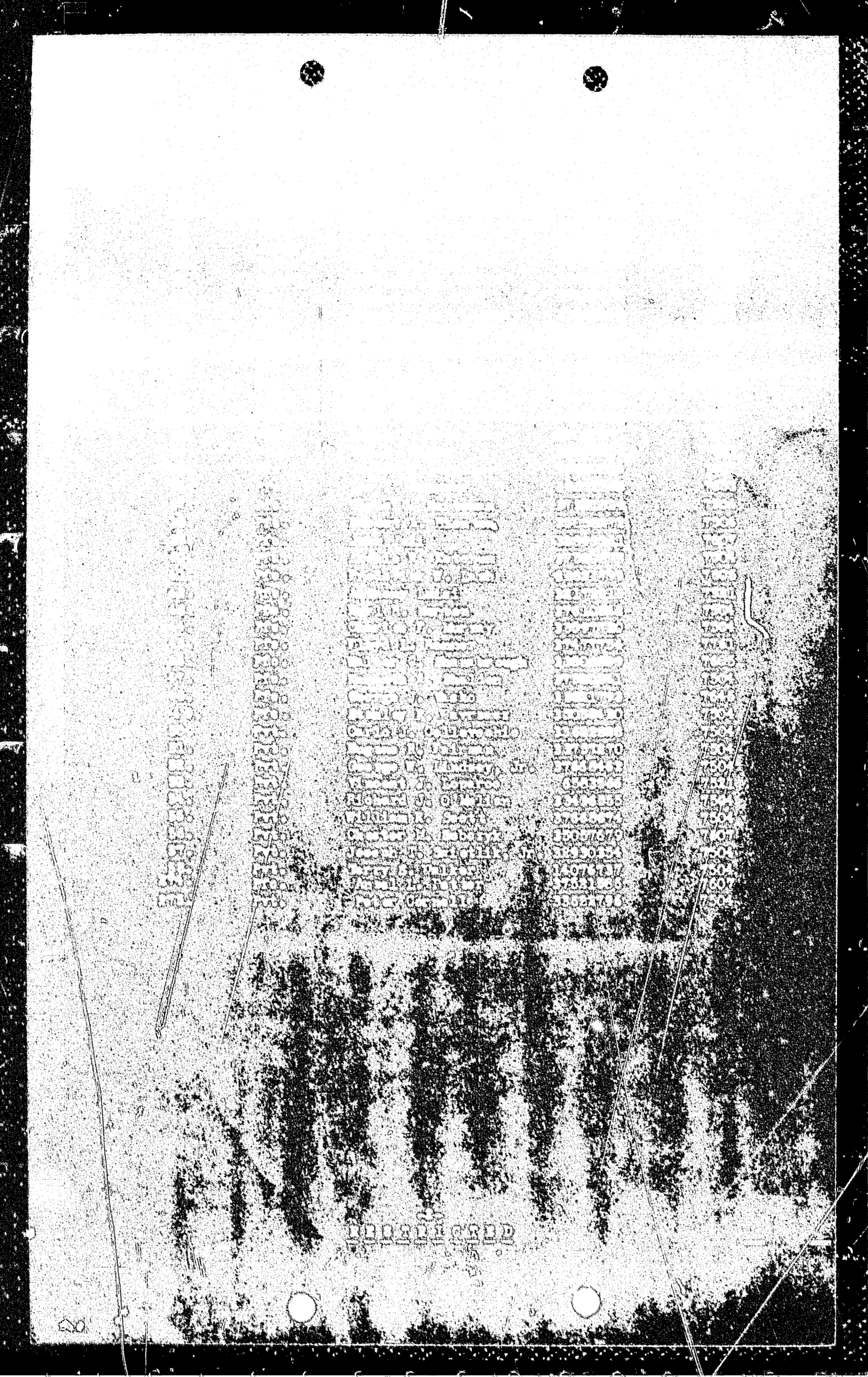

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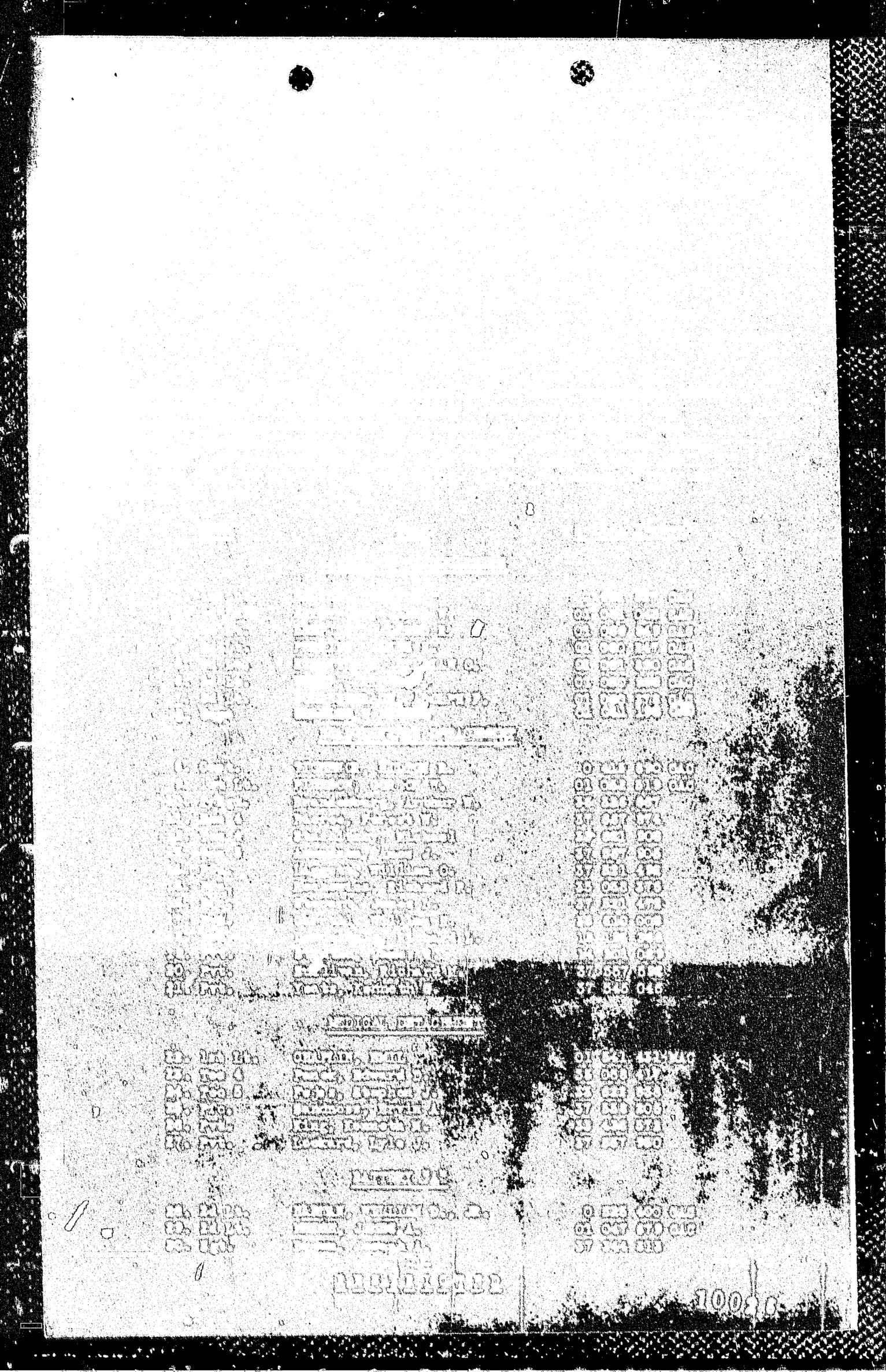

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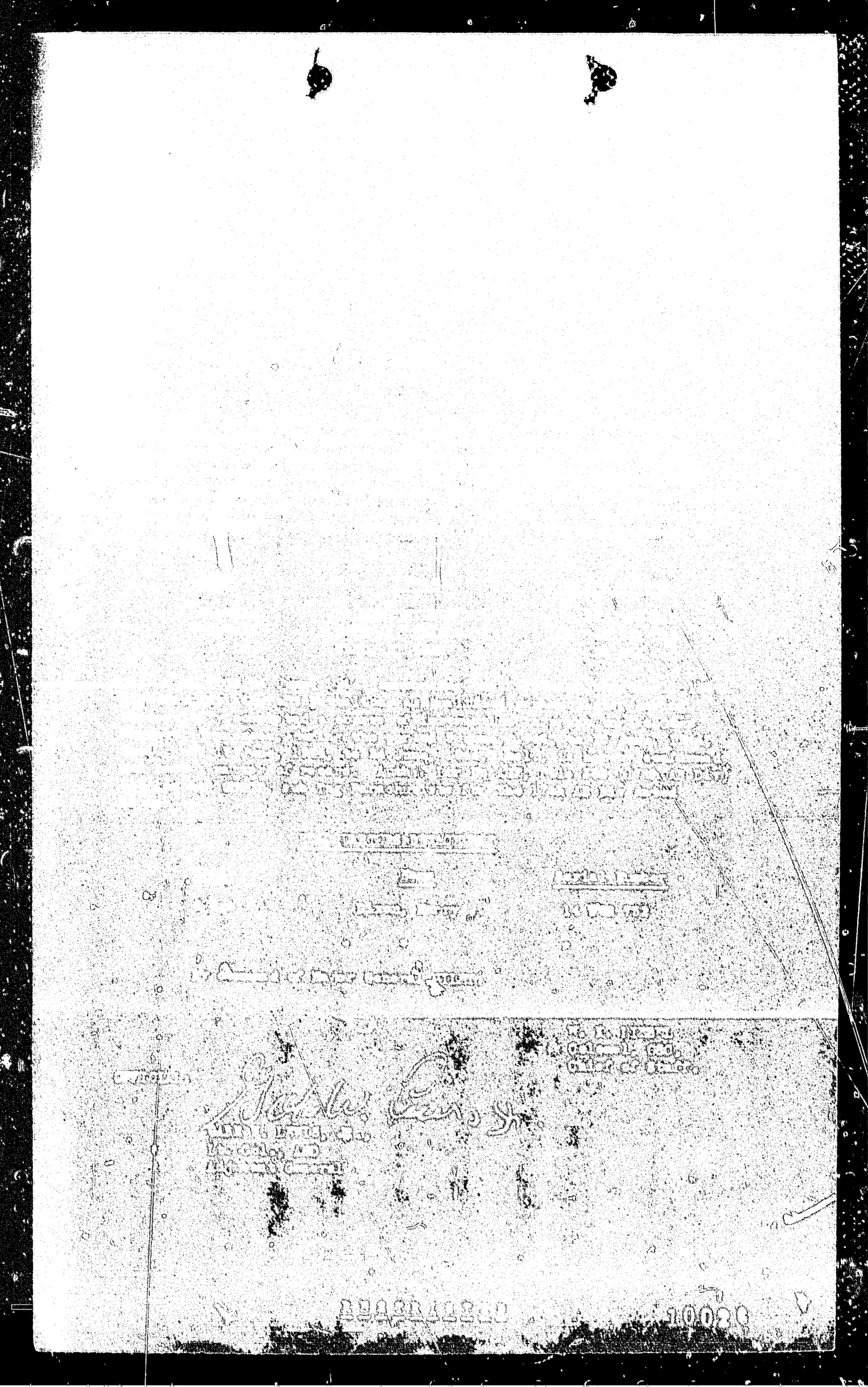

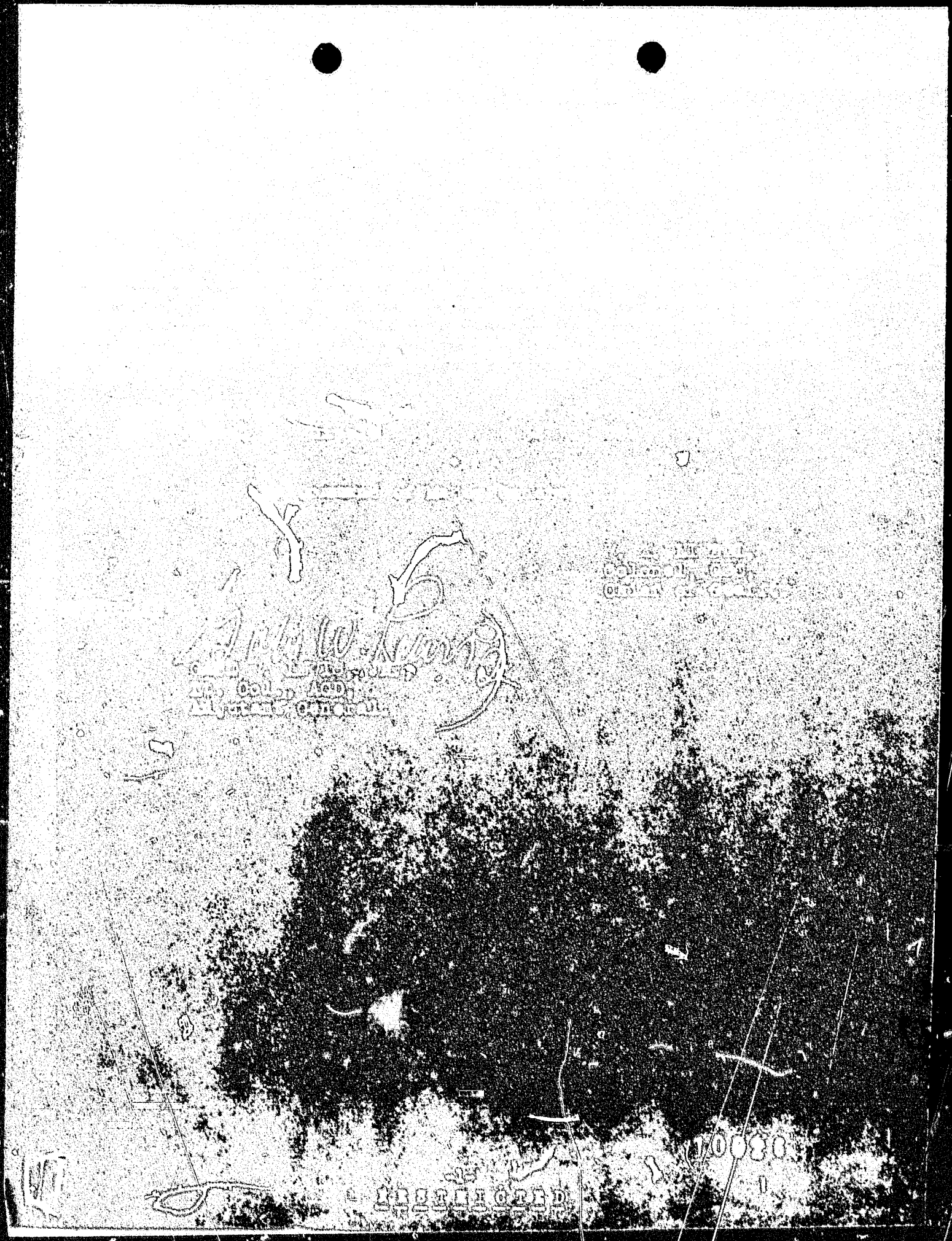
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APO 452, U. S. ARMY

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20 January 1945.

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 1)

Award of Bronze Star Medal — Section I

I -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, APO 403, dated 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel for heroic and meritorious service in action against the enemy near Wecourt, Belgium:

CAPTAIN JOHN D. LONG 0101264" INF

By command of Major General MILEY:

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Chief of Staff.

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NUMBER 2)

23 January 1945.

Award of Bronze Star Medal — Section I

I -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- VOCO of 12 January 1945 is confirmed and made of record: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, APO 403, dated 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to COLONEL WILLARD K LIEBEL, 015723, GSC, for meritorious service during the period 15 April 1943 to 11 January 1945.

By command of Major General MILEY:

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25 January 1945.

Award of Bronze Star Medal Section I

I -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, APO 403, dated 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following personnel for heroic and meritorious service in action against the enemy in France and Belgium:

CAPTAIN	WILLIAM L. O'NEA	01013639	INFANTRY (Armored)
Master Sergeant	Ernest P. Hill	16061359	
Technical Sergeant	William H. Hendrick	36520539	

By command of Major General WILEY:

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26 January 1945.

Award of Silver Star — Section I
Award of Bronze Star Medal — Section II

I — AWARD OF SILVER STAR — Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, APO 403, dated 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following personnel for gallantry in action against the enemy in Germany:

Sergeant	Frank T. Asaro	32297320
Technician Fourth Grade	Robert W. Weber	35538943
Corporal	Frederick W. Grogan	12072671
Private	Bill Mitchell	35425714

II — AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL — Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, APO 403, dated 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following personnel for heroic and meritorious service in action against the enemy in Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany:

FIRST LIEUTENANT	DONALD W. TURNELL	01822748	INFANTRY (Armored)
Staff Sergeant	Earl Binning, Jr.	35680016	
Sergeant	James F. Bewley	35475245	
Sergeant	Charles G. Smith	35576459	
Sergeant	Charles E. Mitchell	35692044	
Sergeant	Walter W. Murphy	35538933	
Sergeant	Domenic Sacharilla	32138472	
Technician Fourth Grade	William W. Anderson	35692020	
Technician Fifth Grade	John H. Campbell	33054524	

By command of Major General MILEY:

W. K. LIEBEL,
Colonel, GSC,
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APO 452, U. S. ARMY

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NUMBER 5)

26 January 1945.

Award of Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal - Section I

I -- AWARD OF BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, APO 403, dated 26 April 1944, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to MAJOR JOHN F. GEORGE, 0302939, CAVALRY (armored), for meritorious service in action against the enemy in Belgium:

By command of Major General MILLEY:

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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NUMBER 6)

4 February 1945.

Award of Silver Star (Posthumous) Section I
Award of Silver Star Section II
Award of Bronze Star Medal Section III

I — AWARD OF SILVER STAR (Posthumous) — Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, APO 403, dated 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following named personnel for gallantry in action against the enemy in Belgium.

MAJOR	JOHN T. DAVIS	022136	INFANTRY
CAPTAIN	LEROY H. KYLE	01313258	INFANTRY
~~CAPTAIN~~ org. amend by G.O. 7 12 Feb 45	~~JOHN J. VANETTA~~	0477243	~~INFANTRY~~ CHAPLAIN
Corporal	Frank V. Versano	20139632	
Private	Robert J. Brown	15360046	

II — AWARD OF SILVER STAR — Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, APO 403, dated 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named personnel for gallantry in action against the enemy in Belgium:

LIEUTENANT COLONEL	WARD S. ELY	021339	INFANTRY
LIEUTENANT COLONEL	W. A. STILLANT	0322323	INFANTRY
MAJOR	DAVID M. DOUGLAS	0324320	INFANTRY
CAPTAIN	ROBERT P. FORTE	0316979	INFANTRY
CAPTAIN	LEWIS C. GOODWIN	01323723	MEDICAL CORPS
CAPTAIN	RAYMOND H. REYNOLDS	0[illegible]6	INFANTRY
FIRST LIEUTENANT	ALBERT C. CAMPBELL, JR.	01313271	INFANTRY
FIRST LIEUTENANT	SAMUEL C. [illegible]	0317360	INFANTRY
FIRST LIEUTENANT	JOHN T. JOSEPH	01313063	INFANTRY
FIRST LIEUTENANT	JOSEPH B. SMITH	01313812	INFANTRY
Technical Sergeant	Paul E. Burnett	36071624	
Technical Sergeant	Harold T. Thompson	1[illegible]2303	
Staff Sergeant	Leonard S. [illegible]	0[illegible]	
Staff Sergeant	Robert R. Sherman	31[illegible]71	
Technician Fifth Grade	Warren [illegible] Indiana	39215931	
Technician Fifth Grade	Joseph C. Smith	3[illegible]3	
Private First Class	Ralph Bailey	3[illegible]7624	
Private First Class	Roland L. Burns	3[illegible]	
~~Private First Class~~	~~Harold F. Germano~~	~~3[illegible]~~	Res. by G.O. #9 Mar 45
Private First Class	Joel [illegible] Humphreville	3[illegible]	
Private First Class	Mathew L. Nera	32603666	
~~Private First Class~~	~~Clayton R. Schallert~~	~~37[illegible]~~	Res by G.O. #14 Apr.
Private First Class	Frank L. Swanson	32120427	

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Private First Class	Corley H. Wright	15362251
Private	Chester J. Kelly	39926251
Private	Richard [illegible] Schoonoman	32737584
Private	Louis Yoral	33720642

III — AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL — Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number [illegible], Headquarters Third United States Army, [illegible] 403, dated 23 April 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following personnel for heroic and meritorious service in action against the enemy in Belgium:

CAPTAIN	PAUL L. UTTER	0296129	INFANTRY
FIRST LIEUTENANT	JOHN S. LAMBERT JR	0439199	~~INFANTRY~~ FA
FIRST LIEUTENANT	JOHN V. [illegible]	01292552	INFANTRY
FIRST LIEUTENANT	BRUNO J. SPAHA	01292598	INFANTRY
SECOND LIEUTENANT	JOHN L. ANDERSON	0507976	INFANTRY
SECOND LIEUTENANT	ROBERT E. [illegible]	0540921	INFANTRY
~~SECOND LIEUTENANT~~	~~JOHANNES P. [illegible]~~	~~01015760~~	~~INFANTRY~~
SECOND LIEUTENANT	TRAVIS E. LYON	0886868	INFANTRY
SECOND LIEUTENANT	DONALD C. O'ROURKE	0493951	INFANTRY
First Sergeant	John R. Bramley	32001531	
First Sergeant	Robert T. Bryner	13078532	
Technical Sergeant	Norman J. Roberts	17014722	
Staff Sergeant	Charles W. Beck	32245060	
Staff Sergeant	Eldin R. Martin	31282663	
Staff Sergeant	Richard A. Friedlander	12058629	
Staff Sergeant	Charles F. Kennedy	32917277	
Sergeant	Burton C. Stow	37068172	
Sergeant	Charles F. Jacobs Jr	33720199	
Technician Fourth Grade	Robert A. Bockad	31184539	
Technician Fourth Grade	Theodore [illegible] Jarnous	32175762	
Technician Fourth Grade	Terrence [illegible] Kelly	30323112	
Corporal	John J. Lemanel	38128436	
Corporal	Anthony J. Vance	6942411	
Technician Fifth Grade	Harold H. Floyd	33132083	
Technician Fifth Grade	Charles J. [illegible]	37068701	
Technician Fifth Grade	Herbert [illegible]	31102847	
Technician Fifth Grade	John W. Oliver	17115473	
Technician Fifth Grade	Martin [illegible]	[illegible]	
Technician Fifth Grade	Harry G. [illegible]	[illegible]	
Private First Class	Edward W. [illegible]	[illegible]	
Private First Class	Robert [illegible]	[illegible]	
Private First Class	William L. Carlton	32826205	
Private First Class	Melvin H. [illegible]	37516621	
Private First Class	Anthony J. Falcone	36403658	
Private First Class	Clayton [illegible]	[illegible]	
Private First Class	William [illegible] Hall	39725377	
Private First Class	Jean J. Hooton	32930222	
Private First Class	Robert G. [illegible]	19071718	
Private First Class	Richard J. Krempa	12061915	

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Private First Class	Harell V. Level	18104862
Private First Class	Vivian L. Lewis	38011767
Private First Class	Henry E. Lo ulty	33719342
Private First Class	Vicol O. Haylum	37518878
Private First Class	Otto Reinholds	36150146
Private First Class	Robert A. Watson	15077156
Private First Class	Kenneth [illegible] Weaver	37568498
Private First Class	Leonard W. Williams	39619584
Private	Charles E. Anderson	37707213
Private	Leonard A. Anderson	37581855
Private	George E. Birch	35058565
Private	Kerm H. Brockenbrough	37736717
Private	Thomas F. DiMarco	13177161
Private	Oliver J. Jackson	37520727
Private	George K. McCallum	39225501
Private	Roy L. Perkins	39104914

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AMENDMENT OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

So much of General Orders No. 6, Headquarters 17th Airborne Division, APO 452, dated 4 February 1945, Paragraph 3, as reads Private First Class William L. Carlton, 39 826 205, is amended to read William L. Calton, 39 826 205.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

Adjutant General

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NUMBER 7)

12 February 1945.

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I -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR (Posthumous) -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, APO 403, dated 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following named personnel for gallantry in action against the enemy in Belgium:

Staff Sergeant	Harold K. Ahlquist	32098180

II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, APO 403, dated 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named personnel for gallantry in action against the enemy in Belgium and Luxembourg:

CAPTAIN	CLIFFORD C. CARTEE	0542707	CHAPLAIN
SECOND LIEUTENANT	WILLIAM J. GALLAGHER	01173956	FIELD ARTILLERY
Sergeant	Alex G. Ontiveros	37521271	
Private First Class	Raymond W. Howard	37668676	
Private First Class	Paul B. Weinstriger	33622239	
Private	Harold R. Hilsabeck	37521260	
Private	William G. Kuntz	34880537	

III -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Posthumous) -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, APO 403, dated 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following named personnel for heroic and meritorious service in action against the enemy in Belgium:

Sergeant	William J. Ciesielski	36644962

IV -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, APO 403, dated 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following personnel for heroic and meritorious service in action against the enemy in Belgium and Luxembourg:

FIRST LIEUTENANT	RALPH R. DARNELL	01166467	FIELD ARTILLERY
FIRST LIEUTENANT	FRANK N. GROVER	01324534	INFANTRY
FIRST LIEUTENANT	WALTER A. KYLOSKY	01303199	INFANTRY

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I -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR (Posthumous) -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, APO 403, dated 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following named personnel for gallantry in action against the enemy in Belgium:

Staff Sergeant	Harold K. Ahlquist	32098180

II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, APO 403, dated 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named personnel for gallantry in action against the enemy in Belgium and Luxembourg:

CAPTAIN	CLIFFORD C. CARTER	0542707 CHAPLAIN
SECOND LIEUTENANT	WILLIAM J. GALLAGHER	01173956 FIELD ARTILLERY
Sergeant	Alex G. Ontiveros	37521271
Private First Class	Raymond W. Howard	37668676
Private First Class	Paul B. Weinstreiger	33622239
Private	Harold R. Hilsabeck	37521260
Private	William O. Kuntz	34880537

III -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Posthumous) -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, APO 403, dated 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following named personnel for heroic and meritorious service in action against the enemy in Belgium:

Sergeant	William J. Ciesielski	36644962

IV -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, APO 403, dated 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following personnel for heroic and meritorious service in action against the enemy in Belgium and Luxembourg:

FIRST LIEUTENANT	RALPH R. DARNELL	01166467 FIELD ARTILLERY
FIRST LIEUTENANT	FRANK N. GROVER	01324534 INFANTRY
FIRST LIEUTENANT	WALTER A. RYLESKY	01303199 INFANTRY

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Technical Sergeant	Charles J. Lasco	35043531
Staff Sergeant	Charles W. Bell, Jr.,	15061520
Sergeant	Nicholas [illegible] eSantis	20258757
Sergeant	Theodore [illegible]. Ross	37342345
Sergeant	Wilhelm [illegible]. Fieser	32826465
Technician Fifth Grade	Robert C. Bechtold	35099879
Technician Fifth Grade	John L. Linton	35729099
Technician Fifth Grade	Daniel J. Triffun	35609932
Private First Class	Manuel Benites	19063104
Private First Class	Warren J. Herrell	37611510
Private First Class	James P. Kane	37521449
Private First Class	Joseph R. Kitson	31379647
Private First Class	James D. Lowry, Jr.,	33719218
Private First Class	Norman Stankewicz	33668318
Private First Class	Sterling E. Tucker	37611518
Private First Class	Harold H. Vieth	37611576
Private First Class	Joseph B. Vorsteg	33622814
Private First Class	Melvin F. Knight	33719432
Private	Edward J. Fiore	33676848
Private	Charles A. Ross	37358929
Private	Vincent J. Sherlock	18004872
Private	Daniel P. Slater, Jr.,	33679376
Private	John C. Smith	33600399
Private	Virgil Stewart, Jr.,	35657236

V -- AMENDMENT -- So much of Section I, General Orders Number 6, Headquarters 17th Airborne Division, dated 4 February 1945, as reads:

"CAPTAIN JOHN J. VERMET 0477243 INFANTRY"

is amended to read:

"CAPTAIN JOHN J. VERMET 0477243 CHAPLAIN"

VI -- AMENDMENT -- So much of Section III, General Orders Number 6, Headquarters 17th Airborne Division, dated 4 February 1945, as reads:

"FIRST LIEUTENANT JOHN S. KNIGHT, JR., 0439199 INFANTRY"

is amended to read:

"FIRST LIEUTENANT JOHN S. KNIGHT, JR., 0439199 FIELD ARTILLERY"

VII -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- Vocal order of the Commanding General of 7 February 1945, is hereby confirmed and made of record: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, APO 403, dated 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following personnel for heroic and meritorious service in action against the enemy in Belgium:

Staff Sergeant George H. Loss 13002897

General Orders Number 7, Headquarters 17th Airborne Division, APO 452, U. S. Army, 12 February 1945, a

By Command of Major General MILEY:

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HEAD QUARTERS 17TH AIRBORNE DIVISION
APO 452, U. S. ARMY

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NUMBER 8)

3 March 1945.

Award of Silver Star	Section I
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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR--Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named personnel for gallantry in action against the enemy in Belgium:

CAPTAIN	CHARLES H JONES	0386576	FIELD ARTILLERY
CAPTAIN	GEORGE C WIGHT	0269821	FIELD ARTILLERY
FIRST LIEUTENANT	FRANCIS E HOLBROOK	01176065	FIELD ARTILLERY
Sergeant (then Corporal)	Russell L Bowersox	12207729	
Sergeant (then Corporal)	James H LaPorte	6906431	

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL--Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel for heroic and meritorious service in action against the enemy in Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany:

CAPTAIN	ROBERT L MCDONALD	0343070	FIELD ARTILLERY
CAPTAIN (then First Lieutenant)	JOE T PAYNE	01168022	FIELD ARTILLERY
Staff Sergeant	Robert W. Gordon	34272628	
Sergeant (then Corporal)	William L Breen	15307394	
Sergeant	Roger N Feese	37476202	
Sergeant	Thomas Pilch	35058203	
Sergeant	[redacted] Jr.	[redacted]	Serial # name amend by GO 49 - 7 Mar 45
Technician Fourth Grade	Walter Gruzska	35058281	
Technician Fourth Grade	Dmeter Yeblonsky	32636717	
Corporal	James F Cox	33676787	
Corporal	Lawrence Sturgill	35127261	
Corporal	Joseph [illegible]	35207141	
Corporal	Edward J Hainaster Jr	33720589	
Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class)	Clifford R Halloway	35699068	
Technician Fifth Grade	John A Prince	14190088	
Technician Fifth Grade	Kenneth J Trinkley	33738429	
Private First Class	Alfonso H Arredondo	37520941	
Private First Class	Herbert J Burstock	32898703	
Private First Class	Walter C Byrd	15076283	
Private First Class	James J Foley	33338208	
Private First Class	William Harris	37344533	

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Private First Class	Francis A [illegible]	32930204
Private First Class	[illegible] Lowell	6139375
Private First Class	[illegible] M. Lymaugh	36220445
Private First Class	[illegible] Patnode	32249442
Private First Class	Walter Szerpicki	35058257
Private First Class	Henry G Wood	37611639
Private	[illegible]	32844247
Private	Frank [illegible]	33676882
Private	Jack Tossett	38395435

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL--Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to LIEUTENANT COLONEL RAYMOND W. SMITH, 0308843, ORDNANCE, for meritorious achievement in action against the enemy during the period 1 January 1945 to 11 February 1945 in Belgium and Luxembourg.

IV. AWARD OF CERTIFICATE OF MERIT--Under the provisions of letter, 28 June 1944, Headquarters European Theater of Operations, file AG 200.6, subject: "Certificate of Merit", and Section III, paragraph 2, inclosure No. 1, letter 19 September 1944, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), 008 (G-1), subject: "Administrative Procedure, XVIII Corps (Airborne)", the Certificate of Merit is awarded to the following named personnel for conspicuously meritorious and outstanding performance of military duty in action against the enemy:

Corporal	Leonard A Carlton	37545185
Corporal	John J Kearney	33596965
Technician Fifth Grade	Charles N Baker	6846563
Technician Fifth Grade	Harry R Douglas	32844631
Technician Fifth Grade	John H VanFoste	36532033
Technician Fifth Grade	Neil F Wolf	37668431
Private First Class	Ralph V Mocco	32934623
Private	Arnett E McMillin	37344540
Private	Franklin R Putman	14003513

By command of Major General MILLY:

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HEADQUARTERS 17TH AIRBORNE DIVISION
APO 452, U. S. ARMY

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GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 9)

7 March 1945.

I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR (Posthumous)--Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following named personnel for gallantry in action against the enemy in Belgium:

CAPTAIN	JAMES T MORTON	0353587	INFANTRY
Staff Sergeant	Wallace H McGlauflin	6146754	
Private First Class	James D Carlsp	33646970	
Private First Class	William G Roam	35899207	
Private First Class	Mervin A Schommer	37344503	

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR (Missing in Action)--Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Silver Star is awarded missing in action to the following named personnel for gallantry in action against the enemy in Belgium:

Technician Fourth Grade	Lawrence R Pohner	18082458
Private First Class	Henry G Smith Jr	36577206

III. AWARD OF SILVER STAR--Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named personnel for gallantry in action against the enemy in Belgium:

CAPTAIN	JERRY STUHRMAN	01313320	INFANTRY
Technical Sergeant (then Private)	Norman N Arrow	32522737	
Staff Sergeant	Daniel S McCleese	33722472	

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Sergeant (then Private First Class)	Henry W Jozkiewich	11072912
Private	Dallas C Keller	20524117
Private	William [illegible] Stockton	37344215

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Posthumous)--Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following named personnel for heroic and meritorious service in action against the enemy in Belgium:

Technical Sergeant	Claude O Taylor	16017030
Private First Class	Wayne F Garner	33901838
Private First Class	Clayton G Moses	37520842

V. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Missing in Action)--Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded missing in action to the following named personnel for heroic and meritorious service in action against the enemy in Belgium:

Sergeant	Leslie A Garvin Jr	7024924
Technician Fifth Grade	Hugh J McMillan	20229627
Private First Class	Carl F Dayer	36811295
Private First Class	John A Georgen	16073057
Private	Ray T Belding Jr	35099317

VI. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL--Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel for heroic and meritorious service in action against the enemy in Belgium and Luxembourg:

MAJOR	IRWIN A EDWARDS	0324320	INFANTRY
CAPTAIN	JOSEPH W RAY	01307852	INFANTRY
CAPTAIN	JOHN H SPEARS	0413621	INFANTRY
CAPTAIN	WALTER R WARROL	0423841	INFANTRY
FIRST LIEUTENANT	JOHN P FEIST	01312899	INFANTRY
FIRST LIEUTENANT	SCOTT G STUBBS	0465491	INFANTRY
SECOND LIEUTENANT	FERDINAND H. HOEFKE	01061977	INFANTRY
SECOND LIEUTENANT	JOHN R ROBINSON	0539962	INFANTRY

Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant)	Donald W Berglund	33436177
Technical Sergeant	Patrick J Durkin Jr	6852057
Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant)	Harry B Gardner	3367670[illegible]
Technical Sergeant	Paul L Griesser	35291598

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Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant)	George R Andis	37477829
Staff Sergeant	Robert L Grady	15101448
Staff Sergeant	Gerhard R Lund	37557955
Staff Sergeant	Archie Souey	6126869
Sergeant	John E Forshay	12124936
Sergeant (then Private First Class)	Alonzo H. Greene	37344207
(then Private First Class)		
Sergeant	Clyde F Burrell	37478117
Sergeant	John B Reed	32475275
Sergeant	Norman E Tinnin	37611619
Technician Fourth Grade	Joseph Kelly	33110356
Corporal	Joseph A Firment	33671676
Technician Fifth Grade	Donald L Harper	37668531
Technician Fifth Grade	Vernon F Jacobson	36227030
Private First Class	Lynn W Ass	17084245
Private First Class	John D Dickinson	37668579
Private First Class	Elmer F Dodson	33720254
Private First Class	Harry H Edwards	33436528
Private First Class	Samuel A Evans	33506940
Private First Class	Herman K Hersch	33757336
Private First Class	Dale C Heuer	37668347
Private First Class	Millard C Kimball	35798405
Private First Class	Cletus A Knox	33622832
Private First Class	Christopher E Nucio	32835922
Private First Class	James R Hall	37344408
(then Private)		
Private First Class	Seraph Sanchez	37582925
Private First Class	Bronislaus J Sobon	32929812
Private First Class	William J Spencer	37610381
Private First Class	Donald J Stock	37668339
Private First Class	Charles L Stroyick	37521422
Private First Class	John P Tetlow	37521367
Private First Class	Carl J VanAlstyne	35216999
Private	Edward C Busija	36953464
Private	Charles E Converse	37478619
Private	George H Ferris	20369329
Private	John W Fogler	33719165
Private	Russell E Fowler	33719002
Private	Fulton J Norris	33538343
Private	Earl E Peterson	32581332
Private	Warren Valdepalje	39728031
Private	Alfredo C Espalveda	39716914
Private	Harold I Sorens	12225915
Private	Billie L Taylor	35096673

VII. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL--Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Approve Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to CAPTAIN FRANK T HANCOCK, 01283763, INFANTRY, for meritorious achievement during the period 15 April 1943 to 15 February 1945.

General Orders Number 9, Headquarters 17th Airborne Division, APO 452, U. S. Army, 7 March 1945, continued:

VIII. AWARD OF CERTIFICATE OF MERIT--Under the provisions of letter, 28 June 1944, Headquarters European Theater of Operations, file AG 200.6, subject: "Certificate of Merit", and Section III, paragraph 02, inclosure No. 1, letter 19 September 1944, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 008 (G-1), subject: "Administrative Procedure, XVIII Corps (Airborne)", the Certificate of Merit is awarded to Technician Fifth Grade John D. Ogden, 35742707, for conspicuously meritorious and outstanding performance of military duty in action against the enemy.

IX. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--Verbal order of the Commanding General of 5 March 1945 is hereby confirmed and made of record: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to BRIGADIER GENERAL JOSEPH V PHILIPS, 012279, USA, for meritorious achievement during the period 15 April 1943 to 10 February 1945.

X. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART--Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN L WHITELAW, 012357, USA, for wounds received in action against the enemy in Belgium on 24 January 1945.

XI. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART--Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following personnel for wounds received in action against the enemy on the date and in the location indicated:

Staff Sergeant	Donald L Gauvin	32661726	13 January 1945	Belgium
Technician Fifth Grade	Charles G Sauerwald	33719247	25 January 1945	Belgium
Private First Class	Gerald H Hedley	32836500	9 January 1945	Belgium
Private First Class	Clarence A Hall	6999397	25 January 1945	Belgium
Private First Class	Harry A Just	32930123	19 January 1945	Belgium
Private First Class	Francis S Knopp	32934654	10 January 1945	Belgium
Private	Frank Brucella	32811671	25 January 1945	Belgium
Private	Gerald T Smith	39571894	5 February 1945	Luxembourg

XII. RESCISION--So much of Section II, General Orders Number 6, this Headquarters, dated 4 February 1945, as pertains to Private First Class Donald W. Corrane, 38597318, is rescinded.

XIII. AWARD OF SILVER STAR (Posthumous)--Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to Private First Class Donald W. Corrane, 38597318, for gallantry in action against the enemy in Belgium.

XIV. AMENDMENT--So much of Section II, General Orders Number 8, this Headquarters, dated 3 March 1945, as reads,

"Sergeant Linwood L. Thorne Jr 33719409",

is amended to read,

"Sergeant William A. Thorp 32930233".

General Orders Number 9, Headquarters 17th Airborne Division, APO 452, U. S. Army, 7 March 1945, continued:

By command of Major General MILEY:

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HEADQUARTERS 84TH INFANTRY DIVISION GNL/GCB
APO 452, U. S. ARMY ORIGINAL ORDER

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NUMBER 11) 16 March 1945.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR (Posthumous) -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

Private First Class Raymond S. Atkinson, 35657302, for gallantry in action against the enemy near Lande St. Etienne, Belgium, on 7 January 1945. Under heavy enemy shelling, Private First Class Atkinson, a rifleman, left the protection of his foxhole to aid in evacuation of wounded. Fearlessly he made two trips across terrain exposed to direct enemy fire to carry wounded comrades to points of evacuation. He gave his life in attempting to make a third trip. His supreme sacrifice was in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

Colonel James R. Pierce, 014979, Infantry, for gallantry in action against the enemy in Belgium from 3 January 1945 to 10 February 1945. Without thought of personal danger, Colonel Pierce, was continually with the leading elements of his regiment supervising, leading and encouraging his officers and men. On one occasion the commander of a tank, which he was using as an observation post, was killed at his side by enemy shell fire, and on another shell fragments pierced his helmet. Neither enemy fire nor bitterly cold weather deterred him from remaining forward with his troops sharing their hardships and dangers and inspiring them with his leadership.

First Lieutenant Milton R. Morris, 0516067, Infantry, for gallantry in action against the enemy near Altier, Germany, on 6 February 1945. First Lieutenant Morris led a patrol across the Our River to probe defenses of the Siegfried Line. Traversing heavy mine fields and in the face of intense enemy fire, he led an assault on an enemy bunker. Although severely wounded, he inspired the patrol to singular success. His gallant leadership and his concern and care for the wounded were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Army.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Posthumous) -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make

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General Orders Number 11, Headquarters 17th Airborne Division, APO 452, U. S. Army. 16 March 1945, continued:

Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to:

Private First Class Larraduke J. Wilts, 39564534, for heroic action against the enemy near Chisogne, Belgium, on 8 January 1945. During an intense barrage from enemy tanks, artillery and rockets, Private First Class Wilts exposed himself unflinchingly as he administered aid to the wounded. He personally helped to evacuate three wounded comrades. He brought a fourth to the safety of his own foxhole while he remained exposed to enemy fire. His unselfish devotion to duty was an inspiring example to his comrades in arms.

Private Jose G. Hernandez, 39863951, for heroic action against the enemy near Chisogne, Belgium. While on outpost duty, he observed an enemy patrol and attempted to fire only to find his weapon frozen. Despite heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire and the proximity of the enemy patrol, he exposed himself to warn his company of the approaching danger. Although mortally wounded in the attempt, he managed to reach his company and deliver the warning. His heroic action will live as a tradition in the memory of his comrades.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Captain Carl L. Ermert, 0423374, Infantry, for heroic and meritorious action against the enemy for the period 26 December 1944 to 11 February 1945. Throughout the campaign in France, Belgium and Luxembourg, Captain Ermert demonstrated exceptional leadership in employing his company against the enemy. Despite heavy enemy fire on numerous occasions, he personally checked and encouraged the men in the most advanced positions. His aggressive leadership and sound application of tactics reflect credit on himself and the armed forces.

Captain James F. Riecken, 01286305, Infantry, for heroic and meritorious action against the enemy for the period 26 December 1944 to 11 February 1945, in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany. As an operations officer his excellent judgment and untiring efforts aided materially in the accomplishments of his division. On one occasion he personally led an attack across the Our River into Germany in the face of intense enemy small arms and artillery fire. His superior conduct under campaign conditions reflects credit on himself and the Service.

First Lieutenant John W. Hussey, 01046030, Infantry, (then Second Lieutenant), for heroic action against the enemy on 8 January 1945, near Chisogne, Belgium. During an intense fight against a pocket of enemy troops in a woods, First Lieutenant Hussey risked his life beyond the call of duty to reach and evacuate a wounded soldier. His daring action in the face of heavy enemy fire won the admiration of his men and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces.

First Lieutenant Kenneth I. Johnson, 02047698, Medical Administrative Corps, for heroic and meritorious action against the enemy from 3 January 1945 to 10 February 1945. During the campaign in Belgium and Luxembourg, First Lieutenant Johnson maintained liaison between aid stations. His duties frequently took him

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through terrain infested with enemy snipers and over roads heavily mined and subjected to enemy artillery fire. Unmindful of his own safety, he collected the casualties of wounded in a highly efficient manner despite the most adverse conditions of weather and enemy action.

Second Lieutenant Harley G. [illegible], [illegible], Infantry, for heroic and meritorious action against the enemy from December 14th to 11 February 1945, in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany. Acting as battalion intelligence officer, he contributed materially to the accomplishments of the unit by collecting and interpreting intelligence material in a highly efficient manner. To gain information of the enemy, he frequently accompanied reconnaissance patrols and on some occasions patrolled alone into enemy lines. His actions exemplified a high sense of duty and rare courage and were in keeping with the highest standards of the armed forces.

Technical Sergeant Andrew Ondich, 35[illegible]3, for heroic action against the enemy on 7 January 1945, near Bastogne, Belgium. Technical Sergeant Ondich made his way across approximately 150 yards of terrain exposed to direct enemy observation and fire to contact an adjacent friendly force. This heroic action made it possible for the two friendly forces to identify and locate their positions thus saving the possibility of many casualties being caused by the two elements firing on one another. The actions of Technical Sergeant Ondich were in accordance with the highest standards of military service.

Staff Sergeant Joe I. Gonzales, 1[illegible], for heroic action against the enemy near Gedsome, Belgium, on 8 January 1945. While on outpost duty, Staff Sergeant Gonzales discovered an enemy patrol approaching his position. When he attempted to fire, he found that his weapons were frozen. Despite heavy enemy artillery fire and the proximity of the patrol, he calmly worked on his rifle until it was serviceable, then delivered such an effective fire that the patrol was soon dispersed. The courage and cool bravery of Staff Sergeant Gonzales in the face of danger were a credit to himself and the Service.

Sergeant Kenneth A. Rose, 19[illegible]43, for heroic action against the enemy near Houffalize, Belgium, on 12 January 1945. Throughout the day Sergeant Rose [illegible] to heavy barrages of enemy artillery and mortar fire as he coolly worked to keep open the lines of communication. As the burst artillery covered the ground with fallen debris, it became extremely difficult to trace wires and make repairs. Despite the handicaps of weather and enemy fire, he worked efficiently and effectively maintaining communication.

Private First Class Nathaniel S. Rogers, Jr., 37[illegible]58[illegible], for heroic action against the enemy on 7 January 1945, near [illegible] St. Etienne, Belgium. Private First Class Rogers, a rifleman, voluntarily left the protection of his foxhole to aid in the evacuation. He made two trips carrying wounded through a barrage of enemy fire for approximately 200 yards. In attempting to make a third trip, his companion was mortally wounded. He slowly carried his companion to the rear. His disregard for personal safety and inspiring actions were in accordance with the highest standards of military service.

Private First Class Donald E. Oates, 31317[illegible]0, for heroic action against the enemy on 7 January 1945, near [illegible], Belgium. Private First Class Oates voluntarily left the protection of his foxhole to help carry a mortally wounded comrade

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to an evacuation point. Although under heavy enemy fire, he elected to go to the aid of his friend. His courageous act served as an inspiration to his unit.

Private First Class Frank H. Hansen, 37328146, for heroic action against the enemy near Lande St. Etienne, Belgium, on 1[illegible] January 1945. Throughout the day Private First Class Hansen exposed himself to heavy barrages of enemy artillery and mortar fire as he ceaselessly worked to keep open the lines of communication. As the heavy artillery covered the ground with fallen debris, it became extremely difficult to trace wires and make repairs. Despite the handicaps of weather and enemy fire, he worked efficiently and effectively maintaining communication.

Private First Class Theodore Meyer, 37041141, for heroic action against the enemy near Houdrival, Belgium, on 8 January 1945. Private First Class Meyer repeatedly and without regard for his personal safety proceeded into front line positions to evacuate casualties. In addition to his normal duties at an aid station behind the lines, he exposed himself to almost continuous enemy artillery fire and on several occasions to direct small arms fire to speed evacuation of wounded. His ceaseless efforts and heroic conduct were in accordance with the highest standards of military conduct.

Private First Class Walter O. Mierisch, 37610383, for heroic action against the enemy on 7 January 1945, near Lande St. Etienne, Belgium. When a battalion medical aid station sustained two direct hits by enemy artillery, Private First Class Mierisch heroically and efficiently aided the evacuation of patients to the rear. Despite heavy enemy artillery fire in the area and sniper fire along the route, he continued with his duties with calm disregard for his personal safety. His actions were in keeping with the highest standards of military conduct.

Private First Class Arthur E. Norred, 34768250, for heroic action against the enemy near Lande St. Etienne, Belgium, on 7 January 1945. A medical aid station was located at a cross-roads under heavy enemy artillery fire. Realizing the danger, Private First Class Norred on his own initiative procured a truck to speed the evacuation of patients to the rear. Undaunted of the enemy artillery and without regard for his own safety, he brought the truck to the forward position, loaded it with wounded, and returned with them to the rear. His initiative and aggressiveness in a critical situation were in keeping with the highest standards of military service.

Corporal Floyd L. Pickering, 37[illegible]751, (then Private First Class), for heroic action against the enemy at Lande St. Etienne, Belgium, on 7 January 1945. Corporal Pickering, a company mortar gunner, courageously remained with his wounded captain during intense enemy barrage. Leaving the wounded officer to the partial protection of a shelter, he applied first aid to the profusely bleeding wound. Corporal Pickering then helped to evacuate the officer across terrain exposed to direct enemy artillery and sniper fire. His action called for staunch courage and were in keeping with high standards of military conduct.

Private Gardner E. Scotado, 37[illegible]07, for heroic action against the enemy on 8 January 1945, near Houdrival, Belgium. During an intense enemy engagement, Private Scotado voluntarily helped to evacuate wounded. Without regard for his own safety, he carried on in the face of heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire. Despite adverse conditions, he showed great initiative in carrying

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a truck to transport wounded to the rear. His concern for the welfare of his men and his initiative and standing for them were in keeping with the highest standards of military conduct.

V. AMENDMENT -- So much of Section III, General Orders Number 6, this Headquarters, dated 4 February 1945, as pertains to the following named personnel is amended to read, "...the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following personnel for heroic and meritorious service in action against enemy in Belgium":

Technician Fourth Grade	Theodore R. Harness	39175762
Technician Fifth Grade	Martin J. Toupker	3380[illegible]
Private	Ray L. Jenkins	39101914

O.K.

VI. RESCISSION -- So much of Section III, General Orders Number 6, this Headquarters, dated 4 February 1945, as pertains to Second Lieutenant Charles E. Lewis, 01015768, Infantry, is rescinded.

O.K.

VII. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Missing in Action) -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1944, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 March 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded missing in action to:

Second Lieutenant Charles E. Lewis, 01015768, Infantry, for heroic action against the enemy at Flerzheim, Germany, on 7 January 1945. Second Lieutenant Lewis [illegible] aggressiveness and leadership in leading an attack on heavily entrenched numerically superior enemy forces. Although severely wounded, he remained with his [illegible] until forced to seek aid. When his unit was ordered to withdraw, he [illegible] remained behind rather than burden the withdrawing troops with his evacuation. [illegible] was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Army.

VIII. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- [illegible] 13 March 1945, is hereby confirmed [illegible] of records. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1944, as amended, [illegible] pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), [illegible] (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 [illegible] 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Chief Warrant Officer John T. [illegible], [illegible], USA, for meritorious [illegible] during the period [illegible] March 1945. As leader of the Division [illegible] at Officers [illegible] maintained exceptionally high standards [illegible] of military [illegible] have demonstrated [illegible] for [illegible] during the war [illegible] efforts, initiative and [illegible] devotion to duty has contributed materially to the high morale of the division. His actions have been in accordance with the highest standards of military conduct.

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Award of Silver Star (Posthumous)	Section I
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Award of Bronze Star Medal (Posthumous)	Section III
Award of Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star Medal	Section IV

I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR (Posthumous) — Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

Private First Class Jerome O. Day, 16150809, for gallantry in action against the enemy near Flamizoulle, Belgium, on 12 January 1945. Private First Class Day was a machine gunner in an attack on enemy positions when his unit was met by a counter-attack from enemy tanks. Noticing that one of the tank's gun was swinging toward the position of some of his comrades, he opened fire thus attracting the attention of the tank on himself. His gallant action and self-sacrifice were in accordance with the highest traditions of the armed forces.

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Private First Class Paul Morrison, 35607966, for gallantry in action against the enemy near Dasburg, Germany, on 29 January 1945. Private First Class Morrison was a member of a combat patrol with the mission of probing Siegfried Line defenses. The patrol discovered a machine gun nest, but was unable to determine whether it was in friendly or enemy hands. Private First Class Morrison exposed himself in order either to draw enemy fire or establish the position as friendly. The enemy held the position and he was fatally wounded. His courageous action, however, enabled the remainder of the patrol to take decisive action, capture the position and continue on its mission without delay.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR — Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

Lieutenant Colonel Benjamin F. Pearson, 0383145, Infantry, for gallantry in action against the enemy at Flamierge, Belgium, on 6 January 1945. Lieutenant Colonel Pearson ably and materially aided both his own unit and others in establishing and organizing defensive positions following a retreat from overwhelming enemy forces. While helping to direct artillery fire against the attacking enemy, a direct hit by an enemy shell killed a liaison officer and Lieutenant Colonel Pearson carried on observation for the artillery. Upon the approach of enemy tanks, he personally coordinated the fire of the tank destroyers in his area, exposing himself to enemy fire without regard for his personal safety. His heroic actions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces.

Lieutenant Colonel Charles J. Timmes, 0264300, Infantry, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 6 February 1945, near Dasburg, Germany. Although under heavy mortar and rocket fire, Lieutenant Colonel Timmes personally supervised

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crossing of the Our River by some of his troops. After the troops had been ferried across, he then led them up the precipitous slopes in enemy territory to take and secure the high ground overlooking the river. In complete disregard for his own safety, he then walked about checking the position of his men. His presence and confident manner was an inspiration to his command and was in accordance with the highest traditions of the armed forces.

First Lieutenant Stewart E. Chester, 01305729, Infantry, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945, near Houffalize, Belgium. First Lieutenant Chester was leader of a platoon that became heavily engaged with the enemy in a woods near Houffalize, Belgium. First Lieutenant Chester showed superior leadership and sound tactical skill as he checked the position and fire of his men and encouraged them to high achievement. Without regard for his personal safety, he repeatedly exposed himself to enemy fire to help his wounded and to supervise the withdrawal of his men in the face of superior enemy fire power. His actions were in accordance with the highest standards of military conduct.

First Sergeant Alfred A. Mazurkewitz, 32344613, for gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Dasburg, Germany, on 7 February 1945. First Sergeant Mazurkewitz assumed command of a combat patrol when its leader had been cut off during a fight in the Siegfried Line defenses. He demonstrated superior leadership in reorganizing the patrol after it had been ambushed. He boldly and courageously exposed himself to enemy fire to bring the wounded to places of protection. He efficiently rallied the patrol and brought it back to friendly lines. His gallantry under fire and courageous leadership were in accordance with the highest standards of military conduct.

Staff Sergeant Mack J. Sellers, 34171909, for gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Dasburg, Germany, on 7 February 1945. When the patrol of which Staff Sergeant Sellers was a member was ambushed in the Siegfried Line defenses, he demonstrated superior leadership and high courage in helping to reorganize the patrol and get the men to covered positions. When the enemy opened fire, he daringly rushed a machine gun and knocked it out with hand grenades thus giving the remainder of his men time to seek cover. His aggressive action was in accordance with the highest traditions of military service.

Private Alvin M. Gray, 6833167, for gallantry in action against the enemy near Affler, Germany, on 6 February 1945. Private Gray volunteered for a particularly hazardous patrol to probe defenses of the Siegfried Line. While the patrol was assaulting a concrete bunker, Private Gray closed with the enemy and engaged in a hand to hand fight from which he emerged victorious. His aggressiveness in combat and his courage, coolness, and alertness under fire served as an inspiration for all members of his patrol. His actions were in accordance with the highest standards of military service.

Private Lester H. Johnson, 37358914, for gallantry in action against the enemy near Affler, Germany, on 6 February 1945. Climbing on top of an enemy bunker containing five men, reinforced by the fire of approximately fifty men in adjacent bunkers, Private Johnson demanded in German that the occupants surrender. When the enemy refused to capitulate he engaged two of them in hand to hand combat. With his bayonet and rifle he aided in knocking out the enemy bunker. His courageous actions were definitely above and beyond the call of duty and were in accordance with the highest standards of military conduct.

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III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Posthumous) — Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to:

Private First Class Donald C. Archer, 35657274, for heroic action against the enemy near Mando St. Etienne, Belgium, on 8 January 1945. During the morning Private First Class Archer's unit was subjected to a concentrated enemy artillery and mortar barrage. Despite this fire, he moved his machine gun into an exposed position so as better to support an attacking unit. He aggressively kept up an accurate and effective supporting fire until mortally wounded by enemy shell fire. His spirit of carrying the fight to the enemy despite personal danger was in accordance with the highest traditions of military conduct.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in letter, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file 200.6 (AG), subject: "Authority to Make Certain Awards", dated 31 August 1944, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Captain George R. Stevens III, 0448774, Infantry, for heroic and meritorious action against the enemy during the period 26 December 1944 to 11 February 1945, in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany. Captain Stevens demonstrated great leadership, judgment and initiative in the employment of the heavy weapons under his command. His conduct was a source of inspiration to his officers and men and his untiring devotion to duty and his ready word of encouragement aided materially in the successful operation of his unit. The saving of many lives can be attributed to his superior use of fire power. His actions were in keeping with the proudest traditions of military service.

Technical Sergeant Alexander V. Sica, 32344231, for heroic action against the enemy near Dasburg, Germany, on 7 February 1945. Technical Sergeant Sica was platoon sergeant of a combat patrol probing the Siegfried Line defenses. When the patrol was ambushed and split by enemy fire, he showed superior leadership in directing his men to covered positions and superior courage in dragging wounded men to safety. Under cover of darkness, he brought his group through enemy lines to a prearranged rallying point and reported information that was vital to the future maneuvers of his unit. The heroic actions displayed by Technical Sergeant Sica were in keeping with the proudest traditions of the armed forces.

Sergeant Ronald B. Nicholson, 39181230, for heroic action against the enemy near Flamizoulle, Belgium, on 14 January 1945. Sergeant Nicholson's unit was forced to withdraw from a position it had taken earlier in the day, but he remained as a rear guard directing mortar fire on the enemy. Although wounded about the face by shrapnel and bleeding freely, he elected to stick to his post rather than call for medical aid. His heroic action contributed greatly to the safe withdrawal of his company. His conduct was in keeping with the highest trad[illegible] of the armed forces.

[illegible] and [illegible]h Grade Thomas F. [illegible] heroi[illegible] [illegible]rshausen [illegible]

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Grade D'Andrea was a member of a night patrol that was subjected to heavy enemy fire on one occasion. During the action he exposed himself to enemy fire to give aid to a wounded comrade. When the patrol was forced to withdraw in the face of superior enemy fire power, he fearlessly exposed himself with complete disregard for his personal safety to help the wounded get back to safety. His courageous action and self-sacrifice were in keeping with the highest traditions of military conduct.

Private First Class James O. Wallis, 37348356, for hero[illegible]on against the enemy near Dasburg, Germany, on 28 January 1945. Privat[illegible]t Class Wallis was a scout on a patrol attempting to take some high ground in the sector when the patrol was pinned down by enemy fire. Realizing that the mission was endangered, he deliberately exposed himself so as to attract the enemy fire on himself thereby enabling the remainder of the patrol to continue. His actions were cool, intelligent and brave in the proudest traditions of military service.

Private James G. Beatty, 12078466, for heroic action against the enemy near Dasburg, Germany, on 30 January 1945. Private Beatty was a messenger in a combat patrol whose mission was to determine the disposition of enemy troops in their sector. When the scout of the patrol was fired on and mortally wounded by an enemy machine gun, he and another member of the patrol immediately rushed the gun emplacement. Their spontaneous and heroic action was performed without thought of personal safety and was responsible for the prevention of many casualties. The conduct of Private Beatty was in accordance with the highest traditions of the armed forces.

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[illegible] Roester, 02 [illegible], [illegible] for [illegible] period [illegible] April 1943 to [illegible] January 1945. His un[illegible] throughout the training period helped to [illegible] unit into a [illegible] force. His efficiency in [illegible] and his devotion for [illegible] in his associates and [illegible] contributed materially to [illegible] of the unit during combat. Lieutenant Colonel Roester's superior [illegible] reflects credit on himself and his unit and is in accordance [illegible] highest standards of military conduct.

[illegible] Colonel Rudolf J. Hesseinger, 018503, General Staff Corps, for meri[illegible] from [illegible] 1943 to 15 January 1945. His untiring [illegible] to improve the state of training of the unit have been an [illegible] to his associates and his men. Lieutenant Colonel Hesseinger's leader[illegible] and his devotion to the job in hand has been beyond the [illegible] reflects credit on himself and his unit and is in [illegible] highest standards of military conduct.

[illegible] Walter D. Brummitt, 01288001, Infantry, for heroic action against the [illegible], Belgium, on 8 January 1945. During an intense enemy action, [illegible] commanding officer was killed and the communication section [illegible] Captain Brummitt immediately displayed courage and initiative as he [illegible] radio and personally operated it, directing the companies of the bat[illegible] to positions preparatory for attack. Despite the heavy enemy fire, he was [illegible] the units for effective action. His personal courage under fire, [illegible] knowledge of tactics, and his bold and decisive action upon assuming [illegible] reflect great credit upon himself and the service.

[illegible] Victor D. Villimon, 0409348, Corps of Engineers, for heroic and meri[illegible] against the enemy during the period 2 January 1945 to 12 February [illegible] Captain Villimon's courageous leadership and outstanding devotion to duty [illegible] in his company. His concern for the welfare of his men [illegible] leadership resulted in no fatalities despite the highly dangerous [illegible] of clearing minefields ahead of the infantry, patrols behind enemy lines, [illegible] of his troops as front line infantry. His efforts reflect the highest [illegible] upon himself and upon the armed forces.

[illegible] Lieutenant Price W. McGee, 01303526, Infantry, for heroic action against [illegible] near Arfter, Germany, on 1 February 1945. First Lieutenant McGee led a [illegible] on a hazardous mission across the Our River into Siegfried Line defenses. [illegible] approaching enemy bunkers, he was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire. In

[illegible] Technical Sergeant [illegible] on 29 January 1945, [illegible] action to clear [illegible] important bridge across the Our River. Technical Sergeant [illegible] pinned down by enemy machine gun fire. With the aid of a companion he [illegible] the enemy position until he was able to silence it with grenades. His [illegible] action not only saved the scout, but contributed materially to the success of the mission.

[illegible] (then Private First Class) James F. Merritt, 36640641, for heroic [illegible] against the enemy near Dasburg, Germany, on 30 January 1945. When the scout of a patrol was fired on and mortally wounded by an enemy machine gun, Sergeant [illegible] and another member of the patrol immediately rushed the emplacement. Without regard for personal safety, they risked their lives to free the patrol from a [illegible] situation. This spontaneous heroic action was responsible for the prevention of many casualties and is worthy of the highest traditions of the military [illegible].

[illegible] (then Private) Carl A. [illegible]rco, 37172606, for heroic action against the [illegible], Germany, on 7 February 1945. Sergeant Fierco was a member of a [illegible] stationed in the defenses of the Siegfried Line. Seeing that the [illegible] had no cover, he deliberately exposed himself to severe enemy fire [illegible] away from his comrades. This allowed the main body of the patrol [illegible] protection. He continued to divert the enemy with his auto[illegible] while the remainder of the patrol could reorganize. Such prompt [illegible] heroism was in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces.

[illegible] Frederick J. Schouerman, 39174737, for heroic action against the [illegible], Luxembourg, on 10 February 1945. Sergeant Schouerman was [illegible] patrol whose commanding officer and assistant were killed by anti[illegible]. Sergeant Schouerman immediately assumed command and, after [illegible] aid to wounded members of the patrol, continued the mission. [illegible] encountered fierce enemy resistance, he skillfully maneuvered [illegible] to outflank the enemy position. Sergeant Schouerman's resourcefulness [illegible] and leadership were a source of inspiration to his men. His [illegible] in accordance with the highest traditions of the armed forces.

[illegible] Fourth Grade Thomas J. Tierney, 36048226, for heroic action against [illegible], Belgium, on 3 January 1945. Technician Fourth Grade [illegible] had just occupied their objective and was establishing a com[illegible] when heavy German artillery barrage began. The battalion commander [illegible] Fourth Grade Tierney, although seriously wounded in the leg and [illegible] his post operating radio communication. His heroic [illegible] to the battalion's organization and accomplishments de[illegible] commanding officer. His intelligence in reorganizing the [illegible] and his devotion to duty were in keeping with the [illegible] service.

[illegible] performed heroically at a [illegible] in accordance with the highest standards of military [illegible]

[illegible] Technician Fifth Grade Alvern H. Hultman, 39574571, for heroic action against the enemy near [illegible], Germany, on 7 February 1945. Technician Fifth Grade Hultman [illegible] a patrol that became ambushed by the enemy in the Siegfried Line. [illegible] surrounded, he volunteered to return to his command to warn [illegible] of the ambush. Without regard for his personal safety, in broad daylight, he [illegible] way back to the battalion and prevented it from falling into [illegible] ambush. His courage in action was in accordance with the highest traditions [illegible] forces.

[illegible] Private First Class Antone F. Bizub, 32763315, for heroic action against the enemy near [illegible], Belgium, on 22 January 1945. Private First Class Bizub with [illegible] led a patrol deep into enemy territory when they encountered heavy [illegible] weapons fire. He skillfully led the patrol out of the line of fire [illegible] into the enemy positions making a thorough reconnaissance. The information obtained by his daring leadership proved of great value in planning an attack that [illegible] several days later. His conduct under fire and his efficient performance of duty were in accordance with the highest standards of military conduct.

[illegible] Private First Class Lucien F. Cassidy, 19098287, for heroic action against the enemy near Wando St. Edmond, Belgium, on 11 January 1945. Private First Class Cassidy, with another soldier, volunteered to go beyond the most advanced positions to relieve an officer who had been wounded in a previous engagement. At great risk of their lives these men made their way across terrain exposed to direct enemy fire to a point very near enemy positions. Reaching the wounded officer, they brought him back to their own lines through deep snow drifts and over ground pockmarked with shell craters. The action of Private First Class Cassidy and his comrade called for high courage and great fortitude.

[illegible] Private First Class Joseph Dyka, 32029519, for heroic action against the enemy on 21 January 1945, near Limerle, Belgium. Private First Class Dyka volunteered as a scout for a platoon assigned the mission of seizing and securing the town of Limerle. Having full knowledge of the risks involved, he led the platoon through heavy mine fields and into the town. Due almost entirely to his skill in scouting, resourcefulness and cool courage, the platoon successfully made a surprise entry into the town, capturing twenty-three prisoners and much enemy material. His actions were in keeping with the proudest traditions of the armed forces.

[illegible] Private First Class Edward G. Kohuto, 33403902, for heroic action against the enemy on 7 February 1945, near Daxburg, Germany. Private First Class Kohuto, a medical aid man, accompanied a combat patrol into the Siegfried line. When the patrol was ambushed and surrounded, he courageously gave aid to the wounded exposing himself to enemy fire without regard for his personal safety. His prompt action was

[illegible] Second Lieutenant [illegible]

Private First Class Reynold E. Fralic, 1[illegible], for heroic action against the enemy [illegible] on [illegible] exhibited great courage and resolution during a reconnoitering [illegible] operations. Information gained through his daring contributed materially to the execution of a successful attack on the enemy. His effective scouting and patrolling were in accordance with the highest standards of military conduct.

Private First Class Anton J. Saturius, 35056704, for heroic action against the enemy near Hosingen, Luxembourg, on 29 January 1945. Private First Class Saturius deliberately remained under direct and observed enemy artillery fire to administer first aid to a wounded officer. After attending the wounded man, he made his way back to his own lines, waited until dark and then guided a rescue party to effect evacuation of his patient. His brave action in the face of heavy enemy fire was in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces.

Private First Class Herbert L. Smith, 36636393, for heroic action against the enemy near Lande St. Etienne, Belgium, on 14 January 1945. Private First Class Smith, with another soldier, volunteered to go beyond the most advanced positions to rescue an officer who had been wounded in an earlier engagement. At great risk to their lives, they made their way across terrain exposed to direct enemy observation and fire to a point very near enemy positions. Reaching the wounded officer, they brought him back to their own lines through deep snow drifts and across a field pockmarked with shell craters. The action of Private First Class Smith and his comrade called for high courage and great fortitude.

Private First Class Charles R. Stewart, 18081628, for heroic action against the enemy on 28 January 1945, near Dasburg, Germany. Private First Class Stewart was scout for a patrol that encountered fierce enemy fire. With complete disregard for his personal safety, he deliberately exposed himself in an effort to draw the enemy fire on himself so that the patrol could continue its mission. He not only exposed himself, but made noises and other distractions so successful that the enemy's attention was diverted from the patrol. This daring action was in keeping with the highest standards of military conduct.

Private First Class Adrian B. Tanner, 39201245, for heroic action against the enemy on 29 January 1945, near Dasburg, Germany. Private First Class Tanner was a member of a platoon assigned the mission of clearing high ground overlooking an important bridge on the Our River. When the scout of the patrol was pinned down by enemy fire, Private First Class Tanner and the patrol leader attacked the enemy [illegible]. He handled himself and his weapon so skillfully and courageously that the entire enemy pocket was silenced. By this daring action, the scout was freed and the patrol was able to continue its mission. The gallantry of Private First Class Tanner was in accordance with the proudest tradition of military service.

AWARD OF CERTIFICATE OF MERIT.— Under the provisions of letter, 20 June [illegible], Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, file AG 200.6, subject: "Certificate of Merit," and Section III, paragraph 62, Inclosure No. 1, letter 19 [illegible] 1944, Headquarters XVIII Corps (Airborne), file DOD (G-1), subject: "Simplified Procedure, XVIII Corps (Airborne)," the Certificate of Merit is

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[illegible] Fred B. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] First Class Robert [illegible] [illegible]

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR (Posthumous) -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

Private First Class Charles J. McCommon, 33679407, for gallantry in action against the enemy near Neuf Moulin, Belgium, on 19 January 1945. Private First Class McCommon was a member of a combat patrol with a mission of locating enemy automatic weapon emplacements. The patrol was forced to cross about 400 yards of open terrain and in so doing all but two members of the patrol were wounded. Private First Class McCommon and his patrol leader continued on their mission and by heroic action eleminated two enemy machine gun nests. They were then engaged in a fire fight with enemy infantrymen as a result of which they captured several prisoners. The heroic action of this soldier and his staunch devotion to duty were in accordance with the highest standards of military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

Lieutenant Colonel Allen C. Miller II, 020342, Infantry, for gallantry in action against the enemy at Mande St. Etienne, Belgium, on 4 January 1945. In the face of heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, Lieutenant Colonel Miller heroically led his men in the attack and capture of the town of Mande St. Etienne. After occupying the position, his troops were heavily shelled from enemy positions in a woods overlooking the town. With utter disregard for his personal safety, Lieutenant Colonel Miller directed an assault against these positions and personally supervised a final bayonet charge into the enemy held woods. His leadership was inspirational and worthy of the highest praise. Entered military service from Arizona.

Major Morris S. Anderson, 0392421, Infantry, for gallantry in action against the enemy at Flamierge, Belgium, on 7 January 1945. Major Anderson, with complete disregard for his own safety, led his men in storming and capturing the town of Flamierge where the enemy had established strong defensive positions. The assault was made across a wide stretch of snow covered terrain that afforded practically no cover or concealment and subjected to intense enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. His gallant action inspired his men to execute an aggressive driving action that resulted in heavy losses to the enemy. His brave leadership was in

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accordance with the highest standards of military service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Technician Fourth Grade James F. Hillery, 36571467, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 7 and 8 January 1945, near Bastogne, Belgium. During the intense action around Bastogne, Technician Fourth Grade Hillery was a radio operator for artillery liaison. He had two radios destroyed by enemy fire while he was operating them. He then exposed himself to observed enemy fire to repair wire communication so that artillery could be directed against enemy positions. Throughout the entire attack he called for and adjusted artillery fire missions, and requested urgently needed supplies on his own initiative. Without thought of personal safety, he consistently conducted himself with calmness and efficiency while under fire. His action was in accordance with the highest standards of military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

III. AWARD OF SILVER STAR -- VOCG 29 March 1945, is hereby confirmed and made of record. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

Captain Kenneth E. Hathaway, 01313403, Infantry, for gallantry in action against the enemy near Hammonkeln, Germany, on 24 March 1945. Immediately upon landing in enemy territory by glider, Captain Hathaway, Division Headquarters Company Commander, organized a small group of men and unloaded a 57 mm gun from a glider, personally supervised the wheeling into place of this gun while under enemy fire and knocked out a German artillery piece that was firing point-blank at troops and gliders coming in on the landing field. His unhesitating and aggressive action was in keeping with the highest standards of military conduct. Entered military service from Washington.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Technician Fifth Grade Thomas A. Whitcomb, 37558080, for heroic action against the enemy near Wesel, Germany, on 24 March 1945. Technician Fifth Grade Whitcomb landed in an open field by parachute with a detachment of his unit, in enemy territory and under extensive enemy machine gun and small arms fire. Disregarding his own safety, he moved about the field, giving medical aid to the wounded. He carried a wounded comrade through heavy machine gun fire to a point of safety where aid could be given him. His heroic action was an inspiration to all who saw him and was in accordance with the highest standards of military conduct. Entered military service from Illinois.

V. AWARD OF BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Second Lieutenant Wyatt B. Wood, 01180778, Field Artillery, for heroic action against the enemy near Renuamont, Belgium, on 4 January 1945. Second Lieutenant Wood was serving as liaison officer for an artillery unit with the infantry.

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Despite heavy counter-attacks, he calmly and effectively directed artillery fire on the enemy. When the infantry unit was forced to withdraw, he efficiently aided in organizing new defensive positions. He risked his life beyond the call of duty to procure equipment necessary for continued direction of fire. Throughout the engagement, his loyalty to the front line troops, his efficiency in concentrating fire on the enemy, and his cool conduct under fire deserve the highest praise. His actions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces.

By command of Major General MILEY:

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12 April 1945.

Award of Silver Star (Posthumous)	Section I
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Award of Soldier's Medal	Section III
Award of Bronze Star Medal (Posthumous)	Section IV
Award of Bronze Star Medal	Section V

I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR (Posthumous) -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

Corporal Clayton C. Doane, 37344185, for gallantry in action against the enemy at Flamizoulle, Belgium, on 8 January 1945. Corporal Doane was in position along a main road helping to cover the withdrawal of his regiment from superior enemy forces when the enemy attacked with 18 tanks. Armed only with a bazooka, he held his fire until the lead tank was only thirty yards distant. He fired at the tank, but before it could be knocked out the enemy crew spotted his position and brought it under direct fire. The gallant action of Corporal Doane, however, served to slow the enemy advance and aided in developing a successful defense. His action was in accordance with the highest standard of military conduct.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in emorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

Second Lieutenant Robert C. Reed, 01115391, Corps of Engineers, for gallantry in action at Renamont, Belgium, on 5 January 1945. Second Lieutenant Reed's platoon was cut off by the enemy in the town of Renamont. Despite terrific artillery and small arms fire, he fearlessly moved among the foxholes of his men bolstering their morale and aiding the wounded. His cool, courageous leadership was an inspiration to his men. They fought their way out of their desperate situation, evacuating all their wounded and covering the withdrawal of an infantry battalion. His outstanding courage and fearless leadership reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the military forces of the United States

Technical Sergeant James D. Withers, 35700965, for gallantry in action at Neuf Moulin, Belgium, on 19 January 1945. Technical Sergeant Withers was the leader of a group of eight men, part of a combat patrol, with a mission of locating enemy automatic weapons in a woods. While crossing open ground to reach the enemy positions, Sergeant Withers' group was pinned down by machine gun fire and six of them were wounded. Sergeant Withers and his one companion continued on their mission and by heroic efforts silenced two enemy machine gun positions. They were then engaged by enemy infantry which resulted in the capture of several enemy prisoners. Directing the prisoners to the rear, Sergeant Withers continued on his mission and eventually returned to his own lines with much valuable information about the enemy located in the area. His aggressive and heroic actions were in accordance with the highest standards of military service.

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Sergeant Charles P. Singhas, 33738430, for gallantry in action against the enemy near Flamizoulle, Belgium, on 8 January 1945. Sergeant Singhas joined a bazooka-man who had no loader during a delaying action against a strong enemy counter-attack. When 18 enemy tanks attacked along a road, they held their fire until the lead tank was within very close range. They fired seven rounds at the tank eventually knocking it out, but each time they fired they had to expose themselves to the observation and fire from the other tanks in the enemy column. The gallant action of Sergeant Singhas and his companion was in accordance with the highest standards of military service.

Corporal Warren A. Skenadore, 36809018, for gallantry in action against the enemy during the period 19 January 1945 to 30 January 1945 in Belgium. As the only aid man with his platoon during the period cited, Corporal Skenadore worked double duty as his unit, working in shifts, cleared roads ahead of the infantry in the heavily mined areas of the Ardennes. He voluntarily accompanied every mission as his unit worked ceaselessly to clear mine fields and roads. His quick thinking and coolheadedness saved the lives of several dazed and wounded men. His gallant conduct under the most arduous campaign conditions is worthy of high praise and was in accordance with the highest standards of military conduct.

Private Nathaniel R. Mason, 34671733, for gallantry in action against the enemy near Flamizoulle, Belgium, on 8 January 1945. Private Mason was in position with a bazooka along a road over which enemy tanks were attacking. Holding his fire until the tanks were very near, he then fired until his ammunition was exhausted succeeding in disabling one tank. His gallant stand in a precarious situation aided in gaining valuable time for the withdrawing infantry battalion to reorganize. His action was in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces.

III. AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, the Soldier's Medal is awarded to:

Private First Class Lew A. Dowler, 37611585, for heroism near Dasburg, Germany on 2 February 1945. Private First Class Dowler and two other men were returning across the Our River, after having spent the previous night on patrol in enemy territory, when they discovered that the ice in the river had melted and the current was swollen by flood water from the melting snow. Private First Class Dowler succeeded in swimming across, but the swift current caused his two companions to flounder. In spite of the risk involved, he twice reentered the icy waters to drag each of the two men to safety. His action required high courage and great skill and reflects credit upon himself and the service.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Posthumous)--Under the provisions of AR 600-45 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously: BY GO# 52 - 10 Jul 45

Private First Class Leo J. Beaulieu, 31378940, for heroic action against the enemy at Flamierge, Belgium, on 9 January 1945. Private First Class Beaulieu skillfully manned his mortar while under heavy enemy artillery, mortar and sniper fire and disabled an enemy tank. The tank crew was forced to abandon the vehicle

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and were killed upon doing so. Later in the same action another tank came too close to his position to bring it under effective fire with a mortar, whereupon Private First Class Beaulieu attacked it with a bazooka and was killed in the ensuing duel. By his courage, alertness and aggressiveness, he aided greatly in thwarting a determined offensive action by enemy forces. His action was in accordance with the highest standards of military service.

Private Donald W. Brown, 39137484, for heroic action against the enemy at Flamierge, Belgium, on 8 January 1945. In a fierce engagement with enemy forces for possession of the town, Private Brown disabled two enemy tanks by accurate fire from his bazooka. A third tank, attempting to drag away the two disabled vehicles, came under Private Brown's fire. Heedless of his own safety, he exposed himself to fire at the third tank and in so doing drew counter fire from the enemy. Private Brown's courage and self-sacrifice are in keeping with the highest traditions of the service.

Citation AMEND. BY GO# 58 -- 21 June 45.

*Private Earl E. Quillin, 37674449, for heroic action against the enemy at Flamierge, Belgium, on 8 January 1945. Private Quillin aided in forestalling an enemy attack with supporting armor by attacking a tank with a light machine gun. He was severely wounded by machine and artillery fire from the tank, but pressed his assault forcing the tank to withdraw. Private Quillin's courage and performance was clearly above and beyond the call of duty and in keeping with the highest traditions of the service.

Citation Amend by No 57 - Aug. 22, 1945

*Private Stanley H. Tucker, 19170463, for heroic action against the enemy at Flamierge, Belgium, on 8 January 1945. Although Private Tucker's job was not that of manning a bazooka, he volunteered as an assistant bazooka gunner to help meet an enemy armored attack. He left the security of a building and moved out to meet the attack. While engaged in a duel with a tank, Private Tucker was killed by the tank fire. His actions were clearly above and beyond the call of duty and in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces.

V. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Major Robert L. Rowan, 0317113, Infantry, for meritorious achievement during the period 1 January 1945 to 7 February 1945. While serving as a battalion executive officer during the campaign in Belgium and Luxembourg, Major Rowan distinguished himself by superior performance of duty. By his zealous devotion to duty and his fearless disregard for his personal safety, he contributed materially to the success of his battalion. He demonstrated superior leadership in aiding a unit of the battalion in occupying position under enemy fire. Throughout the action his conduct was in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces.

Captain Lorimer M. Schmidt, 0505658, Medical Corps, for meritorious achievement during the period 1 June 1944 to 7 February 1945. As battalion surgeon, Captain Schmidt made an outstanding contribution to the physical welfare, morale and military efficiency of his unit. He thoroughly trained the aid men of his command and inspired them to a high sense of duty which reflected in highly efficient conduct during combat. Both in training and in combat, his professional skill and tireless efforts to care for his men despite personal risk and hardship, endeared him to all

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officers and men of the battalion. His outstanding conduct was clearly above and beyond the call of duty and in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces.

First Lieutenant Robert C. Morey, 01821348, Infantry, for heroic action against the enemy near Beiler, Belgium, on 26 January 1945. First Lieutenant Morey assumed command of a rifle company made up of the remnants of three other companies which had been weakened by casualties. He quickly and effectively organized his men into an efficient fighting unit and led them in an attack against the enemy. By superior leadership he so directed his small force as to attain the objectives assigned and to defend them against enemy counter attacks. As a result of his heroic action, heavy casualties were inflicted on the enemy and a material contribution made to the larger tactical plan of the unit to which his company was attached. His actions under difficult battle conditions were in keeping with the highest standards of military conduct.

First Lieutenant H. Edward Olcott, 01557763, Corps of Engineers, for heroic action against the enemy from 4 January 1945 to 6 January 1945, near Renamont, Belgium. In action during the period cited, First Lieutenant Olcott demonstrated outstanding leadership when his platoon was surrounded by enemy tanks and infantry. Throughout the fight he fearlessly exposed himself to enemy fire checking the position and welfare of his men and aiding the wounded. He and his men fought gallantly covering the withdrawal of a battalion headquarters from a precarious position. His courageous devotion to duty was a vital factor in stemming determined enemy attacks. His conduct was in keeping with the highest standards of military service.

First Sergeant Robert J. Timmons, 15014146, for heroic action against the enemy near Beiler, Belgium, on 26 January 1945. First Sergeant Timmons was the leader of a combat patrol having the mission of contacting an adjoining unit and occupying a dominating terrain feature. He brilliantly led his patrol in accomplishing its mission. His sound knowledge of tactics and aggressive action resulted in casualties to the enemy. He demonstrated marked efficiency in organizing his patrol in defensive positions after their objective had been taken. His actions were in accordance with the highest standards of military conduct.

Sergeant Arend O. Ripken, 33719158, for heroic and meritorious achievement during the period 2 January 1945 to 28 January 1945. During the period cited, Sergeant Ripken showed outstanding courage and leadership in directing the operations of his engineer squad on many dangerous missions. On one occasion his squad was surrounded by the enemy while acting as flank protection to an infantry unit, but as a result of superior leadership he and his men reached safety. While clearing an abatis near Enscherange, Luxembourg, he was seriously wounded by an anti-personnel mine explosion. Throughout the campaign, Sergeant Ripken's leadership and personal courage inspired his men to their utmost capabilities. His actions were in accordance with the highest standards of military conduct.

Private Harry J. Goate, 13154775, for gallantry in action against the enemy near Honty, Belgium, on 5 January 1945. Private Goate volunteered to be a litter bearer to evacuate wounded personnel from two infantry companies when no aid men were available. Other attempts to reach the wounded had failed due to intense artillery fire. His actions resulted in the evacuation of seven seriously wounded at a time when rapid evacuation was imperative due to frigid weather. Private

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Goate's deeds were clearly above and beyond the call of duty and reflect highly upon himself and his organization.

Private Merle E. Mathew, 37138375, for heroic action against the enemy at Flamierge, Belgium, on 8 January 1945. During the attack on the town, Private Mathew's battalion was attacked by five enemy tanks. All the companies were badly in need of bazooka ammunition. He volunteered to take a jeep to the rear supply point fully aware that the trip would take him through a mine field under intense enemy artillery and mortar fire. On the trip the jeep was blown up by a mine and Private Mathew seriously wounded. His brave effort however, was clearly above and beyond the call of duty and reflects highly upon himself and his organization.

Private William T. Peters, 39706009, for heroic action against the enemy at Flamierge, Belgium, on 7 January 1945. When an enemy tank attacked a machine gun platoon in Private Peters' company, he crossed dangerously open terrain to engage the tank with his bazooka. Having only three rounds of ammunition, he maneuvered to a position very near the enemy vehicle. Although seriously wounded, he pressed his attack and succeeded in routing the tank attack. By his courageous action he contributed materially to the continued success of his unit. His actions were in accordance with the highest standards of military conduct.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, 8 September 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Captain George L. Streukens, 01313664, Infantry, for meritorious achievement during the period 15 April 1943 to 1 March 1945. As personnel adjutant of an infantry regiment during the period cited, Captain Streukens has distinguished himself by outstanding performance of duty. Both during training and combat, his consistently high standards in personnel work contributed materially to the smooth administration of the unit. His high sense of duty relieved company commanders and staff officers of the unit from much administrative detail permitting them to concentrate on the tactical operation of the unit. His work is worthy of the highest praise and was in keeping with the highest standards of military conduct.

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Detail in General Staff Corps	Section I
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Award of Silver Star (Posthumous)	Section III
Award of Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star Medal	Section IV

I. DETAIL IN GENERAL STAFF CORPS -- Pursuant to authority contained in AR 605-145, CAPTAIN FRED McCLINTOCK, 0-556378, INFANTRY, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, Headquarters 17th Airborne Division is detailed in the General Staff Corps with troops.

II. RECISION -- So much of Section II, General Orders Number 6, this Headquarters, dated 4 February 1945, as pertains to Private First Class Melvin P. Schallert, 37568049, is hereby rescinded.

III. AWARD OF SILVER STAR (Posthumous) -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, dated 8 September 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

Private First Class Melvin P. Schallert, 37568049, for gallantry in action against the enemy near Chiesgne, Belgium, on 8 January 1945. The platoon of which Private First Class Schallert was a part, was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun fire and was suffering heavy casualties. Private First Class Schallert, with complete disregard for his own safety, charged the enemy position firing his own machine gun from the hip. His gallant action silenced the enemy position and permitted the platoon to continue its mission. His action was in accordance with the highest standards of military service.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Memorandum Number 34, Headquarters Ninth United States Army, dated 8 September 1944, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Master Sergeant Stephen J. Kramer, 16021520, for meritorious achievement during the period 1 July 1944 to 30 March 1945, in France, England, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany. Throughout three operations and in garrison, Master Sergeant Kramer consistently performed his duties in a superior manner. In operations [illegible], he improvised equipment that greatly aided the work of his section. His untiring devotion to duty and conscientiousness were a source of inspiration to all who worked with him. His meritorious service was in accordance with the highest traditions of military service.

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