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SECTION I — POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the following named individuals are posthumously awarded a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

EDWARD F. ABBONDANDOLO, 20127809, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 11 June 1944. Next of kin: Mr. Frank S. Abbondandolo (Father), 815 East Main Street, Waterbury, Connecticut.

JOSE F. PENA, 38065106, Private First Class, Company F, 142d Infantry Regiment, 13 June 1944. Next of kin: Mr. Mack Pena (Father), Fort Stockton, Texas.

CITTO W. McLEOD, 39211672, Private First Class, Company F, 142d Infantry Regiment, 13 June 1944. Next of kin: Mr. Arthur J. McLeod, Jr., (Father), 1000 25th Avenue North, Seattle, Washington.

SECTION III — AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the following named individuals are each awarded a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

ROBERT M. ARN, 01289021, Captain, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Moundsville, West Virginia.

ROY B. BARNETT, 3836292, Technical Sergeant, Company K, 142d Infantry Regiment, 5 June 1944. Entered the Service from Dallas, Texas.

EDWARD F. FLATZ, 35277367, Staff Sergeant, (then Sergeant), Company I, 142d Infantry Regiment, 1 February 1944. Entered the Service from Akron, Ohio.

JACK TUCKER, 38027998, Sergeant, Company D, 753d Tank Battalion, 30 May 1944. Entered the Service from Covington, Texas.

EDMUND ZAVODNY, 20808279, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Caldwell, Texas.

J. B. EVAN, 20813430, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from Fort Worth, Texas.

JOHN CHICHA, JR., 36578121, Private First Class, Company F, 142d Infantry Regiment, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.

CLEMENT C. WARRELL, 31254361, Private First Class, Company F, 142d Infantry Regiment, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Fairfield Center, Vermont.

ELTON R. MORE, 34576529, Private First Class, Company F, 142d Infantry Regiment, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Macon, Georgia.

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- ALFRED A. FREULT, 31007491, Private First Class, Company E, 142d Infantry Regiment, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Springfield, Massachusetts.
- LIONEL E. CLOUTIER, 20818399, Private First Class, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 21 January 1944. Entered the Service from Fort Worth, Texas.
- RILEY T. DRAPER, 38052818, Private First Class, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 21 January 1944. Entered the Service from Mexia, Texas.
- STANISLAW G. NACHILO, 31273229, Private First Class, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 21 January 1944. Entered the Service from Bridgeport, Connecticut.
- THOMAS H. NELSON, 39926156, Private First Class (then Private), Company I, 142d Infantry Regiment, 1 February 1944. Entered the Service from Goble, Oregon.
- GEORGE E. REAHM, JR., 33597567, Private First Class (then Private), Company E, 142d Infantry Regiment, 1 February 1944. Entered the Service from Chester, Pa.
- CLARENCE R. JANSEN, 32941134, Private First Class, Company L, 141st Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Lanesville, New York.
- GEORGE P. FURFHY, 33583530, Private First Class, Company L, 141st Infantry Regiment, 16 June 1944. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- PELLE RIVERA, 38285808, Private First Class, Company L, 141st Infantry Regiment, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from Dallas, Texas.
- ENRIQUE FELIX, 39291925, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 29 May 1944. Entered the Service from Los Angeles, California.
- ALFRED A. DAILEY, 35788112, Private, Company L, 143d Infantry Regiment, 29 May 1944. Entered the Service from Cincinnati, Ohio.
- CHARLES L. HOOPES, 35525963, Private, Medical Detachment, 141st Infantry Regiment, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from Eriesside, Ohio.
- JOHN B. LANHAM, 37248508, Private, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Kansas City, Kansas.
- WILLIAM P. SBAND, 38277284, Private, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
- EDWARD R. PROSPERI, 31346211, Private, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Palmer, Massachusetts.
- HAROLD F. CARVER, 33530025, Private, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 21 January 1944. Entered the Service from Buchanan, Virginia.
- JOSEPH W. MAGNUSZNSKI, 42022853, Private, Company F, 142d Infantry Regiment, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Buffalo, New York.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the following named soldier is awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

MARK R. GADD, 32987872, Private, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Albany, New York.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

ROBERT J. CLEMMONS, 20809703, Staff Sergeant, Cannon Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 25 February 1944 in Italy. While Sergeant Clemmons repaired an immobilized half-track the enemy laid a murderous barrage of artillery and mortar fire on the area, destroying two other vehicles and seriously imperiling him. Heedless of this danger he continued to work until the half-track was repaired and then drove it to a place of safety. Informed that a self-propelled gun mount was immobilized in a ditch under enemy observation, he went to this vehicle and restored it to running order while the enemy attempted to knock it out with artillery fire. Sergeant Clemmons was killed in a later action. Next of kin: Mrs Robert J. Clemmons (Wife), 1719 North 3rd Street, Waco, Texas.

THOMAS C. COLLINS, 16063256, Private First Class, Company K, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 3 February 1944 in Italy. Private First Class Collins was on sentry duty in a fox-hole within one hundred fifty yards of the enemy lines during a heavy artillery barrage on the area when he saw that two comrades had been completely buried in their holes. Leaving the comparative safety of his position, he exposed himself to the fury of bursting mortar and artillery shells and small arms fire to uncover the trapped men and lead them to his fox-hole. By his courageous and quick-witted action he saved the two soldiers from suffocation. Private First Class Collins was killed during a later engagement. Next of kin: Mr. Frank Collins (Father), Yorksville, Illinois.

CHARLES DE FRANCISCO, 33586143, Private, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 21 June 1944 in Italy. Private De Francisco was assigned as radio operator to the 1st Battalion Communications Platoon during an attack on well fortified enemy positions. When heavy artillery and tank fire shattered all the wire lines, radio was the only available means of communication. In spite of the continuous enemy shelling, he steadfastly maintained his position and remained with his radio, transmitting the necessary orders to coordinate the troop movements in the attack. In order to continue operating the radio it became necessary to move to another, more exposed position. While fearlessly advancing under the heavy barrage, he was killed by the shell fire. Next of kin: Mrs Catherine De Francisco (Mother), 46 North Fellon Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Silver Star is awarded to the following named soldier, missing in action, for gallantry.

AUGUST DETLEFSEN, 32995492, Private, Company C, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 May 1944 in Italy. Private Detlefsen's platoon was ordered to pull back and shorten its lines so contact could be established with friendly forces on both flanks. A covering force was needed to protect the withdrawal. Because it was uncertain that any would reach safety, volunteers were requested for the covering force. Private Detlefsen volunteered, and continued his fire while the platoon withdrew and until the others of the covering force had followed the platoon to the new position. When last seen Private Detlefsen, attempting to withdraw, had fallen under heavy small arms fire. Since this engagement he has been reported missing in action. Next of kin: Mr. August W. Detlefsen (Father), 5016 3d Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

HARRY C. STAKES, 0407590, Captain, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 June 1944 in Italy. While on a reconnaissance, Captain Stakes was warned that the commanding ground on his right front was occupied by enemy troops. Immediately cognizant of the hazards this obstacle presented to his regiment's advance, he skillfully organized his small task force of thirteen men and led them in an attack on the hill. Displaying unusual qualities of leadership and aggressiveness, he directed his men in destroying the enemy strong point, killing 5 hostile soldiers and capturing 17 prisoners. Entered the Service from Huntsville, Texas.

GEORGE C. ABEL, 33591767, Private First Class, Company L, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 14 June 1944 in Italy. The machine gun section of Company L had crossed a small stream into flat, exposed ground and was being subjected to mortar and machine gun fire. Private First Class Abel was directed to contact the platoon leader. At the stream he was stopped and warned that it was impossible for him to reach the platoon leader because of the violent enemy fire, but he was undeterred and made his way over two hundred yards of open ground to reach the officer. Having delivered his message, Private First Class Abel started to return, making his way under constant enemy fire aimed at him. When he reached the partial safety of a ditch he heard someone calling, looked back and saw the platoon leader lying wounded in the exposed area. Recrossing the dangerous stretch a third time, Private First Class Abel went to the fallen officer and carried him to a protected place where medical attention could be given him. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

HARRY J. MIESCH, 38039340, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 25 May 1944 in Italy. Private First Class Miesch was advancing in a convoy making a forward displacement to a newly established command post when a truck, loaded with artillery shells approaching him along the heavily mined road, struck a mine and burst into flames. The route was congested with vehicles bringing personnel and equipment to the rapidly advancing forward elements, and the hot, smoking shells and smouldering debris formed an effective road block which halted all traffic. Although the fire had set off the ammunition and a series of violent explosions sent shell fragments hurtling in all directions, Private First Class Miesch, aware of the necessity for removing the

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which prevented his convoy from continuing, began clearing the road of the mounds and debris. Constantly imperilled by the unexploded ammunition smoking from the truck, he worked swiftly at his hazardous task until the obstructions were removed and the traffic could continue forward. Entered the Service from Sheffield, Illinois.

OMAR J. PEREZ, 35174016, Private First Class, Company C, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 31 May 1944 in Italy. Private First Class Perez, an automatic rifleman, advanced with his platoon to attack strongly fortified enemy positions protected by barbed wire, mines, and booby traps. The attack jumped off under terrific enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire. As the platoon crawled slowly forward through terrain that the enemy had cleared for fields of fire for their weapons, Private First Class Perez was wounded three times. He refused evacuation and continued to fight doggedly, firing his weapon with deadly effectiveness. Reduced in strength to twelve men, the platoon withdrew, and, though again wounded in both hands, Private First Class Perez continued firing and covered the withdrawal of his comrades. Entered the Service from Canton, Ohio.

GEORGE W. SIMMONS, 39326126, Private First Class, Company C, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 31 May 1944 in Italy. A scout, Private First Class Simmons was first to come under the brutally accurate machine gun, mortar and artillery fire with which the enemy opposed an attack by his platoon. Painfully wounded in the head and face by a grenade burst, he refused evacuation and continued to point out targets with his fire until the increased tempo of enemy fire forced the platoon to withdraw. Fighting to cover the withdrawal of the platoon, he was last to leave the battlefield. After his wounds were dressed he secured a submachine gun and returned to his platoon to stand guard all night without relief. Entered the Service from Medford, Oregon.

CHARLES H. GREEVES, 32914029, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 May 1944 in Italy. A combat patrol was advancing on a strategic hill when it encountered the enemy main line of resistance and was pinned to the ground by intense machine gun fire. Because the nature of the terrain prevented his firing from a prone position, Private First Class Greeves stood erect, consciously exposing himself to the sweeping automatic weapons fire, to deliver sub-machine gun fire on the enemy emplacements. He fired two magazines with extreme accuracy, killing three hostile soldiers and neutralizing the gun position. When he spotted his platoon sergeant carrying a wounded man to safety, he courageously exposed himself to enemy observation to attract the enemy fire, thus enabling his two comrades to withdraw in safety. He was wounded while performing these heroic deeds. Entered the Service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

WILBUR POSTON, 34728537, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 May 1944 in Italy. The combat patrol in which Private First Class Poston was an ammunition bearer was pinned down by rapid bursts of machine gun fire. He courageously occupied an exposed machine gun position when the gunner was wounded. In spite of the handicap of a broken hand, he continued directing accurate fire on the hostile force until his supply of ammunition was depleted. When the order to withdraw was given, he remained in position and stood erect to cover his comrades withdrawal with sub-machine fire. Not until the entire patrol had reached safety would he seek cover for himself. Entered the Service from Livingston, Tennessee.

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SECTION IV -- CORRECTED AWARD OF SILVER STAR

OK. So much of General Orders Number 223 and 224, cs, this Headquarters, as awards a ~~Bronze~~ Star Medal to ROBERT M. BEAULIEU, 31178794, Technician Third Grade and WILFRED LANGLOIS, 31245906, Technician Third Grade, both of the Medical Detachment, 141st Infantry Regiment are rescinded, and the following substituted therefor:

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named soldiers for gallantry in action.

WILFRED LANGLOIS, 31245906, Technician Third Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

ROBERT M. BEAULIEU, 31178794, Technician Third Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Nashua, New Hampshire.

For gallantry in action from 15 to 18 December 1943 in Italy. The above named soldiers were assigned as aid men to Company G when that unit moved in an attack on enemy positions. They advanced with the assault forces until they were stopped by intense mortar shelling and deadly machine gun fire. The company was forced to withdraw, but they remained in the hazardous area to help collect the wounded and remove them to a protected ravine. Despite the personal danger involved, they refused to leave their patients for three days and nights, continually administering effective first aid treatment and on numerous occasions making the perilous trip to the forward aid station to guide litter bearers to the ravine and evacuate the wounded men.

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SECTION I — AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, the following named soldier is awarded a Soldier's Medal for heroism.

CHASNER C. VAN DE VELDE, 36319279, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 149th Infantry Regiment, for heroism on 25 May 1944 in Italy. Sergeant Van De Velde was advancing in a convoy when a truck loaded with artillery shells struck a mine and burst into flames. The route was congested with vehicles bringing personnel and equipment to the rapidly advancing forward elements; and the hot, smoking shells and smouldering debris formed an effective road block which halted all traffic. Although the fire had been setting off the ammunition and a series of violent explosions had sent shell fragments hurtling in all directions, Sergeant Van De Velde, aware of the necessity for removing the block which prevented his convoy from continuing, began clearing the road of the hot shells and debris. Constantly imperilled by the unexploded ammunition smoking on the truck, he worked swiftly at his hazardous task until the obstructions were removed and the traffic could continue forward. Entered the Service from Texarkana, Texas.

SECTION II — AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the following named individuals are each awarded a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations in Italy.

- DIAMOS C. THILLBARE, 20819402, Technician Fifth Grade, 736th Ordnance (Ld) Company, 16 November to 30 December 1943. Entered the Service from Round Rock, Tex.
- THOMAS J. FRATE, 35434529, Technician Fifth Grade, 736th Ordnance (Ld) Company, 16 November to 30 December 1943. Entered the Service from Wheeling, W. Va.
- HARVEY J. SMITH, 38035945, Technician Fifth Grade, 736th Ordnance (Ld) Company, 16 November to 30 December 1943. Entered the Service from Fort Worth, Texas.
- WILLIAM F. ROOK, 36192046, Private First Class, 736th Ordnance (Ld) Company, 16 November to 30 December 1943. Entered the Service from Jackson, Michigan.
- HERBERT E. TOWNSEND, 20806747, Private, 736th Ordnance (Ld) Company, 16 November to 30 December 1943. Entered the Service from Wichita Falls, Texas.
- WILLIS M. POORIAN, 33247628, Private, 736th Ordnance (Ld) Company, 16 November to 30 December 1943. Entered the Service from State College, Pennsylvania.

SECTION III — AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the following

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named soldier is awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

HAROLD C. SPRING, 39309677, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 3 June 1944. Entered the Service from Seattle, Washington.

SECTION IV -- COMMENDATION FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CONDUCT; MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, each of the following named individuals, missing in action, is commended for exceptionally meritorious conduct.

CARL C. TSCHANTZ, 013174444, Second Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment.
Next of kin: Mrs Margaret Tschantz (mother), 373 Pearl Street, Akron, Ohio.
JULIUS F. ROHAN, 38026867, Private First Class, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment. Next of kin: Miss Sophie Rohan (Sister), city unknown, Texas.
RICHARD V. GONZALES, 39564974, Private, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment.
Next of kin: Mrs Concepcion Gonzales (mother), 700 South Concord, Los Angeles, Cal.

For exceptionally meritorious conduct on 20 January 1944 in Italy. The above named officer and enlisted men were ordered to cross a strategic river and attack strongly fortified enemy positions on the opposite bank, they approached the river across open, heavily mined terrain, subjected to intense artillery barrages, and under enemy observation. Although many of the assault boats employed in the river crossing were destroyed by enemy fire, they continued valiantly forward and helped launch the attack against the enemy. With contact between units rendered impossible by a dense fog, the above named officer and enlisted men courageously took positions under continuous artillery, mortar and machine gun fire and engaged the enemy in close combat. They held their positions until their ammunition was completely exhausted and they were ordered to withdraw. Since this engagement they have been reported missing in action.

SECTION V -- COMMENDATION FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, each of the following named individuals is commended for exceptionally meritorious conduct.

MURREL P. ADAMS, 20818603, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion. Entered the Service from Paris, Texas.
ERNEST M. POOL JR, 38065976, Technician Third Grade, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion. Entered the Service from Dumas, Texas.
JAMES A. THOMAS, 20818627, Technician Third Grade, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion. Entered the Service from Paris, Texas.
JAMIA P. PATTON, 20814540, Sergeant, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion, Entered the Service from Cleburne, Texas.
IRA E. SCHLIENTZ, 36359805, Technician Fourth Grade, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.
JAMES H. DAVIS, 20818631, Technician Fourth Grade, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion. Entered the Service from Paris, Texas.

For exceptionally meritorious conduct from 4 December 1943 to 7 January 1944 and from 21 January to 26 February 1944 in Italy. As aid men, the above named soldiers worked tirelessly during savage mountain fighting, enduring bitter cold weather, to treat the wounded and alleviate their suffering. Under continual artillery bombardment, they worked with calm efficiency even when a direct hit on the aid station killed one man and injured others. Later, when the aid station was so far to the front that it was under direct enemy observation and artillery

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and mortar shells peppered the area, piercing nearby ambulances, they still worked on, unperturbed by their own great danger and the hardships they endured.

GEORGE W. LESKO, 01015785, First Lieutenant, 751st Tank Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 4 June 1944 in Italy. While reservicing their tanks in preparation for a forthcoming engagement, the commander of Company D and several other men were wounded. Lieutenant Lesko, a platoon leader, immediately assumed command of the company and, despite heavy shell fire, went from tank to tank, skillfully regrouping the company, supervising the care and evacuation of the wounded and restoring order within the unit. When the tanks again moved forward into the attack, his calmness under fire and his intelligent leadership were largely responsible for the successful participation of the company in the operation. Entered the Service from Danbury, Connecticut.

CLARENCE J. BOUNDY, 01294423, First Lieutenant, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 20 June 1944 in Italy. As the 1st Battalion Headquarters personnel marched forward across flat, open terrain, they were suddenly subjected to a heavy enemy artillery barrage. When Lieutenant Boundy was informed of the situation, he immediately pressed through the ceaseless shell fire to the men. Realizing the necessity for moving the men from the exposed area, he urged them to leave their holes and directed them forward. He courageously remained in the shelled area until all the men had moved to the positions of safety. Entered the Service from Highland Park, Michigan.

DICKENSON O. COLLINSON, 01015453, Second Lieutenant, 753d Tank Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 13 June 1944 in Italy. Lieutenant Collinson, when informed that his company commander had been wounded on a reconnaissance patrol and was lying exposed to heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire, unhesitatingly moved forward of the friendly lines to assist the officer. He rendered effective first aid and, ignoring the ceaseless shelling and the sweeping machine gun fire, remained with the company commander until a tank could arrive for his evacuation. Entered the Service from Arcadia, Wisconsin.

FRANK W. GASTON, 20614774, First Sergeant, Battery A, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct from 8 February 1944 to 12 March 1944 in Italy. At various intervals during this period when the only remaining officer in the battery was called away to attend conferences and reconnoiter new positions, Sergeant Gaston assumed command of the battery. Under his capable guidance the battery continued to function normally; and, through his untiring efforts the handling of fire missions was performed efficiently and without delay. Entered the Service from Paris, Texas.

JACK H. AUTEN, 38025463, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 21 June 1944 in Italy. When he was told that the regimental mail truck had been hit by enemy fire and one of the men had been seriously wounded, Sergeant Auten immediately volunteered to go to the rescue. He drove along the highway with a jeep driver and a rifleman until he came within sight of the abandoned truck. He then left the jeep and moved alone. In spite of intense sniper fire and harassing artillery fire he reached the truck and, finding that the wounded man had already been evacuated, drove the vehicle back to the safety of the friendly positions. Entered the Service from San Angelo, Texas.

WILLIAM H. WHITLOCK, 20814441, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct from 17 November

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1943 to 3 March 1944 in Italy. Sergeant Whitlock, having been informed that vitally needed radios had been disabled because of inclement weather and enemy action, volunteered to carry new radios to units located on mountains. The trails were slippery and dangerous and at times subjected to heavy enemy artillery and mortar shelling. Despite these hazards, Sergeant Whitlock succeeded in his task. Entered the Service from Corsicana, Texas.

LEWIS G. WORRELL, 34131132, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 753d Tank Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct from 23 to 25 May 1944 in Italy. Although the usual procedure in repairing tanks involved retrieving the tanks and bringing them to a rear assembly area, Tec 5 Worrell, aware of the shortage of tanks in his unit, voluntarily remained at the front lines during this period. He worked indefatigably, without rest or sleep, under constant artillery and mortar shelling and sweeping machine gun fire. He helped retrieve and repair six disabled tanks and, in spite of the hazardous conditions, had them back in action with a minimum of delay. Entered the Service from Olla, Louisiana.

BILLY Y. LOONEY, 38037595, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 19 December 1943, in Italy. When wounded men were reported beyond the 3d Battalion command post, Private Looney led a litter squad through a heavy enemy artillery and mortar barrage to find them. Shells bursting nearby forced the squad to take cover in a bomb crater, but Private Looney crawled seventy yards under terrific fire to treat a badly wounded soldier. On returning to the squad he was pinned down by an enemy sniper. Escaping from this threat, he led his squad to the wounded man and directed his evacuation. The prompt treatment made possible by Private Looney's courage saved the soldier's life. Entered the Service from New Boston, Texas.

MARION R. CAMERON, 33832614, Private First Class, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 11 June 1944 in Italy. During a determined enemy counterattack, Private First Class Cameron left the comparative safety of the company command post and braved continuous fire from self-propelled weapons and tanks to reach an unoccupied mortar position. He helped put the mortar into action against the enemy and then, ignoring the small arms fire which was directed at his position, delivered effective mortar fire against the enemy. Entered the Service from Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

- WILLIARD O. BRAXTON, 7080084, Sergeant, Company B, 143d Infantry Regiment, 31 May 1944. Next of kin: Mr. Eli Braxton (Father), Marianna, Florida.
- STEPHEN C. MC INTYRE, 32851622, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 36th Division Artillery, 25 June 1944. Next of kin: Mr. Cecil McIntyre (Father), Copake, New York.

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

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals, missing in action, for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

- MICHAEL REJTMAR, 32302194, Technical Sergeant, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment, 20 January 1944. Next of kin: Mrs Margaret Rejtmar (mother), Bernardsville, New Jersey.
- JOHN J. MOKOLIK, 38026848, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment, 20 January 1944. Next of kin: Mrs Annie Mokolik (mother), Route #2, Taylor, Texas.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, each of the following named individuals is awarded a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

- MARSHALL F. WHITL, 01307507, Second Lieutenant, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment, 20 January 1944. Entered the Service from Sherman, Texas.
- JACK L. LIND, 20805688, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Snyder, Texas.
- EDWARD H. MORRIS, 39915995, Sergeant, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment, 20 January 1944. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- ALVIN O. ANDERSON, 39525629, Private First Class, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, 30 May 1944. Entered the Service from Amelia, Virginia.
- WILLIAM D. BOYCHL, 35277369, Private First Class, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Akron, Ohio.

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CHARLES D. MOSS, 32866890, Private First Class, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

PAUL WARTHICK, 15341624, Private First Class, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

WAYNE L. PAUL, 33374108, Private First Class, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Coatesville, Pennsylvania.

CLAIR E. SHOFF, 33574892, Private First Class, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Cresson, Pennsylvania.

BENJAMIN C. HAMIL, Jr, 36677664, Private, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.

DANIEL J. KILIFF, 35289947, Private, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Cleveland, Ohio.

WILLIAM R. YODER, 33733908, Private, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Grantsville, Maryland.

MARK R. GADD, 32987872, Private, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Nassau, New York.

MORACE H. WILLIAMS, 37676548, Private, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

LEO J. DARNELL, 34890082, Private, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Elkin, North Carolina.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations in Italy.

TRUMAN A. LADDOX, 38050501, Sergeant, 36th Quartermaster Company, 9 September 1943 to 1 May 1944. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.

FRANCIS H. HANSON, 16116239, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 19 January to 27 February 1944. Entered the Service from Prairie Du Chien, Wisconsin.

JAMES E. HASEK, 36642535, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 19 January to 27 February 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

HARRY R. WIPPOLD, 33191625, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 19 January to 27 February 1944. Entered the Service from Washington, D.C.

DON CAMERON, 35248067, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 19 January to 27 February 1944. Entered the Service from Pikeville, Kentucky.

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officer for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

JAMES O. BRINKLEY, 01683427, Second Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, 27 May 1944. Entered the Service from East, Texas.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individuals for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations in Italy.

ROBERT D. DILLER, 16062508, Master Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment, 9 to 22 September 1943. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.

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SECTION V -- COMMENDATION FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, each of the following named individuals is commended for exceptionally meritorious conduct.

MILTON L. CROW, 0407020, Captain, 142d Infantry Regiment, (for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 13 June 1944 in Italy. Captain Crow was assigned the task of coordinating the attack of tanks and rifle companies to take an important town. During the attack, communications were interrupted and in order to maintain the desired coordination of the attacking units, Captain Crow personally chose the most direct routes for contacting and informing the Battalion units of new firing missions for the tanks in conjunction with the infantry advance. Despite heavy sniper fire, he effected a coordinated attack. His courage and determination expedited the capture of the town with a minimum of casualties to the leading elements of the battalion. Entered the Service from Amarillo, Texas.

VERNON N. BLAND, 01321737, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), 142d Infantry Regiment, (for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 14 June 1944 in Italy. Then Lieutenant Bland's platoon moved to attack an enemy-held hill, heavy artillery fire delayed the advance. Realizing the peril of his exposed troops, he reconnoitered and found a protected route through a draw. Although constantly exposed to enemy fire, he capably maneuvered small groups of his men until all were in the draw with a minimum of losses. Advancing under the protection of the draw, he led the platoon to successful completion of the mission. Entered the Service from Tucson, Arizona.

LEWIS W. KONRICK, 38026853, Sergeant, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Thrall, Texas.

WILLIAM J. FABRIZIO, 31342939, Private First Class, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Hartford, Connecticut.

RICHARD B. NOWLING, 14131629, Private First Class, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from St. Petersburg, Florida.

OSKELLY L. FARABE, 33403588, Private First Class, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JODIE WILLIAMS, 38026805, Private First Class, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Austin, Texas.

FLOYD R. MARLER, 37400350, Private First Class, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Barrington, Missouri.

MELVIN W. MC LUCAS, 33503105, Private, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Greencastle, Pennsylvania.

RALPH A. MAURICE, 31321237, Private, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Kennebunk, Maine.

STANLEY GODLEWSKI, 33469046, Private, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

PETER ROSENBERG, 32875681, Private, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

BERNARDO P. VERCELLI, 33454618, Private, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Washington, D. C.

DONALD D. MILORD, 39329562, Private, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Eugene, Oregon.

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PORFIRIO C. LOPEZ, 39204320, Private, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment.
Entered the Service from Azusa, California.

For exceptionally meritorious conduct on 20 January 1944 in Italy. The above named soldiers were ordered to cross a strategic river and attack strongly fortified enemy positions on the opposite bank. They approached the river across open, heavily mined terrain, subjected to intense artillery barrages, and under enemy observation. Although many of the assault boats employed in the river crossing were destroyed by enemy fire, they continued valiantly forward and helped launch the attack against the enemy. With contact between units rendered impossible by a dense fog, the above named soldiers courageously took their positions under continuous artillery, mortar and machine gun fire and engaged the enemy in close combat. They held their positions until their ammunition was completely exhausted and they were ordered to withdraw.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, each of the following named individuals is awarded a Bronze Star medal for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

IRMAN M. NEWMAN, 0357207, Captain, 141st Infantry Regiment, 8 to 27 February 1944. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

WALTER W. KOLOSHA, 01170453, First Lieutenant, 36th Division Artillery, 25 June 1944. Entered the Service from Cambridge, Massachusetts.

HARRY J. DAWSON, 01322428, Second Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Fairfield, Alabama. *Revised by no 285, 11 Aug 44*

~~HERBERT H. [unclear], 20816074, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 157th Air to Amphibious Battalion, 21 June 1944. Entered the Service from Fort Worth, Tex.~~

FRANK B. OWEN, 38036975, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company B, 141st Infantry Regiment, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Wichita Falls, Tex.

RAY W. ARMSTRONG, 35102072, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company D, 751st Tank Battalion, 3 June 1944. Entered the Service from New Salisbury, Indiana.

HERMAN P. POLSON, 2081454E, Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 36th Division Artillery, 26 May 1944. Entered the Service from Cleburne, Texas. *Revised by no 285, 11 Aug 44*

JOHN BOB PARKS, 38039745, Technician Fourth Grade, Company B, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 27 May to 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Spencer, Ia. *(2908)*

CLEMENT T. MILLS, 37282836, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 141st Infantry Regiment, 15 December 1943. Entered the Service from Britton, South Dakota.

EDWIN E. FOJTASEK, 20807998, Corporal, Cannon Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 28 May 1944. Entered the Service from Temple, Texas.

HAYDON L. NEWKIRK, 35459653, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 27 May to 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Butler, Ky.

FRANK J. NOVELLI, 38050983, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Galveston, Tex.

BERNARD W. JOYCE, 32432442, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), Medical Detachment, 141st Infantry Regiment, 16 December 1943. Entered the Service from Port Chester, New York.

BOYD D. HAWKINS, 35267657, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from Gratz, Kentucky.

ANDREW MITRO, 32236332, Private First Class, Company B, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 27 May to 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Carteret, N. J.

JAMES C. ELROD, 20804628, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 3 June 1944. Entered the Service from Coleman, Texas.

DONALD R. LAPPEN, 36813304, Private First Class, Company K, 141st Infantry Regiment, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Kaukauna, Wisconsin.

ROBERT MC CARTHY, 31165225, Private First Class, Company K, 141st Infantry Regiment, 15 January 1944. Entered the Service from Sherborn, Massachusetts.

RICHARD E. JOHNSON, 39566762, Private First Class, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, 14 June 1944. Entered the Service from Los Angeles, California.

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MIKE N. GONZALES, JR, 38025772, Private First Class, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, 30 May 1944. Entered the Service from Brownsville, Texas.

TEOFILO J. SANDOVAL, 38026399, Private First Class, Company M, 142d Infantry Regiment, 15 June 1944. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas

SHERMAN S. SMITH, 35219549, Private First Class, Company M, 142d Infantry Regiment, 15 June 1944. Entered the Service from Dayton, Ohio.

WILLIAM H. PEARCE, 34891835, Private, Company F, 142d Infantry Regiment, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Hendersonville, North Carolina.

VINCENT J. CAMPISI, 42036254, Private, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, 30 May 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

CARL E. CURTIS, 34635158, Private, Company M, 142d Infantry Regiment, 15 June 1944. Entered the Service from Fannin, Mississippi.

JOHN M. HAYES, 12193497, Private, Company L, 141st Infantry Regiment, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.

DANA E. THOMAS, 31270160, Company B, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 27 May to 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Middleboro, Massachusetts.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, each of the following named individuals is awarded a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations in Italy.

WILLIAM E. KELLEY, 01288065, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Army Ground Forces, from 1 March 1944 to 26 June 1944. Entered the Service from Decatur, Michigan.

GEORGE M. TAYLOR, 33127292, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 19 January to 27 February 1944. Entered the Service from Spottswood, Virginia.

CASIMIR A. JANICKI, 35160729, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 19 January to 27 February 1944. Entered the Service from Otis, Indiana.

JOHN C. BEEB, 38025841, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 19 January to 27 February 1944. Entered the Service from Alice, Texas.

WILLIS E. BELL, 38025708, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 16th Infantry Division, 9 September to 26 June 1944. Entered the Service from Hamlingen, Texas.

SAMUEL H. STERNER, 33231400, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 19 January to 27 February 1944. Entered the Service from Jonestown, Pennsylvania.

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SECTION I — COMMENDATION FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, each of the following named individuals is commended for exceptionally meritorious conduct.

WILLIAM L. BUSH, O407530, Captain, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct from 16 November to 21 December 1943 in Italy. Operating close behind the enemy lines, Captain Bush's battery was subjected to constant harassing fire by enemy mortars and small arms. The enemy had excellent observation for counterbattery fire from a hill mass to the left. To lessen the vulnerability of his battery and accomplish his mission, Captain Bush achieved effective dispersion and camouflage, reduced movement to bare essentials, and generally coordinated activities so as to avoid enemy detection. Skillfully directing his men to take advantage of all natural protection and properly dig in, he gave them maximum protection without loss of firing effectiveness. Entered the Service from Fayetteville, Arkansas.

THOMAS W. HAZEN, O1703074, Second Lieutenant, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct from 30 May to 5 June 1944 in Italy. Throughout this period Lieutenant Hazen was platoon leader of a group of litter squads, which were charged with rapid evacuation of casualties from the front lines. As the troops advanced, he made numerous trips into the mountains, both by day and night, to reconnoiter routes which would expedite the evacuation of the wounded. In spite of heavy artillery shelling and persistent sniper fire, he never faltered in performing his self-imposed tasks, and he insured prompt medical attention to the numerous casualties. Entered the Service from Alliance, Ohio.

CLAY L. ANDERSON, 20818610, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Detachment, 111th Medical Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct from 17 January 1944 to 27 February 1944 in Italy. The many casualties suffered by the division during this period caused a severe drain on medical supplies. By tireless efforts, initiative and foresight, Sergeant Anderson maintained a sufficient reserve of supplies at all forward medical stations to meet all demands. To accomplish this he established and maintained a system of statistics and accounts that showed the quantities of certain items used during periods of combat, and with this data he estimated future requirements and established proper stock levels. Entered the Service from Lake Creek, Texas.

JIM D. JAMES, 20874562, Corporal, medical Detachment, 139d Field Artillery Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 1 July 1944 in Italy. Returning from the clearing station in his ambulance, Corporal James was stopped on a bridge by soldiers who told him a truck loaded with troops had just gone over the bank. Hurrying down to the creek bed twenty-five feet below, Corporal James found five severely injured men, one lying unconscious submerged in the water. Corporal

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James immediately pulled this man to the bank. With outstanding efficiency he administered artificial respiration, saving the man's life. Entered the Service from Cleburne, Texas.

MARION A. RESSINGER, 35267785, Private, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 31 May 1944 in Italy. During a strong enemy attack, Private Ressinger volunteered to help form an ammunition supply line to the forward fighting troops. Carrying heavy boxes of ammunition over flat, open ground, under direct enemy sniper, machine gun and mortar fire, he made his way to the front lines. By frequently changing his route he was able to help carry enough ammunition forward to make possible the repulsion of the enemy attack. Entered the Service from Dayton, Ohio.

WALTER BECKER, 35098023, Private, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 29 December 1943 in Italy. As a volunteer member of a combat patrol instructed to attack enemy positions in a nearby town, Private Becker was assigned the task of operating a radio and maintaining communications with his commanding officer. As the patrol approached the town, the friendly artillery which had been blasting the enemy emplacement ceased firing. Private Becker and his comrades advanced aggressively across open terrain until they were caught in the crossfire of three enemy machine guns which pinned them to the ground. Private Becker maintained contact with his commanding officer and received instructions from him as he pressed forward under the intense fire. When higher headquarters ordered the patrol to withdraw, he and his companions returned to their unit with valuable information concerning enemy gun positions. Entered the Service from La Porte, Indiana.

ABEL H. DE SMET, 36740001, Private, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 31 May 1944 in Italy. Private De Smet, assigned as Headquarters Company clerk, joined an ammunition carrying detail during a strong enemy attack and made several trips to Company C for additional ammunition. Realizing that this method was too slow, he loaded a jeep with mortar ammunition and drove in the face of intense sniper fire toward his company's positions. In spite of the many hazards, he succeeded in driving to within easy carrying distance of the company, thereby furnishing his comrades with an ample supply of ammunition. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

JOSEPH R. KENNEDY, 01316429, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Denbo, Pennsylvania.

JACK MASON, 34049244, Corporal, Antitank Company, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Madison City, Mississippi.

SANTOS G. GRANADO, 38026225, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Refugio, Texas.

For exceptionally meritorious conduct on 25 June 1944 in Italy. When a firing mission was required of the company against three enemy tanks that were shelling a nearby battalion command post, the above named officer and enlisted men were operating a gun that had been placed in an exposed position to gain a better field of fire. The above named officer and enlisted men were ordered to fire at the extreme range of 2000 yards, and they opened fire and remained at their post even though exposed to continued shelling that was directed on their position. As a result of their bravery the enemy tanks were dispersed and forced to withdraw; thus the command post was rid of a grave threat.

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ARTHUR C. BIBB, JR, 38026785, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered the Service from Leander, Texas.

ELBIE C. CARR, 38060696, Sergeant, Company B, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered the Service from Canadian, Texas.

WILSON E. THROCKMORTON, 37147161, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered the Service from Wheatland, Wyoming.

JOHN M. LOZANO, 38027351, Private First Class, Company B, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

WILLIS H. IARE, 35322748, Private First Class, Company B, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

For exceptionally meritorious conduct, from 16 to 26 November 1943 in Italy. The above named soldiers were a wire crew section which helped establish and maintain wire communications with the forward observation post and helped the battalion wire crew in maintaining the battalion line. Working under the most adverse weather conditions, frequently subjected to artillery shelling, they displayed unusual skill and courage in performing their difficult duties.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army regulations 600-45, the following named individuals are each awarded a Purple Heart for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Italy.

GEORGE WEINSCHEL, 01557234, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, 25 May 1944. Entered the Service from Corsicana, Texas.

DOYLE C. PHILLIPS, 20809510, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 2, January 1944. Entered the Service from Hillsboro, Texas.

SECTION III -- CORRECTED AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

So much of General Orders Number 242, cs, this Headquarters, as commends CHARLES W. BANDS, 33001397, Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 36th Division Artillery, for gallantry in action on 9 September 1943, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor: NIF 2/2/45 - 1/14/46 - 3/11/46

"Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted man for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

"CHARLES W. BANDS, 33001397, Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 36th Division Artillery, 9 September 1943. Entered the Service from Baltimore, Maryland."

SECTION IV -- CORRECTED AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

OK: So much of General Orders Number 215, cs, this Headquarters, 29 June 1944, as awards an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Purple Heart to FREDERICK L. YOUNG, 01304301, Second Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

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OK. "Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a third Purple Heart is awarded to the following named individual of the 143d Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Italy."

OK. "FREDERICK L. YOUNG, 01304301, Second Lieutenant, 10 2 1944. Entered the Service from Los Angeles, California."

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, each of the following named individuals is awarded a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

- Award by [unclear] 479 (Sec. 2), 159*
- CECIL P. CLINTON, 20817923, First Sergeant, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 February 1944. Entered the Service from Greenville, Texas.
- JERRAL JULIAN, 20817964, Sergeant, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 February 1944. Entered the Service from Greenville, Texas.
- KENNETH F. BRODBECK, 36173964, Technician Fifth Grade, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 February 1944. Entered the Service from Greenville, Texas. **MONROE, MICH.**
- RICHARD G. NIMS, 32236760, Private First Class, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 February 1944. Entered the Service from Orange, New Jersey.
- CARL R. PRUZINSKY, 36173345, Private First Class, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 February 1944. Entered the Service from Detroit, Mich.
- WILLIAM H. WILLSON, 36173748, Private First Class, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 February 1944. Entered the Service from Pontiac, Mich.
- STEPHEN J. SINCHAK, 35276660, Private First Class, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 February 1944. Entered the Service from Cuyahoga, Ohio.
- JOHN A. BEAVER, 36173945, Private First Class, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 February 1944. Entered the Service from Grand Haven, Mich.
- GROVER C. DAVIS, JR, 34450557, Private, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 February 1944. Entered the Service from Graham, North Carolina.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

- FRANK B. JACKSON, 38035932, First Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company F, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 December 1943. Entered the Service from Fort Worth, Texas.
- AUBREY T. JETER, 20817962, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 February 1944. Entered the Service from Greenville, Texas.
- LUTHER S. BRUCE, 20817922, Technician Fourth Grade, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 February 1944. Entered the Service from Telephone, Texas.
- * CLYFTON N. JONES, 36173955, Corporal, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, ~~24 February 1944~~ Entered the Service from Midland, Michigan. *Citation Award Amend. to read: Second O.L.C. to the B.S.M. by HQ 343-9/16/44. 14 June 1944*
- CHARLES L. BRADY, 37209023, Technician Fifth Grade, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 February 1944. Entered the Service from Manhattan, Kansas.

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RICHARD L. KILNE, 33724191, Private First Class, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 February 1944. Entered the Service from Baltimore, Md.
HERBERT A. LORIE, 36173672, Private First Class, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 February 1944. Entered the Service from Flint, Mich.
JOHN W. MESE, 35607902, Private, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 February 1944. Entered the Service from Akron, Ohio.

SECTION III -- COMMENDATION FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following named individuals are commended for exceptionally meritorious conduct.

CARLIO LAMANCUSA, 33245686, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 2680th MIS (Prov), for exceptionally meritorious conduct from 19 August 1943 to 2 July 1944 in Africa and Italy. During this entire period Sergeant Lamancusa performed excellent work in the interrogation of ex-Italian soldiers and Italian civilians, and provided the staff of this division with valuable information. At all times Sergeant Lamancusa did his work thoroughly and cheerfully, often working under unfavorable conditions. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

KIT C. MITCHELL, 38038620, Staff Sergeant, 36th Signal Company, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 31 May 1944 in Italy. While Sergeant Mitchell was sitting in the back seat of a radio reconnaissance car, the camouflage net covering the vehicle burst into flames. Needless of his personal safety and desirous only of saving the vehicle and the radio set mounted within it, he jumped into the driver's seat and backed the car from the burning area. Although he saved the vehicle from destruction, his hair caught fire and his hands and face were severely burned. Entered the Service from Dallas, Texas.

C. A. MC MILLAN, 38065825, Private, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 4 June 1944 in Italy. When advances by the infantry necessitated establishment of an evacuation route for transporting wounded by jeeps, Private McMillan made the first reconnaissance of a new way through uncleared mine fields. Driving his jeep along a route he knew in advance to be under heavy artillery and sniper fire, he located a suitable location for an evacuation point. After a collecting point for three battalions had been established at this place he continued to drive his vehicle and transported wounded until all had been evacuated. Entered the Service from Lubbock, Texas.

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NO. 262

Posthumous Award of Bronze Star Medal..... I
Award of Bronze Star Medal..... II

SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

ALBERT J. MAILNOT, 31178923, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 146d Infantry Regiment, 9 June 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Juliette Mailnot (Mother), 259 Union Street, Manchester, New Hampshire.

AUDRY ROBINETTE, 38051847, Private First Class, Company K, 146d Infantry Regiment, 9 June 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Mintia Robinette (Mother), Route #2, Livingston, Texas.

JOSEPH P. APISSO, 31381251, Private, Company K, 143d Infantry Regiment, 9 June 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Rose Apisso (Mother), 28 William Street, New Britain, Connecticut.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

HAROLD I. OWENS, 0467224, First Lieutenant, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 29 May 1944. Entered the Service from Carrollton, Missouri.

WILLIAM G. WILEY, 20803178, Technical Sergeant, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 22 January 1944. Entered the Service from Luling, Texas.

JIM BURNS, 33026295, Technical Sergeant, Company II, 142d Infantry Regiment, 15 June 1944. Entered the Service from Corpus Christi, Texas.

RAYMOND H. SLAUGHTER, 20817529, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters & Service Company, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, from 26 May 1944 to 27 June 1944. Entered the Service from Port Arthur, Texas.

LOUIS J. DONATELLA, 33288976, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JOHN P. BURKE, JR., 32733687, Private First Class, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Geneva, New York.

Citation amended by Det 282 - Aug 5, 1944.
* NEWTON I. FOOTE, 20817505, Private First Class, Headquarters & Service Company, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 5 July 1944. Entered the Service from Port Arthur, Texas. *5 June 1944.*

JACK FRIDGE, 38035621, Private, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion, 3 June 1944. Entered the Service from Fort Worth, Texas.

STANLEY CAPP, 32995410, Private, Company L, 141st Infantry Regiment, 3 June 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

MEREL ISHELL, 15042555, Private, Headquarters & Service Company, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 5 June 1944. Entered the Service from Garret, Kentucky.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individuals for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations in Italy.

THADDEUS J. SESSIONS, 0419104, Captain, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, from 9 September 1943 to 9 June 1944. Entered the Service from Victoria, Texas.

BERNIE W. SADLER, 0405020, Captain, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, from 9 September 1943 to 21 June 1944. Entered the Service from Port Arthur, Texas.

~~MARVIN E. GEORGE~~ *Added amended by MO 286, 10 Aug 44*
MARVIN E. GEORGE, 20807173, Master Sergeant, Service Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, from 9 September 1943 to 3 May 1944. Entered the Service from Waco, Texas.

FRANKLIN P. SWEIGERT, 13073320, Sergeant, Headquarters 36th Infantry Division, from 13 September 1943 to 30 June 1944. Entered the Service from Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.

JUSTIN M. SIEM, 39450419, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters & Service Company, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, from 15 November 1943 to 27 June 1944. Entered the Service from Wallace, Idaho.

EMMETT B. LEE, 2031614, Private, Headquarters Company, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 December 1943 to 15 February 1944. Entered the Service from Bonham, Texas.

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

SECTION I — POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

HARMON W. WILLIAMS, 01293690, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 June 1944 in Italy. Instructed to protect the left flank of the battalion as it moved across the mountains, Lieutenant Williams led his platoon along a road toward his objective until a well concealed enemy force unexpectedly opened fire with machine guns, mortars, and grenades. He immediately jumped from his vehicle in the face of the intense fire and ordered his men to leave the trucks and seek cover in a small ditch. Then, moving swiftly under the continuous mortar shelling and small arms fire, he went back to a truck and tried to put a machine gun into action against the enemy. While attempting to direct fire on the attackers, he was mortally wounded. Next of kin: Mrs Sara L. Williams (Wife), 963 Flint Avenue, Flint, Michigan.

ARTHUR B. WOLLAM, 32344238, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 June 1944 in Italy. When Sergeant Wollam's antitank platoon encountered strong enemy resistance, the soldiers were ordered to leave their trucks and take cover. Although his men urged him to retire to a position affording protection from the intense hostile fire, Sergeant Wollam courageously remained with his machine gun which was mounted on the truck. With the enemy force only 150 yards away, he tried to put his gun into action, but he was struck by machine gun bullets and fell beside his gun. Before he died, he told his men that he would remain with the gun to protect them while they sought cover. Next of kin: Mr. Edward Wollam (Father), 1165 Lincoln Place, Brooklyn, New York.

ELWOOD E. SIMPSON, 319876, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 June 1944 in Italy. The antitank platoon, instructed to protect the left flank of the battalion as it moved across the mountains, was advancing along a road toward its objective. A well concealed enemy force unexpectedly opened fire with machine guns, mortars and grenades. Although ordered to leave his vehicle and take cover in a nearby ditch, Private First Class Simpson, jeep driver for his platoon leader, determined to remain in his jeep and direct fire on the enemy force while his comrades moved to safety. As he began firing, he was struck down by bursts of machine gun fire, and he died beside his weapon. Next of kin: Mr. Shirley Simpson (Brother), Address Unknown.

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SECTION II -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

J. ALVIN NEWELL, 0400546, Captain, Headquarters 36th Infantry Division (then 143d Infantry Regiment), for gallantry in action from 8 to 18 December 1943 in Italy. Captain Newell, a battalion staff officer, accompanied the battalion commander to the unit's advanced positions and established the forward command post there. When the battalion commander was severely wounded and evacuated during a furious enemy assault, Captain Newell unhesitatingly assumed command of the leading elements and distinguished himself by his superior leadership, retaining command until the executive officer arrived eight hours later. For ten days he moved about the steep, barren terrain, constantly threatened by artillery and mortar shelling, to inspect the troops' positions and encouraged them by his own example of bravery and daring. Although he was feverish and suffered from a shell fragment wound, he refused to be evacuated and remained with his men, skillfully directing the repulse of counterattacks and working tirelessly to strengthen newly taken positions. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.

WILEY W. STEM, 0406991, Captain, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 June 1944 in Italy. Captain Stem, commander of the Cannon Company of his regiment, was instructed to support the 1st Battalion in its attack against strongly fortified enemy positions. Displaying unusual daring and aggressiveness, he led his company forward of the advancing battalion to engage enemy strong points which were firing on the friendly troops. Although the enemy was firing from well concealed positions which afforded good observation and excellent fields of fire, he courageously left his vehicle and proceeded on foot to reconnoiter for targets for his weapons. In spite of sweeping small arms fire and intense artillery and mortar shelling, he directed effective fire against the enemy positions, forcing the enemy to withdraw a self-propelled mount. He commanded only a small group of men; but he displayed such splendid leadership in guiding their movements that they succeeded in capturing 80 prisoners. Entered the Service from Vaco, Texas.

GLENDON D. BOWERS, 01106608, First Lieutenant, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, for gallantry in action on 11 June 1944 in Italy. When enemy artillery blasted the battalion command post with heavy shell fire, four officers were buried beneath the debris of a shattered building. Although he was wounded, Lieutenant Bowers refused to wait until the barrage lifted and went immediately to aid his comrades. While shell explosions shook the ground around him, he worked rapidly, ignoring his torn and bleeding hands, to remove the several feet of debris and release the officers. He continued tearing away the rubble until his comrades were freed. Entered the Service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

JAMES G. HINCHLIFFE, 20848299, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 June 1944 in Italy. When his platoon encountered strong enemy resistance, Sergeant Hinchliffe, who had been riding in the rear truck, ran forward in the face of sweeping, continuous small arms fire and directed accurate rifle fire against the enemy force until his supply of ammunition was depleted. He made two trips back to his truck under the intense hostile fire and brought additional ammunition to his men. When the order was given to withdraw from the untenable positions, he remained behind to cover the withdrawal of his platoon, delaying the enemy force until his men had reached places of safety. While performing this courageous

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deed he was seriously wounded by the enemy fire. Entered the Service from Mexia, Texas.

IRWIN W. ROHLF, 13089308, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 May 1944 in Italy. When the combat patrol in which Sergeant Rohlf was a squad leader encountered the enemy main line of resistance and was pinned to the ground by the intense fire, the automatic riflemen were unable to spot machine gun targets. Sergeant Rohlf volunteered to expose himself to enemy observation so that the hostile guns would open fire on him and reveal their positions. He ran 20 yards across the flat terrain and hit the ground. As an enemy machine gun began firing, the friendly troops directed rapid bursts of automatic weapons fire on it and neutralized the position. Sergeant Rohlf then repeated his previous performance, and another enemy gun was destroyed. When he returned to his squad, he seized a rifle and killed two enemy snipers with his accurate fire. Entered the Service from Uniontown, Pennsylvania.

CLARENCE O. WADE, 38037082, Sergeant, Company E, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 31 May 1944 in Italy. Sergeant Wade, with his squad, was assigned a sector of a hill to defend against the enemy. As a furious counterattack reached its climax, most of the squad members were forced to withdraw under a heavy artillery barrage and intense small arms fire; but he remained dauntlessly in his position and continued to fire his rifle in the face of the attackers. Although he was constantly exposed to continuous, rapid bursts of machine gun fire, he succeeded in reducing the effectiveness of the enemy assault, thus enabling the other members of the squad to return to their positions and repel the counterattack. Entered the Service from St. Jo, Texas.

ANTHONY ZOMMER, 31197029, Sergeant, Company B, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 June 1944 in Italy. When the leading elements of his platoon encountered a well entrenched enemy force and were pinned down by intense fire, Sergeant Zommer, on his own initiative, moved forward into the holocaust of small arms and hand grenade fire. He killed four enemy soldiers who attempted to stop his advance, and he continued dauntlessly forward until he spotted the machine gun which had pinned down his comrades. Creeping cautiously to a position near the emplacement, he hurled two hand grenades and fired four antitank grenades into the position, killing the crew and destroying the machine gun. By his quick thinking and aggressiveness, he enabled his platoon to continue its advance. Entered the Service from Hartford, Connecticut.

ANTHONY SAVINO, 32235618, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 June 1944 in Italy. The antitank platoon, instructed to protect the left flank of the battalion as it moved across the mountains, was advancing along a road toward its objective. A well concealed enemy force opened fire with machine guns, mortars and grenades. When the order to abandon trucks and seek cover was given, Sergeant Savino courageously remained on his truck and manned a machine gun to cover the withdrawal of his comrades. He continued firing with extreme accuracy against the hostile positions until his vehicle was struck by a rifle grenade. Although he was wounded by the bursting shell, he joined his comrades in the ditch and again directed fire on the attackers. Entered the Service from Newark, New Jersey.

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JOHN J. GOLABIEWSKI, 33275469, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 June 1944 in Italy. Company A, while moving forward as the advance guard of the 1st Battalion, came under intense enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire. When one of the men was wounded by a shell explosion and was covered by dirt in his fighting hole, Tec 5 Golabiewski, an aid man, fearlessly advanced across the open terrain to help his comrade. While digging away the dirt to free the injured soldier, he himself was wounded; but he valiantly continued with his work until he had released the man. Then, with machine gun fire raking the ground around him and shells bursting nearby, he calmly administered efficient first aid and, mastering the pain of his own wounds, evacuated the soldier to the rear. Entered the Service from Erie, Pennsylvania.

TROYCE W. REICH, 34107571, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, for gallantry in action on 22 June 1944 in Italy. While driving his commanding officer on a reconnaissance to check for engineer mine-field work, Tec 5 Reich was informed at partisan headquarters that an enemy force was occupying a nearby farmhouse. He immediately volunteered to lead a patrol of partisans to wipe out the resistance. Although the hostile group directed intense small arms fire at the approaching jeep, he drove close to the house; then led his five companions over 150 yards of flat, open terrain, constantly subjected to the heavy sweeping machine gun and rifle fire, directly to the farmhouse. Displaying unusual daring, he burst into the building and fired into the midst of the startled enemy. Because of his outstanding aggressiveness and splendid leadership, he and the partisans succeeded in capturing six enemy prisoners and in clearing the area of the hostile force. Entered the Service from Auburn, Alabama.

FRANK C. MIELOCH, 32768385, Private, Battery A, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 27 May 1944 in Italy. During a determined enemy tank attack, Private Mieloch was acting as telephone operator for an artillery forward observer party attached to the 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment. In the face of intense, direct tank and small arms fire, he advanced from the company command post to a forward observation post with the officer who was directing fire for the supporting artillery. Although he was severely wounded during this action, he ignored the pain and courageously maintained wire communications to the radio operator transmitting the fire commands. Entered the Service from Red Bank, New Jersey.

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SECTION I — AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the following named individuals are each awarded a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

ROY G. SOLBERG, 37556890, Private First Class, Company F, 141st Infantry Regiment, 27 January 1944. Entered the Service from Clayton, Wisconsin.

ROBERT L. JONES, 20803902, Private, Medical Detachment, 141st Infantry Regiment, 2 June 1944. Entered the Service from Lockhart, Texas.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the following named individuals are each awarded a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations in Italy.

BERNARD F. ROEMER, 0415430, Major, Chaplains Corps, Headquarters 36th Infantry Division, 12 September 1943 to 30 June 1944. Entered the Service from Waco, Texas.

JOHN P. POWHIDA, 0305085, Major, 2675th ACC Regiment (Attached to Headquarters 36th Infantry Division), 15 May 1944 to 26 June 1944. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

CLIFFORD M. SNOW, 0333741, Major, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, 28 January to 12 February 1944. Entered the Service from Amarillo, Texas.

ERLON S. SMITH, 38039675, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters and Service Company, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 25 May 1944 to 27 June 1944. Entered the Service from Newport, Texas.

SECTION II — AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named soldier for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

WAYNE W. JENKINS, 16054281, Technical Sergeant, Company F, 141st Infantry Regiment, 30 May 1944. Entered the Service from Toledo, Illinois.

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SECTION III — AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

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

CARL E. GREENKE, 36173930, Technician Fourth Grade, Company C, 11th Engineer Combat Battalion, 22 July 1944. Entered the Service from Shelby, Michigan.

ALBERT I. PUGNET, 32911339, Private First Class, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 5 June 1944. Entered the Service from Englewood, New Jersey.

WILLIAM S. JOHNSON, 32483676, Private, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Bordentown, New Jersey.

SECTION IV — AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named soldiers for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Italy.

ELMER L. KEMP, 20804820, Sergeant, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Ballinger, Texas.

CHARLIE J. NUARA, 32653268, Sergeant, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, June 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

WILLIAM B. KMIEC, 36320054, Corporal, Company M, 142d Infantry Regiment, 14 June 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

CLEO C. ESTES, 35204217, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 3 June 1944. Entered the Service from Hurricane, West Virginia.

SECTION V — RESCISSION OF AWARD

So much of General Orders Number 181, cs, this Headquarters, as awards a Purple Heart to JOHN P. MC CLELLAN, 31348956, Private, Battery C, 131st Field Artillery Battalion is rescinded.

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SECTION I — POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Silver Star is posthumously awarded to the following named officer for gallantry in action.

GENERAL J. NOBLES, 01307569, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 May 1944 in the vicinity of ***, ITALY. Lieutenant Noble, leader of the 1st Platoon of Company C, was instructed to defend the right flank of the company's area of responsibility in conjunction with another platoon from Company A. When the enemy launched a fierce attack against the flank sector occupied by the Company A platoon, the men began to withdraw from positions rendered untenable by the intensity of the hostile fire. Immediately cognizant of the danger to the remainder of the company, Lieutenant Nobles swiftly and skillfully reorganized his unit so that a portion of the men could defend his sector and led the remaining half forward to reinforce the other platoon. Displaying outstanding courage and splendid leadership, he exposed himself to the sweeping enemy fire to rally the men and, with the elements of his own platoon, to organize an effective fighting unit. By continually encouraging the men and urging them on, he succeeded in repelling the enemy attack. Lieutenant Nobles was killed in action during a subsequent engagement. Next of kin: Mrs G. J. Nobles (Mother), Route #1, Box 155, Danville, Georgia.

SECTION II — AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

JOSEPH F. EDELEN, 01289055, Captain, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 5 June 1944 in ITALY. When the motorized column of which Captain Edelen's company was a part was halted in its movement northward by a strong enemy delaying action, an infantry company was committed and became pinned down by fire. Captain Edelen was ordered to attack with his company and destroy the enemy. Skillfully maneuvering to a flanking position he moved his company to within four hundred yards of the enemy and received intense automatic weapons fire. This appeared to have stopped his attack; but, braving the fury of enemy fire, he moved among the assaulting platoons, instructing and encouraging his men. Inspiring them to greater effort by his own fearlessness, he led them forward to rout the enemy from strongly entrenched positions. During this action Captain Edelen was severely wounded. Entered the Service from Newark, New Jersey.

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WELDON B. SHOFNER, 01683474, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Huntingdon, Texas.

MICHAEL J. KENNELLY, 33317477, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

GEORGE ZIRO, 32301768, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

For gallantry in action on 27 January 1944 in the vicinity of ***, ITALY. While working at an aid station, the above named enlisted men spotted an ammunition truck which had been struck by enemy artillery fire and had burst into flames. To save the three soldiers trapped in the blazing vehicle, they left the security of the aid station and braved the ceaseless shelling, running across the shell torn terrain to the truck. Constantly imperilled by the exploding ammunition they fearlessly approached the fire, struggled to the soldiers and carried them to a place of safety. They then returned to the aid station and continued treating the other wounded men.

CLAUDE M. ALLEN, 20805200, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 31 May 1944 in ITALY. Sergeant Allen, with his squad, was assigned a sector of a hill to defend against the enemy. As a furious counter-attack reached its climax, most of the squad members were forced to withdraw under a heavy artillery barrage and intense small arms fire; but he remained dauntlessly in his position and continued to fire his rifle in the face of the attackers. Although he was constantly exposed to continuous, rapid bursts of machine gun fire, he succeeded in reducing the effectiveness of the enemy assault, thus enabling the other members of the squad to return to their positions and repel the counterattack. Entered the Service from Sweetwater, Texas.

EDGAR A. RAAB, 20802081, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 May 1944 in ITALY. Sergeant Raab was in command of a machine gun section supporting a rifle company when an enemy force launched a furious tank attack against the unit's defensive positions. When both guns in his section jammed and the intensity of enemy fire rendered the positions untenable, he ordered his men to withdraw to a place of comparative security while he remained to repair one of the guns. Working calmly in the face of intense hostile tank, small arms, and grenade fire, he speedily fixed the stoppage and again engaged the enemy's charging tanks. His rapid, accurate fire enabled his men to return to their positions, repair the other machine gun, and eventually to drive back the enemy tanks. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

JOSE H. CABALLERO, 20807790, Corporal, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action from 15 to 23 November, 1943 in ITALY. Corporal Caballero, scout and observer, was instructed to establish an observation post on the forward slope of a mountain in advance of his unit's main line of resistance. He led a party of five men up the steep mountainside, stumbling over the rocky, slippery trails in the darkness. As he neared his objective, the enemy began blasting the area with intense artillery shell fire. After ordering his men to cover, he proceeded alone under the intense shelling to reconnoiter for his observation post position. While moving cautiously down the mountain, he spotted a hostile patrol only 30 yards away. He climbed back up the slope, established contact with the forward elements of a rifle company, and directed accurate mortar fire on the group, killing thirteen of the hostile patrol members. He then returned to his men and established his observation post. Constantly threatened by artillery fire, he maintained his post for seven days and nights, often moving under heavy shelling to repair breaks in the communication lines from his position. Although he was painfully

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wounded by a shell fragment, he refused to be evacuated, and continued performing his important duties, furnishing his regimental commander with information of great value. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

ROY I. NEWTON, 20806517, Corporal, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Breckenridge, Texas.

EARL O. WASCHER, 36044552, Private First Class, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

For gallantry in action on 9 September 1943 in the vicinity of ***, ITALY. When the company of which the above named enlisted men were members was advancing along a coastal highway, two enemy machine guns opened fire on the advancing troops and stopped the leading platoon. They moved forward in the face of the intense cross fire and put their light machine gun into action, directing fire first on one gun position, then on the other, neutralizing them both. Continuing ahead of their unit, they again opened fire on another enemy machine gun nest strategically placed at a cross road and knocked it out. They then attacked a convoy of enemy trucks heavily loaded with soldiers and, by accurate firing, forced them to withdraw with heavy losses. By their quick-thinking and aggressiveness, these fearless men enabled their unit to continue its advance.

FREDERICK H. BLAUSER, 35276796, Private First Class, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 12 February 1944 in the vicinity of ***, ITALY. Private First Class Blauser, second gunner in a machine gun squad, was in a defensive position when the enemy launched a furious attack, preceded by a heavy concentration of artillery and mortar fire. When the supply of ammunition for his gun was depleted, he made three trips, crawling from his gun emplacement under the sweeping hostile fire, to secure the ammunition. On his last trip he went for hand grenades; and upon returning, threw them accurately into the crushing enemy force, momentarily checking its advance. When the first gunner was killed, he seized the gun and crawled ten yards to the left of his position, carrying his ammunition with him, to an emplacement which afforded a better field of fire. He continued directing expert, effective fire on the enemy, preventing any penetration of the defenses in his sector, until he was severely wounded by small arms fire and was evacuated. Entered the Service from Baltimore, Ohio.

HAROLD W. ION, 33272808, Private, Company K, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 May 1944 in the vicinity of ***, ITALY. As a volunteer member of a combat patrol ordered to locate enemy strong points, Private Ion had advanced 500 yards forward of the friendly lines when he and his comrades were suddenly caught in the cross fire of enemy machine guns. Three of the patrol members were wounded and another killed in the rapid bursts of enemy fire. Heedless of personal security, Private Ion crawled forward to one of his wounded comrades and administered speedy and efficient first aid. Still exposing himself to the sweeping, continuous machine gun fire, he pressed on to another injured soldier and calmly treated his wounds. He then made his way back to the company command post and directed a litter squad to the spot. Later in the day he voluntarily led another patrol to the area which he had reconnoitered and, with great skill, pointed out the enemy positions which he had previously located. An enemy force succeeded in partially encircling the patrol; and, in the fierce fire fight which ensued, one of the men was wounded. While the remainder of the patrol retired to safe positions, Private Ion stopped to assist his wounded comrade and consciously exposing himself to the intense enemy fire, carried him to the aid station. Entered the Service from Buffalo, New York.

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SECTION III -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Silver Star is awarded to the following named individual for gallantry in action.

MARTIN W. DIETER, 32633611, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company F, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 December 1943 in the vicinity of ***, ITALY. Private First Class Dieter was a member of a reconnaissance patrol composed of an officer and two other enlisted men. The night was cold and rainy and the patrol was imperilled by ceaseless artillery and mortar shelling and insidious sniper fire as it made its way through deep gorges and a muddy quagmire for a half mile into the enemy defensive area. Upon reaching a road junction, the patrol members spotted an enemy ammunition dump and machine gun emplacements. They determined to return to their unit and report the information. The patrol had started back toward the friendly lines when two enemy soldiers opened fire. In the fire fight which ensued the enemy soldiers were killed, but the hostile forces were alerted and resisted the patrol's attempts to penetrate their outposts, wounding the officer and one of the enlisted men. Private First Class Dieter managed to get the group into a nearby ditch, and there, while the enemy fired around them, he rendered effective and speedy first aid to the wounded men. He then carried the officer 650 yards through an area teeming with the alerted enemy troops to the safety of friendly lines. When a litter was furnished, he helped to carry the wounded men three miles to an aid station. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

JOSEPH R. JEFFERS, 356-3573, Private, Company L, 141st Infantry Regiment, 20 November 1943. Next of kin: Mrs Jessie Jeffers (Mother), Clifton, W. Va.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals (for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.)

J. B. COLLIER, 01173193, Second Lieutenant, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, 29 May 1944. Entered the Service from Lakeland, Florida.

JIMMIE A. CARR, 20805401, Technical Sergeant, Company F, 142d Infantry Regiment, 3 June 1944. Entered the Service from Canyon, Texas.

CHARLES W. JOHNSON, 20804818, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Ballinger, Texas.

ALFRED OLSEN, 32300941, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 22 February 1944. Entered the Service from Union, NJ

EDWIN A. WITNEBER, 37372397, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 22 January 1944. Entered the Service from St. Louis, Missouri

PHILIP M. DI RIGGI, 33457417, Private First Class, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from Elizabeth, New Jersey.

LLOYD A. SMITH, 33757132, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Blairsville, Pennsylvania.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officer (for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations in Italy.)

ROSCOE D. GAYLOR, 0232859, Lieutenant Colonel, (then Major), 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 17 December 1943. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

SECTION III -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals (for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations in Italy.)

ROSCOE D. GAYLOR, 0232859, Lieutenant Colonel, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 25 June 1944. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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SECTION IV — COMMENDATION FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, each of the following named individuals is commended for exceptionally meritorious conduct:

LESLIE A. WOLFF, 20803605, First Sergeant, Company L, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 1 June 1944 in Italy. When the left flank of Company L was threatened by a furious enemy counterattack, Sergeant Wolff was sent to guide two squads from the reserve platoon to the company command post. He moved over terrain swept by continuous, rapid machine gun and sniper fire, but he succeeded in reaching his objective and leading the two squads safely back to the command post. He then volunteered to move the squads into position on the left flank in order to supplement the unit's resistance to the enemy attack. He again led the men through hostile small arms fire and skillfully directed them to positions affording excellent fields of fire against the enemy. Entered the Service from Moulton, Texas.

WILLIAM D. CHESSON, 38051871, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Batson, Texas.

BUEFORD M. COLLINS, 33217090, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Troutville, Virginia.

WOODROW W. BARKER, 20806987, Private, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Waco, Texas.

SIXTO G. MORENO, 38026740, Private, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Austin, Texas.

MANOAH M. CARPENTER, 35592593, Private, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Summerfield, Ohio.

For exceptionally meritorious conduct on 12 September 1943 in Italy. The above named soldiers were assigned the task of laying a vital communications line between two battalions in the attack. Constantly harassed by enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire, they made a reconnaissance to determine the exact locations of the battalions and then began laying the lines. Although at one point it was necessary to change their route because of the increased intensity of hostile fire, these courageous men succeeded in completing the communications lines which enabled the two battalions to coordinate their efforts in the attack.

HARDY F. BEAVERS, 38037580, Corporal, Company H, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Gilmer, Texas.

TENNYSON G. BLACK, 35465012, Private First Class, Company H, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from West Liberty, Kentucky.

QUENTON R. MILES, 34077329, Private First Class, Company H, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Alexander, Louisiana.

JOHN T. HATTERICK, 35124536, Private First Class, Company H, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Cythiana, Kentucky.

For exceptionally meritorious conduct on 22 January 1944 in Italy. During the river crossing and the withdrawal in the stubbornly opposed operations on the banks of a strategic river, the unit in which the above named soldiers were driven suffered severe losses in both men and weapons. Aware that the remaining men were insufficient to operate the guns, dig their emplacements, and carry ammunition, they volunteered to haul the vitally needed ammunition to the gun positions. By their courageous efforts under heavy enemy artillery fire they enabled the men to remain with their guns and prepare their positions for a forthcoming counterattack.

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NORMAN N. BROWN, 35754411, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Liverpool, Ohio.

J. T. SARRELLS, 34783638, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Jacksonville, Florida.

SARKIS T. ATANOSIAN, 36569991, Private, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.

For exceptionally meritorious conduct on 3 June 1944 in Italy. When the 1st Platoon attacked and captured a group of buildings on high ground which dominated the terrain below, the above named soldiers were assigned a position at a second story window in one of the houses. When the enemy launched a furious counterattack they fired on the hostile force which was approaching the friendly positions from the woods below the house. In spite of intense sniper fire all around the building, he fearlessly maintained their exposed position and continued inflicting casualties on the attackers, firing steadily and accurately, until they were ordered to withdraw with their squad to alternate positions.

CHARLES DEAN, 31322115, Private First Class, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 30 May 1944 in Italy. During a furious enemy tank attack, Private First Class Dean, gunner in a machine gun squad supporting a platoon of Company C, fired rapidly in the face of the charging tanks forcing them to button up with his accurate fire. While he was engaging the leading tank, soldiers from the second tank crept near his position and hurled hand grenades at his emplacement. Headless of personal safety, he remained with his weapon and continued firing until the enemy was forced to withdraw. Entered the Service from Waterville, Maine.

AUSTIN C. KITCHENS, 32995212, Private, Company L, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 1 June 1944 in Italy. When he learned of the location of three enemy mortar positions, Private Kitchens, assistant squad leader, went immediately to protect his squad's right flank. As he moved forward, he spotted the three mortarmen fleeing toward their vehicles. Acting swiftly, he opened fire on the hostile soldiers and succeeded in killing one, wounding another, and capturing the third. By his quick thinking and aggressiveness he enabled his squad to take the three enemy mortars without opposition. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

SIDNEY THERICT, 34077122, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Lake Arthur, Louisiana.

EDWARD G. VIRDEN, 35208060, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Middlebourne, West Virginia.

LEMUEL J. VANNATTA, 20809314, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Valley Mills, Texas.

VIRGIL S. RENEAU, 18037633, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Dallas, Texas.

OSCAR A. REED, 20808053, Private, Service Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, Entered the Service from Belton, Texas.

CLYDE H. SUMMY, 35161024, Private, Service Company, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Warsaw, Indiana.

JOSEPH F. WEIDMER, 36283480, Private, Service Company, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Elkhorn, Wisconsin.

VIRGIL MC DONALD, 38037226, Private, Service Company, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Como, Texas.

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CLARENCE V. LEE, 33667186, Private, Service Company, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Carnegie, Pennsylvania.

LLOYD H. GREENWALT, 35219856, Private, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Mt. Sterling, Ohio.

ROBERT B. SAFF, 35206778, Private, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Independence, West Virginia.

THOMAS G. MC COY, 20802523, Private, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Lockhart, Texas.

LEONARD SWINNEY, 39289174, Private, Company F, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Los Angeles, California.

PAUL E. MALONE, 35726794, Private, Company A, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Sullivan, Indiana.

ARTHUR H. SIMKINS, 20802558, Private, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Buda, Texas.

FRANK SELLERS, 20802056, Private, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

ROY L. ISHAM, 38036075, Private, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Handley, Texas.

CHARLES B. DUKE, JR., 14154683, Private, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Oakland, Mississippi.

For exceptionally meritorious conduct from 8 to 30 March 1944 in Italy. These men, truck drivers were ordered to haul ammunition and other supplies to a strategic beachhead. The trip to the beachhead was made on landing craft and was often subjected to bombing and strafing attacks from enemy aircraft. Upon reaching a point of debarkation, they drove their vehicles to various dumps under almost continuous artillery shelling and unloaded the ammunition themselves. Although completely unfamiliar with the area, they delivered the supplies speedily and efficiently. On one occasion they drove to the front lines to evacuate a group of paratroopers from positions rendered untenable by the heavy artillery and mortar shelling. During this period they made four trips to the beachhead, always performing their duties with exemplary calmness and dispatch.

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

- HUGH M. DIXON, 34465350, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 22 January 1944. Entered the Service from Goldston, North Carolina.
- ROBERT H. MOORE, 42023955, Private First Class, (then Private), Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Fulton, New York.
- DURWOOD W. JONES, 20806433, Private First Class, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 3 and 4 February 1944. Entered the Service from Breckenridge, Texas.
- JOSEPH F. FARRELL, 33595632, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 5 February 1944. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- MAURICE GUERIN, 31359622, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 5 February 1944. Entered the Service from Lowell, Massachusetts.
- ROY M. WILSON, 20804680, Sergeant, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 5 February 1944. Entered the Service from Coleman, Texas.

SECTION II -- COMMENDATION FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, each of the following named individuals is commended for exceptionally meritorious conduct

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- ~~ROBERT O. ELLER, 36741987, Private, Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 to 25 February 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.~~
- MAX EK, 36366264, Private, Headquarters Company 1st Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 to 25 February 1944. Entered the Service from Kokomo, Indiana.
- FRANCIS J. KENNEDY, 32659362, Private, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 to 25 February 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.
- SALVATORE P. PALMA, 32826559, Private, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 to 25 February 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.
- TULLIO SABATINI, 36661543, Private, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 to 25 February 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.
- RALPH C. WEISENHAUS, 36661708, Private, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 to 25 February 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.
- RICHARD P. WHALEN, 31254211, Private, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 to 25 February 1944. Entered the Service from Burlington, Vermont.

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These men were assigned the task of carrying ammunition, water and rations to the front line forces at a time when all experienced riflemen were vitally needed to hold the battalion defensive positions against the enemy. The precarious mountain trails, employed as routes of supply, were slippery and clogged with mud and were constantly blasted by enemy mortar and artillery fire. Ignoring the danger and overcoming their fatigue, they performed their arduous tasks night and day to furnish the fighting forces with the vital supplies.

ERWIN SANIGA, 01311688, First Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 5 June 1944 in Italy. When enemy antitank and infantry automatic weapons fire stopped his regiment's motorized column, Lieutenant Saniga went forward with eighteen riflemen to erase this threat. Realizing that his force was too small to neutralize the enemy fire, he led them to a nearby building. To get best observation of the enemy, he chose an exposed position by a window on the second floor and began firing his carbine at a machine gun emplaced in another house three hundred yards away. Continuing to fire, he calmly directed the fire of his riflemen and neutralized the enemy weapon. During the hours that followed before relief came he maintained his position by placing effective fire on other targets. Entered the Service from Ellsworth, Pennsylvania.

SYLVIO GUATTERI, 35206976, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 30 May 1944 in Italy. When Sergeant Guatteri's unit was subjected to a strong enemy tank attack, one of the machine guns jammed and the crew withdrew from the position under heavy fire. Sergeant Guatteri, spotting the gun, advanced fearlessly and repaired the weapon in the face of sweeping small arms fire and heavy grenade and tank fire. He then operated the gun with skill and accuracy, forcing the enemy tank to button up with rapid bursts of machine gun fire. Entered the Service from Weirton, West Virginia.

COY M. TAYLOR, 34774976, Private First Class, Company L, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 1 June 1944 in Italy. During a determined enemy counterattack Private First Class Taylor was messenger for the 3d Platoon. In spite of the intensity of the hostile fire, he made numerous trips between his platoon and the company command post. Although the route was swept by machine gun and sniper fire, he never faltered in relaying vital information from his platoon sergeant to the company commander. Entered the Service from High Point, North Carolina.

MARK C. WOODALL, 33445948, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 3 June 1944 in Italy. From his fox hole, Private First Class Woodall directed accurate fire on an enemy force counter-attacking a recently captured position from the woods below. Although he was imperilled by intense sniper fire from the hill behind him, as well as by the small arms fire of the attackers, he rose in his hole to fire down at the hostile soldiers. He determinedly maintained his exposed position for five hours, firing steadily and accurately until he was ordered to withdraw to an alternate position with his platoon. Entered the Service from Farmville, Virginia.

EDWARD J. SULIGA, 32918714, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 3 June 1944 in Italy. When the 1st Platoon attacked and captured a group of buildings on high ground which dominated the terrain below, Private First Class Suliga, first scout for his squad, occupied a position at a second story window in one of the houses. When the enemy launched a furious counterattack, he fired on the hostile force which was approaching.

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the friendly position from the woods below the house. In spite of intense sniper fire all around the building, he fearlessly maintained his exposed position for three and a half hours, killing at least three of the enemy soldiers. He continued firing steadily and accurately until he was ordered to withdraw with his squad to alternate positions. Entered the Service from Linden, New Jersey.

THOMAS D. GAMBLE, JR., 34842333, Private, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 3 June 1944 in Italy. When his squad attacked and captured a group of buildings, Private Gamble, assistant automatic rifleman, was instructed to guard the rear of the position against a possible enemy counterattack. When he spotted approaching troops and positively identified them as hostile, he opened fire and killed the officer in command of the group. By his quick thinking and aggressiveness he halted the enemy force and thwarted the surprise attack. He continued firing from a hazardous position exposed to sweeping machine gun and rifle fire, skillfully operating his automatic rifle until he was ordered to withdraw with his squad to an alternate position. Entered the Service from Humingway, South Carolina.

ALBERT J. ALEXANDER, 33621991, Private, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 11 June 1944 in Italy. Although his duties were those of ammunition bearer for a mortar squad, Private Alexander crawled forward under heavy artillery and mortar shelling and intense sniper fire to the gun position and helped dig it in. Then, in the absence of the gunners, he assumed their duties and helped fire the mortar, thus contributing materially to the repulse of a determined enemy counterattack. Entered the Service from New Cumberland, Pennsylvania.

VINCENT J. A GALA, 32977649, Private, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 30 May 1944 in Italy. When enemy tanks threatened to penetrate his unit's defenses, Private La Gala stood erect in the face of intense, ceaseless hostile fire and fired antitank grenades at the charging tanks. He struck one of the tanks with his accurate fire, then hurled hand grenades at them until the enemy was forced to withdraw. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

EDWIN L. LUDWIG, 38050389, Sergeant, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment, Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.

ALFRED P. VOIGHT, 38050382, Technician Fourth Grade, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Addick, Texas.

VERNON W. LANGLEY, 38060890, Technician Fourth Grade, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Big Springs, Texas.

JOSEPH F. WRIGHT, 34286691, Technician Fifth Grade, Cannon Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Spring City, Tennessee.

EMIL VRANA, 38050361, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Sheldon, Texas.

WILLIAM H. CRONE, 38050481, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Mineola, Texas.

ODELL W. MC REE, 38025472, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Mercury, Texas.

BYRON F. MOODY, 38035743, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Dallas Texas.

OTHER M. YOCHAM, 38035889, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Hamilton, Texas.

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ARVA J. TRUE, 38036104, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Canton, Texas.

DOYCE H. LYLES, 38035839, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Garland, Texas.

MARVIN F. REED, 34077246, Private First Class, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Monroe, Louisiana.

LLOYD N. REEDNER, 20800131, Private First Class, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

EDWARD VOIGHT, 33315377, Private First Class (then Private), Cannon Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

RAYMOND D. WALDROP, 38036116, Private First Class (then Private), Cannon Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Ennis, Texas.

JOHNY COLLETT, 38035701, Private First Class, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Dallas, Texas.

LOYD MC DONALD, 38037241, Private First Class, Service Company (then Company L), 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Como, Texas.

JOHNNIE R. COCHRAN, 20802463, Private First Class, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from San Marcos, Texas.

EDGAR J. HENVAN, 58036314, Private First Class, Service Company, 141st Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Seymour, Texas.

For exceptionally meritorious conduct from 8 to 30 March 1944 in Italy. These men, truck drivers, were ordered to haul ammunition and other supplies to a strategic beachhead. The trip to the beachhead was made on landing craft and was often subjected to bombing and strafing attacks from enemy aircraft. Upon reaching the point of debarkation, they drove their vehicle to various dumps under almost continuous artillery shelling and unloaded the ammunition themselves. Although completely unfamiliar with the area, they delivered the supplies speedily and efficiently. On one occasion they drove to the front lines to evacuate a group of paratroopers from positions rendered untenable by the heavy artillery and mortar shelling. During this period they made four round trips to the beachhead, always performing their duties with exemplary calmness and dispatch.

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Posthumous Award of Bronze Star Medal.....
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SECTION I — POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

ROBERT M. WITTAN, 01310193, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, 9 June 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Robert M. Wittan (Wife), 562 North Maple Avenue, Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

MIGUEL FLORES, 38025994, Private, Company L, 141st Infantry Regiment, 27 December 1943. Next of kin: Mrs. Guadalupe de los Santos (Mother), 111 North Georgia Avenue, Mercedes, Texas.

HARRY PEYSER, 32222289, Private, Company L, 141st Infantry Regiment, 25 December 1943. Next of kin: Mrs. Celia Peyser (Mother), 1636 43d Street, Brooklyn, New York.

SECTION II — AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the following named individuals are each awarded a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

GEORGE E. LYNCH, 017715, Colonel, 142d Infantry Regiment, from 4 to 7 June 1944. Entered the United States Military Academy from the United States at large.

KELLEN P. GONO, 0366044, Captain (then First Lieutenant), 141st Infantry Regiment, 9 September 1943. Entered the Service from High Point, North Carolina.

HARRY M. SCOBLE, 0172272, Second Lieutenant, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from Palm Springs, California.

KENNETH H. GIBBS, 35259293, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company A, 141st Infantry Regiment, 11-12 February 1944. Entered the Service from Anderson, Indiana.

RANDALL B. MC KNIGHT, 38036026, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 141st Infantry Regiment, 28 May 1944. Entered the Service from Wills Point, Texas.

RAY T. FARLEY, 20805257, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 142d Infantry Regiment, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from Roby, Texas.

RALPH A. MATTERA, 32444930, Sergeant, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

WALTER R. GONZALES, 20801389, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

WILLIAM J. PIERCE, 37401427, Sergeant, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 3 June 1944. Entered the Service from St. Louis, Missouri.

JOHN H. GEST, 35130613, Sergeant, Battery C, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 7 January 1944. Entered the Service from Branch Hill, Ohio.

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LANCE P. MULLINS, 20805624, Sergeant, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Snyder, Texas.

WILSON FAIGOT, 34624594, Sergeant, Company C, 143d Infantry Regiment, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from Mayersville, Mississippi.

NICHOLAS B. NERTOS, 38025700, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 12 June 1944. Entered the Service from George West, Texas.

ANTHONY S. MILIOTO, 32376125, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 22 February 1944. Entered the Service from Jamestown, I. Y.

MICHAEL J. KOPELNA, 35277076, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, 14 June 1944. Entered the Service from Cleveland, Ohio.

RALPH R. ROHR, 33551728, Private First Class, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 17-18 January 1944. Entered the Service from Valley Bend, Virginia.

ZENON A. ZILJEWSKI, 31188661, Private First Class, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 17 January 1944. Entered the Service from Salem, Massachusetts.

WAYNE SLONE, 35659455, Private First Class, Company C, 141st Infantry Regiment, 21 January and 11 February 1944. Entered the Service from Garner, Kentucky.

ZARAGOZA S. SALINAS, 38026043, Private First Class, Company K, 142d Infantry Regiment, 5 June 1944. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

STEVEN A. TASSIO, 32983476, Private First Class, Company G, 141st Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Hastings on Hudson, New York.

ROBERT L. GILBERT, 38026240, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 142d Infantry Regiment, 7 June 1944. Entered the Service from Woodsboro, Texas.

ALFRED G. HESS, 33706563, Private, Headquarters Company, 142d Infantry Regiment, 7 June 1944. Entered the Service from Hummelstown, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM J. JOHNSON, 38051032, Private First Class, Battery A, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.

ELDER R. BEACHTEL, 36828252, Private, Battery A, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

TIMERSON B. DUNCAN, 34335097, Private, Headquarters Battery, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, 12 February 1944. Entered the Service from Andalusia, Ala.

EMERY C. BREWER, 33671013, Private, Company C, 143d Infantry Regiment, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from Fayette County, Pennsylvania.

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SECTION I — AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 141st Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Italy.

- MARK G. DUFOUR, 16062650, Corporal, Company M, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Dearborn, Michigan.
- JAMES L. TANNER, 19048779, Corporal, Company M, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Maywood, California.
- CLARENCE M. CARVINE, 32267547, Private First Class, Company G, 11 December 1943. Entered the Service from Rockland, Delaware.
- JESSE R. HOWDYSHILL, 33629210, Private First Class, Company M, 16 June 1944. Entered the Service from Mt. Crawford, Virginia.
- DANIEL W. CELENTANO, 36545184, Private First Class, Company M, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.
- MICHAEL LANDAU, 32221960, Private First Class, Company B, 2 June 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.
- JOSEPH F. H. DESJAREINS, 31268560, Private First Class, Company F, 28 May 1944. Entered the Service from Berlin, New Hampshire.
- RICHARD F. KIRWAN, 3629360, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Flushing, New York.
- JOHN GERVASI, 32222887, Private, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 24 November 1943. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.
- JOSEF STEFFENSEN, 32222734, Staff Sergeant, Company M, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.
- WILLIAM J. MAC DONALD, 35023609, Sergeant, Company M, 18 January 1944. Entered the Service from Cleveland, Ohio.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a third Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 141st Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Italy.

- HAROLD F. RUSSEY, 01289040, First Lieutenant, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Roxbury, Massachusetts.
- JOSEF STEFFENSEN, 32222734, Staff Sergeant, Company M, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.
- WILLIAM J. MAC DONALD, 35023609, Sergeant, Company M, 6 June 1944. Entered the Service from Cleveland, Ohio.
- ANGELO J. MENNA, 32222800, Sergeant, Company M, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Jamaica, New York.
- LEONARD E. CHAPMAN, 34493931, Sergeant, Company G, 2 June 1944. Entered the Service from Oakdale, Tennessee.

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WESLEY OWENS, 3526798A, Private First Class, Company A, 23 February 1944.
Entered the Service from Monroe, Kentucky.

SECTION II -- COMENDATION FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, each of the following named individuals is commended for exceptionally meritorious conduct.

CLYDE C. GLOSCH, 35327660, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 12 February 1944 in Italy. Instructed to lay a wire line from his company position to Company B, Private First Class Glosch set out through the darkness and rain to accomplish his mission. Although he was unfamiliar with the terrain and not sure of the exact location of Company B, Private First Class Glosch, after a brief reconnaissance, made his way across the slippery ground, laying the line to the unit's position. As he started to return to his own company, the enemy began blasting the area with a heavy artillery bombardment which shattered the newly laid wire line. Unhesitatingly he advanced through the intense shell fire and succeeded in repairing the line and reestablishing communications. Entered the Service from Toledo, Ohio.

JOSEPH V. DOMINGO, 35453661, Private, Company A, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 11 and 12 February 1944 in Italy. As the leader of a mortar squad ordered to support the company, Private Domingo advanced under heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire to the most advantageous position for bringing fire on the enemy forces and there put his weapon into action. He directed the mortar fire so skillfully that he was largely responsible for demoralizing and repelling two vigorous enemy attacks. When his sergeant was killed by the enemy fire, Private Domingo unhesitatingly assumed his hazardous duties and continued delivering deadly mortar fire against the enemy. Entered the Service from Albion, Michigan.

SECTION III -- RESCISSION OF AWARD

So much of Section II, General Orders Number 212, as this Headquarters 27 June 1944, as awards a Bronze Star Medal to FRANK B. JACKSON, 38035932, First Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company F, 143d Infantry Regiment, is rescinded, being a duplicate award.

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Award of Purple Heart..... I
Award of Oak Leaf Cluster..... II

SECTION I — AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, the following named individuals of the 141st Infantry Regiment are each awarded a Purple Heart for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Italy.

- FRANCIS J. JOHNSON, 34545255, Private First Class, Company M, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Otisville, New York.
- JAMES A. METCALFE, 35268104, Private First Class, Company M, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Lynch, Kentucky.
- FRED J. MOSCHIANO, 32726069, Private First Class, Company M, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Peekskill, New York.
- DANIEL RICCIARDI, 322 2418, Private First Class, Company M, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.
- MARK E. GILMAN, 32855074, Private First Class, Company M, 21 January 1944. Entered the Service from Albany, New York.
- WALTER L. CONRY, 33721224, Private First Class, Company M, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from Cumberland, Maryland.
- HAROLD L. MICHEL, 12055432, Private First Class, Company M, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Niagara Falls, New York.
- HERSHEL C. PALMER, 34705086, Private First Class, Company M, 16 June 1944. Entered the Service from Jamestown, Alabama.
- RALPH E. BECKMAN, 37622970, Private First Class, Company M, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Bernie, Missouri.
- JIMMY MOORE, 39857807, Private, Company M, 14 June 1944. Entered the Service from Phoenix, Arizona.
- PAUL J. WOOLEN, 34657897, Private, Company M, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Union, South Carolina.
- SAM F. POOLE, 14176920, Private, Company I, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Beaufort, South Carolina.
- GEORGE T. HOLLEY, 33635257, Private, Company M, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Kingsville, Virginia.
- FRANK J. TORNABENI, 36757593, Private, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 2 June 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.
- HENRY E. COOPER, 32778880, Private, Company I, 10 June 1944. Entered the Service from Paterson, New Jersey.
- TED BYSTOCK, 32995624, Private, Company M, 6 June 1944. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.
- AARON DVOSKIN, 12226216, Private, Company L, 2 June 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.
- MARSHALL E. BARTOW, 36833113, Private, Company G, 22 June 1944. Entered the Service from Ashkosh, Wisconsin.
- GEORGE R. PHILLIPS, 35878797, Private, Company F, 17 June 1944. Entered the Service from Norwood, Ohio.
- OTIS H. BELLAMY, 36833223, Private, Company L, 2 June 1944. Entered the Service from Siren, Wisconsin.
- HENRY G. BOCK, 32994659, Private, Company M, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Long Island, New York.

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WILLIAM F. COLLIS, 34735749, Private, Headquarters Company, 26 Battalion, 2 June 1944. Entered the Service from Vonore, Tennessee.

JOSE S. LECA, 32633357, Private, Antitank Company, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Mt. Vernon, New York.

JOHN D. STINEBAUGH, 35754447, Private, Company A, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from Great Cacapon, West Virginia.

JOHN I. MELNICOV, 35354860, Private, Company A, 12 February 1944. Entered the Service from Gary, Indiana.

RUSSELL P. CHURCH, 35772526, Private, Company B, 29 May 1944. Entered the Service from Siloam, Kentucky.

SECTION II — AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 14th Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Italy:

P. R. HURST C. HOUGH, 01288056, Captain, 20 December 1943. Entered the Service from Fredericktown, Missouri.

RICHARD R. WHITESIDE, 0400389, First Lieutenant, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Belmont, Massachusetts.

WINSTON A. SCHNEIDER, 20003804, Technical Sergeant, Company G, 21 June 1944. Entered the Service from San Benito, Texas.

JOHN A. STEPHENS, 3837141, Staff Sergeant, Antitank Company, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Melissa, Texas.

WILLIAM L. SCARBROUGH, 37614325, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 5 June 1944. Entered the Service from Sikeston, Missouri.

PETER VAGLIA, 32222835, Staff Sergeant, Company M, 2 June 1944. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.

CHARLES L. FENDERGRASS, 20803798, Sergeant, Company M, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from San Benito, Texas.

COVEY E. TURNER, 35267603, Sergeant, Company A, 19 June 1944. Entered the Service from Munion, West Virginia.

MATTHEW HAMMERS, 20815610, Sergeant, Company G, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Marshall, Texas.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, each of the following named individuals of the 141st Infantry Regiment is awarded a Purple Heart for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Italy.

PARKHURST C. HOUGH, 01288056, Captain, 25 November 1943. Entered the Service from Fredericktown, Missouri.

DONALD T. SCHROEDER, 01237073, First Lieutenant, 28 May 1944. Entered the Service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

RICHARD R. WHITESIDE, 0400389, First Lieutenant, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Belmont, Massachusetts.

LEE A. HARBIN, 38036355, First Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Eastland, Texas.

MARTIN L. WRIGHT, 20802159, First Sergeant, Company I, 2 June 1944. Entered the Service from Luling, Texas.

STANLEY J. GREGOR, 38050109, Technical Sergeant, Company B, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Bellville, Texas.

GLENN R. RENNER, 35267204, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 30 May 1944. Entered the Service from Dayton, Ohio.

ROBERT C. TREVINO, 20501126, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 2 June 1944. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

DOSS A. DULANEY, 20803750, Staff Sergeant, Company M, 20 January 1944. Entered the Service from Harlington, Texas.

HUGH M. DIXON, 34465350, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 2 June 1944. Entered the Service from Goldston, North Carolina.

HERBERT L. NICKELSON, 38050499, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.

ROY PHELPS, 35267291, Sergeant, Company D, 30 May 1944. Entered the Service from Somerset, Kentucky.

FRANK J. KOURY, 32663100, Sergeant, Antitank Company, 11 June 1944. Entered the Service from Utica, New York.

ROY M. THUT, 33435228, Sergeant, Company G, 22 June 1944. Entered the Service from Farrell, Pennsylvania.

JEWELL W. MATTHEWS, 35687963, Sergeant, Company M, 2 June 1944. Entered the Service from Louisville, Kentucky.

PERRY L. GILLIT, 20803753, Corporal, Company M, 9 September 1943. Entered the Service from Lyford, Texas.

EDWARD S. SMITH, 33279146, Corporal, Company M, 19 June 1944. Entered the Service from Fairchance, Pennsylvania.

ARTHUR C. FILSA, 32876170, Corporal, Company H, 20 May 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

STUART P. BRADLEY, 33019467, Private First Class, Company I, 26 December 1943. Entered the Service from Lilly, Pennsylvania.

SALVATORE DANTONIO, 35665038, Private First Class, Company B, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

BURTON E. WAGNER, 35294285, Private First Class, Company B, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Fostoria, Ohio.

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ROY VANN, 20802498, Private First Class, Service Company, 2 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Lockhart, Texas.

LESTER A. KAIGHN, 32951183, Private First Class, Company A, 12 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Camden, New Jersey.

ROSAIRE J. RAJOTTE, 20110964, Private First Class, Company A, 12 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Northbridge, Massachusetts.

FLOYD R. SPLAWN, 34890265, Private First Class, Company A, 11 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Gastonia, North Carolina.

AARON D. WILSON, 33331757, Private First Class, Company A, 11 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Baltimore, Maryland.

L. A. CLEM, 38035527, Private First Class, Company M, 22 January 1944.
Entered the Service from Dallas, Texas.

RAFAEL ARATZA, 38025091, Private First Class, Company M, 22 January 1944.
Entered the Service from Zapata, Texas.

WALTER DICKENS, 35267581, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 11 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Montcoal, West Virginia.

KENNETH H. KUHN, 32639576, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 3 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Queens, New York.

WALTER R. RYAN, 20818534, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 11 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Gonzales, Texas.

ROBERT R. MC MAHAN, 34380110, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 17 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Mc Adenville, North Carolina.

JOSEPH SCHIENER, JR, 3362407, Private First Class, Company F, 17 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

SAMUEL E. TURNER, 33831378, Private First Class, Company G, 19 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Allentown, Pennsylvania.

FREDERICK W. FISK, ALL, 31005516, Private First Class, Company G, 11 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

NEWTON J. TILLER, 34826206, Private First Class, Company G, 1 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Augusta, Georgia.

PETER N. CERRA, 3361035, Private First Class, Company G, 22 June 1944.
Entered the Service from Carbondale, Pennsylvania.

MARVIN M. JENKINS, 34810670, Private First Class, Company G, 31 May 1944.
Entered the Service from Piedmont, Alabama.

EDWARD A. CAIDERONE, 31307911, Private First Class, Company I, 6 June 1944.
Entered the Service from East Boston, Massachusetts.

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

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

DAN R. LONGINO, 01315431, Second Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 May 1944 in the vicinity of ***, ITALY. When Company C attacked cleverly concealed and stubbornly defended enemy positions, Lieutenant Longino assumed the difficult responsibility of leading a platoon from another unit. Although he had taken command only four hours before the attack, he maintained excellent control of his men, leading them across flat terrain swept by enemy machine gun and rifle fire and shelled by hostile mortars in the assault on the enemy positions. While moving fearlessly over the treacherous terrain, pointing out targets to his men, he spotted a soldier trying vainly to repair his automatic rifle. Aware that additional fire power was essential, he immediately went to the man and calmly repaired his weapon under the heavy shell fire. As he pointed out an enemy target to the soldier, he was killed by a hurtling shell fragment. Next of kin: Mrs Charline L. Astleford (Sister), 608 East Howard Avenue, Biloxi, Mississippi.

CARL E. HARGIS, 38036288, Sergeant, Battery A, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 5 June 1944 in the vicinity of ***, ITALY. Sergeant Hargis was chief of the 4th Section of Battery A when the battery moved into a firing position northwest of ***. The position had just been occupied and the gun section was improving the pit when the enemy unexpectedly blasted the area with a heavy mortar bombardment which wounded several men and set the camouflage net and powder ablaze. Sergeant Hargis immediately left his place of shelter some 15 yards from the howitzer and, without waiting for the shelling to cease, ran toward the wounded men and burning gun in an attempt to render assistance. Before he could reach the gun position, several mortar shells exploded near him and he was instantly killed by the shell fragments. Next of kin: Mrs Jewel Coleman (Mother), Scotland, Texas.

SECTION II — AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

DONALD A. CURRY, 0409046, Captain, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Entered the Service from Madison, Wisconsin.

DANIEL A. JUNELL, 20817965, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Entered the Service from Sulphur Springs, Texas.

BERT D. V. HEINLEN, 36173623, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Entered the Service from Benton Harbor, Michigan.

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RANDALL J. BONNETTE, 20817500, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Entered the Service from Port Arthur, Texas.

The above named officer and enlisted men formed a reconnaissance patrol instructed to check the road from the forward command post to the center of ***. They followed a battalion of infantrymen into the town and parked their jeep in the shadow of a building. After the infantry troops passed through the town, the above named officer and enlisted men, awaiting further instructions by radio, observed a heavily armed enemy patrol approaching from another section of the village. Remaining completely motionless, they allowed the patrol, consisting of 27 enemy soldiers, to pass. Then they quickly and cautiously approached the patrol from the rear, utterly surprising the enemy. The hostile soldiers, presuming themselves surrounded by a superior force, capitulated immediately. Because of their quick-thinking and aggressiveness the above named officer and enlisted men succeeded in capturing 27 enemy prisoners.

ABBOTT D. ABBOTT, 01309153, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 September 1943 in the vicinity of ***, ITALY. As platoon leader of a heavy machine gun platoon Lieutenant Abbott was instructed to support the 3d Battalion in the fighting on a strategic beach-head during the invasion of Italy. The battalion advanced against stiff enemy resistance and under heavy artillery and mortar shelling until the friendly troops were pinned down by the direct fire from several enemy tanks and the hostile infantry. Lieutenant Abbott immediately seized a bazooka and, leaving his covered position, pressed forward to an exposed location from which he could direct fire on the hostile tanks. Engaging the enemy singlehandedly, he took careful aim and fired his bazooka, seriously damaging one of the tanks. When the tanks had withdrawn under heavy naval fire, he again exposed himself to the intense, rapid enemy fire to organize all the riflemen near him and, supported by a heavy machine gun section, valiantly led a fire fight against the hostile force, directing the men with such skill and accuracy that the enemy infantry was forced to withdraw. Entered the Service from North Adams, Massachusetts.

RALPH J. EASTBERG, 01316997, First Lieutenant, (then Second Lieutenant), 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 June 1944 in the vicinity of ***, ITALY. When he learned that the company transportation and mortar positions had been subjected to heavy, direct fire from enemy tanks, Lieutenant Eastberg swiftly moved forward 1000 yards to the scene of battle. Ignoring the intense hostile fire, he assisted in loading wounded men onto vehicles which removed them to a place of safety. He then found an undamaged vehicle and towed four company jeeps out of the impact area. Although he was painfully wounded by shrapnel, he courageously continued removing vehicles, guns and ammunition. He assisted in reorganizing the mortar platoon, working efficiently and fearlessly, until, weak from loss of blood, he was forced to be evacuated. Entered the Service from Iron Wood, Michigan.

ROBERT A. FINDLAY, 01112686, First Lieutenant, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, Entered the Service from Hohokus, New Jersey.

JORGE A. DIAZ, 32406772, Private, Company B, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

The above named officer and enlisted man advanced in the face of continuous enemy small arms fire on a road reconnaissance toward the town of ***. In ***, a partisan chief warned them that an enemy force was located in a nearby building and indicated his own unwillingness to risk an encounter with the hostile soldier. The above named officer and enlisted man courageously entered the building and

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captured four enemy soldiers including one officer. One of the four men was released and ordered to contact the remainder of the enemy in the area and relay the demand to surrender. During the night a seemingly endless stream of enemy troops filed into the town; and, by noon of the following day, there were 244 enemy soldiers under apprehension. The enlisted man, riding a horse, led the procession of prisoners over the mountain while the officer followed in a jeep; in this way 244 enemy soldiers were herded to a prisoner of war stockade.

JESSE W. BEWLEY, 20805393, Technical Sergeant, Company F, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 13 and 14 June 1944 in the vicinity of ***, ITALY. While moving from house to house during the attack on strongly fortified enemy positions in ***, Sergeant Bewley's platoon was pinned down in one of the houses by the intensity of enemy machine gun and rifle fire. Aware that this enemy resistance had to be destroyed before his unit could continue its advance, he moved forward, exposing himself to the sweeping hostile fire, to a position from which he could return the fire with his machine gun and hand grenades. He delivered effective fire on the enemy and neutralized their positions. Then, displaying outstanding qualities of leadership, he inspired his men to follow him further into the town to a position where they fought valiantly for ten hours until the hostile element was forced to withdraw. Entered the Service from Canyon, Texas.

WILLIAM BROUSSARD, 20807786, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 June 1944 in the vicinity of ***, ITALY. As platoon guide, Sergeant Broussard advanced at the head of his unit, pressing forward under heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire across fields of grape vines which afforded excellent concealment for the enemy. Many casualties resulted from the furious fire fight, and Sergeant Broussard, aware that the medical personnel had been instructed to wait 600 yards to the rear, for calls from the forward elements, unhesitatingly recrossed the fire swept terrain and made his way toward the aid men and litter bearers. With outstanding skill he led them along a route which afforded a maximum of cover to the positions where the wounded lay. Upon returning to his own platoon he discovered that the platoon leader and the platoon sergeant had been wounded and evacuated. He immediately assumed command and led his men forward in the face of intense enemy fire. When an enemy squad succeeded in penetrating to the rear of the advancing platoon, he moved alone toward the hostile force, taking careful aim, fired into their midst, killing two soldiers and scattering the others. He then continued to lead his men dauntlessly forward against the enemy positions. Entered the Service from Beaumont, Texas.

CASIMER G. GIESEL, 36652679, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 28 May 1944 in the vicinity of ***, ITALY. Sergeant Giesel, leader of a machine gun squad, was ordered to hold the center of the company line against expected enemy assaults. The nature of the terrain gave the enemy an advantage in the counterattack, enabling the hostile force to advance under cover to within 20 yards of the squad's position. During the furious fighting Sergeant Giesel continually exposed himself to the sweeping machine gun and rifle fire to move about among his men, many of whom were experiencing combat for the first time, and encourage them to maintain their positions in the face of the intense enemy onslaught. For three hours, until the enemy was forced to withdraw, he fearlessly covered the area, pointing out targets to his men. When their supply of ammunition was depleted, Sergeant Giesel crawled to other machine guns which had been shattered by the enemy fire and returned with the much needed ammunition. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

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KENNETH W. PATTERSON, 20805447, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 13 and 14 June 1944 in the vicinity of ***, ITALY. In the attack on strongly defended enemy positions in the town of ***, Sergeant Patterson led his squad aggressively forward from building to building until the advance was delayed by heavy enemy machine gun and small arms fire. He instructed his men to remain in one of the houses, and he pressed dauntlessly forward to locate the enemy gun emplacements. He exposed himself to the sweeping fire to reach a position from which he could direct fire against the machine gun nest. So accurate was his fire that the enemy crew was forced to withdraw. He then led his men further into the town to a position where they fought valiantly for ten hours until the enemy force retreated from the town. Entered the Service from Canyon, Texas.

TROY R. BARNETT, 34631461, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 June 1944 in the vicinity of ***, ITALY. Private First Class Barnett, assigned as aid man to the 1st Platoon of Company C, advanced with his unit in an attack on strongly fortified enemy positions pressing forward 400 yards across open terrain in the face of stubborn enemy resistance. Continually exposing himself to sweeping machine gun and rifle fire, constantly imperilled by exploding artillery and mortar shells, he moved among the wounded, administering speedy expert first aid. When the intensity of enemy fire forced the company to retire to its original positions, he crawled 100 yards forward over flat terrain to a wounded soldier who had been left behind. Working in the darkness under continuous small arms fire, he treated his wounds and then assisted his injured comrade back to the safety of the friendly lines, directing litter bearers to the spot where he lay. Entered the Service from Tupora, Miss.

ANTONIO J. SAN ANTONIO, 31187967, Private, Company L, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 May 1944 in the vicinity of ***, ITALY. Private San Antonio, as first scout for the 1st Platoon, advanced at the head of his unit in an attack on a well fortified enemy strong point. When the platoon approached a group of houses with a series of deep trenches around them, the friendly troops halted while Private San Antonio moved aggressively forward to search the trenches and the buildings. As he neared the houses, he was subjected to sweeping enemy machine gun fire and was wounded as he continued to press forward. Ignoring his painful wound and the increased intensity of the hostile machine gun fire, he moved to the houses and, from a position very near the enemy force, threw several hand grenades into the openings. His valor and quick-thinking enabled his comrades to adjust their line and to direct the maximum fire power against the enemy. Entered the Service from Lawrence, Massachusetts.

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SECTION I — AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, the following named individuals are each awarded a Purple Heart for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Italy.

ZERK O. ROBERTSON, 02055839, Captain, 143d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Merkel, Texas.

RECIL K. LANGON, 20816383, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 9 September 1943. Entered the Service from Dallas, Texas.

DAVID W. CONWAY, 33185734, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 30 November 1943. Entered the Service from Carbon County, Pa.

CHARLES B. BENNETT, 36152705, Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Kalamazoo, Mich.

X ALIEN F. WOLFE, 36877157, Private First Class, Company K, 143d Infantry Regiment, 14 June 1944. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.

ALFRED G. DEOLITE, 36402216, Private, Battery B, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 14 June 1944. Entered the Service from Goldwater, Michigan.

SECTION II — AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Italy.

FRANCIS J. GORMAN, 01289068, Second Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, January 22 1944. Entered the Service from Quincy, Massachusetts.

CLYFTON N. JONES, 36173955, Corporal, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 14 June 1944. Entered the Service from Midland, Michigan.

DONALD L. NEWELL, 35049117, Private First Class, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 24 June 1944. Entered the Service from East Alcon, Ohio.

ROBERT P. OVERBAY, 33533409, Private First Class, Company E, 142d Infantry Regiment, 25 June 1944. Entered the Service from Gate City, Virginia.

JULIUS E. WYNN, 34649729, Private First Class, Company F, 141st Infantry Regiment, 3 June 1944. Entered the Service from Camden, South Carolina.

FRANK E. HICKS, 34465458, Private, Medical Detachment, 141st Infantry Regiment, 3 June 1944. Entered the Service from Norlina, North Carolina.

WILLIAM B. KMEC, 36320054, Private First Class, Company M, 142d Infantry Regiment, 14 June 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

ROBERT E. MC CLEARY, 20815466, Private, Battery B, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 25 May 1944. Entered the Service from Kerens, Texas.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a third Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Italy.

EDGAR A. LANMON, 20809023, Technical Sergeant, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment, 18 June 1944. Entered the Service from Waco, Texas.

URBAN M. FELSTRUP, 37552343, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 143d Infantry Regiment, 14 June 1944. Entered the Service from Carlton, Minnesota.

RAY T. FARLEY, 20305257, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 142d Infantry Regiment, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from Roby, Texas.

GILBERT H. BOSTER, 35277223, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 24 June 1944. Entered the Service from Gallia, Ohio.

EARL W. WATKINS, 20807005, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 24 June 1944. Entered the Service from Waco, Texas.

ARCHIE L. MILLARD, 34493678, Private, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 19 June 1944. Entered the Service from Chattanooga, Tennessee.

SECTION III -- COMMENDATION FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following named soldier is commended for exceptionally meritorious conduct:

JOSEPH F. PITTINGER, 35049618, Private, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct from 20 to 27 December 1943 in Italy. Private Pittinger, scout-observer with the battalion intelligence section, volunteered to lead a mule pack train with vitally needed ammunition to the front line troops in position on the heights of a mountain. He guided the train up the precipitous trail, obliterated in many spots by falling rock, through blinding rain and sleet to the battalion positions and successfully delivered the ammunition. Entered the Service from Loudonville, Ohio.

SECTION IV -- CORRECTED AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

ck ✓ So much of General Orders Number 239, cs, this Headquarters, as awards a Bronze Star Medal to Brigadier General ROBERT I. STACK, 07585, U. S. Army, Assistant Division Commander, 36th Infantry Division, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officer for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations in Italy.

ROBERT I. STACK, 07585, Brigadier General, U. S. Army, Assistant Division Commander, 36th Infantry Division, from 15 May 1944 to 26 June 1944. Entered the Service from New York.

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SECTION I - DIVISIONAL CITATION OF UNIT

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The First Platoon, Company B, 753d Tank Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in support of infantry troops in combat on 1-3 December 1944 in France. The First Platoon of Company B was attached to the Third Battalion, 142d Infantry Regiment, for the assault on a well defended and important city. Despite clear observation on the part of the enemy, these tanks moved across an open plain to cut a vital highway, neutralizing several machine gun nests enroute. On the highway, they surprised and destroyed an enemy vehicle, then proceeded toward the city. The enemy engaged them with 20mm guns and one 88mm antitank gun, and the tanks took them under fire at point blank range. All three enemy guns were destroyed, but one tank was immobilized by a direct 88mm hit. The remainder of the platoon dauntlessly continued on their mission, clearing machine gun nests from the route of the advancing infantry despite increased antitank fire and the added danger of bazooka fire. On the morning of the 3d of December 1944 the tanks and their infantry moved successfully on to their objective, and laid an effective fire on the enemy routes of withdrawal from the vital city.

SECTION II - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

WILLIAM E. LATHAM, O122756, First Lieutenant, 13 December 1944. Entered the Service from Stephenville, Texas.

WILLIAM F. WALTER, O1821256, First Lieutenant, 28 October 1944. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

CLAUDE H. STOKES, 38463151, Sergeant, Company C, 13 December 1944. Entered the Service from Mc Alester, Oklahoma.

LAWRENCE J. FETERL, 37147098, Technician Fourth Grade, Company B, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Salem, South Dakota.

ALVIN J. VJSTEEN, 37146858, Technician Fourth Grade, Company A, 14 December 1944. Entered the Service from Pender, Nebraska.

CHESTER M. GRECZKOWSKI, 32668923, Private First Class, Company B, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Yorkville, New York.

ROBERT L. GREEN, 34645979, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 12 December 1944. Entered the Service from Converse, South Carolina.

FRANK B. STEWART, 20730398, Private First Class, Company B, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Steele, Missouri.

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WALTER A. BLIDEMAN, 35677349, Private, Company B, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

RUFUS C. BRANTLEY, 34762088, Private, medical Detachment, 12 December 1944. Entered the Service from Tennille, Georgia.

JOHN MAE, 32285417, Private, Company A, 16 October 1944. Entered the Service from Ithaca, New York.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 142d Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

JOSEPH T. MIDDLETON, 0383605, Major, 1 December 1944. Entered the Service from Ballinger, Texas.

GLEN P. DAUGHERTY, 37616042, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 14 December 1944. Entered the Service from Bethel, Missouri.

RICHARD B. DOWIS, 37675448, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 17 December 1944. Entered the Service from Washington, Iowa.

LARL H. GOLFORD, 6888093, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 9 December 1944. Entered the Service from Dunmore, West Virginia.

JAMES L. NELSON, 34890551, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 17 December 1944. Entered the Service from Winston Salem, North Carolina.

THELBERT W. MOORE, 20804867, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 12 December 1944. Entered the Service from Ballinger, Texas.

JIMMIE S. LOPEZ, 37703224, Sergeant, Company E, 28 November 1944. Entered the Service from Denver, Colorado.

LAWRENCE SAVAGE, 38534777, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 15 December 1944. Entered the Service from Irving, Texas.

SECTION III - RESCISSION

So much of Section I, General Orders Number 481, this headquarters, as awards a Purple Heart to GLEN MC GUIRE, 38036578, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion, is rescinded.

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SECTION I - POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

✓ BILL F. WALLS, 34129967, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 June 1944 in Italy. While moving across a field to locate one of the two sections of his patrol, Sergeant Walls spotted three hostile soldiers. He immediately opened fire with his sub-machine gun and wounded one of them in the leg. He started back to inform his patrol leader of the presence of the enemy. Upon approaching a draw, he surprised another group of hostile soldiers. He crawled up behind one of the group, a non-commissioned officer, disarmed him, and demanded the others to surrender. He marched his seven prisoners back to his patrol leader, then searched another nearby draw for additional enemy soldiers. When he located a hostile machine gun position, he crept up behind the three crew members and, covering them with his sub-machine gun, forced them to surrender. In addition to the ten prisoners which Sergeant Walls captured alone, seven more enemy soldiers were captured by him and his comrades before the patrol returned to the friendly positions. Staff Sergeant Walls was killed in action during a subsequent engagement. Next of kin: Mrs. Anzie Walls (Mother), R. F. D. No 3, Murphy, North Carolina.

✓ JOHN W. GRAVES, 35631404, Private First Class, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 October 1944 in France. During a fierce enemy attack against Company I's defenses, Private First Class Graves was sent forward to fill a gap in the line and occupy a position which the hostile troops had previously knocked out. Although his was the most advanced position, he determined to move further forward to a spot from which he could direct effective mortar fire on the attackers. His comrades in the area were being harassed by enemy snipers. He courageously left the comparative safety of his fighting hole so that, while establishing his mortar observation post, he could locate the snipers and eliminate them. While moving across exposed terrain toward the advantageous position which he had chosen, he was killed by a sniper bullet. His selflessness and his regard for the safety of his comrades exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Ethel Louise Graves (Wife), 441 Stanley Street, Chillicothe, Ohio.

✓ CLIFTON S. PEDIGO, 35892987, Private, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 7 September 1944 in France. While Company L was advancing in an approach march, Private Pedigo was assigned the mission of leading two men on a patrol to contact Company K, which was moving on the unit's

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left flank, and to guide the supporting tanks to his company. After contacting Company K, he moved to the road down which the tanks were approaching. While waiting for the tanks, Private Pedigo saw eight enemy soldiers creep up behind Company K's column and advance at the rear of the unit without being spotted by anyone. Aware that the hostile group would soon assault the unsuspecting men, Private Pedigo swiftly opened fire with his automatic rifle, directing deadly bursts of fire into the midst of the enemy soldiers. He killed two, wounded three and forced the remaining three to surrender. As a result of his quick-thinking and daring, a serious threat to the safety of his comrades was erased. Private Pedigo was killed in action during a subsequent engagement. Next of kin: Mrs. Mattie Pedigo (Mother), Knob Lick, Kentucky.

SECTION II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals.

✓ HAROLD L. MC GREGOR, 20806268, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company K, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Stamford, Texas.

✓ HERBERT J. GOODWIN, 38513343, Private, Company K, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Rotan, Texas.

✓ for gallantry in action on 7 November 1944 in France. The 2d Platoon of Company K was moving toward enemy defenses on a strategically important hill when the unit's advance was delayed by heavy rifle and machine gun fire from a strong hostile road block. Rapid bursts of fire from two machine gun positions threatened to inflict heavy casualties on the platoon. These two men, the bazooka team of the 2d Platoon, immediately moved forward in the face of point blank fire from the enemy guns. They advanced fearlessly until they reached a point only 60 yards from the road block. Although they were the target for direct fire from the hostile emplacements, the men swiftly loaded the bazooka and, fearlessly exposing themselves, fired several rounds into the midst of the strong point. The deadly accurate fire killed three of the enemy soldiers, wounded two and forced the remainder to abandon the position. Both of the machine guns were destroyed. As a result of their courage and determination, the hostile strong point was smashed and the unit was able to continue its advance.

✓ JESSE J. DORRING, 37485118, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Gregory, South Dakota.

✓ CONIO J. PATRUZZI, 42067720, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from North Tarrytown, New York.

for gallantry in action on 27 November 1944 in France. The 2d Platoon of Company B was engaged in fierce street fighting with a large hostile force determinedly defending positions in a town. The leading squad was subjected to heavy machine gun fire from an enemy road block, and the second scout was wounded. The remainder of the squad members took cover in nearby alleyways. Although the entire length of the street was being swept by rapid bursts of machine gun fire, these men volunteered to attempt to rescue the injured soldier. They unhesitatingly left their place of comparative safety and crawled forward 30 yards to reach their wounded comrade. Although they were the target for direct machine gun fire, the men unselfishly carried him to a place of cover where he received first aid treatment and was evacuated.

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

✓ DOUGLAS MIRACLE, 35267718, Private First Class, Company B, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 August 1944 in France. During an attack against an important enemy stronghold, Company B was engaged in bitter street fighting with the hostile force. Private First Class Miracle, advancing alone in front of his platoon, moved up the street in the face of heavy small arms fire. By firing his rifle and hurling hand grenades into the windows and doors of enemy-occupied houses, he cleared the way for his platoon to follow him. Although he was the target for hostile grenades and rifle fire, he continued indomitably forward and, without assistance, captured twelve enemy soldiers in his advance through the town. Entered the Service from Fineville, Kentucky.

✓ ALEXANDER MAC DONALD, 31201038, Private First Class, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 June 1944 in Italy. When the battalion defenses were subjected to a savage enemy counterattack, Private First Class Mac Donald was assigned the mission of obtaining ammunition for his comrades. While on this detail, he encountered a hostile machine gun, manned by a crew of three, firing toward the battalion command post. Aware that the battalion commander was directing the friendly resistance from this command post and that the heavy fire endangered him and other battalion staff officers, Private First Class Mac Donald determined to destroy this threat to the safety of the battalion. He moved directly in the face of the rapid bursts of machine gun fire, pressing dauntlessly forward until he reached an advantageous position affording excellent observation on the gun emplacement. Valiantly exposing himself to the hostile fire, Private First Class Mac Donald hurled three hand grenades in rapid succession, knocking out the weapon and killing two of the enemy. The third crew member, dazed by the swift assault, was forced to surrender. By his quick-thinking and daring initiative, Private First Class Mac Donald eliminated an enemy strong point which had endangered the success of the battalion in repelling the counterattack. Entered the Service from Mattapan, Massachusetts.

✓ FRANK S. SZCZESNY, 36321336, Private First Class, Company A, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, for gallantry in action on 25 August 1944 in France. Three platoons of the 111th Engineer Combat Battalion were assigned the mission of defending an important town. When the enemy launched a savage attack, Private First Class Szczesny was operating a machine gun in a forward position. As the hostile troops advanced, he fired a belt of ammunition into their midst, killing four of them. While reloading the gun, he was painfully wounded by small arms fire and was forced to enter the platoon command post for first aid treatment. Later in the day, Private First Class Szczesny saw an opportunity to capture a group of hostile soldiers. Ignoring the pain of his wound, he waited for the opportune moment and, when it came, sprang upon one of the enemy, disarmed him and called for his comrades to overpower the others. As a result of the brief struggle, four soldiers were captured by Private First Class Szczesny and his companions and were marched back to the friendly lines. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

LEONARD J. COLLINS, 34580235, Private First Class, Company M, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 8 September 1944 in France. Private First Class Collins was messenger for the reconnaissance officer of Com-

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pany M. On 8 September the reconnaissance party was misdirected to a town which had not been cleared of hostile troops. Upon entering the town, Private First Class Collins encountered two enemy motorcyclists, speeding down the road. He and his two companions immediately opened fire and captured the hostile soldiers. Almost instantly, two vehicles loaded with enemy troops drove into town. While one member of the reconnaissance party covered the prisoners, Private First Class Collins and the reconnaissance officer engaged the numerically superior enemy in a fire fight. Fearlessly exposing themselves to a large volume of hostile fire, they fought valiantly, killing two of the enemy, wounding several and capturing the remaining ten. One of the prisoners was an officer who divulged the whereabouts of a large hostile force. Private First Class Collins and his companions then contacted friendly troops and organized a defense of the town. Entered the Service from Danville, Alabama.

CLIFFARD MARCUM, 35770773, Private First Class, Company I, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 8 September 1944 in France. Under cover of darkness Company I advanced in an attack against an enemy stronghold, pressing forward through the outskirts of town until the hostile force opened fire with machine guns and rifles. Private First Class Marcum, an automatic rifleman, was moving along a street when he was wounded in the leg by a fragment from an enemy grenade. After an aid man bandaged his wound, Private First Class Marcum refused to be evacuated and, in spite of intense pain, rejoined his comrades in the fight, firing his weapon with deadly accuracy into the midst of the enemy positions. When the company halted momentarily for reorganization, a hostile soldier crept to within a few yards of the group without being spotted and suddenly opened fire with a machine pistol. Private First Class Marcum leapt from his position and fired his automatic rifle from the hip, killing the enemy with a single burst. As the attack progressed, he drove forward with the advance elements of his company, inflicting heavy casualties on the hostile troops forming pockets of resistance within the town. Only after the stronghold had been seized and cleared would Private First Class Marcum allow himself to be evacuated to the hospital. Entered the Service from Williamson, West Virginia.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

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

MURRAY P. CANADY, C410448, First Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, for heroism on 9 June 1944 in Italy. Lieutenant Canady, maintenance officer in the Service Company, was supervising the unloading of ammunition brought forward from a rear area. A case of white phosphorous grenades fell from the rear of the truck, and the explosion of one of the grenades set off others in the box. The two men who had been stacking ammunition were severely burned by the hot chemicals. The exploding ammunition scattered fragments throughout the area, forcing personnel to take cover. Ignoring the danger of the exploding grenades, Lieutenant Canady rushed to the more seriously injured soldier, threw him to the ground and, although he might have been burned himself, smothered the fire with his field jacket and sand. His quick-thinking and selflessness saved the man from suffering more severe burns. He then supervised the evacuation of the two injured soldiers to a nearby aid station where they were given immediate medical attention. Entered the Service from Ballinger, Texas.

SECTION II - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat in France.

WARREN J. JONES, 16016459, Sergeant, Company B, 753d Tank Battalion, 29 August 1944. Entered the Service from Winchester, Illinois.

EDWIN W. SOMERS, 32757181, Sergeant, Company D, 142d Infantry Regiment, 26 September 1944. Entered the Service from Pleasantville, New Jersey.

JACOB F. LONG, 16148506, Sergeant, Company B, 753d Tank Battalion, 29 August 1944. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.

THOMAS E. HARDY, 37439370, Corporal, Company B, 753d Tank Battalion, 29 August 1944. Entered the Service from Des Moines, Iowa.

CHARLES W. VONVICH, 37430534, Corporal, Headquarters Company, 753d Tank Battalion, 29 August 1944. Entered the Service from Rockford, Illinois.

WILLIAM A. ALLENBACH, 38020450, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 753d Tank Battalion, 29 August 1944. Entered the Service from Guthrie, Oklahoma.

DONALD R. CRUZAN, 36173830, Private First Class, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 6 October 1944. Entered the Service from White Cloud, Michigan.

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JOSEPH J. CILMI, 3239845, Private First Class, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 6 October 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

ANTHONY G. POLLARD, 37400334, Private First Class, Company D, 142d Infantry Regiment, 26 September 1944. Entered the Service from Affton, Missouri.

RAYMOND V. KIDD, 35002468, Private, Headquarters Company, 753d Tank Battalion, 29 August 1944. Entered the Service from Irontown, Ohio.

HENRY W. CHERING, 16170875, Private, Company M, 141st Infantry Regiment, 27 August 1944. Entered the Service from Spokane, Washington.

CLOYD L. GEORGE, 38372395, Private, Company M, 141st Infantry Regiment, 27 August 1944. Entered the Service from Wichita Falls, Texas.

ANTHONY J. GABRIEL, JR., 31342341, Private, Company M, 141st Infantry Regiment, 27 August 1944. Entered the Service from Hartford, Connecticut.

BURFORD J. ROSS, 34544386, Private, Company M, 141st Infantry Regiment, 27 August 1944. Entered the Service from Bonifay, Florida.

BRONISLAW CHOLAKA, 32445015, Private, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 October 1944. Entered the Service from Beacon, New York.

FRANK HACIA, 32209473, Private, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 October 1944. Entered the Service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

HOWARD L. UPTON, 37516615, Private, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 October 1944. Entered the Service from Kansas City, Kansas.

SECTION III - CORRECTED AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

So much of Section I, General Orders Number 474, cs, this Headquarters, as awards a Bronze Star medal to GATHA W. NORTON, 34339307, Private First Class, Company K, 141st Infantry Regiment, is rescinded, and the following substituted therefor.

"Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual for heroic achievement in combat.

"GATHA W. NORTON, 34339307, Private First Class, Company K, 141st Infantry Regiment, 14 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Birmingham, Ala.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroism.

✓ FREDERICK J. ULLRICH, 38027445, Sergeant, Service Company, 142d Infantry Regiment, for heroism on 9 June 1944 in Italy. Sergeant Ullrich, ammunition sergeant in the Service Company, was supervising the unloading of ammunition brought forward from a rear area. A case of white phosphorous grenades fell from the rear of the truck, and the explosion of one of the grenades set off others in the box. The two men who had been stacking ammunition were severely burned. Aware that all personnel in the area was endangered, Sergeant Ullrich courageously ran to the case of exploding grenades, picked up the box and carried it away from the stacked ammunition and the vehicles. Moving swiftly, he broke open the case and scattered the grenades on the ground, then shovelled soil on the burning chemicals and extinguished the fire. He immediately returned to the spot where his comrades had been injured and assisted in administering first aid. Entered the Service from Boerne, Texas.

✓ ARTHUR E. TALVAINEN, 31256726, Private, Company 4, 753d Tank Battalion, for heroism on 21 November 1944 in France. Private Talvainon was passing through a small French town when he heard the hysterical cries of civilians who were lining the bank of a river. Upon investigation, he discovered a woman floundering in the swollen river and learned that she had fallen from a plank laid across a blown bridge. He unhesitatingly removed his coat and plunged into the icy waters of the stream. Struggling against the swift-flowing currents, he held the woman above the water and, exerting the greatest effort, managed to carry her to the bank where she was pulled out of the river to safety. Only the presence of mind and dauntless courage of Private Talvainon prevented the woman from losing her life in the river. Entered the Service from Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

SECTION II - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat.

✓ WILLIAM M. GERHARDT, 01299395, First Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, 25 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

✓ OLAN G. TUCKER, 6380260, First Sergeant, Company I, 142d Infantry Regiment, 1 December 1944, France. Entered the Service from Wagram, North Carolina.

✓ DAN CRUTCHFIELD, 20812865, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Headquarters Battery, 36th Infantry Division Artillery, 9 September 1943, Italy. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

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✓ JOE A. SHUFORD, 33454884, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 25 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Shelby, North Carolina.

✓ HOWARD F. MILLER, 37675727, Sergeant, Company H, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Des Moines, Iowa.

✓ GLYDE H. ECHOLS, JR., 35634646, Sergeant, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment, 6 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Columbus, Ohio.

✓ FOLK M. BRYANT, 38555044, Corporal, Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, 1 December 1944, France. Entered the Service from Austin, Texas.

✓ WILLIAM B. WHITTINGTON, 34537332, Corporal, Company H, 143d Infantry Regiment, 26 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Bonifay, Florida.

✓ BERNARD BUCKMAN, 42036323, Private First Class, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment, 27 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

✓ JOHN R. HERRERA, 37343409, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, 29 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Delta, Colorado.

✓ AUGUSTA H. DUNLAP, 20806493, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 142d Infantry Regiment, 8 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Breckenridge, Texas.

✓ OSCAR C. COLLINS, 36236405, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 142d Infantry Regiment, 2 December 1944, France. Entered the Service from Alston, Mich.

✓ JOHN J. PARER, 37245523, Private First Class, Company L, 143d Infantry Regiment, 13 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Brunswick, Missouri.

✓ DANIEL A. CARLIERO, 32904798, Private, Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, 12 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

✓ ONCRATO F. FUMARI, 33701074, Private, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, 31 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

✓ ROY L. JEFFERSON, 35875058, Private, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, 31 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Paris, Kentucky.

✓ JOHN C. SOLOMON, JR., 34886613, Private, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, 31 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Greeneville, Tennessee.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

BERNARD A. ROONEY, 01300387, First Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action from 10 to 15 November 1944 in France. Company G was occupying a defensive position when a large hostile force launched a determined assault, inflicting heavy casualties on the unit. As a result of the cold, rainy weather and the incessant enemy rifle grenade and bazooka fire, the company was threatened with disorganization. Lieutenant Rooney, a platoon leader, moved fearlessly over the fire-swept terrain, encouraging and reorganizing his men. In order to direct his platoon with greater effectiveness, he courageously exposed himself to the hostile fire and was painfully wounded by a hurtling shell fragment. Lieutenant Rooney disdained evacuation and, mastering the pain of his wound, determined to remain with his men. He valiantly led his platoon in repelling the enemy thrust and, without a thought for personal safety or comfort, stayed in position for two and a half days. All the members of his platoon were inspired by Lieutenant Rooney's selflessness and devotion to duty and, under his brilliant leadership, repelled a series of savage enemy thrusts. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JAMES E. MESKILL, 36236452, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 12 October 1944 in France. Sergeant Meskill was assigned the mission of leading an 18 man patrol to clear an enemy force from a group of three houses in hostile territory. When he approached the buildings, he halted his patrol and, aware of the danger of leading his men into a trap, advanced alone to reconnoiter the area. He spotted an enemy sentinel guarding the houses and, advancing cautiously to within a few feet of the sentry, called to him. As the soldier whirled around and opened fire, Sergeant Meskill calmly returned the fire, killing him with a well-aimed shot. The exchange of fire alerted hostile troops, and, as Sergeant Meskill started back toward his patrol, several enemy soldiers blocked his path. When one leaped at him from a concealed position, Sergeant Meskill fired swiftly and killed him, then whirled and fired point blank at another soldier who had attacked from the rear, killing him with a single shot. He returned to his men and immediately led them back toward the houses. There he discovered that the remainder of the hostile force had abandoned the buildings and fled. Entered the Service from Phillips, Wisconsin.

ANTONZO FIGUERIEDO, 31296575, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 December 1944 in France. Tec 5 Figueriedo spotted two enemy sentries guarding a house in hostile territory and, acting entirely on his own initiative, attempted to capture them. He advanced fearlessly

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across 150 yards of open terrain swept by hostile rifle and machine gun fire. When he reached his objective, he demanded the two soldiers to surrender. He then captured five more of the enemy in the vicinity and marched the group through hostile small arms fire back to the friendly lines. The prisoners, when questioned, gave information which enabled friendly troops to capture over 40 soldiers in the same area which Tec 5 Figueredo had entered alone. His daring and aggressiveness were a source of constant inspiration to his fellow soldiers. Entered the Service from Taunton, Massachusetts

O. L. JONES, 38532779, Private First Class, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 27 August 1944 in France. One platoon of Company I was occupying a defensive position on one slope of a hill within 100 yards of hostile emplacements on the opposite slope. The area was subjected to a heavy artillery and mortar barrage followed immediately by a savage enemy attack. Private First Class Jones, an automatic rifleman, fired his weapon with deadly accuracy, contributing materially to the repulse of the assault. As the hostile force withdrew, he fearlessly left the safety of his fighting hole and accompanied by a machine gun sergeant, voluntarily pursued the enemy over the crest of the hill to within 20 yards of their positions. Although he was the target for small arms and mortar fire, he sprayed the entire area with rapid bursts of fire from his automatic rifle, remaining dauntlessly in position until his ammunition was expended. He and his companion returned to the friendly lines, secured an additional supply of ammunition and made another raid on the hostile force. He braved direct enemy fire and continued operating his automatic rifle until he had again exhausted his supply of ammunition. During the course of the action he fired at least ten magazines into the midst of the hostile troops. Entered the Service from Lone Oak, Texas.

ARNOLD B. HOSIER, 35875426, Private First Class, Company F, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 22 October 1944 in France. When the advance of the assault platoon was delayed by heavy machine gun and rifle fire from a well-emplaced enemy strong point, a squad from the support platoon was sent out to flank the position. Because of the hilly terrain, Private First Class Hosier, first scout of the squad, suddenly found himself far ahead of his comrades. Advancing alone, he reached the top of a steep cliff and encountered two enemy riflemen. Moving swiftly, he courageously charged the hostile soldiers and killed them both. Although he was the target for heavy enemy fire, he pressed forward and engaged the machine gun in an intense fire fight. When the remainder of the squad moved into position, the gun crew attempted to withdraw. Private First Class Hosier jumped to his feet and pursued the retreating soldiers. Inspired by his intrepidity, his comrades followed him in the chase, killing three of the enemy and capturing three. His quick thinking and courage enabled his company to continue its advance and seize its objective. Entered the Service from Clarksville, Ohio.

WILLIAM R. YOMMER, 33733908, Private First Class, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 21 September 1944 in France. While advancing along a wooded slope in an attack against an enemy road block, the 3d squad of the 1st Platoon was subjected to heavy enemy machine gun fire which delayed its advance. In order to relieve the pressure on his comrades, Private First Class Yommer, an automatic rifleman, courageously worked his way forward to the front of his squad and put his weapon into action behind a stump. Although he was the target for direct machine gun fire, he remained dauntlessly in position and returned the hostile fire. He fired rapidly into the enemy emplacement, expending all of his ammunition, then called to his assistant gunner to throw him an additional supply.

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He maintained his hazardous position and continued firing until he had neutralized the hostile gun, killed one of the enemy soldiers and wounded two others. By his quick-thinking and aggressiveness he erased a serious threat to the safety of his comrades and enabled his squad to continue its advance. Entered the Service from Grantsville, Maryland.

JOHN G. MILLER, 33149148, Private First Class, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 and 12 November 1944 in France. On 11 November the 2d Platoon of Company C was attacking strong enemy defenses. Private First Class Miller, an automatic rifleman, was ordered to lay down a base of fire while the remainder of the platoon assaulted an outpost position. As the men advanced, they were subjected to heavy fire from seven enemy riflemen. Private First Class Miller swiftly put his weapon into action and, with accurate bursts of automatic rifle fire, killed four of the hostile soldiers and wounded one. Then, contemptuous of personal safety, he worked his way forward to an exposed position which afforded a better field of fire. A heavy artillery and mortar barrage preceded a savage enemy counterattack. Undaunted by the fury of the hostile troops, Private First Class Miller dauntlessly remained in position and delayed the charging enemy with effective automatic rifle fire, killing two and wounding several others. He fired steadily, contributing materially to the repulse of two assaults, and then volunteered to remain in position and guard the platoon throughout the night. At dawn the enemy launched another counterattack. Private First Class Miller, constantly on the alert, gave the alarm and opened fire, inflicting many casualties on the hostile troops. He manned his weapon until, after a short, fierce fight, the enemy was forced to withdraw. Entered the Service from Ephrata, Pennsylvania.

JOHN L. MANNEY, 34844909, Private, Company A, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 September 1944 in France. Company A's advance was delayed by heavy machine gun and rifle fire from the opposite side of a bridge which spanned a small stream. The 1st Platoon was assigned the mission of smashing the hostile strong point. Private Manney, a scout in one of the assault squads, crossed the stream from a point above the bridge and cautiously advanced through thick underbrush. Spotting an enemy rifleman, he opened fire and wounded him. He then made his way up a ditch beside the road to a position above and behind the machine gun nest. Fearlessly exposing himself to the hostile fire, he hurled hand grenades into the enemy emplacement, silencing the machine gun and its crew. By his quick-thinking and aggressiveness, Private Manney destroyed an enemy strong point and enabled his organization to continue its advance. Entered the Service from Ripley, Mississippi.

CLEBER ROUSE, 14187779, Private, Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 October 1944 in France. Private Rouse was attached as aid man to the 1st Platoon of Company G during an attack against well-defended enemy positions. The platoon was advancing across an open field when the enemy suddenly opened fire with machine guns and rifles, inflicting several casualties on the attackers. Although the field was swept by hostile fire, Private Rouse unhesitatingly left his place of cover and made his way to one of the injured soldiers. While he was administering first aid, a bullet narrowly missed Private Rouse and killed the wounded man whom he was treating. Retaining his calmness and self-control, Private Rouse braved the incessant fire to reach another of the casualties. In spite of the accuracy of the enemy fire, he continued rendering first aid treatment to the wounded soldiers, working tirelessly and skillfully to save the lives of his comrades. Entered the Service from Seven Springs, North Carolina.

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SECTION II - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Silver Star is awarded to the following named individual for gallantry in action.

FRANCIS CULOTTA, 01320437, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 10 and 11 September 1944 in France. Lieutenant Culotta, platoon leader in the Cannon Company, was assigned the mission of spearheading the regimental advance from a recently captured town to the high ground overlooking an important enemy stronghold. He took an exposed position on the leading self-propelled 75mm cannon of his platoon. When the unit encountered a strong enemy road block defended by an antitank gun, two machine guns and a truckload of hostile troops, Lieutenant Culotta ordered the crew of the gun he was riding to charge the enemy positions. Although he became the target for heavy fire, he directed his gun crew in destroying the enemy weapons and killing 12 soldiers. With this strong point eliminated, the platoon continued its advance until four well-concealed anti-aircraft guns opened fire on the group. Lieutenant Culotta jumped to the ground, deployed his tanks on both sides of the road and, moving about on foot, led them in an encircling attack on the hostile position. Under his guidance, effective fire directed on the enemy guns forced the crews to abandon them. As a result of Lieutenant Culotta's aggressive leadership, the regiment moved without opposition to the high ground overlooking the enemy-held town. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 142d Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

HAROLD W. TREMPER, 33526054, Sergeant, Company E, 21 December 1944. Entered the Service from Portsmouth, Virginia.

HOLLIS F. BARTZ, 36831321, Corporal, Company F, 3 October 1944. Entered the Service from Delafield, Wisconsin.

FELIX G. FILIPPO, 39723312, Private First Class, Company I, 20 December 1944. Entered the Service from Los Angeles, California.

ELTE L. KONDUROS, 34931961, Private First Class, Company L, 15 December 1944. Entered the Service from Greenville, South Carolina.

CHARLES W. LEADINGHAM, 33715052, Private First Class, Company G, 6 December 1944. Entered the Service from Argillite, Kentucky.

SALVATORE J. LUBRAMO, 32808038, Private First Class, Company C, 6 December 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

WILLIAM H. MILLER, 37149507, Private First Class, Company M, 20 December 1944. Entered the Service from DeSmet, South Dakota.

LEE R. HEED, 35080350, Private First Class, Company C, 8 December 1944. Entered the Service from Charleston, West Virginia.

HARRY G. ROBBINS, 34311698, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 21 December 1944. Entered the Service from LaGrange, North Carolina.

ROBERT L. DELMARTER, 42023827, Private, Company I, 3 December 1944. Entered the Service from Greene, New York.

AUGUSTINE D. DININO, 32929833, Private, Company C, 12 December 1944. Entered the Service from Buffalo, New York.

JOHN H. FOX, 37623988, Private, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 19 December 1944. Entered the Service from St. Louis, Missouri.

RAYMOND T. HOAK, 33920246, Private, Company I, 16 December 1944. Entered the Service from Freeport, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT T. JONES, 36783628, Private, Company A, 17 December 1944. Entered the Service from Columbia, Missouri.

WILLIAM J. ARLENS, 37678695, Private, Company C, 1 December 1944. Entered the Service from Waterloo, Iowa.

WILFRED J. NORMAN, 35848291, Private, Company F, 5 December 1944. Entered the Service from Wheeling, West Virginia.

LASSIE L. SCOTT, 34854219, Private, Company C, 6 December 1944. Entered the Service from Carthage, North Carolina.

JAMES D. TAVOS, 13200366, Private, Company C, 11 December 1944. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

MARTIN WILLIAMS, 35881710, Private, Company I, 16 December 1944. Entered the Service from Blue Diamond, Kentucky.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 111th Engineer Combat Battalion for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

✓ GEORGE P. PENGRESSI, 36173722, Sergeant, Company B, 14 December 1944. Entered the Service from Pontiac, Michigan.

ELMORE SC. FIDEL, 38376839, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 16 December 1944. Entered the Service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

✓ ANTHONY CARDILLO, 31215890, Private, Company A, 4 November 1944. Entered the Service from Monterey, Massachusetts.

ORAL L. SHELTON, 35155671, Private, Company B, 19 December 1944. Entered the Service from Montgomery, Indiana.

BRUNO G. PISTONI, 31292071, Private, Company B, 13 December 1944. Entered the Service from Providence, Rhode Island.

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

R. J. ANDREWS, 20815456, Private First Class, Battery B, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 13 December 1944. Entered the Service from Kerens, Texas.

JOHN W. VAUGHAN, JR., 33631446, Private First Class, Battery C, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 12 December 1944. Entered the Service from Richmond, Virginia.

DONALD OWENS, 38027476, Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 30th Infantry Division Artillery, 8 December 1944. Entered the Service from Centerville, Iowa.

FLOYD B. MAYO, 33446421, Private, Battery C, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 12 December 1944. Entered the Service from Charlottesville, Virginia.

ANTHONY R. RANELLA, 33608075, Private, Battery C, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, 12 December 1944. Entered the Service from Dunmore, Pennsylvania.

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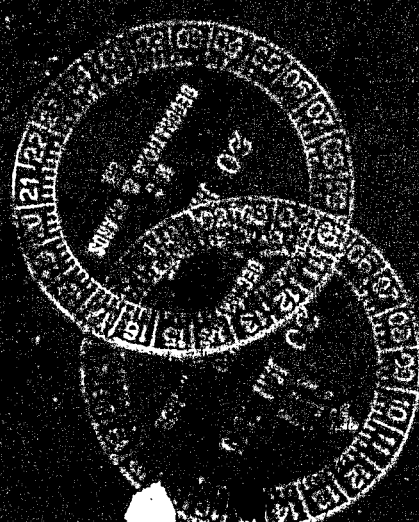
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POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

MARLIN L. BUTLER, 34709435, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 August 1944 in France. The Combat Platoon of the 2d Battalion was assigned the mission of reducing an enemy road block protected by mortars and machine guns well-emplaced in a nearby house. When tanks destroyed the road block, they drove forward to eliminate the strong point in the house. The battalion commander followed the tanks into the fire swept area, and Sergeant Butler, platoon sergeant, voluntarily braved the heavy machine gun and mortar fire to afford protection for the officer. As two enemy soldiers stood up to surrender and moved toward the tanks, the battalion commander walked from behind the tanks and started forward. Sergeant Marlin selflessly thrust himself in front of the officer to provide cover. When a third hostile soldier opened fire from a well-concealed position, Sergeant Butler, valiantly shielding his commanding officer, was mortally wounded by the machine pistol fire. His unselfish regard for the safety of the battalion commander and his heroic sacrifice inspired all who witnessed his deed. Next of kin: Mrs. Nancy L. Butler (mother), Route #1, Arab, Alabama.

JOHNNIE KONARIK, 38026870, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 27 August 1944 in France. Sergeant Konarik, a squad leader, was assigned the mission of protecting the left flank of his platoon sector. When a strong hostile force attempted to infiltrate through a densely wooded area to the left of his position, Sergeant Konarik, acting entirely on his own initiative, left his prepared defense to lead a counterattack against the enemy. He swiftly placed his men in advantageous positions on the enemy flank, then crawled forward to a spot within 15 yards of the hostile force. As he began hurling hand grenades into the midst of the enemy, his squad opened fire. Although he became the target for direct machine gun and rifle fire, he pressed dauntlessly forward, hurling hand grenades as he advanced. The hostile group hastily withdrew, and, as Sergeant Konarik led his squad in pursuit, he was mortally wounded by an enemy-hurled grenade. As a result of his heroic sacrifice, a grave threat to his unit's safety was eliminated. Next of kin: Mrs. Rosie Holly (Sister), Route #5, Hallettsville, Texas.

ROY L. BOND, 35633156, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in France. Company G was subjected to a violent enemy counterattack, and intense small arms, mortar and rifle grenade fire inflicted heavy casualties on the friendly troops. When the rifle protection for the machine gun section was withdrawn to strengthen another sector, Sergeant Bond, the machine gun section sergeant, worked his way under the rapid bursts of hostile fire to the company command post and there secured a supply of hand grenades. He swiftly returned to the machine gun positions and distributed the grenades among

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his men, retaining several for himself. When he spotted a group of enemy soldiers moving up to a position under a rock ledge in preparation for an assault against his gun emplacements, Sergeant Bond again braved the shelling and small arms fire to crawl forward to the ledge. From this vantage point, he hurled grenades at the enemy below, forcing them to withdraw. While bravely exposing himself in order to throw the hand grenades, he was killed by fire from an enemy sniper. Next of kin: Mr. Ephie Bond (Father), Kenninick, Kentucky.

ALBO SANFORD, 34646007, Sergeant, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 November 1944 in France. Sergeant Sanford led his squad as an advance patrol along the forward slope of a mountain toward an enemy-held town. As he and his companions rounded a bend in the trail, they were subjected to heavy machine gun fire from a well-concealed position. Although he was seriously wounded in the legs and body, Sergeant Sanford courageously directed his squad in firing on the hostile emplacement. Mastering the pain of his wound, he put his sub-machine gun into action and delivered a burst of fire into the midst of the enemy group. He instantly became the target for the hostile gunners and was mortally wounded by the last spray of machine gun bullets. Before he died, Sergeant Sanford, with thoughts only for the safety of his squad, ordered his men to move out of the enemy weapon's field of fire and take up advantageous firing positions higher on the hill. Next of kin: Mrs. Nellie Sanford (Mother), East Line, Glendale, South Carolina.

AFRIL F. MORRIS, 32918645, Private First Class, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in France. Company G was subjected to a violent enemy counterattack, and intense small arms, mortar and rifle grenade fire inflicted heavy casualties on the friendly troops. During the savage fire fight, the supply of ammunition for the light machine guns was almost expended, and Private First Class Morris, a gunner, volunteered to make his way to the ammunition dump and secure an additional supply. Although he was exposed to hostile mortar and grenade fire, he pressed dauntlessly toward his destination, moving across 100 yards of flat, open terrain to the dump. With three boxes of ammunition he returned to the gun positions and began distributing the ammunition to the machine gun crews. While courageously moving about the fire-swept area, Private First Class Morris was fatally wounded by fragments from an enemy hand grenade. Next of kin: Mrs. Marie Morris (Mother), 121 Rutherford Avenue, Franklin, New Jersey.

DONALD J. MC CONKEY, 33674459, Private First Class, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 7 November 1944 in France. The 3d Platoon of Company L was advancing along a wooded draw, leading the attack against enemy defenses on an important hill, when hostile machine gun, rifle and mortar fire directed from all sides cut it off from the remainder of the company. One machine gun, well-emplaced on the lower ridge overlooking the draw, was sweeping the entire platoon with deadly bursts of fire, threatening to inflict heavy casualties on the group. Private First Class Mc Conkey, an acting squad leader, determined upon a course of immediate action. He courageously led his men forward in an attempt to destroy the machine gun position. Moving calmly in the face of point blank fire, he skillfully deployed his squad and advanced to within 50 yards of the hostile emplacement. After placing his men in advantageous firing positions, he courageously exposed himself in order to direct their fire with greater effectiveness. He immediately became the target for the enemy gunners and was killed by the machine gun fire. As a result of his daring and aggressiveness, the hostile position was eliminated and the company was able to continue its advance. Next of

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kin: Mrs. Anna Mc Conkey (mother), Route #1, Dunbar, Pennsylvania.

BERTRAND D. VINCENT, 37539552, Private First Class, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 7 November 1944 in France. The 3d Platoon of Company L was advancing along a wooded draw, leading the attack against enemy defenses on an important hill, when hostile machine gun, rifle and mortar fire directed from all sides cut it off from the remainder of the company. One machine gun, well-emplaced on the lower ridge overlooking the draw, was sweeping the entire platoon with deadly bursts of fire, threatening to inflict heavy casualties on the group. Private First Class Vincent, an acting squad leader, valiantly led his men forward in an attempt to destroy the gun position. Moving calmly in the face of point blank fire, he skillfully deployed his men and led them to within 50 yards of the hostile emplacement. He placed the squad members in advantageous firing positions and fearlessly exposed himself to direct their fire. He immediately became the target for the enemy gunners and was killed by the machine gun fire. Inspired by his intrepidity and selflessness, the squad successfully destroyed the hostile position, enabling the company to continue its advance. Next of kin: Mr. Burl O. Vincent, Route #1, Jasper, Missouri.

DANIEL J. KLAFF, 35289947, Private First Class, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 September 1944 in France. Company G advanced along the slopes overlooking an important town, neutralizing all enemy resistance in the woods and along the road leading into the town. Private First Class Klaff, acting as assistant squad leader, was assigned the mission of leading two men along the road as a flank protection for the unit. While moving through the woods, he approached an open clearing which afforded no cover or concealment. In order to determine whether the enemy would fire on his men when they crossed the clearing, he advanced fearlessly, moving into the open under direct hostile observation. As he continued across the clearing, the enemy directed rapid bursts of machine gun fire at him, and, before he could reach cover, he was hit several times by the hostile fire. Although mortally wounded, he valiantly crawled back to his men and, displaying extraordinary selflessness, ordered one of them to report the location of the enemy weapon to the company, so that it could be silenced before inflicting more damage on the unit. Private First Class Klaff died before he could be evacuated. Next of kin: Mrs. Sophie Klaff (mother), 13412 Edgewood, Cleveland, Ohio.

HOMER E. BARNES, 32679562, Private First Class, Company A, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 22 September 1944 in France. Just before dawn on 22 September, a large group of enemy soldiers infiltrated behind the friendly lines, overpowered the guard and assaulted Company A's command post. Bitter hand-to-hand fighting ensued, and Private First Class Barnes, guarding his radio, struggled with several of the enemy. When one of the hostile soldiers opened fire at close range with a machine pistol, he was mortally wounded by the burst of fire. Aware of the peril to other friendly units should his radio fall into enemy hands, Private First Class Barnes determined to destroy it. Although partially paralyzed by his wound, he grasped a hand grenade, placed it under the radio and exploded it, successfully destroying the radio before he died. Next of kin: Mrs. Jean Barnes (mother), 120 North Highland Avenue, Ossining, New York.

RAY E. STARR, 37723037, Private, Company L, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 October 1944 in France. During an attack against enemy positions on a hill, Private Starr was assigned the mission of maintaining contact

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between his own company and Company F. The two units were separated by 75 yards of hilly and heavily wooded terrain which contained numerous, well-concealed hostile emplacements. Although he was the target for direct machine gun and rifle fire, Private Starr pressed dauntlessly onward, maneuvering back and forth between the flanks of the two companies. The area was subjected to heavy barrages of mortar and artillery fire, but he ignored the dangers which confronted him and continued maintaining contact with Company F. He did not once falter in performing his important mission and moved fearlessly across the shell-blasted and fire-swept terrain until he was mortally wounded by the hostile fire. Next of kin: Mrs. Velma L. Starr, (Wife), 700 Buchanan, Topeka, Kansas.

FRANK WILLIAMS, 33666870, Private, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 September 1944 in France. The 1st Platoon of Company G smashed an enemy road block and pressed forward toward its objective. While advancing approximately 25 yards from the road, the platoon was subjected to heavy machine gun fire directed from well-concealed positions on both sides of the road. Aware of the serious threat the enemy guns presented to the safety of his comrades, Private Williams courageously left his place of cover and moved toward the hostile emplacement to his immediate front. By creeping and crawling part of the distance, then by running from tree to tree, he worked his way to an advantageous position near the enemy gun. Although he was the target for point blank machine gun fire, he calmly opened fire, killing one of the hostile soldiers and taking another prisoner. While in this exposed position he was wounded by fire from the enemy gun across the road. His daring and aggressiveness were responsible for eliminating one of the hostile guns, thereby enabling the remainder of the platoon to maneuver more freely and destroy the other emplacement. Private Williams died of wounds received in a later engagement. Next of kin: Mrs. Julia Farmer (Mother), River Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

HARRY B. JAMES, JR., 01322036, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 August 1944 in France. On D-day in the invasion of Southern France, Company D was assigned the mission of clearing a 3000 yard strip of beach. The 3d Platoon, leading the attack, encountered an enemy strong point composed of several automatic weapons and at least two mortars. The hostile emplacements were located behind a stone wall and were further protected by barbed wire entanglements. When the platoon was subjected to direct machine gun and mortar fire, the soldiers hesitated in their advance. Lieutenant James, the platoon leader, ran to the head of his platoon, advancing beyond his scouts, and valiantly led his men forward in the assault. Inspired by his intrepidity, the platoon members followed him toward the hostile position, and a fierce fire fight ensued. Lieutenant James was seriously wounded by hurtling shell fragments. In spite of his painful wound, he skillfully reorganized his platoon and maintained control of his men. He continued to command the unit until he was evacuated several hours later. Entered the Service from Charlottesville, Virginia.

GEORGE N. HARTWELL, 0424333, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 and 31 October 1944 in France. Lieutenant Hartwell led a five-man reconnaissance patrol into an enemy-held village to obtain information to be used in a subsequent attack. In spite of mine fields and the constant threat of hostile fire, he calmly scouted the villages and located the enemy defensive positions. On the following day he led one rifle platoon, reinforced with a light machine gun section and a bazooka team, in an assault on the hostile stronghold. He directed his leading elements across a foot bridge and a stretch of open terrain, advancing straight in the face of hostile machine gun fire, and attacked the residential section of the town, moving aggressively from house to house. Lieutenant Hartwell led his men to complete the occupation of the residential area, capturing 13 hostile soldiers and forcing an undetermined number to flee into nearby woods. He then advanced in an assault on the factory district of the town. While crossing an open area, the leading men were subjected to close range machine gun fire. Swiftly locating the weapon, Lieutenant Hartwell set up a base of automatic weapons fire and captured the gun and its entire crew. He again exposed himself to heavy fire in destroying an enemy strong point unscanned in the cellar of a building. He and his men killed six enemy soldiers as they attempted to escape. Lieutenant Hartwell pressed forward with his platoon until the entire town was in friendly hands. During the attack, he and his men captured 39 prisoners, killed six of the enemy soldiers and wounded at least two. Entered the Service from Ladera, California.

ROBERT J. BRIDGE, 33673101, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company D, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 21 September 1944 in France.

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Sergeant Bridge, forward mortar observer, was instructed to follow Company A and direct mortar fire in support of the unit's attack. Acting entirely on his own initiative, Sergeant Bridge pressed forward with the leading elements of the company, laying wire as he advanced. Company A was suddenly subjected to heavy machine gun and rifle fire directed from well-concealed enemy positions. Without a thought for personal safety, Sergeant Bridge made his way to the foremost rifleman and courageously stood erect in order to adjust mortar fire with greater effectiveness. Although he became the target for direct sniper, machine gun and 20mm gun fire, he determinedly remained in position and directed accurate fire on the hostile positions. The effective mortar shelling inflicted five enemy casualties, destroyed two 20mm guns, and completely routed the remainder of a large hostile force. Entered the Service from Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

OWEN K. THOMPSON, 38030427, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 September 1944 in France. While the 1st Battalion was occupying a defensive position, Company A was assigned the mission of contacting the 2d Battalion. The company was advancing through a densely wooded area when the enemy suddenly opened fire with machine guns, rifles and artillery. The heavy shelling and small arms fire inflicted several casualties on the unit and threatened to disorganize and scatter the men. Without a thought for personal safety, Sergeant Thompson, section leader in the Weapons Platoon, fearlessly moved from man to man, encouraging them by his example of intrepidity. He swiftly reorganized them into a well-coordinated combat unit. While securing medical aid for the casualties, he himself was wounded by the hostile fire. Mastering the pain of his wound, he continued working with his comrades and refused to be evacuated until the company had reached its objective. Entered the Service from Anson, Texas.

LESLIE J. SPAHN, 36738818, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 24 August 1944 in France. Sergeant Spahn, leader of a mortar squad, directed the fire of his weapons on hostile convoys speeding along their only remaining route of withdrawal. In order to stop the effective shelling, an enemy tank advanced to a position overlooking the mortar and opened fire, inflicting five casualties on the mortarmen and forcing the squad members to seek cover. The slightest movement in the area would attract a heavy barrage of tank fire. When the squad received a call for mortar fire, Sergeant Spahn, rather than endanger the life of one of his men, left his relatively secure position and went alone to the gun. Although he was the target for direct fire from the enemy tank, he calmly adjusted fire on a hostile convoy. For every round that he fired, the tank fired two at his gun, but Sergeant Spahn remained dauntlessly in position and completed his mission, destroying three hostile trucks and inflicting at least ten casualties on the enemy troops. Entered the Service from Peconica, Illinois.

ROBERT H. KINDLE, 34494897, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 August 1944 in France. Prefacing the attack with heavy mortar concentrations, enemy infantry troops, supported by tanks, drove along a dry creek bed toward Company B's position. The tanks knocked out two antitank guns and a machine gun which had blocked their path and, now unopposed, pressed forward to penetrate the company defenses. Aware that his mortar position might be encircled and overrun by the enemy, Sergeant Kindle ordered his squad to withdraw to a place of safety while he remained with the weapon. Although he was the target for direct tank fire, he continued firing his mortar in close support of the rifle platoons, delaying the advance of the tanks until his ammunition was exhausted. Still undaunted, he remained in his exposed position and opened fire with his rifle, killing three of the hostile soldiers. By retarding the enemy advance,

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he enabled friendly tank destroyers to maneuver into position and destroy the hostile tanks. Entered the Service from Decaturville, Tennessee.

D.AVID HANSEN, 32130086, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Company K, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 8 November 1944 in France. Corporal Hansen, assistant squad leader in the 3d Platoon, was moving forward in an attack when heavy enemy machine gun fire from the left front delayed the unit's advance. Aware of the necessity for immediate action, Corporal Hansen swiftly secured a rifle grenade launcher and, acting entirely on his own initiative, approached the hostile position alone. He advanced fearlessly in the face of point blank machine gun fire until he reached a spot only 75 yards from the enemy emplacement. Courageously exposing himself to the observation of the hostile gunners, he moved to a position which afforded a clear field of fire. He quickly loaded his weapon and, taking careful aim, fired two grenades into the midst of the hostile strong point. The well-placed shots neutralized the gun and forced the crew to flee in disorder. Corporal Hansen's quick-thinking and aggressiveness enabled his platoon to continue its advance to the company objective. Entered the Service from Buffalo, New York.

WILLIAM J. FABRIZIO, 31342939, Sergeant, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 27 August 1944 in France. One platoon of Company I was occupying a defensive position on one slope of a hill within 100 yards of hostile emplacements on the opposite slope. The area was subjected to a heavy artillery and mortar barrage followed immediately by a savage enemy attack. Sergeant Fabrizio ordered his machine gun squad into action and fearlessly exposed himself in order to direct the fire of his weapons more effectively. As the hostile force withdrew under a deadly hail of fire from the friendly emplacements, Sergeant Fabrizio loaded himself with hand grenades and, with an automatic rifleman, valiantly pursued the enemy over the crest of the hill to within 20 yards of their positions. Although he was the target for direct small arms and mortar fire, he calmly hurled hand grenades into the enemy sector, remaining dauntlessly in position until all the grenades were expended. He and his companion returned to the friendly lines, secured an additional supply of ammunition and made another raid on the hostile force. He braved heavy enemy fire and continued hurling grenades until he had again exhausted his supply. Sergeant Fabrizio threw at least 35 grenades during his two assaults and inflicted heavy casualties on the hostile force. Entered the Service from Hartford, Connecticut.

VITIANO V. DIAZ, 38036475, Sergeant, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 10 August 1944 in France. Company C was attacking stubbornly defended positions in a hostile stronghold when the enemy opened fire with a 77mm gun, inflicting several casualties on the attackers and delaying the company's advance. Moving calmly under the heavy artillery and small arms fire, Sergeant Diaz, leader of a mortar section, swiftly set up his mortars in a courtyard behind a building. Then, acting entirely on his own initiative, he ran across an exposed area in the face of hostile fire to a position from which he could direct the mortars in firing on the gun emplacement. Although he became the target for a large volume of small arms fire, he remained dauntlessly in position and continued directing accurate mortar fire on the 77mm gun until the enemy weapon was completely destroyed. His skill and intrepidity enabled Company C to press the attack and smash all hostile resistance in the town. Entered the Service from Abilene, Texas.

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WILLY E. RUDD, 36055338, Sergeant, Company A, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 September 1944 in France. Sergeant Rudd was a squad leader in a machine gun section attached to a rifle platoon in the attack. When two enemy machine guns opened fire on the attackers, the platoon was pinned to the ground. Sergeant Rudd fearlessly led his squad forward in the face of heavy fire to engage the hostile strong point. Because his squad had been depleted by casualties, he personally manned one of the guns. By crawling forward under the hostile fire, he moved his weapon to a position which, though exposed, afforded an excellent field of fire. He operated his machine gun with deadly accuracy, sweeping the enemy positions with a hail of bullets. He destroyed first one and then the other machine gun and inflicted several casualties on the enemy group. His effective fire forced the gun crews to flee, and his platoon was able to continue its advance. Entered the Service from Alton, Illinois.

JAMES G. MACHERAS, 33216896, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 28 August 1944 in France. Company L was assigned the mission of attacking and securing strategically important high ground obstinately defended by a large hostile force. During the intense fire fight, the company suffered eight casualties, including Tec 4 Macheras, an aid man. Although his painful hand wound warranted his return to the aid station, Tec 4 Macheras dismissed his own injury as insignificant and unselfishly administered first aid to the other seven casualties. After providing for their evacuation, he pressed forward with the assault troops. Although the pain from his wound became almost unendurable, he remained with his unit and treated many other casualties during the battle. Only after the company objective had been taken and secured would Tec 4 Macheras return to the aid station for much-needed medical attention. Entered the Service from Lynchburg, Virginia.

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SECTION I - POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

GEORGE R. HULSE, 01299411, First Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 21 September 1944 in France. When Company A launched an attack against strong enemy defenses, the assault platoon was subjected to heavy machine gun and small arms fire which halted its advance. Lieutenant Hulse, leader of the 3d Platoon, fearlessly led his men forward toward the right flank of the assault group in an attempt to knock out the machine gun position. While moving across densely wooded terrain, he unselfishly exposed himself to the hostile fire in order to reconnoiter the safest route of advance for his men. He was wounded in the shoulder and jaw by an enemy sniper, but he refused to be evacuated and continued to lead his platoon. Skillfully deploying his men, he directed their effective fire, destroying the machine gun nest. Later, while moving the support squad into position, he again exposed himself to enemy observation and was killed by small arms fire. Next of kin: Mr. James O. Hulse (Father), 756 Edgewood, Baltimore, Maryland.

GEORGE M. MAC LAINE, 20818317, Sergeant, Company B, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Next of kin: Mrs. Terese M. Mac Laine (Mother), 4206 1/2 Walker Avenue, Houston, Texas.

THOMAS W. COONEY, 33247376, Private First Class, Company B, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Next of kin: Mrs. Matilda Cooney (Mother), Route #1, Box 174, Lilly, Pennsylvania.

JAMES P. MAHER, 32204474, Private First Class, Company B, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Next of kin: Mrs. Regina Maher (Wife), 1206 East Jersey Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

JAMES E. DYER, 34360586, Private, Company B, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary R. Dyer (Mother), Route #3, Lafayette, Tennessee.

For gallantry in action on 20 October 1944 in France. It was imperative that a strategically important road be cleared of mines so that friendly tanks could support infantry elements in an attack. Although the road was in front of the infantry troops and was subject to machine gun, rifle and machine pistol fire, these men bravely volunteered to assist in accomplishing the hazardous mission. The four men, equipped with mine detectors, moved along the road until they reached a section where a mine field had been laid. The party was suddenly subjected to heavy sniper and machine gun fire. They determinedly continued sweeping for mines. Although they were the target for direct hostile fire, they disdained withdrawal and fearlessly exposed themselves to enemy observation in order to complete their mis-

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sion. Only when the patrol leader, confronted by hostile tanks, ordered the party to withdraw would they seek cover for themselves. The stretch of road was successfully cleared of mines, and the friendly tanks drove forward unimpeded by enemy resistance. When the party of engineers returned to the spot where the mines had been removed, one of the mines, set for delayed action, exploded, killing the four men.

WALTER W. GAMBERT, 35913421, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 November 1944 in France. A group of soldiers from Company B were sent forward to check a proposed route for the company's advance. The enemy suddenly opened fire from a well-concealed machine gun position, and one of the men, painfully wounded and unable to move, called for help. Instead of waiting for the machine gun to be knocked out, Private First Class Gambert, an aid man, unhesitatingly left his place of comparative safety in an attempt to rescue the injured soldier. Although he was the target for point blank fire from the enemy weapon, he realized the urgency of his comrade's need for medical attention and valiantly pressed forward toward the spot where he was lying. Private First Class Gambert was mortally wounded by a burst of machine gun fire before he could reach the casualty. Next of kin: Mrs. Evelyn E. Gambert (Wife), 500 Evelyn Avenue, Seven Hill Village, Ohio.

SECTION II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

LLOYD R. WILLIAMS, 01683476, Second Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 10 November 1944 in France. Lieutenant Williams' platoon was assigned the mission of reconnoitering enemy positions in a nearby woods. When the unit's advance was delayed by heavy machine gun and rifle fire from a well-concealed emplacement, Lieutenant Williams fired all his carbine ammunition, killing an enemy rifleman. He crawled cautiously forward under rapid bursts of machine gun fire to the body of the hostile soldier and removed a machine pistol with several clips of ammunition. He then worked his way to the flank of the enemy position and opened fire. The unexpected fire from one of their own weapons threw the crew members into confusion, and they fled the position. Lieutenant Williams swiftly reorganized his platoon and led his men forward to complete the reconnaissance. Moving ahead of his unit to investigate a house, he spotted several enemy soldiers through a window of the building. Without a thought for personal safety, he ordered his platoon to surround the house and, with four of his men, smashed through the door and into the house. The enemy was caught completely unawares, and Lieutenant Williams captured an officer and eleven enlisted men. Entered the Service from Huntsville, Texas.

HARLAN M. FULLER, 20809069, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Antitank Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 August 1944 in France. When a large hostile force by-passed the leading infantry elements and attempted to pass the antitank Company assembly area, enemy soldiers succeeded in advancing to within 15 feet of the company positions before they were spotted. Instantly cognizant of the serious threat this presented to the safety of his unit, Sergeant Fuller, acting entirely on his own initiative, took a machine gun to an exposed position overlooking the road which served as the enemy's route of approach. By firing rapidly into the midst of the hostile troops, he denied them further use of the road. He continued operating the machine gun until it failed to function, then

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ran 200 yards under heavy enemy small arms and mortar fire to a jeep. He took the machine gun mounted on the vehicle and, again braving the hostile fire, carried it back to his position. Sergeant Fuller continued firing until the attack was repelled. Entered the Service from Belton, Texas.

HUBERT N. MASON, 35558090, Sergeant, Company A, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 8 October 1944 in France. The 1st Platoon of Company A was assigned the mission of attacking well-defended positions on a wooded hill and clearing the area of hostile troops. Sergeant Mason, a squad leader, led his men aggressively forward until the enemy opened fire from the top of the hill with machine guns and rifles. Unwilling to jeopardize the safety of his entire squad, he led five men up a small, covered ravine to a position from which they could direct fire on the flank of the hostile positions. During the ensuing fire fight, one of the group was seriously wounded by machine gun fire from the rear. Aware that his men were hopelessly outnumbered by the enemy troops, Sergeant Mason ordered them to withdraw from the untenable area while he remained in position to cover their withdrawal. Braving heavy fire from the hostile emplacements, he continued firing his rifle until his men had effected a successful withdrawal. Then, without a thought for personal safety, he picked up the wounded soldier and carried him through incessant machine gun and rifle fire to a place of safety where first aid was administered. Entered the Service from Lima, Ohio.

PATRICK MILADORE, 35332220, Private First Class, Company B, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 August 1944 in France. Enemy troops, supported by tanks, launched a vicious attack against the Company B positions dug in along a dry creek bed. After knocking out two antitank guns and a machine gun which blocked the route of advance, the soldiers and tanks drove forward to penetrate the company defenses. As the infantry elements approached, Private First Class Miladore bravely stepped from his position of cover into the open and faced the hostile force, spraying the area with fire from his automatic rifle. Although he was the target for direct mortar and small arms fire, he moved from one vantage point to another and directed accurate fire on the attackers, finally disorganizing them and driving them back. After a brief respite, the stubborn enemy launched a second assault. Again Private First Class Miladore ignored personal safety to delay the infantry advance with his effective automatic rifle fire, enabling the reserve company to move forward and secure the line. Entered the Service from Youngstown, Ohio.

DARRELL L. SAVELL, 34872484, Private First Class, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 27 October 1944 in France. Private First Class Savell, an automatic rifleman, was advancing with his squad in the attack when the enemy suddenly opened fire with machine guns and rifles. He immediately put his weapon into action and returned the hostile fire, covering his squad in its advance and attracting the enemy fire to himself. Undaunted by the stubborn resistance, he crawled determinedly forward until he was stopped by barbed wire entanglements at the base of the hostile positions. He was delivering point-blank fire into the enemy emplacement when his automatic rifle jammed, and, while attempting to reduce the stoppage, he was painfully wounded by a grenade explosion. Staunchly refusing to be evacuated, he seized a rifle and valiantly continued to

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hold his exposed position, covering his comrades while they dug in for the night. Only when his squad was withdrawn would he leave his position and permit an aid man to dress his wounds. Aware of the shortage of men in his platoon, Private First Class Swell refused to go back to the aid station and remained with his unit for two days, fighting bravely without a thought for personal safety or comfort, until his platoon leader ordered him to the rear. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JOHN D. ADAMS, 35847496, Private, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 October 1944 in France. Private Adams was first scout of a combat patrol assigned the mission of knocking out enemy machine gun positions which were delaying the advance of an adjoining rifle company. He moved cautiously along a narrow hedgerow, covered by enemy machine guns and rifles, until he reached the hostile position. He suddenly charged one of the enemy gun emplacements, killed four, wounded one and captured two. After destroying the position and sending the prisoners to the rear, he continued forward until he became the target for small arms fire and hand grenades. Private Adams was wounded by the hostile fire and was out of the remainder of the patrol. In spite of the intense pain of his injury, he crossed an open field through heavy artillery fire by running and crawling and finally regained contact with his comrades. Entered the Service from Quinwood, West Virginia.

SECTION III - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Silver Star is awarded to the following named individual for gallantry in action.

IDUS W. ASHLOCK, 38037445, Staff Sergeant, Cannon Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 August 1944 in France. When the enemy launched a savage infantry and tank assault against the regimental positions, a truck mounting two machine guns and one tank penetrated the right flank of the friendly defenses and directed cannon and machine gun fire on the troops. Sergeant Ashlock, a member of the Cannon Company, was ordered to destroy the hostile force with his self-propelled cannon. Fearlessly exposing himself to the enemy fire, he remained on the outside of his tank so that he could direct the fire and the movements more effectively. In the face of deadly small arms and cannon fire, Sergeant Ashlock valiantly remained in his exposed position and quickly destroyed the enemy truck and its machine guns. Maneuvering his tank so skillfully that the enemy was unable to score any hits on it, he directed three shells into the hostile tank, knocking it out of action. By his resourcefulness and bravery, Sergeant Ashlock was responsible for eliminating a grave threat to the safety of the regiment. Entered the Service from Paris, Texas.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Soldier's medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroism.

- JOHN F. DUNN, 37353847, Sergeant (then Corporal), Headquarters Company, 753d Tank Battalion. Entered the Service from Colorado Springs, Colorado.
- LEO J. PUCKETT, 6953346, Corporal, Headquarters Company, 753d Tank Battalion. Entered the Service from Jasper, Alabama.

For heroism on 7 August 1944 in Italy. While passing a tank column, these men spotted a camouflage net and approximately 20 rounds of live 75mm ammunition burning on the rear of one of the tanks. The members of the tank crew were unaware of the danger until these men signalled for the driver to stop the vehicle. They climbed onto the tank and, in spite of the intense heat of the blaze and the imminent danger of the ammunition exploding, began to fight the fire with extinguishers handed them by personnel on the ground. Only after using several extinguishers and making repeated attempts to cut the net loose from the tank were they able to push the flaming material onto the ground and there smother the fire. By their quick-thinking and aggressiveness, these men prevented casualties and saved a valuable piece of government equipment from destruction.

SECTION II - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat in France.

- CLARENCE G. STEWANS, 01318839, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, 10 to 12 November 1944. Entered the Service from Gilmore City, Iowa.
- WALTER F. RIGENTHAL, 01177947, First Lieutenant, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, 31 October to 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Newark, New Jersey.
- DAVID ARVIZU, 36880612, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 143d Infantry Regiment, 27 October 1944. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.
- CHARLES R. CRAWLEY, 20814913, Corporal, Battery B, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, 31 October to 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Cleburne, Texas.
- LEONARD B. MOORE, 34571630, Private First Class, Company B, 143d Infantry Regiment, 2 October 1944. Entered the Service from Eastman, Georgia.
- SAM H. WATKINS, 34762930, Private First Class, Company L, 143d Infantry Regiment, 14 September 1944. Entered the Service from Ranger, Georgia.

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JOHN W. WICK, 37059279, Private, Medical Detachment, 142a Infantry Regiment, 1 December 1944. Entered the Service from Maplewood City, Missouri.

WILLIAM R. J. ZIMMELI, 31408845, Private, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Hartford, Connecticut.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations.

HAROLD H. MULLIGAN, 20 19736, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion, 9 September 1943 to 1 May 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Bridgeport, Texas.

MALCOLM R. WHITL, 20803598, Technical Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 141st Infantry Regiment, 10 December 1943 to 25 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Lockhart, Texas.

THOMAS M. HARRINGTON, 13095686, Private First Class, Service Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 23 May to 27 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Kingston, Pennsylvania.

NICHOLAS VUKOVICH, 33684512, Private First Class, Company D, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 January to 17 November 1944, Italy and France. Entered the Service from Dilliner, Pennsylvania.

SECTION III - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

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

WAYNE W. KIRZLE, 20807568, First Sergeant, Company B, 143d Infantry Regiment, 19 November 1943, Italy. Entered the Service from Azota, Texas.

EDWIN J. L. SCHULTTE, 37207985, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, 12 December 1944, France. Entered the Service from Linn, Kan.

SECTION IV - CORRECTED AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

So much of Section I, General Orders Number 477, cs, this Headquarters, as awards a Bronze Star Medal to STANLEY R. HODDA, 01308003, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, is rescinded, and the following substituted therefor.

"Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual for heroic achievement in combat.

"STANLEY R. HODDA, 01308003, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, 12 September 1944. Entered the Service from Cleveland, Ohio."

By command of Major General D.H.L. ULST:

JOHN J. ALBRIGHT
Colonel, General Staff Corps
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL: *Vincent M. Lockhart*
VINCENT M. LOCKHART
Captain, Adjutant General's Department
Assistant Adjutant General

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 142d Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

- ↓ WILLIAM H. MARCUM, 01295916, Captain, 11 December 1944. Entered the Service from Oneida, Tennessee.
- ↓ CHARLES E. BOWERS, 0384807, 2d Lieutenant, 5 December 1944. Entered the Service from Baltimore, Maryland.
- ↓ FRANK A. SOCCI, 6556720, 1st Sergeant, Company M, 16 December 1944. Entered the Service from Denton, North Carolina.
- ↓ CLAUDE M. ALLEN, 20805200, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 1 December 1944. Entered the Service from Sweetwater, Texas.
- ↓ PAUL F. DEBARTINI, 33426982, Staff Sergeant, Company M, 16 December 1944. Entered the Service from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.
- ↓ MATT H. SIMS, 20805452, Staff Sergeant, Company M, 2 December 1944. Entered the Service from Spearman, Texas.
- ↓ JOSEPH J. SUTSKI, 36034435, Staff Sergeant, Company M, 16 December 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.
- ↓ JIMMIE S. LOPEZ, 37703224, Sergeant, Company A, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Denver, Colorado.
- ↓ PETER C. MC LEVITT, 32173236, Sergeant, Company M, 15 December 1944. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.
- ↓ ANTHONY L. PASCALA, 32976607, Technician Fifth Grade, Company K, 24 November 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.
- ↓ JAMES R. WHITE, 36886205, Technician Fifth Grade, Company K, 15 December 1944. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.
- ↓ RICHARD APPENZELLER, 32921160, Private First Class, Company K, 24 November 1944. Entered the Service from Newark, New Jersey.
- ↓ WILLIAM H. KLINGENSMITH, 33920255, Private First Class, Company E, 28 November 1944. Entered the Service from Kelly Station, Pennsylvania.
- ↓ FRANCISCO J. LOSA, 35032479, Private First Class, Company I, 2 December 1944. Entered the Service from Hollister, Texas.
- ↓ EARL D. MORRIS, 17030472, Private First Class, Company E, 28 November 1944. Entered the Service from Sioux City, Iowa.
- ↓ JOHN J. RILLING, 33772959, Private First Class, Company I, 5 December 1944. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- ↓ LOUIS A. WILATLEY, 35726077, Private First Class, Company E, 16 December 1944. Entered the Service from Tell City, Indiana.
- ↓ CLYDE A. WILSON, 34874848, Private First Class, Company A, 16 December 1944. Entered the Service from Hornlake, Mississippi.
- ↓ ROBERT W. BLOK, 39421339, Private, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 15 December 1944. Entered the Service from Sacramento, California.
- ↓ MILTON F. BOYLES, 37684104, Private, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 14 December 1944. Entered the Service from Dubuque, Iowa.
- ↓ CLARENCE B. BRANN, 34854758, Private, Company I, 5 December 1944. Entered the Service from Roxboro, North Carolina.

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- ↓ CZESLAW A. DOMALSKI, 35546961, Private, Company M, 16 December 1944. Entered the Service from Toledo, Ohio.
- ↓ JESSIE J. HARKELL, 34833012, Private, Company E, 23 November 1944. Entered the Service from Douglas, Georgia.
- ↓ WILLIAM A. KIRNS, 35081918, Private, Company L, 28 November 1944. Entered the Service from Owingsville, Kentucky.
- ↓ ALBERT H. LEVY, JR., 33835704, Private, Company I, 5 December 1944. Entered the Service from Mahoney City, Pennsylvania.
- ↓ LOUIS SMITH, 35640697, Private, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 14 December 1944. Entered the Service from Bedford, Kentucky.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 111th Engineer Combat Battalion for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

- ↓ VIRGIL L. EARP, 20817810, Sergeant, Company B, 29 November 1944. Entered the Service from Sunset, Texas.
- ↓ ROLLAND A. ALLEN, JR., 20817490, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters and Service Company, 25 November 1944. Entered the Service from Groves, Texas.
- ↓ JAMIE W. HOLMES, 31273288, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 30 November 1944. Entered the Service from Bridgeport, Connecticut.
- ↓ GEORGE E. TAYLOR, 20818219, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 14 December 1944. Entered the Service from Victoria, Texas.
- ↓ EUGEN WHITLOCK, 34367081, Private First Class, Company A, 14 December 1944. Entered the Service from Lucy, Tennessee.
- ↓ ROLAND R. SHELTON, 34705282, Private, Company C, 21 November 1944. Entered the Service from Scobey, Mississippi.
- ↓ ANDREW STEFANICK, 33758186, Private, Company B, 30 November 1944. Entered the Service from Colver, Pennsylvania.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 133d Field Artillery Battalion for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

- ↓ WOODROW W. AIDLA, 20815560, 1st Sergeant, Battery C, 12 December 1944. Entered the Service from Bonham, Texas.
- ↓ MCLAREN C. MUNDLEN, 20815564, Staff Sergeant, Battery C, 12 December 1944. Entered the Service from Marshall, Texas.

By command of Major General DAHLQUIST:

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SECTION I - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

FRANCIS S. JIMM, JR., 01175549, 1st Lieutenant, 25 November 1944. Entered the Service from Pelham, New York.

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~~CHAS MC GUIRE, 38036578, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Dublin, Texas.~~

EDWARD K. MARGOUX, 20317209, Sergeant, Company B, 12 December 1944. Entered the Service from Skidmore, Texas.

JOS. PHILIP O'BRYEN, 35484581, Sergeant, Company C, 16 November 1944. Entered the Service from Gethsemane, Kentucky.

U. L. MOSS, 38036558, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 9 December 1944. Entered the Service from Walnut Springs, Texas.

SIGMUND SMITH, 37146525, Technician Fourth Grade, Company E, 17 November 1944. Entered the Service from Mission Hill, South Dakota.

LEONARD V. COLLINGSWORTH, 20614637, Corporal, Company C, 13 December 1944. Entered the Service from Dodd City, Texas.

IVAN C. COUGHANOUR, 38122793, Corporal, Reconnaissance Company, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Rabens, Texas.

NELSON V. PARRAS, 34885299, Corporal, Company C, 10 December 1944. Entered the Service from Kingsport, Tennessee.

WILLIAM J. MC MANUS, 33322796, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 12 December 1944. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

RICHARD L. SMILL, 38050383, Technician Fifth Grade, Reconnaissance Company, 25 November 1944. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.

MONT T. SHOOK, 38023506, Technician Fifth Grade, Reconnaissance Company, 28 November 1944. Entered the Service from Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

FLOYD W. STEVENS, 37146453, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 21 November 1944. Entered the Service from Cartnaga, South Dakota.

JAMES M. WALSH, 37146343, Technician Fifth Grade, Company C, 27 November 1944. Entered the Service from Ponca, Nebraska.

JAMES J. BOONE, 34590795, Private First Class, Company B, 11 December 1944. Entered the Service from Whitesett, North Carolina.

ROBERT L. GREEN, 34645979, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 27 November 1944. Entered the Service from Converse, South Carolina.

HENRY O. LUCAS, 34702063, Private First Class, Company C, 13 December 1944. Entered the Service from Hamilton, Georgia.

ROBERT T. LYON, JR., 34504180, Private First Class, Reconnaissance Company, 9 December 1944. Entered the Service from Buff City, Tennessee.

LEROY J. ZIMMER, 37147109, Private First Class, Company B, 4 November 1944. Entered the Service from Montrose, South Dakota.

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✓ JOHN W. BAYLOR, 20815924, Private, Reconnaissance Company, 13 November 1944. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

✓ WILLIAM HARRON, JR., 31131244, Private, Reconnaissance Company, 25 November 1944. Entered the Service from Woburn, Massachusetts.

✓ REG R T. MILLER, 15317035, Private, Company A, 8 December 1944. Entered the Service from North Canton, Ohio.

✓ STANLEY ROHLA, 37147134, Private, Reconnaissance Company, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Witten, South Dakota.

✓ FRANK S. SHIVALL, 35719403, Private, Company A, 27 November 1944. Entered the Service from Kuttawa, Kentucky.

✓ MARTON B. THIGARD, 34200427, Private, Company C, 13 December 1944. Entered the Service from Miami, Florida.

✓ FERRY A. TURNAGE, 34385148, Private, Company A, 8 December 1944. Entered the Service from Mc Cormick, South Carolina.

✓ STANLEY P. URNATTIS, 32336266, Private, Company B, 26 November 1944. Entered the Service from Elmont, Long Island, New York.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 155th Field Artillery Battalion for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

✓ JOHN E. MEGUM, 34170143, Corporal, Battery A, 15 December 1944. Entered the Service from Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

✓ ROLAND K. WALTER, 36173914, Private First Class, Battery C, 13 December 1944. Entered the Service from Coldwater, Michigan.

✓ WILBURN W. GRIFFITH, 38440441, Private, Battery C, 15 August 1944. Entered the Service from Mesquite, New Mexico.

SECTION II - RESCISSION

So much of General Orders Number 78, this Headquarters, cs, which awards a Purple Heart to PAUL B. LEVY, 14130881, Private, FA, is rescinded.

By command of Major General DAHLQUIST:

JOHN J. ALBRIGHT
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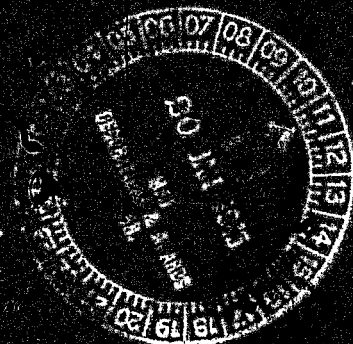
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SECTION I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat in France.

EARL O. WASCHER, 36044552, Technical Sergeant, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 21 October 1944. Entered the Service from Champaign, Illinois.

EIGIN K. MUELSCHEN, 20802080, Corporal, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 23 September 1944. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

RICHARD O. BERLIN, 35547796, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 23 September 1944. Entered the Service from Toledo, Ohio.

THOMAS J. JONES, 33609005, Private First Class, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 16 October 1944. Entered the Service from Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania.

LEE BROENDYK, 36122093, Private First Class, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 16 October 1944. Entered the Service from Byron Center, Michigan.

FRANK J. KRAWEC, 31372218, Private, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 16 October 1944. Entered the Service from Boston, Massachusetts.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations.

JAMES J. O'CONNOR, 01038449, First Lieutenant, 83d Chemical Battalion, 9 November 1943 to 10 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Fromberg, Montana.

MILTON W. LOWE, 38052862, Staff Sergeant, 36th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mcz), 9 September 1943 to 1 October 1944, Italy and France. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.

CHARLES J. SAILLANT, 32271773, Technician Fifth Grade, Company C, 83d Chemical Battalion, 10 July 1943 to 23 May 1944, Sicily and Italy. Entered the Service from Camden, New Jersey.

SECTION II - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat in France.

SAMUEL J. LUSTMAN, 01288084, First Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, 21 October 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

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EGBERT V. BUNGER, 01683467, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), 111th Medical Battalion, 22 September 1944. Entered the Service from DeKalb, Texas.

VICTOR W. LOOMIS, 36456173, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment, 21 October 1944. Entered the Service from Lansing, Michigan.

FREDERICK BOBB, 32654855, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 21 October 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

HERBERT MULKEY, 20817926, Sergeant, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 October 1944. Entered the Service from Greenville, Texas.

ELUTERIO GARCIA, 38001440, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 14 October 1944. Entered the Service from Laredo, Texas.

ANTHONY BADALUCCO, 35602446, Private First Class, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, 6 October 1944. Entered the Service from Akron, Ohio.

SECTION III - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a third, fourth, and fifth Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a fourth, fifth and sixth Air Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight.

MAX B. BENJAMIN, 01182512, 1st Lieutenant, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, 11 June to 29 October 1944, Italy and France. Entered the Service from Wichita, Kansas.

RAYMOND E. BIBB, 01691874, 2d Lieutenant, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, 11 June to 25 October 1944, Italy and France. Entered the Service from Nashville, Tennessee.

SECTION IV - CORRECTED AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

So much of Section II, General Orders Number 283, cs, this Headquarters, as awards a Bronze Star Medal to ALBERT MENARD, 20112435, Private First Class, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor.

"Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the following named individual is awarded a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

"ALFRED E. MENARD, 20112435, Private First Class, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944. Entered the Service from Webster, Massachusetts."

By command of Major General DAHLQUIST:

JOHN J. ALBRIGHT
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SECTION I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat.

- JAMES E. TAYLOR, 0376711, Lieutenant Colonel, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, 15 to 25 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Kerens, Texas.
- ALFRED PEREZ, 02055075, Second Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, 9 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.
- EARL C. OVERTON, 31196048, Technical Sergeant, Company C, 141st Infantry Regiment, 26 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Seymour, Connecticut.
- GEORGE F. SLINGER, 36222938, Sergeant, Company A, 753d Tank Battalion, 15 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Madison, Wisconsin.
- ROBERT G. GRAYSON, 34807131, Sergeant, Company K, 142d Infantry Regiment, 9 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Chattanooga, Tennessee.
- TRACEY T. BENSON, 6851220, Sergeant, Company C, 83d Chemical Battalion, 8 May 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- PATRICK P. SPILHAN, 32631243, Corporal, Company D, 83d Chemical Battalion, 11 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from New York, New York.
- WILFRED J. SEVIGNY, 31245945, Corporal, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 14 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Pawtucket, Rhode Island.
- JOHN H. LINDSAY, JR., 20818201, Corporal, Company A, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 21 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Victoria, Texas.
- LEWIS L. LILAND, 38052663, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, 28 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.
- JAMES M. NORTON, 35277153, Private First Class, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Cleveland, Ohio.
- ISIDORE ARCHULETA, 39690454, Private First Class, Company A, 142d Infantry Regiment, 26 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Visalia, California.
- ELMER C. SPREHE, 36055294, Private First Class, Company A, 142d Infantry Regiment, 26 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Hoffman, Illinois.
- MINOR C. SHIPP, 34077170, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 24 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Plain Dealing, Louisiana.
- OSCAR B. OWENS, 35481760, Private First Class, Battery B, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, 16 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Hazard, Kentucky.
- JOHN A. STANTON, 32402426, Private First Class, Company C, 83d Chemical Battalion, 10 July 1943, Sicily. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- J. W. MERCER, 20806516, Private First Class, Cannon Company, 142d Infantry Regiment, 26 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Breckenridge, Texas.
- PAUL SCHOLZ, 36514086, Private, Headquarters Company, 753d Tank Battalion, 29 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Flint, Michigan.

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FRED R. DURDEN, 3488361, Private, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 14 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Rutherford, Tennessee.

CONWAY S. FOSTER, 20453851, Private, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 14 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Concord, North Carolina.

FRANCIS J. LAIS, 32943856, Private, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 7 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Amsterdam, New York.

WILLIE J. HUNTER, 20814022, Private, Battery B, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, 16 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Abilene, Texas.

JULIUS V. GUNN, 39565081, Private, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 24 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Los Angeles, California.

CASIMIRO M. DOMINGUEZ, 35052869, Private, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 24 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.

JULIAN V. BROOKS, JR., 38039503, Private, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 24 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Denton, Texas.

THOMAS G. HANMOND, 33515586, Private, Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, 9 and 10 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Newburg, Penna.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations.

ROBERT L. PHINNEY, 0333652, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters 36th Infantry Division, 13 April 1943 to 5 June 1944, North Africa and Italy. Entered the Service from Austin, Texas.

WILLIAM G. DOMYON, 32386199, Technician Fourth Grade, Company C, 83d Chemical Battalion, 10 July 1943 to 17 October 1944, Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the Service from Newark, New Jersey.

SECTION II - CORRECTED AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

So much of General Orders Number 263, cs, this Headquarters, as awards a Bronze Star Medal to KENNETH F. BRODBECK, 36173964, Technician Fifth Grade, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, is rescinded, and the following substituted therefor.

"Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the following named individual is awarded a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

"KENNETH F. BRODBECK, 36173964, Technician Fifth Grade, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 February 1944. Entered the Service from Monroe, Mich."

By command of Major General DAHLQUIST:

JOHN J. ALBRIGHT
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SECTION I - POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

JOSEPH R. RANDICK, 36685093, Sergeant, Company L, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 28 August 1944 in France. During Company L's attack against an important enemy stronghold, Sergeant Randick, a squad leader, was assigned the mission of clearing several houses on the company's left flank. As his squad approached the buildings, the enemy suddenly opened fire, wounding Sergeant Randick and several of his men. He immediately ordered his squad to take cover behind a wall and, in spite of the pain of his wounds, helped the other injured soldiers to a place of comparative safety. He then directed his men to positions from which they could deliver fire on the hostile force. When the battalion commander ordered Company L to withdraw, Sergeant Randick instructed his squad to remain in position and cover the withdrawal of their comrades. After the company had withdrawn, he waited until dark before leaving the exposed position. While leading his squad along the route of withdrawal, he died of his wounds. Next of kin: Mrs. Jennie Randick (Mother), 7208 South Racine Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

GEORGE D. COX, 34491400, Corporal, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 27 August 1944 in France. The anti-tank platoon of the 3d Battalion was part of a task force assigned the mission of establishing a road block along the enemy's route of withdrawal. When the antitank guns went into action, the enemy determined to destroy this formidable road block and launched a savage attack with tank and infantry elements. Although the platoon was partially isolated from other friendly troops and incessant hostile fire rendered the position almost untenable, Corporal Cox, gunner in the first squad, valiantly remained at his post and continued delivering effective fire on the attackers, finally forcing the hostile group to withdraw. The stubborn enemy directed a barrage of heavy explosives on the area, but Corporal Cox courageously maintained his position, delaying the hostile troops with his accurate fire, until he was mortally wounded by a hurtling shell fragment. His valor and determination were largely responsible for repelling the enemy assault. Next of kin: Mrs. Bertha E. Cox (Mother); Route #1, Moshorn, Tennessee.

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SECTION II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

JOHN D. WIEBOLDT, 01183449, First Lieutenant, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 15 August 1944 in France. On D-day in the invasion of Southern France, Lieutenant Wieboldt was attached to Company E, 143d Infantry Regiment, as forward observer for his artillery battalion. After effecting a successful landing, the company advanced along the coast until it encountered an enemy strong point. This position, protected by machine guns and mortars, was well dug in behind a stone wall. As the friendly infantry troops deployed behind the wall in preparation for an assault, the enemy directed a heavy mortar barrage on the area. Acting entirely on his own initiative, Lieutenant Wieboldt bravely made his way through a hole in the wall and, exposing himself to direct machine gun fire, calmly determined the location of hostile emplacements. Aware that friendly troops would be endangered if he adjusted artillery fire on the enemy, Lieutenant Wieboldt skillfully led an infantry platoon, whose leader had been wounded, into position on the left flank of the hostile force and directed small arms fire on the strong point. He then braved the mortar shelling to reach a group of tanks and lead them into an advantageous firing position. As a result of Lieutenant Wieboldt's quick thinking, sound judgment and aggressiveness, the hostile group was forced to surrender and the company was able to continue its advance. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

THOMAS A. LEWIS, 01309159, First Lieutenant, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 28 August 1944 in France. Lieutenant Lewis was leader of the left leading platoon during Company L's attack against an enemy stronghold. He led his platoon to within 400 yards of the company objective when the enemy suddenly opened fire with mortars and machine guns, wounding Lieutenant Lewis and several members of his platoon. Lieutenant Lewis, lying in an open field subjected to the incessant hostile fire, shouted orders to his men, directing them forward to destroy the enemy positions. When some of his men tried to evacuate him, he steadfastly refused to leave his exposed position. He unselfishly ordered the evacuation of the other wounded in his platoon and remained with his unit, valiantly braving the incessant fire, until the following platoon had passed through the area. Only when the company commander ordered his evacuation would he allow himself to be removed. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

FLOYD R. RHODES, 35760405, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 28 October 1944 in France. Sergeant Rhodes, leading the right assault squad of his platoon, was assigned the mission of knocking out an enemy strong point composed of two machine guns and a number of riflemen. When the squad's advance was delayed by rifle grenade and machine gun fire, Sergeant Rhodes left his riflemen with the assistant squad leader and led his automatic rifle team in a flanking movement across an open field. He had almost reached his objective when the enemy suddenly opened fire, forcing the automatic riflemen to withdraw. Sergeant Rhodes valiantly remained to face the hostile troops alone. Firing clip after clip from his sub-machine gun and hurling hand grenades into the enemy position, he pressed dauntlessly forward in the face of the heavy fire. As he neared the emplacements and engaged the machine guns at close range, the hostile soldiers fled, leaving one of their dead behind. After smashing this strong point, he reorganized his squad and seized a second machine gun position, enabling his company to advance and take its objective. Entered the Service from Widen, West Virginia.

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JOSEPH F. CHICKNOSKY, 33463634, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 October 1944 in France. The members of Sergeant Chicknosky's squad were occupying outpost positions in front of Company C, protecting the unit and covering the route of approach. When a large hostile force suddenly launched a savage attack, Sergeant Chicknosky unhesitatingly left the safety of his dug-in position and moved forward to engage the enemy. Inspired by their leader's example of intrepidity, the squad members left their fighting holes and followed him. Working swiftly in the face of heavy hostile fire, Sergeant Chicknosky organized his squad and moved it across open, fire-swept terrain to a spot which afforded better observation and fields of fire. When the enemy troops had advanced to within 40 yards of his position, he opened fire, killing and wounding several of them. The unexpected resistance disorganized the attackers, and Sergeant Chicknosky, firing rapidly into the midst of the enemy, repelled the assault. His quick-thinking and aggressiveness prevented a break-through into the battalion defenses and dispelled a threat to the safety of his comrades. Entered the Service from Breslau, Pennsylvania.

GOVLY E. TURNER, 35267603, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 24 August 1944 in France. One of the platoons of Company A was ordered to withdraw from its position and move to high ground on the company's left flank. Sergeant Turner had directed all but four of his men out of position when a large hostile force suddenly attacked. An intense fire fight ensued, and the enemy used rifles and hand grenades at very close range. Although Sergeant Turner and his four men were confronted with hostile troops of approximately company strength, they fought valiantly to repel the attackers. Two of the men were killed and one wounded, but Sergeant Turner, fearlessly exposing himself to the enemy fire, succeeded in delaying the assault. He called for men from another squad and put them into position just in time to repel another attack. As a result of his courageous and inspiring leadership, a large hostile force was disorganized and a threat to the safety of his company dispelled. Entered the Service from Munion, West Virginia.

FOSTER R. SCALES, JR., 38050998, Sergeant, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, for gallantry in action on 18 October 1944 in France. Antitank mines formed a road block which prevented friendly tanks from advancing in support of infantry elements in an attack. The block was well-defended by enemy mortar, small arms and artillery fire, and the approaches afforded almost no cover or concealment. Fully aware of the dangers involved, Sergeant Scales volunteered to go forward and attempt to clear the block. He crawled cautiously along a ditch until he reached a spot from which he could remove the mines. When he left the ditch and moved onto the road, he instantly became the target for direct enemy fire. Although the hostile fire prevented him from checking the mines for booby traps, Sergeant Scales, working calmly and fearlessly, attached a piece of communication wire to the mines and pulled them from the road. Then, in spite of the increased tempo of enemy small arms and shellfire, he crawled forward 50 yards to search for other obstacles which might impede the tanks' advance. After completing his reconnaissance, he returned and reported the situation to the tank commander, enabling the tanks to continue in close support of the infantry elements. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.

WERNER LEISER, 32990622, Private First Class, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 28 August 1944 in France. Company I was supporting an attack against an important enemy stronghold. When the enemy directed a heavy artillery and mortar barrage on the company command post area, the shell

explosions inflicted heavy casualties on the group and shattered all wire and radio communications. It was vital that contact between the company and battalion command posts be maintained and Private First Class Leiser, company runner, was used to carry information between the two points. Although constantly subjected to the incessant shellfire, he made ten trips over an exposed route, determinedly performing his duties in spite of all dangers and difficulties. He worked indefatigably relaying the urgent messages and on one trip carried much-needed ammunition to his company. He was frequently forced to crawl forward on his stomach under the heavy barrage, but he always accomplished his missions and contributed materially to the success of the operation. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

SECTION III - CORRECTED AWARD OF SILVER STAR

So much of Section II, General Orders Number 444, cs, this Headquarters, as awards a Silver Star to JAMES R. LOWERY, 01101301, Captain, 142d Infantry Regiment, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor.

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

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"JAMES R. LOWERY, 01101301, Captain, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action from 22 to 26 September 1944 in France. Company K was assigned the mission of protecting the left flank of the 3d Battalion during an attack against a well-defended enemy stronghold. In the approach march, the company was delayed by heavy machine gun and rifle fire. Captain Lowery, battalion S-3, had joined Company K in the assembly area and now, exposing himself to the small arms fire, halted the column and reconnoitered the area to his front in an attempt to locate the enemy positions. When the order was given to continue the advance, Captain Lowery led his men forward through a densely wooded area until sunset, then, with the battalion halted for the night, prepared his plan of attack for the following morning. He personally led the company in the assault and was successful in seizing a hill which overlooked the hostile stronghold. Later, while accompanying the battalion commander on a reconnaissance to the outskirts of the enemy-held town, he was wounded by the hostile fire. Ignoring the pain of his wounds, Captain Lowery assisted in establishing defenses within the town when it was liberated by the friendly troops. On 26 September he led the battalion to a new area and, while supervising the organization of the defenses, was seriously wounded during a heavy artillery barrage and was evacuated to the rear. Entered the Service from Cheboygan, Michigan."

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SECTION I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat in France.

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- *STANLEY R. RODAK, 01308003, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, 12 September 1944. Entered the Service from Cleveland, Ohio.
 - JAMES A. MITCALFE, 35262, Staff Sergeant, Company M, 141st Infantry Regiment, 8 October 1944. Entered the Service from Lynch, Kentucky.
 - WILLIAM S. ROGERS, 3021964, Corporal, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 28 September 1944. Entered the Service from Portland, Maine.
 - HENRY G. BOCK, 3299449, Corporal, Company M, 141st Infantry Regiment, 1 November 1944. Entered the Service from Astoria, Long Island, New York.
 - ALFRED T. NORWOOD, 2012472, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion, 1 and 2 October 1944. Entered the Service from Fort Worth, Texas.
 - PHILIP D. BROOKS, 2080743, Private First Class, Company M, 141st Infantry Regiment, 8 September 1944. Entered the Service from San Benito, Texas.
 - HARRY R. CONE, 20818849, Private, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion, 1 and 2 October 1944. Entered the Service from Fort Worth, Texas.
 - MILTON EUBANK, 35893040, Private, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion, 27 and 28 September 1944. Entered the Service from Markleville, Indiana.
 - EDWARD C. DUFFY, 37424053, Private, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion, 27 and 28 September 1944. Entered the Service from Iowa City, Iowa.
 - ALBERT J. SUGDEN, 31389793, Private, Medical Detachment, 141st Infantry Regiment, 24 October 1944. Entered the Service from Lowell, Massachusetts.

SECTION II - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat.

- ALBERT F. FISHER, 0425629, Captain (then First Lieutenant), 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Electra, Texas.
- JOSEPH P. KLIMBLE, 01313902, First Lieutenant, 141st Infantry Regiment, 23 and 24 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Scranton, Pennsylvania.
- JAMES M. DAVIS, JR., 02055065, Second Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, 26 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Gatesville, Texas.
- LEWIS N. KRIEGER, 36358662, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion, 23 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Chicago, Ill.

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SECTION III - AWARD OF AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Air Medal is awarded to the following named individual for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight.

JOSEPH M. DENAS, O1173585, First Lieutenant, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 14 June to 5 November 1944, Italy and France. Entered the Service from South Fork, Pennsylvania.

SECTION IV - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a second and third Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of the third and fourth Air Medal is awarded to the following named individual for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight.

STANLEY M. PAUKSTA, O1691596, Second Lieutenant, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 9 June to 22 September 1944, Italy and France. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a fourth Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of the fifth Air Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight.

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x ERWIN F. WONDERLIN, O1683306, First Lieutenant, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 9 September to 13 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

ARTIE F. SVOBODA, O1180360, First Lieutenant, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 19 June to 30 August 1944, Italy and France. Entered the Service from Ellsworth, Kansas.

JACK MARTIN, O1691871, Second Lieutenant, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 20 June to 1 September 1944, Italy and France. Entered the Service from Memphis, Tennessee.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat in France.

- ✓ HARRY G. HUBBARTH, JR., 01031564, First Lieutenant, 141st Infantry Regiment, 24 to 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Long Island, New York.
- ✓ MERLE C. MOORE, 01177102, First Lieutenant, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 4 to 10 October 1944. Entered the Service from Iola, Kansas.
- ✓ STEWART T. STANULL, 20816773, Staff Sergeant, Battery C, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 4 to 10 October 1944. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.
- ✓ REVILLE T. SPARKS, 336,2476, Sergeant, Company G, 143d Infantry Regiment, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from Talwell, Virginia.
- ✓ ROY E. JONES, 35729958, Sergeant, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 12 November 1944. Entered the Service from Columbus, Kentucky.
- ✓ CURTIS E. WALDROP, 20807883, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 27 August 1944. Entered the Service from Beaumont, Texas.
- ✓ EDGAR RENAUD, 32918438, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 21 September 1944. Entered the Service from Paterson, N. J.
- ✓ ROBERT SCHWARTZ, 36245182, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 26 August 1944. Entered the Service from Bloomer, Wisconsin.
- ✓ ROBERT FITZGERALD, 32237091, Corporal, Battery C, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 4 to 10 October 1944. Entered the Service from Belleville, New Jersey.
- ✓ JIM D. JAMES, 20814562, Corporal, Medical Detachment, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Cleburne, Texas.
- ✓ MARVIN W. BRAUNE, 20817628, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Gonzales, Tex.
- ✓ JOSEPH H. DURAND, 11052810, Private First Class, Battery C, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 4 to 10 October 1944. Entered the Service from Uxbridge, Mass.
- ✓ ROBERT P. McKee, 36270856, Private First Class, Battery C, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 4 to 10 October 1944. Entered the Service from Manitowoc, Wis.
- ✓ HARRY M. BROWER, 42043564, Private First Class, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.
- ✓ LESTER L. SHAW, 35627473, Private, Company A, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 24 October 1944. Entered the Service from Springfield, Ohio.
- ✓ ROBERT K. RONEY, JR., 34856816, Private, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September 1944. Entered the Service from Memphis, Tennessee.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations.

✓ VOLIN W. CAMERON, 0407591, Captain, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion, 24 August

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to 24 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Stephenville, Texas.

LEON Q. FLEMMONS, 20807016, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 9 September to 8 December 1943, Italy. Entered the Service from Waco, Texas.

DON L. LATIMER, 38036840, Staff Sergeant, 36th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (MCz), 9 September 1943 to 19 November 1944, Italy and France. Entered the Service from Fort Worth, Texas.

JOSEPH W. THOMAS, 20807592, Staff Sergeant, Service Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 August to 4 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Mexia, Tex.

MORRIS K. FUQUA, 20803917, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 141st Infantry Regiment, 20 May to 15 October 1944, Italy and France. Entered the Service from Lockhart, Texas.

DAVID L. QUISENBERRY, 35492120, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 9 September 1943 to 27 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Campbellsville, Kentucky.

JAMES E. GRAHAM, 6951034, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, 21 to 26 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Atlanta, Texas.

GILBERT H. ALFORD, 38458756, Private First Class, Company A, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 1 February to 26 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Rockdale, Texas.

WILLIAM D. BLAVIER, 33251753, Private First Class, Company A, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 1 March to 26 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Windber, Pennsylvania.

SECTION II - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a second Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a third Bronze Star medal is awarded to the following named individual for heroic achievement in combat in France.

ELVIN M. MATHERLY, 35169036, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery A, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 1 October 1944, Entered the Service from Brazil, Indiana.

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

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

JOHN H. EISENBERG, 0407019, Captain, 142d Infantry Regiment, 1 October 1944, France. Next of kin: Mrs. Margaret L. Eisenberg (Wife), 10009 Fillmore Street, Amarillo, Texas.

SECTION II - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat.

WILLIAM H. MARGUM, 01295916, Captain, 142d Infantry Regiment, 28 and 29 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Oneida, Tennessee.

ROBERT H. REIN, 01175843, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 29 May 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Des-plaines, Illinois.

THOMAS R. SCHULTZ, 20805701, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, 16 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Snyder, Texas.

BOBBY G. CARR, 20809027, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment, 5 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Belton, Texas.

ROBERT J. BRIDGE, 33673101, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

JAMES W. COMSTOCK, 33610664, Sergeant, Company C, 141st Infantry Regiment, 28 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Nescopeck, Pennsylvania.

LEWIS H. WEST, 20815089, Sergeant, Battery C, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, 17 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Weatherford, Texas.

SANFORD L. CHAMBERS, 20815460, Corporal, Battery B, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 24 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Kerens, Texas.

HAROLD C. MCINTYRE, 35208056, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery A, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, 24 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Alby, West Virginia.

ROY H. COBB, 34653789, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, 2 to 4 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Westminster, South Carolina.

CHIHARA FUJIYAMA, 30105753, Technician Fifth Grade, 232d Engineer Combat Company (Sep), 15 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

JAMES W. GRAMER, 32461211, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, 2 to 4 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Madison, New Jersey.

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HAROLD N. WINFIELD, 36319309, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 26 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Quincy, Illinois.

JOHN H. HALL, 31200559, Private First Class, Company C, 143d Infantry Regiment, 22 January 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Windsor, Vermont.

FREDIE L. HODGINS, 34714735, Private First Class, Company D, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Nashville, Tennessee.

MARK G. KOTAIT, 3323323E, Private First Class, Company D, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Harrisburg, Penna.

JAMES E. SMITH, 35660053, Private First Class, Company D, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Mt. Sterling, Kentucky.

WILLIE S. ALLEN, 33541113, Private, Company D, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Buckingham, Virginia.

HERBERT E. NORRIS, 33563517, Private, Company D, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Leonardtown, Maryland.

WALTER S. HIGAN, 30105383, Private, 232d Engineer Combat Company (Sep), 15 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

HENRY Y. OZAKI, 14083424, Private, 232d Engineer Combat Company (Sep), 15 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Orlando, Florida.

FRANK L. CORTE, 32919460, Private, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 27 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Elizabeth, New Jersey.

JOHN MIKE, 32285417, Private, Company A, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion, 24 May 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Ithaca, New York.

ALFRED D. CARENTER, 35037185, Private, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September to 1 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Pottsboro, Texas.

CHARLES D. JONES, 37675863, Private, Company K, 141st Infantry Regiment, 14 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Des Moines, Iowa.

SECTION III - CORRECTED AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

So much of Section I, General Orders Number 344, as this Headquarters, as awards a Bronze Star Medal to JOHN G. BRANDENBURG, 35789386, Private First Class, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, is rescinded, and the following substituted therefor.

"Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

"JOHN G. BRANDENBURG, 35789396, Private First Class, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 14 June 1944. Entered the Service from Boonville, Kentucky."

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32 828 652 (27 Jun 53)

15 July 1953

SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Amendment of General Orders

TO: Mr. Benjamin S. Solloek
70 Daer Park Avenue
Babylon, New York

Re such of General Orders 471, Headquarters 36th Infantry Division, dated 19 December 1944, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Benjamin S. Solloek, 32 828 652, which reads "Bronze Star Medal" is amended to read "First Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal".

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

J. H. Mendenhall
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SECTION I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat.

THOMAS K. BYRNE, 01283907, First Lieutenant, 141st Infantry Regiment, 28 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Oxford, Ohio.

STANLEY K. BOND, 0377878, First Lieutenant, 141st Infantry Regiment, 29 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Watertown, Massachusetts.

JOSEPH P. KIMBLE, 01313902, First Lieutenant, 141st Infantry Regiment, 24 to 30 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Scranton, Pennsylvania.

EARL P. POWERS, 01102431, First Lieutenant, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 22 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Syracuse, New York.

J. GASON & HEARN, 20848298, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 26 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Gatesville, Texas.

THOMPSON R. FAXON, 33019833, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 143d Infantry Regiment, 27 and 28 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Boalsburg, Pennsylvania.

DORTY J. COOPER, 20806817, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, 2 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Holliday, Texas.

BENJAMIN S. SELLECK, 32828652, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, 5 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Bay Shore, New York.

CLINTON G. BYRD, 35454674, Technician Fifth Grade, Company H, 143d Infantry Regiment, 13 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Middletown, Ohio.

EVERETT E. DORSEY, 35277544, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, Headquarters Special Troops, 36th Infantry Division, 30 May 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

GATH W. NORTON, 34839307, Private First Class, Company K, 141st Infantry Regiment, 14 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Birmingham, Ala.

JOHN GUIDRY, 20807814, Private, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 25 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Port Neches, Texas.

SECTION II - AWARD OF AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Air Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight.

BEAMAN W. SAM, 01172638, First Lieutenant, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 13 August 1944 to 2 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from St. Louis, Missouri.

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EUGENE H. MULLIGAN, 35208120, Corporal, Battery A, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 18 August 1944 to 2 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Ridgeley, West Virginia.

SECTION III - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Air Medal is awarded to the following named individual for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight.

CHARLES E. McMURRAY, 0307461, Captain, Headquarters Battery, 36th Infantry Division Artillery, 14 September 1943 to 15 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Kilgore, Texas.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a third Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of the fourth Air Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight.

KENITH C. LARSEN, 01166537, First Lieutenant, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, 22 September to 15 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from St. James, Minnesota.

ROBERT L. MILLER, 01683316, Second Lieutenant, 93d Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 3 July 1944 to 24 October 1944, Italy and France. Entered the Service from Gibson City, Illinois.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a fourth Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of the fifth Air Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight.

WILLACE T. HIGGINS, 01173284, First Lieutenant, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, 22 September to 20 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Houston, Missouri.

EDWARD H. MAI, 02056284, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Battery, 36th Infantry Division Artillery, 28 August 1944 to 27 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Wakeeney, Kansas.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a third, fourth, and fifth Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of the fourth, fifth and sixth Air Medal is awarded to the following named individual for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight.

JOHNNY R. HENDLEY, 02056285, First Lieutenant, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, 9 June to 29 October 1944, Italy and France. Entered the Service from Houston, Tex.

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SECTION I - POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

✓ JOHN W. EHRET, 12059634, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 25 October 1944 in France. The enemy launched a surprise attack against Company I, partially surrounding the unit's defenses and advancing to within a few yards of the position before opening fire. Soon after the assault started, the gunner of the first machine gun was wounded by the hostile fire. Disdainful of personal security, Sergeant Ehret immediately left the comparative safety of his fighting hole and made his way to the gun position. Ignoring the small arms fire directed at him, he seized the weapon and fearlessly moved to the sector where enemy action was heaviest. His effective fire delayed the attackers and contributed materially to the repulse of the attack, but he was killed during the engagement. Next of kin: Mrs. Anna Ehret (Mother), 104 Post Road, Larchmont, New York.

✓ ARON A. RHEA, 34630255, Sergeant, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 25 October 1944 in France. The enemy launched a surprise attack against Company I, partially surrounding the unit's defenses and advancing to within a few yards of the position before opening fire. Soon after the assault began, Sergeant Rhea spotted a machine gun which had been put out of action. He unhesitatingly left the comparative safety of his fighting hole and, braving heavy enemy small arms fire, began operating the weapon. His effective fire delayed the hostile attackers, and, although he was wounded three times by enemy bullets, he valiantly refused to leave his exposed position. He calmly manned the machine gun, contributing materially to the repulse of the attack, until he was killed by the hostile fire. Next of kin: Mrs. Beatrice B. Rhea (Mother), Route #1, Potts Camp, Mississippi.

✓ VIVIAN F. BROOKSHIER, 37539693, Private First Class, Company A, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 August 1944 in France. On D-day in the invasion of Southern France, Private First Class Breckshier was first scout of the leading platoon in the company's attack against its initial objective. When he spotted an enemy garrison, he halted the company and volunteered to lead a patrol forward to demand the surrender of the hostile troops. As he reached the edge of the garrison, the enemy opened fire. Private First Class Breckshier sent back valuable information on hostile gun positions and personnel, then fearlessly reconnoitered the area to locate a route of approach which would by-pass the mine fields around the garrison. After locating a route, he instructed the remainder of his patrol to return to the company and lead it forward while he remained in position to act as guide. When the company arrived, Private First Class

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Brookshier led the attack on the garrison. The position was taken and many enemy prisoners were captured, but Private First Class Brookshier was killed during the engagement. Next of kin: Mrs. Edna M. Brookshier (Mother), Route #2, Polo, Missouri.

✓ WILLIAM A. GREGORY, 35760368, Private, Company E, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 October 1944 in France. The assault platoon of Company E was held up by heavy machine gun and rifle fire during an attack against a well-defended enemy stronghold. Private Gregory, a machine gunner, was instantly cognizant of the necessity for immediate, aggressive action. While the rest of the company was pinned to the ground, he voluntarily ran beyond the most forward elements of the attacking platoon and put his gun into action against the enemy. Although he became the target for hostile machine gun and sniper fire, he faced the enemy troops alone and continued operating his weapon. With bullets kicking up dirt around him, he fearlessly directed effective fire into the midst of the hostile strong point, enabling the assault platoon to maneuver into a more advantageous position. He continued firing in support of his comrades until he was killed by the hostile fire. His heroic and selfless deed inspired the men to redouble their efforts and drive forward to seize their objective. Next of kin: Mrs. Mazy M. Gregory (Mother), Box 253, Bergoo, West Virginia.

✓ JOHN C. NEVES, 31163696, Private, Company E, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 23 September 1944 in France. When his company, which had just forced the crossing of an important river, was given the mission of seizing positions in a nearby town in order to protect the bridgehead, Private Neves, a wireman assigned to Company Headquarters, voluntarily joined the leading elements in the assault. Despite continuous enemy fire he reached the town at the head of his company. In the first building entered, Private Neves took five prisoners. He cleared the next two buildings singlehandedly after a fire fight in which he wounded one of the enemy. The enemy launched an unsuccessful counterattack with superior forces. Private Neves was killed during this counterattack which he helped repel. The inspiration given by his heroism was vital in the company's successful defense of the portion of the town he himself had stormed. Next of kin: Mrs. Grace Neves (Mother), 99 Sycamore Street, Fairhaven, Massachusetts.

SECTION II - POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Silver Star is posthumously awarded to the following named individual for gallantry in action.

✓ ROBERT L. DODSON, 02055900, First Lieutenant, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action on 19 August 1944 in France. Lieutenant Dodson, platoon leader in the 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion, was assigned the mission of spearheading the advance on an important enemy stronghold. While moving toward the objective, the platoon was suddenly subjected to small arms and antitank fire from enemy positions around a road junction. Displaying exemplary thoughtfulness for the safety of his men, Lieutenant Dodson decided to use only the tank destroyer which he was riding in eliminating the road block. After placing the remainder of his platoon in advantageous firing positions, he moved his tank destroyer boldly down the road and destroyed a camouflaged ammunition truck with the first round from his gun. Spotting the enemy antitank gun, he stood up in the turret of his tank destroyer so that he could more effectively direct fire on the hostile weapon. Lieutenant Dodson courageously charged the antitank gun and succeeded in destroying the weapon and its crew, but he was killed by the hostile fire. His daring and selflessness were responsible for the destruction of an enemy strong point. Next of kin: Mrs. Bobbie Lou Dodson (Wife), Box #1095, Beeville, Texas.

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SECTION III - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

✓ THOMAS L. BREJCHA, 0411038, Captain, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 4 October 1944 in France. On his first day as commander of a rifle company under combat conditions, Captain Brejcha was assigned the mission of attacking and seizing strong enemy defenses on a strategically important hill. Most of the company was composed of new replacements who were without combat experience. As Captain Brejcha led his men forward in the attack, the enemy directed a heavy artillery and mortar barrage on the company, wounding three of his platoon sergeants and all of his company officers. The incessant shelling scattered the men and threatened to disorganize the company. Ignoring the heavy fire, Captain Brejcha calmly rallied his men around him, swiftly reorganized the unit and led a flanking movement against one of the machine guns opposing the company's advance. After eliminating the weapon, he pressed his advantage and, smashing hostile opposition, drove relentlessly forward to seize his objective. Under his brilliant leadership, the men of his company killed five enemy soldiers and captured fourteen. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

✓ JOE SANCHEZ, 02055059, First Lieutenant, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 August 1944 in France. Company A was occupying a defensive position when numerically superior enemy troops, supported by tanks, launched a determined attack. The company commander and several of his men were killed, and a large number of soldiers were wounded. The executive officer of Company A ordered the unit to withdraw from the untenable position. As the company started to withdraw, the enemy renewed the attack and threatened to stop the movement. Aware of the necessity for immediate action, Lieutenant Sanchez, acting entirely on his own initiative, seized an automatic rifle and began firing into the midst of the attackers. Although he became the target for heavy hostile fire, he valiantly maintained his exposed position, covering the company's withdrawal. Under the protection of his effective fire, the wounded soldiers were evacuated from the dangerous area. With thoughts only for the safety of his comrades, Lieutenant Sanchez operated one automatic rifle until it failed to function, then fired another until his supply of ammunition was exhausted. His courage and selflessness enabled the company to effect a successful withdrawal. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

✓ EUGENE SAFFOLD, 02055058, Second Lieutenant, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 3 October 1944 in France. As Company I launched an attack against well-defended positions on a strategically important hill, heavy enemy shellfire threatened to disorganize the unit. Ignoring the hostile barrage, Lieutenant Saffold swiftly reorganized his platoons and led them forward until machine gun fire from enemy emplacements delayed the company's advance at the very edge of the objective. He moved fearlessly about the shell-torn terrain and directed his men in digging in. The company occupied a perilous position between two enemy combat groups throughout the night. On the following morning Lieutenant Saffold, valiantly exposing himself to heavy enemy small arms and artillery fire, led his men in the assault and seized his objective. Entered the Service from Rosebud, Texas.

✓ WILLIAM O. FREDERICK, 38037399, Technical Sergeant, Company A, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 7 October 1944 in France. Sergeant Frederick led a combat patrol in an attempt to penetrate strong enemy defenses in an

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important stronghold. While the patrol was crossing an open, furrowed field, the enemy, occupying higher, wooded terrain to the front, directed a heavy artillery and mortar barrage on the area. With the forward progress of the patrol halted, hostile troops infiltrated to both flanks and cut off escape to the rear. Displaying extraordinary calmness in this moment of crisis, Sergeant Frederick contacted the heavy weapons section by radio and, possessing no map, directed effective mortar fire on the enemy positions with his accurate description of terrain features. With the volume of hostile fire reduced, he led one squad to fight its way to the rear, enabling the entire patrol to follow in an orderly withdrawal. Although he was the target for incessant hostile fire, he remained in an exposed position to direct the evacuation of an officer who had been seriously wounded on a previous patrol. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.

✓ TOMMY J. CARTWRIGHT, 38142629, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company L, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 August 1944 in France. Private First Class Cartwright, a machine gunner, was advancing with the weapons platoon of Company L when he noticed some movement to the rear of the company. He immediately moved into position to determine the cause of the movement and observed two enemy officers and five enlisted men setting up two machine guns in a favorable position. Aware of the grave threat this presented to the safety of his company, Private First Class Cartwright, acting entirely on his own initiative, moved cautiously around the flank of the enemy group and approached the position from the rear. Although he was armed only with a .45 caliber pistol, he courageously ordered the hostile soldiers to put up their hands and, when they complied, swiftly disarmed them. He then marched his five prisoners down the trail and rejoined his company. Entered the Service from Corpus Christi, Texas.

✓ LEWIS W. BATES, 35218996, Private, Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 22 September 1944 in France. The 1st Battalion was attempting to establish a bridgehead across an important river in the face of stiff enemy resistance. Private Bates, company aid man, fearlessly braved heavy machine gun cross-fire and sniper fire in order to administer first aid to the casualties. When he spotted a seriously wounded enemy soldier, he made his way forward and began treating his wounds. He was working over the injured man when a hostile sniper opened fire. Although he suffered a painful leg wound, Private Bates finished administering aid to the enemy soldier, then dressed his own wound. While he was returning to the aid station, he stopped to treat several more casualties in spite of the intense pain of his wound. Entered the Service from Sarahsville, Ohio.

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SECTION I - POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

ABE M. FUJI, 19064756, Staff Sergeant, 232d Engineer Combat Company (Sep), for gallantry in action on 15 October 1944 in France. Sergeant Fuji was leading a mine sweeping crew when he and his men were suddenly subjected to heavy small arms fire from an enemy road block. He immediately ordered his men to leave the road and seek cover. Aware that the road had to be cleared and used as a supply route for his organization, Sergeant Fuji fearlessly crawled from his concealed position and started removing a bobby trap trip wire attached to one of the branches of the road block. While he was working in an exposed position, a burst of machine gun crossfire killed him instantly. As a result of his valiant deed, four enemy machine gun positions were disclosed and subsequently destroyed, and a vital supply route was opened. Next of kin: Mrs. Thelma H. Fuji, 3112 Lawrence Street, Denver, Colorado.

RUSSELL A. HINDENACH, 36878694, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 September 1944 in France. Prior to an attack against enemy defenses, Private First Class Hindenach volunteered to act as first scout during the hazardous approach march. The enemy suddenly directed heavy machine gun fire on the column, and the platoon leader was seriously wounded. When the company was ordered to withdraw from the exposed position, Private First Class Hindenach disdained personal security and braved the hostile fire to remain with the injured officer. He calmly administered expert first aid treatment, then attempted to carry his platoon leader back toward the friendly lines. A heavy mortar barrage wounded Private First Class Hindenach and prevented him from removing the officer from the area. Although he became the target for direct tank fire, he steadfastly refused to leave his exposed position and seek safety for himself although urged to do so by the officer. After remaining with his platoon leader under fire for two hours and a half, Private First Class Hindenach worked his way back to his unit, secured a litter and several men, and returned to evacuate the wounded officer. He was killed in action during a later engagement. Next of kin: Mrs. Dorothy Hindenach (Mother), Paw Paw, Michigan.

VOLNEY B. SIMPSON, JR., 37077060, Private First Class, Company A, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Next of kin: Mr. Volney B. Simpson, Sr., (Father), RR #3, Eldon, Missouri.

CHARLES P. KEMENY, 16062665, Private First Class, Company A, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Next of kin: Mrs. Julia Kemeny (mother), 7808 W. Jefferson, Detroit, Michigan.

EPHRAIM F. WATSON, 34016297, Private First Class, Company A, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Next of kin: Mrs. Susan I. Watson (mother), Route #1, Falkland, North Carolina.

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✓ JOSEPH A. CALVARI, 12088509, Private, Company A, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Next of kin: Mr. Gustave Calvari (Father), 35-25 100th Street, Corona, New York.

✓ LOUIS F. RULLO, 32235537, Private, Company A, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion. Next of kin: Mrs. Carmela Rullo (Mother), 90 Wallace Street, Newark, New Jersey.

for gallantry in action on 25 August 1944 in France. Three platoons of the 111th Engineer Combat Battalion were assigned the mission of establishing a line of defense on the outskirts of an important town. When a numerically superior enemy force launched a savage attack with infantry troops and tanks, these men were manning a machine gun in an outpost position. When the enemy charged, they remained determinedly in position, braving the heavy small arms fire directed at them, in order to retard the hostile advance. Only when the enemy soldiers had almost reached the position would these men withdraw. They took up a more advantageous position on the other side of the road and continued to harass the attackers with rifle fire. Aware that their suicide stand would enable their comrades to withdraw and establish a more favorable defense, they valiantly remained behind, delaying the enemy with effective small arms fire. When the hostile troops finally succeeded in overrunning their position, these men were killed by the hail of rifle and machine gun bullets. Their magnificent courage and unselfish devotion to the welfare of their fellow soldiers enabled other elements of the platoons to withdraw and establish a stronger defense.

✓ RICHARD W. CONRAD, 13115524, Private, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, for gallantry in action on 16 August 1944 in France. A strong enemy road block was delaying the progress of an infantry attack supported by tanks and tank destroyers. A working party was sent forward to clear the block. After one attempt had failed, Private Conrad was assigned the mission of reconnoitering the enemy position. As he approached the left flank of the road block, he was seriously wounded by direct fire from a hostile machine gun. Although he was in great pain and able to move himself only by exercising the utmost determination, Private Conrad continued his reconnaissance until he had secured the required information, then crawled back under incessant machine gun and rifle fire. The vital information which he obtained enabled the infantry troops to attack and overrun the hostile position. Private Conrad died of his wounds on the following day. Next of kin: Mrs. Miriam A. Conrad (Mother), 7309 Palmetta Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

SECTION II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

✓ WILLIAM A. BIRD, 0280648, Lieutenant Colonel, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 and 16 August 1944 in France. On D-day in the invasion of Southern France, Lieutenant Colonel Bird, commanding the 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, was assigned the task of landing on an isolated, narrow beach in order to seize high ground which commanded the landing beach designated for the remainder of the Division. Displaying unusual personal courage, he led the foremost elements of his battalion and directed his men in overrunning the enemy defenses and capturing many prisoners. After the initial assault, he swiftly reorganized his command and pressed forward, clearing the coast road of enemy resistance. Although portions of the battalion were scattered, Lieutenant Colonel Bird led his men forward, never hesitating and never giving the enemy an opportunity to recover from the shock of the attack. In spite of heavy mortar, ma-

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chine gun and rifle fire, he remained with his leading elements, inspiring the men by his dauntless intrepidity and brilliant leadership. He led the battalion straight to its objective and captured more than 1000 prisoners during the attack. Entered the Service from Barberton, Ohio.

✓ HERBERT KIRCHMAN, 0425304, Captain, Medical Corps, 111th Medical Battalion, for gallantry in action on 4 June 1944 in Italy. The 2d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, had neared the outskirts of an important enemy stronghold when sudden fire from well-concealed snipers inflicted a number of casualties on the forward elements. While attempting to evacuate the injured soldiers, an aid man was wounded, and other personnel in the area was pinned down by the incessant hostile fire. As casualties were not being brought to his aid station at the rear of the column, Captain Kirchman, battalion surgeon, courageously left his covered position and led litter bearers forward in the face of the heavy small arms and artillery fire to locate the wounded. He administered emergency first aid treatment to the casualties and helped carry them to a nearby ditch. Although he was the target for enemy snipers, Captain Kirchman calmly administered blood plasma to two of the men. While the remainder of the forward elements were unable to move, he walked fearlessly about the battlefield, treating the wounded and encouraging them by his example of intrepidity. Because of his selflessness and devotion to duty, all the casualties were successfully evacuated and the lives of many men were saved. Entered the Service from Germantown, Ohio.

✓ EDWARD F. GUY, 32804230, Technical Sergeant, Company A, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 23 August 1944 in France. When an enemy force launched a determined counterattack with machine pistol and rifle fire, a machine gunner in Company A was wounded and his weapon damaged. Sergeant Guy, acting leader of the machine gun platoon, was occupying a comparatively secure position 75 yards behind the gun. Aware that immediate, aggressive action was necessary to stop the assault, he began crawling toward the machine gun. Although he was wounded in the left hand by hostile fire, he pressed forward to the weapon and put it back into action. He calmly directed effective bursts of machine gun fire into the midst of the attackers, killing three of the enemy soldiers, wounding two and completely frustrating the counterattack. Sergeant Guy refused medical aid and remained with his platoon until he was certain that the enemy threat had been dispelled. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

✓ JACK F. CLECK, 37013509, Sergeant, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, for gallantry in action on 18 October 1944 in France. When infantry troops attempted to occupy an enemy-held village, harassing fire from two self-propelled guns delayed the attack. Tanks were unable to direct accurate fire on the guns because two road blocks stopped their advance. Sergeant Cleck volunteered to attempt to remove the blocks. He ran and crawled from building to building until he was in position to remove the first block, which was booby-trapped with four hand grenades and consisted of wagons, hay rakes and cord wood. Although he was the target for direct enemy fire, Sergeant Cleck calmly removed the hand grenades and enough of the block to permit the tanks to pass through. He then moved forward to the second block and cleared it in the same way. His quick-thinking and cool daring enabled the tanks to move into position and destroy the two enemy guns. Entered the Service from Kansas City, Missouri.

✓ LLUTERIO GARCIA, 38001440, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion. Entered the Service from Phoenix, Arizona.

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MARIO RUBINO, 12038968, Private First Class, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion. Entered the Service from New York City, New York.

CURTIS HISLEY, 38065804, Private, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion. Entered the Service from Dickens, Texas.

CONWAY S. FOSTER, 20453851, Private, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion. Entered the Service from Concord, North Carolina.

for gallantry in action on 23 October 1944 in France. These men and 16 other litter bearers were on duty near the command post of the 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, when they were informed of the location of a number of casualties in need of immediate evacuation. As they started out to aid the wounded soldiers, the enemy directed a heavy artillery barrage over the area and most of the litter bearers sought cover from the heavy shellfire. Only these four men continued up the slippery mountain trail to the spot where the casualties were lying. Ignoring the incessant artillery and mortar shelling, they made several hazardous trips over the difficult terrain. They carried the two most seriously wounded men to the aid station and assisted eight walking wounded over the treacherous trail. After successfully evacuating the ten injured soldiers, these men, although fatigued by their exertions, refused to rest and remained on duty.

ROY W. BROWN, 36598433, Private, Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 August 1944 in France. A machine gun platoon of Company H supported Company G's attack against an enemy stronghold on D-day in the invasion of Southern France. The assaulting troops were subjected to heavy, direct fire from enemy pillboxes and other fortifications. Company G and the supporting machine gun platoon suffered heavy casualties. Although he had been painfully wounded, Private Brown, aid man with the platoon, remained in the area of the attack and attended the casualties from both the platoon and the company. Disdainful of personal comfort and security, he worked tirelessly throughout the night, steadfastly refusing to leave his patients until several aid men arrived to relieve him. Entered the Service from Flint, Michigan.

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Award of Purple Heart..... I
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SECTION I - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

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

- ✓ ROBERT A. TRAMEL, 20815510, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery B, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 10 December 1944. Entered the Service from Kerens, Texas.
- ✓ FRED S. MOYA, 20801912, Private, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 21 November 1944. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.
- ✓ MORRIS BECKENSTEIN, 42060567, Private, Company M, 141st Infantry Regiment, 27 September 1944. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.
- ✓ JAMES W. TAYLOR, 38591899, Private, Medical Detachment, 141st Infantry Regiment, 19 October 1944. Entered the Service from Henryetta, Oklahoma.
- ✓ FRANK A. DETTA, 32903931, Private, Medical Detachment, 141st Infantry Regiment, 3 October 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.
- ✓ LOUIS W. PERKINS, 34832861, Private, Company F, 142d Infantry Regiment, 28 November 1944. Entered the Service from Forest Park, Georgia.
- ✓ JULIUS J. SVEC, 38051076, Private, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 142d Infantry Regiment, 30 November 1944. Entered the Service from Richmond, Texas.
- ✓ MARVIN L. WASSON, 36824367, Private, Company D, 142d Infantry Regiment, 30 November 1944. Entered the Service from Jonesville, Wisconsin.

SECTION II - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

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

- ✓ OWEN S. BRAUN, 01293001, 1st Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, 3 December 1944. Entered the Service from Evansville, Indiana.
- ✓ ALLEN J. FUNDERBURG, 20804403, 1st Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 142d Infantry Regiment, 30 November 1944. Entered the Service from Brownwood, Texas.
- ✓ DONALD W. BLAKEBOROUGH, 31069898, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 30 November 1944. Entered the Service from Monson, Massachusetts.
- ✓ JOSEPH W. EDGERTON, 38051329, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 28 November 1944. Entered the Service from Port Arthur, Texas.
- ✓ SYLVESTER KLAJA, 32212620, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Niagara Falls, New York.
- ✓ EDGAR W. BUCKNER, 34498551, Sergeant, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 28 November 1944. Entered the Service from Waynardville, Tennessee.
- ✓ CLYDE E. DUCKER, 36886380, Sergeant, Company E, 142d Infantry Regiment, 2 November 1944. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.

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✓ HUNTER C. WALDROP, 34771495, Technician Fifth Grade, Company C, 111th Medical Battalion, 26 August 1944. Entered the Service from Tryon, North Carolina.

HARRAN J. COLLINS, 35914594, Private First Class, Company F, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 November 1944. Entered the Service from Niles, Ohio.

GEORGE D. GOLDMAN, 32785743, Private, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion, 27 November 1944. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.

GEORGE J. MONTGOMERY, 34339775, Private, medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, 19 October 1944. Entered the Service from Vinemont, Alabama.

JOSEPH PARYS, 33606192, Private, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 5 October 1944. Entered the service from Laceyville, Pennsylvania.

GROVER J. EFFLER, 34890980, Private, Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, 23 November 1944. Entered the Service from Ch. snce, North Carolina.

LEE J. SCHELL, 37633939, Private, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 November 1944. Entered the Service from Jefferson City, Missouri.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a second Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a third Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action.

ROBERT H. TALLEY, 20805248, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 142d Infantry Regiment, 26 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Sweetwater, Texas.

HARRY W. LUND, 36648301, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 141st Infantry Regiment, 28 May 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Rockford, Illinois.

FRANCIS J. LAIS, 32943856, Private, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 13 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Amsterdam, New York.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a third Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a fourth Purple Heart is awarded to the following named individual of the 141st Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

HARRY W. LUND, 36648301, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 29 September 1944. Entered the Service from Rockford, Illinois.

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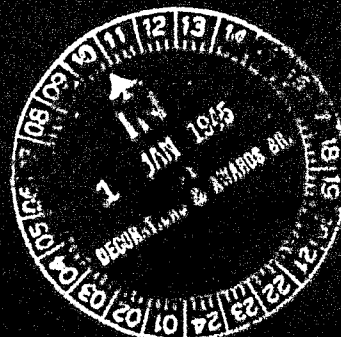
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AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 142d Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France,

ORVILLE S. BRAUN, 01293009, 1st Lieutenant, 25 November 1944. Entered the Service from Evansville, Indiana.

DEWARD E. RILE, 01291441, 1st Lieutenant, 24 November 1944. Entered the Service from Carthage, Missouri.

OTTO H. FICK, 0347944, 1st Lieutenant, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Miller, South Dakota.

WILLIAM T. HEED, 0415775, 1st Lieutenant, 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Goldthwaite, Texas.

BERNARD A. ROONEY, 01300387, 1st Lieutenant, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

RICHARD M. ZIMMERMAN, 0437870, 2d Lieutenant, 28 November 1944. Entered the Service from Valpariso, Indiana.

ROBERT BARON, 32009391, 1st Sergeant, Company L, 30 November 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

LLOYD R. NICHOLS, 20848749, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters, 1st Battalion, 30 November 1944. Entered the Service from Hawley, Texas.

JAMES C. BEST, 20805837, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 25 November 1944. Entered the Service from Amarillo, Texas.

CLAUDE R. BRYANT, 34760066, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 3 December 1944. Entered the Service from East Point, Georgia.

JESSE J. DOERING, 37485118, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 28 November 1944. Entered the Service from Dallas, South Dakota.

HENRY FIERRO, 38065165, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 7 October 1944. Entered the Service from Alpine, Texas.

WILLIAM E. GOULD, 31025272, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 7 October 1944. Entered the Service from Ware, Massachusetts.

DAVID HANSEN, 32130086, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 3 December 1944. Entered the Service from Buffalo, New York.

ALLEN PHILLIPS, 35258124, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 2 November 1944. Entered the Service from Waddy, Kentucky.

JACK T. BEARD, 38036788, Technician Third Grade, Medical Detachment, 15 November 1944. Entered the Service from Brownsboro, Texas.

CLINTON R. JAMES, 34049245, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 15 December 1944. Entered the Service from Pope, Mississippi.

JOHN L. YUSKO, 32407328, Sergeant, Headquarters, 1st Battalion, 28 November 1944. Entered the Service from Port Chester, New York.

TRINIDAD J. GAROLA, 38051308, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 23 November 1944. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.

ROLIA M. CULVER, 36678844, Corporal, Company M, 25 November 1944. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.

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ROLLIN H. KRUEGER, 35276918, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 26 November 1944. Entered the Service from Cleveland, Ohio.

ROBERT CHAMPION, 34871175, Private First Class, Company F, 27 November 1944. Entered the Service from Tishomingo, Mississippi.

LOUIS E. CRAW, 39683611, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 25 November 1944. Entered the Service from Logan, Utah.

JESSE L. FORD, 33556572, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 30 November 1944. Entered the Service from Charlestown, West Virginia.

HOIGER B. MIKKELSEN, 39396159, Private First Class, Company L, 30 November 1944. Entered the Service from San Francisco, California.

WILLIAM E. SWEET, 32847682, Private First Class, Company F, 16 November 1944. Entered the Service from Constantia, New York.

NELSON A. WAITE, JR., 32857410, Private First Class, Company K, 2 December 1944. Entered the Service from Potsdam, Kentucky.

DELMAR D. WOOLEMS, 38050940, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 26 November 1944. Entered the Service from Humble, Texas.

MANUEL ARCHULETA, 38583038, Private, Company I, 30 November 1944. Entered the Service from Truchas, New Mexico.

WILLIE C. BLANTON, 35295216, Private, Company G, 10 November 1944. Entered the Service from Powell, Ohio.

RALPH W. BRIMSON, 34899582, Private, Company L, 1 December 1944. Entered the Service from Beaulaville, North Carolina.

RAYMOND E. DALLY, 33455555, Private, Headquarters, 1st Battalion, 27 November 1944. Entered the Service from Washington, D. C.

*HOWARD G. EDGE, 34927116, Private, Company L, 30 November 1944. Entered the Service from Guntown, Mississippi. *REND. BY GO#328 - Original to HQ 101st*

ELMER O. FISCHER, 37621958, Private, Medical Detachment, 26 November 1944. Entered the Service from St. Louis, Missouri.

NORMAN A. FOURA, 33927142, Private, Company G, 29 November 1944. Entered the Service from Shamokin, Pennsylvania.

CLIFTON L. GREEN, 33658271, Private, Company B, 28 November 1944. Entered the Service from Roanoke, Virginia.

RALPH E. JUMPER, 6066042, Private, Company G, 5 December 1944. Entered the Service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

ARTHUR B. MAGAZENI, 35601201, Private, Company G, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Akron, Ohio.

LIBERT C. NEAL, 35776132, Private, Medical Detachment, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Charleston, West Virginia.

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Award of Bronze Star Medal..... I
Commendation for Exceptionally Meritorious Conduct..... II

SECTION I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations.

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GILFON N. BELLAMY, 0391895, Captain, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 15 July to 15 September 1944, Italy and France. Entered the Service from Fabens, Texas.

WILBURN M. BURNS, 34078582, Sergeant, Company B, 753d Tank Battalion, 10 July 1943 to 31 October 1944, Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the Service from La Camp, Louisiana.

EMIL L. SAHA, 38050901, Corporal, Company B, 753d Tank Battalion, 10 July 1943 to 31 October 1944, Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the Service from Sealy, Texas.

SECTION II - COMMENDATION FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, each of the following named individuals is commended for exceptionally meritorious conduct.

GEORGE I. MAC ARTHUR, 11043601, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters, Operations Section, 443d AAA AW Battalion (SP), for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 26 August 1944 in France. Because of an unexpected withdrawal, an antiaircraft half-track, which could not be driven out, had to be disabled and abandoned. On the following day, when the situation became more stabilized, Sergeant MacArthur volunteered to take a maintenance crew forward and search for the valuable half-track. He arrived at a friendly road block and, although he could obtain no information as to what lay ahead, continued on through hostile territory. Working under the constant threat of enemy fire, he located the disabled half-track, assisted in repairing it and brought it back to the friendly lines. Entered the Service from Brockton, Massachusetts.

SAMUEL R. ANDERSON, 36877260, Sergeant, Company L, 112d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

JOHN R. BANG, 37346113, Private First Class, Company L, 112d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Englewood, Colorado.

ROBERT E. COROTIS, 35914124, Private, Company L, 112d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Columbus, Ohio.

for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 1 October 1944 in France. Companies X and L were moving into a defensive position when the enemy directed a heavy barrage of artillery and tank fire on the entire area. One of the soldiers, struck by a large shell fragment, suffered a compound fracture of the left leg.

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In the absence of aid men, these men left their positions of cover to go to the aid of their wounded comrade. While shells crashed around them, they applied an improvised splint and stopped the profuse bleeding of the wound. A short time later the injured soldier was safely delivered to the aid station.

✓ SIDNEY FLEISCHMAN, 34496319, Sergeant, Battery A, 131st Field Artillery Battalion. Entered the Service from Memphis, Tennessee.

✓ GEORGE T. SHAFELLA, 33185742, Corporal, Battery A, 131st Field Artillery Battalion. Entered the Service from Middleport, Pennsylvania.

✓ VINCENT S. CALDARONE, 32793464, Private, Battery A, 131st Field Artillery Battalion. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 20 September 1944 in France. These men were members of a forward observer party attached to Company A, 141st Infantry Regiment, which had been ordered to establish a bridgehead across a strategic river. While crossing the icy, swift-flowing river, with only a thin rope as a guide, they ignored personal safety in their attempt to protect their radio. Upon reaching the opposite bank, they were immediately subjected to a heavy concentration of mortar, machine gun and rifle fire. Aware that their radio was the only means of communication between the assaulting troops and the remainder of the division across the river, they immediately established contact and, fearlessly braving the incessant enemy fire, transmitted fire missions to their artillery battalion, contributing to the destruction of many hostile strong points and enabling friendly troops to enlarge the bridgehead.

CLYDE F. HOUSLEY, 34880664, Private First Class, Company L, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 28 August 1944 in France. During an attack against a well-defended enemy town, Private First Class Housley was with the leading elements of Company L when they were cut off in the town. The enemy launched repeated savage counterattacks, but he valiantly faced the heavy small arms, mortar and artillery fire and maintained his position. When, after ten hours of intense fighting, the order was given to withdraw under cover of darkness, Private First Class Housley was among the last to leave the exposed position. Entered the Service from Chattanooga, Tennessee.

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SECTION I - POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat.

* JAMES W. LONG, 01823173, First Lieutenant, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion, 24 May 1944, Italy. Next of kin: Mrs. Dorris A. Long (Wife), 62 Jackson Street, Belzoni, Mississippi.

* CHESTER E. CIBOROWSKI, 42017917, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September to 1 October 1944, France. Next of kin: Mrs. Susan Ciborowski (Mother), 290 Alpine Street, Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

* MASON ELSWICK, 35769035, Private, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September to 1 October 1944, France. Next of kin: Mrs. Margaret Elswick (mother), Route #2, Box 167, Pikeville, Kentucky. *AWARDED BY GO#348 - 1 Aug 1945*

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

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual, missing in action, for heroic achievement in combat in France.

* WILLIAM R. PARDUE, 34805524, Private, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 27 August 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Bossie Pardue (Mother) 2300 Water Street, Selma, Alabama.

SECTION III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat.

AIDEN L. ARMSTRONG, 01998719, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), 143d Infantry Regiment, 27 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Ector Texas.

* ~~ETHEL M. PLUMMER, 38297556, Staff Sergeant (then Private), Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 27 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Searcy, Arkansas.~~ *Award of BS missing Dec 29th 44 - Mar 16, 1945*

MARVIN H. BRANCH, 32635580, Sergeant, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September to 1 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Mt. Landing, Virginia.

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WILLIAM H. PRICE, JR., 38052856, Sergeant (then Corporal), Company A, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion, 24 May 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.

LONNIE S. WILLIAMS, 34333867, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion, 24 May 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Boaz, Alabama.

MARK N. KARIER, 36358662, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion, 24 May 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Chicago, Ill.

HENRY C. BAKER, 20809460, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 27 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Hillsboro, Texas.

STANLEY JANIK, 36352080, Private First Class, Company A, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion, 24 May 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

ERNEST H. SULLEY, 39911136, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September to 1 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Segoe, Utah.

EZEQUIEL B. RODRIQUEZ, 36592326, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September to 1 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Eagle Pass, Texas.

WALTER C. MC DONALD, 33540563, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September to 1 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Winchester, Virginia.

ALBERT FULMER, 33619063, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September to 1 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Allentown, Pennsylvania.

MATTHEW W. CAHILL, 32853475, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September to 1 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Pine Plains, New York.

SECTION IV - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual of the 142d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in combat in France.

WILLIE W. HUMPHREY, 34150823, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Winnsboro, Louisiana.

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Corrected Award of Oak Leaf Cluster..... II

SECTION I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 142d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in combat in France.

- CARL F. STEWART, 20804577, Technical Sergeant, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Coleman, Texas.
- CHARLES R. HANNA, 15311298, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Mt. Lebanon, Pennsylvania.
- WILLIAM N. HUGHES, 20804646, Sergeant, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Coleman, Texas.
- CHARLES E. HOFFMAN, 32567128, Corporal, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Morristown, New Jersey.
- ROBERT L. GATES, 34774264, Private First Class, Company B, 29 September 1944 to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Glen Raven, North Carolina.
- LAWRENCE A. BAILEY, 31398823, Private First Class, Company B, 29 September 1944 to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Hallowell, Maine.
- EDGAR W. BUCKNER, 34498581, Private First Class, Company B, 29 September 1944 to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Maynardville, Tennessee.
- STANLEY C. RUSS, 32301137, Private First Class, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Union City, New Jersey.
- ROBERT J. QUINN, 36625139, Private First Class, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.
- ANTHONY T. SADOWSKI, 32909389, Private First Class, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Kings Park, Brooklyn, New York.
- R. P. VAUGHN, 36564153, Private First Class, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Cumberland City, Tennessee.
- MARVIN H. FLIST, 36483061, Private First Class, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Caseyville, Illinois.
- PEDRO LOPEZ, 38026069, Private First Class, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Cipres, Texas.
- PAUL W. GILBERT, 37512255, Private First Class, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Roscoe, Missouri.
- MARTIN A. HERBRICK, 42043937, Private First Class, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.
- ROBERT E. HUTTON, 34782819, Private First Class, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from St. Louis, Missouri.
- JOSEPH B. SZELOGOWSKI, 36569189, Private First Class, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Bay City, Michigan.
- NORMAN J. DAVIS, 33764622, Private First Class, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Louistown, Pennsylvania.
- GUY W. ZEINER, 33620089, Private, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Allentown, Pennsylvania.
- FLOYD A. JENKINS, 34891337, Private, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Stecoah, North Carolina.

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LARON L. GILLESPIE, 34631853, Private, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Pontotoc, Mississippi.
ARTHUR DUNN, JR., 35877993, Private, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Middlesboro, Kentucky.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat in France.

THEODORE N. KENNEDY, 01308828, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, 27 August 1944. Entered the Service from Huntington, Long Island, New York.
GLENOWER O. HEDGE, 38035798, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 27 August 1944. Entered the Service from Liberty Hill, Texas.
RUDOLPH H. WATTSON, 37022814, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion, 29 August 1944. Entered the Service from Alexandria, Minnesota.
LAWRENCE L. CASPER, 39676861, Sergeant, Company A, 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion, 29 August 1944. Entered the Service from Kimberly, Idaho.
RALPH F. PRUITT, 35573425, Corporal (then Private), Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 27 August 1944. Entered the Service from Indianapolis, Indiana.
T. J. TALLEY, 38165854, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 27 August 1944. Entered the Service from Albuquerque, New Mexico.

SECTION II - CORRECTED AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

So much of Section II, General Orders Number 425, cs, this Headquarters, as awards a Bronze Star Medal to Sergeant GERARD E. DELISLE, 31322973, Company K, 142d Infantry Regiment, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor.

"Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual for heroic achievement in combat in France.

"GERARD E. DELISLE, 31322973, Sergeant, Company K, 142d Infantry Regiment, 22 September 1944. Entered the Service from Lewiston, Maine."

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Award of Oak Leaf Cluster..... II

SECTION I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals (for heroic achievement in combat.)

ROY D. GOAD, 0407196, Captain, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Temple, Texas.

JAMES P. GILLMAN, 0506184, Second Lieutenant, 141st Infantry Regiment, 25 and 30 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from East Bank, West Virginia.

HILER W. HULL, 20801854, First Sergeant, Company C, 141st Infantry Regiment, 30 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

HAMILTON THEDFORD, 38037391, Technical Sergeant, Antitank Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 29 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Tyler, Texas.

MORTON BEERMAN, 32992178, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 12 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.

YOSHITOMO MITSUKA, 30105206, Corporal, 232d Engineer Combat Company (Sep), 142d Regimental Combat Team, 28 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

JOSEPH M. CHAMBERS, 20813430, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery B, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, 16 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Marillo, Texas.

ROBERT K. ISHIKAWA, 30104957, Private First Class, 232d Engineer Combat Company (Sep), 142d Regimental Combat Team, 6 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

TSUTOMU ONOYE, 30104329, Private First Class, 232d Engineer Combat Company (Sep), 142d Regimental Combat Team, 28 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Waiialua, Territory of Hawaii.

JERRY L. DILERNIA, 32808990, Private First Class, Company D, 142d Infantry Regiment, 26 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

JOSEPH E. BURKE, JR., 34849341, Private First Class, Company C, 141st Infantry Regiment, 24 to 30 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Columbia, South Carolina.

WILLIAM E. BURDETTE, 35267990, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 141st Infantry Regiment, 25 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

SHELLEY E. MORRISON, 36784980, Private, Company A, 141st Infantry Regiment, 29 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

LEE R. JOHNSON, 34241870, Private, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 24 to 31 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from St. Augustine, Florida.

WILLIAM T. WEST, 32801407, Private, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 25 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Elmhurst, New York.

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FRED DORSCH, 36292680, Private, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 25 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

ROBERT E. WINGARD, 32267692, Private, Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Dover, Delaware.

JOHN H. KELLER, JR., 35882031, Private, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 21 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from New Paris, Ohio.

WILLIAM E. HUSNER, 42026577, Private, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 21 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Auburn, New York.

VIRGIL D. SANDLIN, 35878461, Private, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 21 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Manchester, Kentucky.

ROBERT M. RITZMAN, 33246794, Private First Class, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion, 28 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Lowistown, Pennsylvania.

HYMAN C. ROSENBERG, 32331314, Private, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 28 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

STANLEY B. NELSON, 37129895, Private, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion, 28 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Laddonia, Missouri.

SECTION III - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a Second Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat.

EDMOND J. BOLES, 20806989, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 14 December 1943, Italy. Entered the Service from Waco, Texas.

MORTON BEERMAN, 32992178, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 21 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.

HEROLD G. HORNING, 20816323, Corporal, Battery A, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 24 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Dallas, Texas.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Second Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a third Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual of the 111th Medical Battalion for heroic achievement in combat in France.

JOSEPH S. VODVARNA, 32367830, Technician Fourth Grade, Company B, 28 August 1944. Entered the Service from Hartley, Delaware.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

DAVID J. HANRAHAN, 01289077, Captain, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 12 September 1944 in France. During an attack against enemy defense on a strategically important hill, Companies E and F were subjected to a savage counterattack from the rear and were almost surrounded by a large hostile force. Captain Hanrahan, commanding officer of Company H, volunteered to bring tanks and tank destroyers to aid the beleaguered units. He left the comparative safety of the battalion observation post and braved heavy sniper and machine gun fire to reach the base of the hill. After dispatching a messenger for the tanks, he checked his 81mm mortars, which were supporting the rifle elements of the battalion, and discovered that the gun crews had suffered 15 casualties and had been disorganized by the incessant machine gun and mortar fire. He made a hazardous reconnaissance to locate the enemy gun positions and, when the tanks and tank destroyers arrived, guided them into position and directed their fire on the hostile targets. Captain Hanrahan's daring action relieved the pressure on Companies E and F, and, after two hours of intense fighting, the hill was secured by these units. Although he suffered a painful leg wound during the operation, Captain Hanrahan returned to the depleted mortar section, supervised the evacuation of casualties and reorganized and resupplied the unit. He continued to direct his company in successive attacks until he was ordered to withdraw from the battlefield for medical attention. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.

WELLEN M. GREEN, 01299734, First Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action from 8 to 11 October 1944 in France. Companies E and F, in position on a hill, were ordered to attack across a clearing to a wooded area east of the hill. After a five minute artillery barrage the attack began, and Lieutenant Green, commanding Company E, moved to the front of his unit and led his men forward across the open terrain. The enemy suddenly opened fire with machine guns, mortars and artillery which inflicted heavy casualties on the attackers and wounded the commanding officer of Company F. Lieutenant Green retained his calmness and good judgment in the face of the deadly blasts of hostile fire. Moving fearlessly about the fire-swept area, he reorganized the two companies and led them forward to assault hostile positions in the wooded section. After seizing the area, he deployed the men of both companies and established an all-around defense. During the course of the day Lieutenant Green directed his men in repelling a series of strong enemy counterattacks, securing the sector until another company could move on to the battalion objective. Entered the Service from Thatcher, Arizona.

DONALD M. BLAGRAVE, 0475272, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 October 1944 in France. Lieutenant Blagrove was leader

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of the assault platoon of Company I in the unit's attack against an enemy-held town. As the platoon neared its objective, the enemy suddenly opened fire with machine guns, mortars and artillery. Lieutenant Blagrove swiftly deployed his platoon and directed his men to advantageous positions for returning the hostile fire. He then maneuvered a light machine gun section into position to support the riflemen and directed the establishment of a mortar observation post. Ignoring the heavy fire which blasted the area, he made numerous forward reconnaissances to locate a covered route for his platoon's advance. After discovering a possible route, he personally led one of his squads forward and seized the first house of the town, capturing several prisoners. He then directed the remainder of his platoon forward and led a house-to-house assault against the enemy. Under his courageous leadership the platoon smashed hostile opposition and opened the way for the rest of the company to advance and occupy the town. Entered the Service from Aurora, Illinois.

JOHN W. SMITH, 0519221, First Lieutenant, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 26 August 1944 in France. While advancing through a thickly wooded area, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, was caught in a heavy enemy artillery barrage. Lieutenant Smith, artillery forward observer with the company, was separated from his field artillery group in the confusion engendered by the incessant shelling. He swiftly set up his radio in a necessarily exposed position and, fearlessly braving the heavy fire, crawled across open terrain to reach a spot affording better observation. Working alone under enemy shellfire, Lieutenant Smith calmly directed a heavy artillery concentration on the hostile positions. His accurate fire forced the enemy to withdraw and enabled Company C to reorganize and continue the attack. Entered the Service from Bonham, Texas.

WAITER J. SWOYER, 33184992, Private First Class, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 August 1944 in France. Company G was advancing in an attack against enemy positions when one platoon lost contact with the remainder of the organization. Private First Class Swoyer, company runner, was assigned the mission of contacting the platoon and reporting its position to his company commander. Although he was subjected to aimed sniper fire, he pressed forward until he spotted five enemy riflemen firing on the platoon. He moved swiftly to their rear and approached cautiously to within a few feet of their position. He suddenly stepped forward and demanded the enemy to surrender. The soldiers, caught completely unawares, were too startled by his daring action to offer any resistance. Private First Class Swoyer disarmed his prisoners and marched them back to his company command post. He then returned to the platoon, secured the desired information and reported back to his company commander. Entered the Service from Boyerton, Pennsylvania.

PAUL J. MAYFIELD, 36445966, Private First Class, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 September 1944 in France. Private First Class Mayfield was a rifleman in the 1st Platoon, which was on the right flank of Company L during an attack against a well-defended enemy road block. When he spotted an antitank gun protecting the road block, he crawled under heavy hostile fire to within 15 yards of the weapon and killed the enemy gunner with one carefully aimed rifle grenade. The enemy located Private First Class Mayfield's position and directed heavy small arms fire at him, wounding him in the shoulder and arm. Aware that the antitank gun was not destroyed and might still be used against his comrades, he refused evacuation and, in spite of intense suffering, rapidly scored three consecutive direct rifle grenade hits on the gun, completely destroying it. Entered the Service from Granite City, Illinois.

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WILLIAM H. THOMAS, 20816149, Private, Company A, 36th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action on 29 August 1944 in France. Private Thomas, a gunner in an M-10 tank destroyer crew, was covering the advance of two tanks during the drive on an important hostile stronghold. When both tanks were hit and set afire by enemy shells, several casualties were inflicted on the tank crew and the other crew members were forced to abandon them and seek cover for themselves. Private Thomas saw the plight of the wounded soldiers and, with two companions, unhesitatingly left his tank destroyer and ran through a heavy barrage of shellfire to aid the men. He reached one of the blazing tanks and removed two injured soldiers whose shattered legs had prevented them from crawling out. With shells blasting the area around them, Private Thomas and his comrades calmly administered first aid to the wounded crew members. While they were so engaged, a shell struck a haystack near their tank destroyer and set it ablaze. Although it seemed impossible to save the vehicle, Private Thomas rushed across an open field alone and, braving the hostile fire, reached the tank destroyer and drove it several hundred yards over shell-torn terrain to a place of cover. He then jumped to the ground and smothered the flames with a fire extinguisher and sand. Entered the Service from Mansfield, Texas.

SECTION II - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a Second Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action.

CLARE N. LYKE, 024601, Captain, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 27 September 1944 in France. While attacking through a densely wooded area, the 3d Battalion, 142d Infantry Regiment, was subjected to a heavy artillery and mortar barrage directed from a nearby hill. Aware of the need for supporting artillery fire, Captain Lyke, forward observer attached to the 3d Battalion, courageously led his group to the crest of the hill, and, working calmly under the incessant shellfire, established an observation post. Although he was wounded by the mortar fire, he disdained evacuation and remained steadfastly at his post. After two hours of careful observation, Captain Lyke spotted two mortar positions and skillfully adjusted artillery fire on them, destroying them both. He also directed fire on an enemy-occupied house, scattering and disorganizing the hostile troops. Because of his determination and courage, the 3d Battalion was able to move forward and occupy the hill. Entered the Service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

DAVID W. SISCO, 01297603, First Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 September 1944 in France. Machine gun and rifle fire directed from a densely wooded area inflicted heavy casualties on Company B during an attack. Although the exact location of the well defended enemy positions could not be determined, Lieutenant Sisco volunteered to lead approximately 40 rifleman and machine gunners in an attempt to smash the resistance. Displaying unusual qualities of courage and leadership, he led his men into the woods, maintaining excellent control in spite of the difficult situation and terrain. He advanced fearlessly under incessant artillery and machine gun fire, and his men destroyed two enemy machine guns, reduced two automatic rifles, killed three hostile soldiers and took five prisoners. By his quick-thinking and decisive action, he was responsible for clearing the woods, thus enabling the company to continue its advance and achieve its objective. Entered the Service from Newport, Virginia.

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JAMES W. SHEPPARD, 20806527, Staff Sergeant, 1st Infantry Division, for gallantry in action on 16 August 1944 in France. On that day in the invasion of Southern France, Company L advanced on an enemy-held town and took up a defensive position. Sergeant Sheppard and his companions were awakened at daybreak by the sound of a machine gun firing down the street from their position. They cautiously crossed the street, entered the building which housed the enemy machine gun and crawled alongside the wall until they were directly under the hostile fire. A hand grenade hurled through a window silenced the gun. Proceeding down the street, they met a member of the French irregulars who informed them of the location of the enemy command post. They immediately made their way to the building which the Frenchman had described, kicked the door open and fired their rifles as they entered the command post. Their sudden, daring action surprised the five enemy soldiers who occupied the building into surrender, and Sergeant Sheppard and his comrade captured this center of hostile operations and completely disrupted their communications. Entered the Service from Throckmorton, Texas.

CHARLES MARTIN, 35794910, Private First Class, Company D, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 28 September 1944 in France. Private First Class Martin, first gunner in a heavy machine gun squad, was assigned the task of covering the right flank of his battalion as it crossed a highway. After the two leading rifle companies had successfully completed the crossing, the enemy suddenly opened fire from both flanks with machine guns and rifles, thereby cutting the battalion in half. The enemy infantry assaulted the troops which had not crossed the road and forced them to withdraw for reorganization. Instead of leaving with his comrades, Private First Class Martin valiantly remained by his gun, firing point blank at the enemy. Even when his helmet was blown from his head by the concussion of a hand grenade and his shoe was torn open by bullets, he maintained his position and delayed the attackers until the friendly troops had reorganized and again advanced to clear the road of the hostile force. During this engagement Private First Class Martin was wounded by machine gun fire. Entered the Service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

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

- ✓ RALPH B. BORDNER, 01180123, 1st Lieutenant, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, 28 November 1944. Entered the Service from Kutztown, Pennsylvania.
- ✓ ARTHUR C. WENZEL, III, 12078285, Sergeant, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion, 27 November 1944. Entered the Service from Irvington, New Jersey.
- ✓ EZRA WATSON, 15057874, Technician Fourth Grade, Company C, 111th Medical Battalion, 27 August 1944. Entered the Service from Gilpin, Kentucky.
- ✓ RICHARD A. RACANELLO, 39005105, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 16 November 1944. Entered the Service from New Westminster British Columbia, Canada.
- ✓ WILLIAM SIEGEL, 32301829, Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 16 November 1944. Entered the Service from Jersey City, New Jersey.
- ✓ JAMES D. CHAMBERS, 20814612, Private First Class, Battery A, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, 23 November 1944. Entered the Service from Paris, Texas.
- ✓ RAYMOND H. DECKERT, 37199724, Private First Class, Company B, 111th Medical Battalion, 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Peabody, Kansas.
- ✓ LEONARD P. AROHN, 35914069, Private, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 21 November 1944. Entered the Service from Willoughby, Ohio.
- ✓ DALE L. LAMBERTSON, 37484863, Private, Company C, 111th Medical Battalion, 26 August 1944. Entered the Service from Walnut, Iowa.
- ✓ ROY J. JEFFERDS, JR., 20812853, Private, Headquarters Battery, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, 25 November 1944. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.
- ✓ JAMES M. SNYDER, 38011144, Private, Headquarters Battery, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, 30 November 1944. Entered the Service from Santa Fe, New Mexico.
- ✓ EDWARD H. CORCORAN, 31039808, Private, Company H, 141st Infantry Regiment, 25 November 1944. Entered the Service from Holyoke, Massachusetts.
- ✓ HAROLD L. RING, 37729228, Private, Company E, 141st Infantry Regiment, 24 November 1944. Entered the Service from Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 141st Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

- ✓ JAMES D. FORD, 20801115, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 23 October 1944. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

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THOMAS QUINN, 32221869, Private First Class, Company H, 25 November 1944.
Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.

FRANK DOMINGUEZ, 38066030, Private First Class, Company E, 26 October 1944.
Entered the Service from Pecos, Texas.

FRANK J. GUGLIEMO, 32222825, Private First Class, Company H, 27 October 1944.
Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

FRANK R. STEPHENS, 33533936, Private First Class, Company A, 28 October 1944.
Entered the Service from Lynchburg, Virginia.

JOHN D. ARCHER, 34327110, Private First Class, Company C, 24 October 1944.
Entered the Service from Maury City, Tennessee.

ALEXANDER RANACHOWSKI, 37610455, Private First Class, Company B, 24 November 1944.
Entered the Service from St. Louis, Missouri.

LEO C. ZARN, 37541205, Private First Class, Company D, 19 November 1944.
Entered the Service from Eagle Bend, Minnesota.

GEORGE A. WELCH, 20803174, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 26 October 1944. Entered the Service from Luling, Texas.

GILBERTO CELESTINO, 38025611, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from Delores, Texas.

SIDNEY E. DODGION, 33661088, Private First Class, Company L, 20 October 1944.
Entered the Service from Lynchburg, Virginia.

MARK E. SMITH, 35660203, Private First Class, Company L, 8 October 1944.
Entered the Service from Peterstown, West Virginia.

GEORGE W. SCOTT, 35773458, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 30 September 1944. Entered the Service from Athens, West Virginia.

THOMAS J. SIMONS, 33646927, Private First Class, Company I, 26 August 1944.
Entered the Service from Raden, Virginia.

ROBERT L. COLLINS, 35882386, Private First Class, Company L, 19 October 1944.
Entered the Service from Ludlow, Kentucky.

SECTION II — RESCISSION

So much of General Orders 196, this Headquarters, cs, which awards a Purple Heart to EDWARD H. FRANK, JR., 37361931, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, is rescinded.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 141st Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action.

- ✓ JAMES B. WEBB, 34315866, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 4 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Moultriefield, North Carolina.
- ✓ HAROLD H. HAVLIN, 36680378, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 18 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from White Hall, Illinois.
- ✓ ERNEST R. SMELTZER, 33508047, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 19 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Craley, Pennsylvania.
- ✓ TASKER E. HERRIDGE, 20803865, Staff Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 18 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Lockhart, Texas.
- ✓ CLINTEN T. MILES, 37282836, Staff Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 2 December 1943, Italy. Entered the Service from Britton, South Dakota.
- ✓ WAVEI L. SHATTUCK, 36881426, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 5 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Riverdale, Michigan.
- ✓ JOSEPH R. CULLEN, 13188662, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 28 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- ✓ LEE E. MC GINNIS, 20803866, Technician Third Grade, Medical Detachment, 17 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Lockhart, Texas.
- ✓ HAROLD B. ROSS, 37683391, Sergeant, Company E, 18 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Bedford, Iowa.
- ✓ LAUTON FLOWERS, 34736676, Sergeant, Company E, 19 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Robbins, Tennessee.
- ✓ RICHARD P. LINCOLN, 42026979, Sergeant, Company L, 5 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Ontario, New York.
- ✓ JAMES J. LANGDON, 36461524, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 8 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Muskegon, Michigan.

SECTION II — AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 141st Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

- ✓ JAMES B. WEBB, 34315866, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 30 August 1944. Entered the Service from Moultriefield, North Carolina.
- ✓ GEORGE E. CHAMFORD, 20802918, Corporal, Company H, 24 August 1944. Entered the Service from El Paso, Texas.

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✓ JOHN M. MOSS, 38035607, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 5 October 1944. Entered the Service from Wheelock, Texas.

✓ ARTURO VILLARREAL, 38025975, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 19 October 1944. Entered the Service from Mission, Texas.

✓ MICHAEL W. ANOLL, 33508727, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 21 October 1944. Entered the Service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

✓ JOSEPH R. CULLEN, 13188862, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 19 October 1944. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

✓ JOSEPH A. GALARNEAU, 11013731, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 25 October 1944. Entered the Service from East Walton, Maine.

✓ JOHN T. HAGAN, 35728069, Private First Class, Company C, 20 November 1944. Entered the Service from Whitesville, Kentucky.

✓ JAMES H. MACKIN, JR., 32753013, Private First Class, Company I, 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Ashland, New Jersey.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a second Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a third Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individual of the 141st Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

✓ JAMES B. WEBB, 34315866, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 22 September 1944. Entered the Service from Moullesfield, North Carolina.

✓ OTIS H. BELLOMY, 36833223, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 19 October 1944. Entered the Service from Siren, Wisconsin.

✓ ALLEN K. BIECHY, 33616769, Sergeant, Company A, 26 August 1944. Entered the Service from Pen Argyl, Pennsylvania.

✓ JOHN T. WADE, 34709426, Private First Class, Company E, 26 October 1944. Entered the Service from Double Springs, Alabama.

✓ WILLIAM X. GARDNER, 33700908, Private First Class, Company K, 22 November 1944. Entered the Service from Butler, Pennsylvania.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a third Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a fourth Purple Heart is awarded to the following named individual of the 141st Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

✓ ALLEN R. BIECHY, 33616769, Sergeant, Company A, 24 October 1944. Entered the Service from Pen Argyl, Pennsylvania.

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✓ ROBERT H. LERCHER, 36774738, Private First Class, Company I, 1 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Dawson, Illinois.

✓ RICHARD T. PIERCE, 35652590, Private First Class, 1st Battalion, Headquarters Company, 18 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Parkmouth, Ohio.

✓ JAMES E. CLARK, 35882075, Private First Class, Company A, 15 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Burning Springs, Alabama.

✓ RALPH S. CHRISTIAN, 42061342, Private First Class, Company A, 16 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Mahopac, New York.

✓ JAMES R. ROBERTS, 33406733, Private First Class, Company D, 15 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Hadley, Pennsylvania.

✓ HERMAN E. JOBE, 35104582, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 13 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Lawrenceburg, Indiana.

✓ VINCENT J. DELLA GALLA, 32222430, Private First Class, Company H, 1 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.

✓ ROBERT C. TIJERIN, 20801396, Private First Class, 1st Battalion, Headquarters Company, 26 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Von Army, Texas.

✓ CLARENCE A. GILLISPIE, 35266923, Private First Class, Company B, 24 December 1943, Italy. Entered the Service from Robertsburg, West Virginia.

✓ KENNETH E. HANEY, 35206988, Private First Class, 1st Battalion, Headquarters Company, 6 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Hollidays Cove, West Virginia.

✓ HAROLD K. RIGG, 39230040, Private First Class, 1st Battalion, Headquarters Company, 8 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Santa Monica, California.

✓ RICHARD O. BERMAN, 35547796, Private First Class, 1st Battalion, Headquarters Company, 23 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Toledo, Ohio.

✓ SALVATORE L. SALICA, 42051345, Private First Class, Company I, 28 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

✓ FRANK R. STEPHENS, 33533936, Private First Class, Company A, 28 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Lynchburg, Virginia.

✓ JAMES L. FRIEL, 33763323, Private First Class, Company D, 2 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Renova, Pennsylvania.

✓ WILLIAM X. GARDNER, 33700908, Private First Class, Company K, 22 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Butler, Pennsylvania.

✓ FRED H. TENHOVER, 35877313, Private, Medical Detachment, 12 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

✓ JOSEPH R. FLY, 36783153, Private, Medical Detachment, 24 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

✓ BRACK W. CURRY, 20803122, Private, Cannon Company, 13 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Luling, Texas.

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WILLIAM L. DULIN, 34888046, Private, Medical Detachment, 11 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Bemis, Tennessee.

ALBA G. SULLIVAN, 35877149, Private, Medical Detachment, 11 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Corbin, Kentucky.

EDWARD J. SLIFKO, 35229977, Private, Medical Detachment, 11 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Cambridge, Ohio.

RENE H. DE ROSIER, 31288266, Private, Company H, 18 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Exeter, New Hampshire.

ROBERT A. DEWERS, 31383657, Private, Service Company, 25 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Providence, Rhode Island.

HENRY M. HENDERSON, 34815791, Private, Company A, 27 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Grichton, Alabama.

ALVIN W. JAMES, 34634608, Private, Company D, 25 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Booneville, Mississippi.

JOHN W. DEAN, 32267562, Private, Company C, 20 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Bellefonte, Delaware.

JOHN L. HAMMOND, 34876032, Private, Company H, 25 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Cosciusko, Mississippi.

TROY L. WESSON, 34687929, Private, Company H, 24 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Berryton, Georgia.

LOYD E. PRESSLEY, 34608837, Private, Company H, 24 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Monroe, North Carolina.

MORRIS S. BOYKIN, 38029774, Private, Antitank Company, 4 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Corpus Christi, Texas.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 111th Engineer Combat Battalion for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

JOHN BOROVSKY, 36163096, Corporal, Company A, 18 November 1944. Entered the Service from Garden City, Michigan.

WILBUR J. GASPER, 36173683, Corporal, Company B, 15 November 1944. Entered the Service from Belding, Michigan.

BRYSON L. HAYDEN, 38037407, Technician Fifth Grade, Company C, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Tyler, Texas.

ROBERT H. HINSON, 20818074, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 18 November 1944. Entered the Service from Fort Arthur, Texas.

RAYMOND J. LAUCHLEN, 36173774, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 15 November 1944. Entered the Service from Camden, Michigan.

AUGUST NICHOLAS, JR., 32770373, Private, Company A, 18 November 1944. Entered the Service from Paterson, New Jersey.

DANIEL K. SIZEMORE, 35660277, Private, Company A, 18 November 1944. Entered the Service from Elkridge, West Virginia.

LIND W. SALMELA, 37549951, Private, Company C, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Menanga, Minnesota.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 141st Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action.

✓ MORRIS H. O'DELL, 0419632, Captain, 11 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from South Charleston, West Virginia.

✓ MICHAEL BORDA, 01313493, 1st Lieutenant, 28 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

✓ GEORGE R. BETHUREM, 01306537, 1st Lieutenant, 19 December 1943, Italy. Entered the Service from Lebanon, Missouri.

✓ CHARLES MARCUS, 0537935, 1st Lieutenant, 17 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Jonestown, Mississippi.

✓ JOHN G. TYSON, 38027518, Technical Sergeant, 1st Battalion, Headquarters Company, 24 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Austin, Texas.

✓ WALTER R. GONZALES, 20801389, Technical Sergeant, 1st Battalion, Headquarters Company, 3 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

✓ PAUL A. GRIFFO, 38035770, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 8 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Dallas, Texas.

✓ LOIS M. SINCLAIR, 38035564, Staff Sergeant, 1st Battalion, Headquarters Company, 16 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Dallas, Texas.

✓ HARVEY L. WILKINSON, JR., 38035949, Staff Sergeant, 1st Battalion, Headquarters Company, 9 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Ft. Worth, Texas.

✓ JOHN P. FRENCH, 20802095, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 17 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

✓ MILTON SIMS, 20802496, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 24 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Lockhart, Texas.

✓ WALDEMAR C. LANGE, 20802077, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 26 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

✓ RAYMOND L. FENA, 20801903, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 26 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

✓ HERBERT E. BEARCE, 31356009, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 24 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Scituate, Massachusetts.

✓ JAMES E. MC LIMORE, 35726164, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 9 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Owensboro, Kentucky.

✓ FOREST B. SCHOOLEY, 20803885, Technician Third Grade, Medical Detachment, 15 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Bertram, Texas.

✓ LOUIS W. BARTLING, 20803890, Technician Third Grade, Medical Detachment, 18 November 1943, Italy. Entered the Service from Lockhart, Texas.

✓ PAUL S. TORTORICE, 36691140, Sergeant, Company G, 13 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

✓ ISADEL URDIALES, 38025803, Sergeant, Company G, 1 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

✓ ALLEN R. BIECHY, 33616769, Sergeant, Company A, 26 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Pen Argyl, Pennsylvania.

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ROBERT H. BRASHEARS, 38036370, Sergeant, Company I, 1 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Graham, Texas.

OTTO R. GRAICHEN, 36584360, Sergeant, Company I, 30 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Van Dyke, Michigan.

WILLIAM F. SCHILLING, 33600455, Sergeant, Company D, 24 January 1944, France. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

BLUENOR W. BRADSHAW, 38035828, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 15 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Mineral Wells, Texas.

GERALD V. ROUSH, 20729891, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 13 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Charleston, Missouri.

FRANK H. PERDUE, 38035836, Corporal, Company D, 26 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Dallas, Texas.

JAMES A. HARRIS, JR., 36583179, Technician Fifth Grade, Antitank Company, 30 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Port Huron, Michigan.

CLIFFORD E. DAVIS, 38198406, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 18 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Athens, Texas.

RAYFORD L. LITEREDGE, 20803894, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 16 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Lockhart, Texas.

JOHN J. CARROLL, 33315957, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 26 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Darby, Pennsylvania.

FRED S. HAVENS, 32386725, Technician Fifth Grade, 1st Battalion, Headquarters Company, 17 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Sussex, New York.

WILLIAM M. HIGGINS, 31368470, Private First Class, Company E, 28 May 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Winchester, Massachusetts.

METRO SOTAL, 33057543, Private First Class, Company C, 9 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Newark, New Jersey.

HOWARD E. PALMER, 31324082, Private First Class, Company C, 9 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Waterbury, Connecticut.

JAMES J. DUFFY, 33587259, Private First Class, Company H, 24 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

CHARLES L. DEWYRE, 37204755, Private First Class, Company H, 10 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Burlington Junction, Missouri.

LOVICK P. FLINCHUM, JR., 33648190, Private First Class, Company H, 24 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Pulaski, Virginia.

JOSEPH W. WILSON, 36690355, Private First Class, Company H, 24 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Clay City, Illinois.

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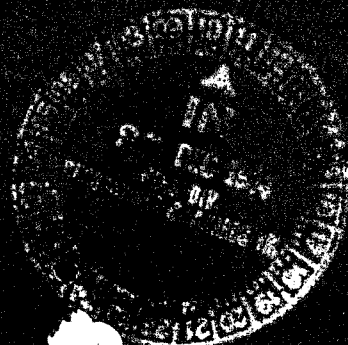
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AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action.

GEORGE R. BLTHUREM, 01306537, 1st Lieutenant, 141st Infantry Regiment, 25 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Lebanon, Missouri.

CHARLES MARCUS, 0537935, 1st Lieutenant, 141st Infantry Regiment, 16 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Jonestown, Mississippi.

WALTER R. GONZALES, 20801389, Technical Sergeant, 1st Battalion, Headquarters Company, 141st Infantry Regiment, 8 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

WILLIAM M. TAYLOR, 20802664, Technical Sergeant, Company F, 141st Infantry Regiment, 4 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Dale, Texas.

PAUL J. LINK, 38120958, Technical Sergeant, 1st Battalion, Headquarters Company, 141st Infantry Regiment, 24 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from El Paso, Texas.

CHARLES F. BECKER, 33202310, Staff Sergeant, 1st Battalion, Headquarters Company, 141st Infantry Regiment, 24 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Baltimore, Maryland.

ADOLPH J. ROHRMANN, 32342984, Staff Sergeant, 1st Battalion, Headquarters Company, 141st Infantry Regiment, 23 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

PAUL S. TORTORICE, 36691140, Sergeant, Company G, 141st Infantry Regiment, 5 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

ALLEN R. BIECHY, 33616769, Sergeant, Company A, 141st Infantry Regiment, 24 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Pen Argyl, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM F. SCHILLING, 33600455, Sergeant, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, 26 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

HENRY W. SATTERTHWHITE, 38050472, Corporal, Antitank Company, 141st Infantry Regiment, 22 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.

JOSEPH FRIDAY, 33247476, Corporal, Company B, 11th Engineer Combat Battalion, 19 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Tyler, Pennsylvania.

WILBUR J. GASPER, 36173683, Corporal, Company B, 11th Engineer Combat Battalion, 15 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Bolding, Michigan.

DONALD H. MERTENS, 38025858, Private First Class, Company H, 141st Infantry Regiment, 24 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Fremont, Texas.

JOHN W. MCLEAN, 20802938, Private First Class, Company H, 141st Infantry Regiment, 24 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from El Paso, Texas.

CHARLES L. DEWYRE, 37204755, Private First Class, Company H, 141st Infantry Regiment, 13 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Burlington Junction, Missouri.

RICHARD T. PIERCE, 35652590, Private First Class, 1st Battalion, Headquarters Company, 141st Infantry Regiment, 24 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Parkmouth, Ohio.

JAMES L. FRIEL, 33763323, Private First Class, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, 25 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Renova, Pennsylvania.

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WILLIAM X. GARDNER, 33700908, Private First Class, Company K, 141st Infantry Regiment, 3 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Butler, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT C. TIJERINA, 20801396, Private First Class, 1st Battalion, Headquarter Company, 141st Infantry Regiment, 7 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Von Army, Texas.

CLARENCE W. GILLISPIE, 35266923, Private First Class, Company B, 141st Infantry Regiment, 6 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Robertsburg, West Virginia.

JAMES J. MATHEIS, 32919884, Private First Class, Company E, 141st Infantry Regiment, 15 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Garfield, New Jersey.

VINCENT J. DELLA GALLA, 32222430, Private First Class, Company H, 141st Infantry Regiment, 22 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.

EDWARD J. SLIVKO, 35229977, Private, Medical Detachment, 141st Infantry Regiment, 18 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Cambridge, Ohio.

LESTER L. SHAW, 35627473, Private, Company A, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, 18 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Springfield, Ohio.

MERVIN L. PAULNER, 38591209, Private, Company E, 141st Infantry Regiment, 31 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Koota, Oklahoma.

CHARLES P. ZAVETSKY, 13056147, Private, Company H, 141st Infantry Regiment, 25 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Inkerman, Pennsylvania.

HENRY W. HENDERSON, 34815791, Private, Company A, 141st Infantry Regiment, 24 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Crichton, Alabama.

MORRIS S. BOYKIN, 35029774, Private, Antitank Company, 141st Infantry Regiment, 15 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Corpus Christi, Texas.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a second Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a Third Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 141st Infantry Regiment for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

ROBERT M. ARN, 01289021, Captain, 28 August 1944. Entered the Service from Moundsville, West Virginia.

GEORGE R. BETHUREM, 01306537, 1st Lieutenant, 28 October 1944. Entered the Service from Lebanon, Missouri.

DAVID H. HARRIS, 01304721, 2d Lieutenant, 24 August 1944. Entered the Service from Newark, New Jersey.

ALFONSO MOJICA, 20802287, 1st Sergeant, Company E, 24 August 1944. Entered the Service from El Paso, Texas.

PAUL S. TORTORICE, 36691140, Sergeant, Company G, 26 October 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

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

SECTION I - POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

WILLIAM C. ELLISON, 36522787, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 August 1944 in France. The 2d Platoon of Company B was attacking strong enemy defenses. Sergeant Ellison was instructed to deploy his squad and follow behind a tank destroyer which had been attached for the operation. During the intense fire fight which followed the assault, he noticed that a machine gun mounted on the turret of the tank destroyer was not being manned. He immediately crawled onto the vehicle and put the gun into operation against the enemy, still directing his squad from his exposed position on the turret. His effective fire cleared a path for the squad and had almost neutralized resistance to the front when a hostile force suddenly opened fire from the right flank. Sergeant Ellison left his squad behind to take up a defensive position and directed the tank destroyer into the face of the hostile fire. His gun jammed, and, while trying to remedy the stoppage, he was killed by an enemy sniper. Next of kin: Mrs. Alice Lemieux (Mother), 10285 Mortenvue, Dearborn, Michigan.

SECTION II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

CHARLES L. MC NEILL, 0366111, Major (then Captain), 753d Tank Battalion, for gallantry in action from 22 to 24 July 1943 in Sicily. On 22 July Captain McNeill, commanding Company C of the 753d Tank Battalion, was assigned the mission of supporting an infantry regiment in an attack north along a strategic highway. When heavy machine gun and mortar fire from an enemy pillbox delayed the attackers, Captain McNeill was ordered to reduce the hostile strong point. After making a personal reconnaissance of the area on foot, he boldly led his tanks over difficult, hilly terrain and, outflanking the pillbox, destroyed it with accurate tank fire. He then directed his company in destroying two other pillboxes, deployed his platoons and awaited the arrival of the infantry. When the advance of the infantry troops was delayed by artillery and mortar shelling, Captain McNeill was ordered to seize strategic positions on high ground and hold them until the infantry could join him. Again, under heavy shellfire, he reconnoitered routes of advance, then led his 3d Platoon across a river, skirted the enemy-held hill and attacked the hostile stronghold along a road entering town from the south. In spite of incessant shelling and sniper fire, he forced the enemy to withdraw and, personally leading two tanks, defeated a hostile force on a small knoll south of the town skillfully coordinated the action of three tanks in a house-to-house search for

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snipers and captured approximately 150 prisoners. In spite of harassing fire from artillery and mortars, he maintained his position throughout the night and held the town until the arrival of the infantry on the following morning. Entered the Service from Wichita, Kansas.

FRANCIS CULOTTA, 01320437, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 13 September 1944 in France. When the 2d Platoon of the Cannon Company was assigned the mission of spearheading an attack against well-fortified enemy positions, Lieutenant Culotta, platoon leader, rode in the lead gun of his unit. Upon reaching the top of the last rise before the hostile emplacements, the gun was subjected to antitank fire and received four direct hits which injured two of the crew members and set the mount afire. Lieutenant Culotta was hurled from the vehicle by the impact of the shells. In spite of heavy machine gun and cannon fire which raked the area, he located the hostile antitank gun, brought up another of his guns and directed its fire on the enemy weapon, destroying it and killing its crew. He immediately returned to his own damaged mount and, braving enemy fire and exploding ammunition in the gun, swiftly organized the crew, helped remove the wounded from the blazing vehicle and administered first aid. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

KARL F. MARTIN, JR., 01180599, Second Lieutenant, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 24 September 1944 in France. Lieutenant Martin was in charge of a two-man observation post team attached to the 2d Battalion of the 142d Infantry Regiment. While advancing with the battalion in an attack, he and his companions started to drive their jeep through a road block which they had been told was cleared of the enemy. While passing through the block, they were suddenly subjected to heavy rifle and machine gun fire from an enemy ambush party. Lieutenant Martin stopped the jeep and directed his men to cover. He then worked his way forward, crawling under the hostile fire, to a flank position from which he could observe the enemy. He called for one of his men to throw him a rifle and revealing his position to the hostile soldiers, demanded their surrender. Aware that they were covered from the flank, the entire enemy force, composed of 20 enlisted men and an officer, surrendered to Lieutenant Martin. He and his men marched their prisoners under machine gun fire to the friendly lines. Entered the Service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

IDUS W. ASHLOCK, 38037445, Staff Sergeant, Cannon Company, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Paris, Texas.

CLEVELAND L. THOMPSON, 20808672, Technician Fifth Grade, Cannon Company, 143d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.

for gallantry in action on 13 September 1944 in France. When the 2d Platoon of the Cannon Company spearheaded an attack against well-fortified enemy positions. These men were riding in the lead gun of their unit. Upon reaching the top of the last rise before the hostile emplacements, the gun was subjected to antitank fire and received four direct hits which injured two of the crew members and set the mount afire. In spite of the heavy machine gun crossfire which raked the area, they began removing the men from the interior of the blazing vehicle. After removing one of their injured comrades, they returned for a second. Although they were exposed to incessant enemy fire and to exploding ammunition from their own gun, they extricated the other soldier from the mount and carried him to a place of safety where first aid was administered.

ROBERT H. TALLEY, 20805248, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 8 October 1944 in France. Sergeant Talley led his rifle squad forward through heavy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire in an

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attack against enemy defenses on a strategically important hill. When his platoon assaulted the base of the hill, the hostile soldiers began to withdraw. As he advanced in pursuit, Sergeant Talley spotted an enemy machine gun emplacement concealed in the woods. He quickly deployed his squad to cover him and began crawling alone toward the hostile position. He worked his way 50 yards forward directly in the face of the machine gun, then veered toward the flank. He suddenly jumped to his feet and demanded the surrender of the surprised enemy. He took two prisoners and disabled the gun, then continued forward with his squad, re-gaining contact with the remainder of his platoon. Entered the Service from Sweetwater, Texas.

BILL BURGA, 35655326, Sergeant, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 September 1944 in France. Sergeant Burga, squad leader, was assigned the mission of furnishing flank protection for Company B while advancing through a densely wooded area in an attack. He was leading his squad across a clearing in the woods when an enemy soldier suddenly opened fire with a machine pistol. He swiftly dispersed his squad, located the soldier concealed in the underbrush and killed him with his first shot. As the advance continued, the squad was subjected to heavy fire from enemy riflemen and snipers. Sergeant Burga skillfully placed his men in advantageous positions and directed their fire on the hostile force. He killed two of the enemy, and, under his daring leadership, his squad killed nine more, completely routing the hostile group and eliminating a threat to the security of the company's flank. Entered the Service from Hinton, Kentucky.

THOMAS BATALEAS, 32811108, Sergeant, Company E, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 8 October 1944 in France. Sergeant Bataleas led his light machine gun squad in support of the 2d Platoon of Company E in an attack against enemy defenses on a hill. So skillfully did he direct his men up the hill that, in spite of heavy enemy small arms, mortar and artillery fire, the objective was achieved without a single casualty to his squad. When he reached the crest of the hill, he saw that the 2d Platoon had routed the enemy and were advancing in pursuit of the hostile troops. He noticed a slight movement behind a pile of rocks 75 yards to his right. Crawling to a better position, he discovered an enemy machine gun with three soldiers manning it. Aware that the hostile gun emplacement would endanger friendly troops to his rear who would soon travel the same route, he swiftly set up his light machine gun and worked his way alone to the rear of the enemy position. He caught the hostile soldiers unawares and forced them to surrender without firing a single shot. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

CHARLES A. BELINAK, 39616766, Technician Fifth Grade, (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 22 January 1944 in Italy. When the 2d Battalion was ordered to cross a strategically important river and attack hostile positions on the opposite bank, Private First Class Belinak was assigned the duties of messenger for the commanding officer of one of the leading companies in the assault. After crossing to the enemy side of the river, he and the company commander crawled toward the hostile positions under an intense barrage of artillery, mortar and machine gun fire. The officer was mortally wounded by a shell explosion. Private First Class Belinak, instead of seeking safety for himself, remained on the hostile bank and braved the incessant enemy fire to guide troops across the river to their units. He continued performing these hazardous duties until an officer ordered him to return to the comparative safety of his command post. While returning to the command post, he discovered two seriously wounded soldiers crawling toward the river. Ignoring the incessant shell fire, he carried the men to the edge of the river and began searching

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for a means of crossing. When he discovered that the last foot bridge had been broken and partially submerged, he crawled into the river on the remaining pontoons and secured the bridge. He then returned to the injured soldiers and carried first one, then the other, across the river to the battalion aid station on the friendly bank. Entered the Service from Klein, Montana.


CASHIR GRENDA, 36230220, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 September 1944 in France. A motorized team of intelligence and reconnaissance personnel was assigned the mission of contacting elements of the 636th Tank Destroyer Battalion which were conducting a spearhead reconnaissance in advance of the most forward friendly troops. When the group encountered a road block, half of the team was left at the block for security while Private First Class Grenda, driver of one of the jeeps, and two companions continued forward to contact the 636th reconnaissance party. While the officer in command of the party was reporting on the situation, two enemy machine guns suddenly opened fire from well-concealed positions. Other soldiers sought cover in nearby ditches, but Private First Class Grenda leapt from the driver's seat to the machine gun mounted on his jeep and returned the hostile fire. With bullets whining overhead, he directed rapid bursts of machine gun fire into the hostile position. The intense fire fight attracted an enemy mortar barrage, and the heavy shelling forced the reconnaissance party vehicles to withdraw to a defiladed position beyond the road block. Ignoring the incessant small arms and mortar fire, Private First Class Grenda continued operating his machine gun, thereby covering the withdrawal of the friendly vehicles. When his supply of ammunition was exhausted, he seized his rifle and delivered protective fire to enable those men pinned down by the enemy fire to withdraw to safety. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

ERNEST E. LIMA, 31386930, Private, Company I, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 September 1944 in France. Company I's attack against an enemy-held town was delayed by heavy fire from two pack howitzers strategically placed at a street intersection. Private Lima was ordered to knock out the resistance. He ran across the street in full view of the enemy, then crawled forward to a low stone wall within 50 yards of the guns. He placed his bazooka on the wall, took careful aim, and silenced one of the howitzers with a single well-placed shot. The second gun was destroyed by mortar fire and the assault continued. When the company's advance was again halted by fire from another enemy howitzer, Private Lima boldly worked his way forward to within 30 yards of the gun position and, ignoring the hostile fire which swept the street, knocked it out with two well-aimed shots. Entered the Service from Kent, Rhode Island.

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- Award of Soldier's Medal..... I
- Award of Bronze Star Medal..... II
- Award of Oak Leaf Cluster..... III

SECTION I - AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named individual for heroism.

VICTOR F. FONTANEZ, 32003120, Private, Headquarters & Service Company, 11th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroism on 15 August 1944 in France. In the invasion of Southern France, a large landing craft approaching the coast was struck squarely by an enemy glider bomb. The seriously damaged vessel, loaded with heavy artillery, ammunition and personnel, drifted ashore in flames and the ammunition began to explode. Although the Headquarters and Service Company had been moved inland from the beach to escape the hurtling shell fragments, Private Fontanez, with some companions, returned to the shore near the burning ship and began rescue work. Aware of the desperate plight of the men who had been forced to abandon the craft by leaping overboard into the water, he worked indefatigably until midnight, swimming alongside the ship and dragging the men ashore. As the injured men were brought to the beach they were carried to a place of safety and given first aid treatment. Private Fontanez and his comrades did not cease their unselfish and hazardous work until they had saved 75 men from drowning and had treated another 15 for burns, wounds and shock. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

SECTION II - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals, for heroic achievement in combat.

- HAROLD R. HANCOCK, 01294470, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, 6 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Dallas, Texas.
- JOHN E. FRANCKOWIAK, 38026548, Technical Sergeant, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from St. Hedwig, Texas.
- WILLIAM A. WERTZ, 33058147, Staff Sergeant, Battery C, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 29 February 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Easton, Pennsylvania.
- GEORGE K. HITSMAN, 36459414, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, 6 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Grand Haven, Michigan.
- THOMAS C. CAIRNS, 15317002, Private, 36th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mcz), 26 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Niles, Ohio.
- ALEXANDER L. TALAGA, 33705878, Private, Medical Detachment, 141st Infantry Regiment, 28 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Donora, Pennsylvania.

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JAMES C. WORKE, 34884212, Private, Company H, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Dickson, Tennessee.

✓ RAMON ROMERO, 38065484, Private, Battery A, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 22 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from El Paso, Texas.

✓ WILLIAM V. FREEMAN, JR., 34637156, Private, Battery B, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 24 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Hamberg, Mississippi.

SECTION III - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat.

✓ ERNEST S. PRANGE, 01683464, Second Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, 21 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

HARRY W. VIEHMAN, JR., 13107976, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, 21 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

HARRY J. ELLENBURGER, 33701382, Private First Class, Company I, 142d Infantry Regiment, 16 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

ORVAL E. BOX, 38588538, Private First Class, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, 28 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Miami, Oklahoma.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a second Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a third Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual of the 142d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in combat in France.

HAROLD C. SPRING, 39309677, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 29 September to 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Seattle, Washington.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-15, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat.

- PAUL H. FREDERICK, 01298389, First Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, 16 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Washington, D. C.
- PHILIP A. RAFFERTY, 01181418, First Lieutenant, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 17 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.
- JOHN BARTUCCO, 01304851, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, 21 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Bristol, Connecticut.
- JAMES P. HOLLOWAY, 01299047, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, 13 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Dallas, Texas.
- DAVID NOVACK, 01298647, Second Lieutenant, 442d Infantry Regiment, 21 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Los Angeles, California.
- RAYMOND LARGE, 35772542, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 16 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Greenup, Kentucky.
- HOMER L. WISE, 34150846, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 16 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Baton Rouge, Louisiana.
- HARRY A. GWINNELL, 31405056, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company K, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from New Haven, Connecticut.
- CHARLES D. BARSELLINO, 20814394, Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, 16 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Corsicana, Texas.
- TIMOTHY P. MURPHY, 36173649, Sergeant, 36th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, 30 May 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Clio, Michigan.
- CHESTER C. MEYER, 36820877, Sergeant, Company L, 143d Infantry Regiment, 6 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- EDWARD P. KMIOTEK, 31005336, Sergeant, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 16 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Northbridge, Massachusetts.
- GILBERTO A. GARZA, 38025652, Corporal, Antitank Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 29 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Mirando City, Texas.
- HAROLD E. SCHABLE, 32851047, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Albany, New York.
- BILL T. LEHMBERG, 38039054, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery A, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 21 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Decatur, Texas.
- ROBERT L. BOOTHE, 33529353, Private First Class, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 16 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Roanoke, Virginia.

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EARL V. McQUAY, 33134985, Private First Class, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 13 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Baltimore, Maryland.

ARTHUR P. OSWALD, 36631050, Private First Class, Cannon Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 18 November 1943, Italy. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois

RALPH A. MARDELLA, 36732678, Private First Class, Company K, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Chicago Heights, Illinois.

LOWELL D. PENNEY, 37472119, Private First Class, Company K, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Petersburg, Nebraska.

RAYMOND B. MAGWIRE, 31340399, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September to 1 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Springfield, Vermont.

WILLIAM STRICKLAND, 34760794, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September to 1 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Danielsville, Georgia.

GILBERT H. BOSTER, 35277223, Private First Class, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September to 1 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Gallia, Ohio.

JACK MONDRESS, 33799727, Private First Class, Company L, 143d Infantry Regiment, 18 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM COHEN, 32707757, Private, Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, 4 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

BENJAMIN H. LLOYD, 39561866, Private, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 21 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Los Angeles, Calif.

CARL R. DOOLEY, 35776158, Private, Company F, 143d Infantry Regiment, 28 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Gary, West Virginia.

SECTION III - CORRECTED AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

So much of General Orders Number 298, cs, this Headquarters, as awards a Bronze Star Medal to EUGENE L. VAN SCOY, 35752059, Private First Class, Company K, 143d Infantry Regiment, is rescinded, and the following substituted therefor.

"Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual for heroic achievement in combat in Italy:

"EUGENE L. VAN SCOY, 35752159, Private First Class, Company K, 143d Infantry Regiment, 3 June 1944. Entered the Service from West Union, West Virginia."

By command of Major General DAHLQUIST:

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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat in France.

EDWIN P. GARDNER, 35702535, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 143d Infantry Regiment 12 to 27 September 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Lena G. Gardner (Mother), 3300 Young Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky.

FLACIDO L. MAYORGA, 38025821, Private First Class, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 28 August 1944. Next of kin: Mr. Julio Mayorga (Father), Garciasville, Texas.

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

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals, missing in action, for heroic achievement in combat in France.

WILLIAM E. CLOUGH, 35751373, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, 21 September 1944. Next of kin: Mrs. Augusta G. Clough (Mother), 106 Center Street, Wheeling, West Virginia.

HARRY L. CARNES, 33722738, Private, Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, 17 August 1944. Next of kin: Mr. Harry B. Carnes (Father), RFD #1, Newton Falls, Ohio.

SECTION III -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat.

RICHARD B. HAWK, 0415562, Captain, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 14 September to 20 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Dallas, Texas.

ORVILLE O. SAUNDERS, 01285314, Captain (then First Lieutenant), 142d Infantry Regiment, 28 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Libby, Montana.

LOUIS N. QUINN, 0452469, Captain, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, 27 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

VERNON Y. CORNELIUS, 0407743, Captain, 142d Infantry Regiment, 30 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Brownwood, Texas.

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JOHN V. GIST, 01703054, First Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, 14-15 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Lamesa, Texas.

ROBERT D. NACE, 32038592, First Sergeant, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 26 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Dallas, Texas.

GARLAND J. MC BEE, 39128347, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 141st Infantry Regiment, 8 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from San Francisco, Cal.

LUTHER B. BUTLER, JR, 33636078, Sergeant, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment, 19 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Richmond, Virginia.

EDWARD H. COX, 32261219, Sergeant, Battery B, 93d Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 17 February 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from New Brunswick, N.J.

COY A. HINSON, 6818339, Sergeant, Battery B, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 24 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

RAYMOND W. RHODES, 37428308, Corporal (then Private First Class), Company H, 142d Infantry Regiment, 29 September to 2 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Marshalltown, Iowa.

JOSEPH A. WILDERMUTH, 35292539, Corporal, Battery B, 93d Armored FA Battalion, 17 February 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Mechanicsburg, Ohio.

MARVIN J. WEDL, 36236260, Private First Class, Company K, 142d Infantry Regiment, 1 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Jefferson, Wisconsin.

QUINTIN H. MITCHELL, 35267697, Private First Class, Company B, 141st Infantry Regiment, 27 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from Corbin, Kentucky.

DONALD BELL, 39708560, Private First Class (then Private), Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 21 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Los Angeles, Ca.

WILLIAM W. LOWER, 13051141, Private First Class, Company K, 143d Infantry Regiment, 6-7 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Bayard, W. Va.

KARL J. KREMS, 36762479, Private First Class, Company M, 141st Infantry Regiment, 15 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

ALBERT M. SHEPERSKY, 37542259, Private First Class, Company L, 143d Infantry Regiment, 6 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Linton, North Dakota.

SALVATORE JORDAN, 32633041, Private First Class, Company M, 141st Infantry Regiment, 15 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, N. Y.

SECTION IV -- RESCISSION

Section II, General Orders Number 344, cs, this Headquarters, is rescinded.

By command of Major General D. HLQUIST:

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NO 452

COMMENDATION FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, each of the following named individuals is commended for exceptionally meritorious conduct.

✓ **ROBERT F. ~~WHEEL~~ ^{HEAR} AMEND, BY GO# ³⁶⁷ - ^{SEP 5, 1945} W2110104, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Brownwood, Texas.**

✓ **CHARLES D. RICKEL, 20804241, Sergeant, Service Company, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Brownwood, Texas.**

for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 14 June 1944 in Italy. These men were supervising the loading of ammunition onto a truck for shipment to forward elements when a white phosphorous grenade exploded. Aware that the burning chemical threatened to explode the ammunition nearby and endanger personnel in the area, they began moving the ammunition away from the fire and directed the removal of the truck from the vicinity of the dump. In spite of the danger from exploding ammunition, they calmly operated a fire extinguisher and, by smothering the blaze, brought the fire under control and saved valuable material in the area.

✓ **HERBERT C. HARWOOD, 32639626, Technical Sergeant (Technician Fifth Grade until 10 July 1944), Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct from 1 June to 31 August 1944 in Italy and France. Although his duties as battalion clerk would ordinarily keep him in the regimental field train, Tec 5 Harwood volunteered to remain with his battalion during all periods of combat and assist his unit in every way possible. During the operations which resulted in the downfall of Rome and the rapid pursuit of the enemy to the north, he frequently volunteered for hazardous duties normally outside his province when other personnel became battle casualties. When the battalion sergeant major was wounded, Tec 5 Harwood immediately assumed his duties and distinguished himself by his determination and ingenuity in accomplishing all assigned missions. On 10 July he was appointed battalion sergeant major and, during the operations in Southern France, has maintained the battalion records with unusual accuracy and efficiency. Entered the Service from Queens Village, Long Island, New York.**

ROY F. RODMAN, 37047411, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 20 September 1944 in France. One of the jeeps of Headquarters Battery was struck by an antitank shell, burst into flames and was abandoned by its occupants. After sunset Sergeant Rodman, battery motor sergeant, and a companion volunteered to locate the jeep and ascertain whether or not it could be salvaged. The vehicle had been left in a no-man's-land between the friendly and enemy lines, and the area was constantly subjected to artillery shelling. He worked his way cautiously to the jeep and, after a hasty inspection, decided that the damage was not irreparable.

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✓ Ignoring the incessant shellfire which blasted the terrain, he removed the vehicle from the dangerous area and took it to the repair shop. Entered the Service from Anamosa, Iowa.

GEORGE F. SLINGER, 36222938, Sergeant, Company A, 753d Tank Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 15 August 1944 in France. Sergeant Slinger realized that he was seriously ill with malaria two days before embarking for the assault on the beaches of Southern France. Aware, however, that an untrained replacement might jeopardize the successful participation of his tank in the D-day operations, he refused to be relieved. During fighting on the beaches after the landing had been effected, one of the tanks of his platoon was disabled by heavy hostile fire. Sergeant Slinger swiftly directed fire on the enemy gun and destroyed it, thereby preventing additional damage to the already disabled tank. He distinguished himself by his skill and bravery, contributing materially to the success of the operation, until his company commander ordered him to a hospital on the second day of the invasion. Entered the Service from Madison, Wisconsin.

CAXTON R. BIVIN, 20815331, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery A, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 20 September 1944 in France. Tec 4 Bivin was radio operator for a forward observer detail attached to Company B of the 143d Infantry Regiment. During an attack against enemy positions, the company was isolated by the hostile force and cut off without communications from all friendly units. Tec 4 Bivin courageously set up his radio in the face of incessant small arms fire and maintained contact with the battalion. Although he was constantly harassed by the hostile fire, he remained dauntlessly in position and directed help to the beleaguered company. Entered the Service from Corsicana, Texas.

ASA L. BALLENGER, 34592428, Technician Fifth Grade, 36th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mcz), for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 26 August 1944 in France. When a large hostile force attacked a road block with small arms and 20mm cannon fire, friendly troops were forced to withdraw in the face of the numerically superior enemy. Other drivers of armored cars left their vehicles and sought places of cover for themselves, but Tec 5 Ballenger ran to his car and attempted to move it from the area of danger. An enemy cannon scored a direct hit on his gun turret, wounding his hand, but he pressed dauntlessly forward through a hail of small arms fire. Although three of the tires were blown, he succeeded in driving the vehicle to safety, and his was the only armored car saved from destruction or capture by the enemy. Entered the Service from Cramerton, North Carolina.

✓ WILLIE V. FLEETWOOD, 34352097, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 19 September 1944 in France. Tec 5 Fleetwood was driving his battalion commander on a reconnaissance for new battery positions when he encountered a road block of felled trees. While the officer was searching for a bypass around the obstacle, the enemy suddenly opened fire with mortars, machine guns and rifles. The jeep was hit by the hostile fire and burst into flames. After searching the area for his battalion commander, Tec 5 Fleetwood returned to the battalion command post and reported the incident. After sunset he volunteered to lead a wrecker crew back to the road block and attempt to rescue the vehicle. In spite of artillery shelling which blasted the area, he led the detail to the jeep and brought it back to the friendly positions. Entered the Service from Meigs, Georgia.

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✓ CHARLES L. BRADY, 37209023, Technician Fifth Grade, Company C, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 16 August 1944 in France. Tec 5 Braddy's squad was assigned the mission of assisting in establishing road blocks along an important road. As the group proceeded toward the site of the proposed road blocks, it was subjected to heavy fire from enemy antitank and self-propelled weapons. The unexpected barrage forced the members of the engineer squad to dismount from their truck and seek cover along the roadside. Aware that the truck contained valuable equipment difficult to replace, Tec 5 Braddy voluntarily returned to the vehicle. Although the enemy shelling continued and high explosives on the truck added to the danger of his undertaking, he calmly drove the truck away from the area of impact to a place of safety. Entered the Service from Manhattan, Kansas.

✓ THOMAS L. STRAUSS, 35169084, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery A, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 24 September 1944 in France. Tec 5 Strauss was a member of a forward observer detail attached to the 1st Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment. He was advancing with the assault company of the battalion when the leading tank destroyer encountered an enemy road block and was subjected to heavy fire from an antitank gun. Tec 5 Strauss set up his radio in the face of the hostile fire and established contact with his artillery battalion. While the tank destroyer attempted to neutralize the road block and was damaged by the antitank gun fire, he calmly transmitted fire commands from the forward observer. His skill and daring enabled the artillery to adjust accurate fire on the road block, and the action resulted in the destruction of the road block, and the loss of three hostile soldiers and the antitank gun. Entered the Service from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

✓ JAMES B. KNOWLTON, 35759131, Private First Class, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Lynchburg, Virginia.

✓ FASTINO L. CARRASCO, 38036478, Private First Class, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from Abilene, Texas.

✓ FRANK DI PIETRANTONIO, 32961322, Private, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from New York City, New York.

✓ RICHARD W. LYON, 42003063, Private, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment. Entered the Service from West New York, New Jersey.

for exceptionally meritorious conduct from 24 to 26 September 1944 in France. During an attack, the 2d Platoon of Company C overpowered an enemy road block and captured 19 prisoners. These men were assigned the mission of taking the prisoners to the rear. After leaving their unit, they were cut off from the rear and from all friendly troops by heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire. They took the prisoners into a house and guarded them there for two days and nights, never relaxing their vigil until the 2d Battalion entered the area and cleared it of the enemy. The detail then proceeded to the division prisoner-of-war stockade with their prisoners.

✓ STANLEY SAKIN, 12065060, Private First Class, Battery A, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 3 October 1944 in France. Private First Class Sakin was radio operator for a forward observer party attached to Company A of the 143d Infantry Regiment. While friendly troops were engaged in an intense fire fight with the enemy, he voluntarily crawled to the crest of a hill and, exposing himself to heavy machine gun fire, set up his radio

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He maintained his hazardous position throughout the action and calmly transmitted the forward observer's fire commands. His daring and initiative enabled his battery to direct effective artillery fire on the hostile force, inflicting heavy losses in personnel and equipment. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

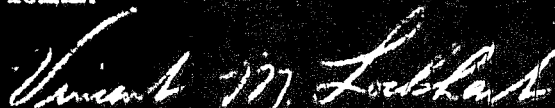
ERNEST F. TODD, 31321127, Private, Battery A, 133d Field Artillery Battalion for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 24 August 1944 in France. Private Todd was assigned as jeep driver and radio operator with the forward observer party attached to Company C of the 143d Infantry Regiment. The party was following Company C in an attack in which artillery observation was necessary to insure effective artillery support. Without a thought for personal safety, Private Todd courageously drove his vehicle for a distance of 1200 yards across flat, exposed terrain harassed by sniper and machine gun fire. By this daring action he succeeded in reaching a position where observation was possible and enabled the artillery to render effective support to the assaulting infantrymen. Entered the Service from Portland, Maine.

WADE H. BERRYMAN, 38343719, Private, Company A, 111th Engineer Combat Battalion, for exceptionally meritorious conduct on 11 June 1944 in Italy. While attempting to remove an enemy road block, a platoon of Company A was subjected to a heavy concentration of enemy artillery fire. Aware that the valuable tools and mine detectors stored in the platoon trucks were endangered, Private Berryman and the other drivers began removing their trucks from the shell torn area. When five of the tires on Private Berryman's truck were blown out by a nearby shell explosion, he unhesitatingly dismounted and, fearlessly exposing himself to the heavy artillery fire, repaired and changed the tires so that each wheel had one good tire. Displaying unusual calmness and courage under hazardous conditions, he drove his truck through the barrage to a place of safety, thereby saving it from destruction by the enemy fire. Entered the Service from Matador, Texas.

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Award of Purple Heart..... I
Award of Oak Leaf Cluster..... II

SECTION I - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 143d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Italy.

✓ JAMES A. MARTIN, 38051516, Private First Class, Company D, 21 January 1944. Entered the Service from Sweetwater, Texas.

✓ LOUIE J. WIGINTON, 20808094, Private First Class, Company D, 14 December 1943. Entered the Service from Temple, Texas.

✓ JUNE L. HOLCOMB, 20808035, Private, Company D, 22 September 1943. Entered the Service from Temple, Texas.

✓ RAMON R. OLIVAS, 39857039, Private, Company D, 15 December 1943. Entered the Service from Tucson, Arizona.

✓ WETZEL PERRY, 35869390, Private, Company D, 22 January 1944. Entered the Service from East Lynn, West Virginia.

✓ CARL H. RAUVOL, 36593500, Private, Company D, 25 January 1944. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.

✓ WILLIAM W. SHUMAKER, 33627884, Private, Company D, 15 December 1943. Entered the Service from Dillwyn, Virginia.

✓ HAROLD L. THAKE, 36256779, Private, Company D, 17 December 1943. Entered the Service from Baraboo, Wisconsin.

✓ WILLIAM W. WARWICK, 34671413, Private, Company D, 22 January 1944. Entered the Service from Newton Grove, North Carolina.

✓ HUGH J. ZIERFUSS, 36283729, Private, Company H, 19 December 1943. Entered the Service from Beloit, Wisconsin.

SECTION II - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

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

✓ WILLIAM A. BEASLEY, 0394553, Captain, 142d Infantry Regiment, 13 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.

✓ WELDON M. GREEN, 01299734, 1st Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, 10 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Thatcher, Arizona.

✓ LONNIE REDDEN, 38228137, Technical Sergeant, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment 18 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Hico, Texas.

✓ ERNEST P. FRENCH, 20815335, Staff Sergeant, Battery "A", 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 15 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Corsicana, Texas.

✓ FRED COSTILLA, 20807795, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 143d Infantry Regiment, 12 February 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Beaumont, Texas.

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BOBBY G. CARR, 20809027, Sergeant, Company I, 143d Infantry Regiment, 12 February 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Belton, Texas.

RAY W. KNECHT, 39413907, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, 12 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Lodi, California.

CHARLES L. NEIGH, 35383471, Corporal, 36th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mcz), 15 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Wheeling, West Virginia.

JOHN MOROS, JR., 42002027, Private First Class, Company E, 142d Infantry Regiment, 9 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Passaic, New Jersey.

HENRY J. KINTOPP, 36286157, Private First Class, Company H, 143d Infantry Regiment, 12 February 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Iron Ridge, Wisconsin.

ROLAND C. BROUCHOUD, 36838397, Private, Company C, 142d Infantry Regiment, 13 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Two Rivers, Wisconsin.

FOWLER V. THOMPSON, 34881982, Private, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 15 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Celina, Tennessee.

FLOYD S. GREGORY, 39159749, Private, 36th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mcz), 15 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Lancaster, California.

JOSEPH J. SINGLETON, 35548985, Private, Company D, 143d Infantry Regiment, 21 January 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from South Bend, Indiana.

ALPHONSE W. BRAZEAU, 36466627, Private, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, 12 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a second Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a Third Purple Heart is awarded to the following named individual of the 142d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

LESLIE B. CUTRIGHT, JR., 35725428, Private First Class, Company K, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Patoka, Indiana.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a third Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a Fourth Purple Heart is awarded to the following named individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

ANDREW G. HESS, 33624749, Sergeant, Company G, 142d Infantry Regiment, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Oley, Pennsylvania.

JAMES P. CASEY, 31383557, Private First Class, Company F, 143d Infantry Regiment, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Newport, Rhode Island.

By command of Major General DAHLQUIST:

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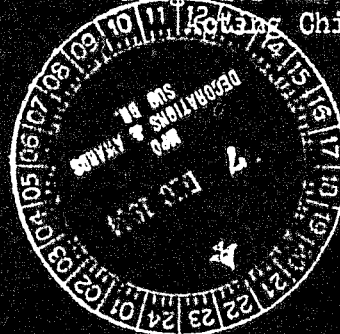
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AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 143d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

✓✓✓ HIRAM I. KING, 01285603, First Lieutenant, 22 October 1944. Entered the Service from Aberdeen, South Dakota.

✓✓✓ ROY M. DETRICK, 01691716, Second Lieutenant, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from Azle, Texas.

✓✓✓ ALBERT F. BELJEAN, 32822105, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

✓✓✓ EDWARD J. BYER, 37458067, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Rushville, Nebraska.

✓✓✓ ANTHONY G. DI NARDO, 33586164, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

✓✓✓ EUGENE W. ROBINSON, 34763585, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Americus, Georgia.

✓✓✓ ROBERT E. CARTY, 33532865, Sergeant, Company E, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Abingdon, Virginia.

✓✓✓ EDWARD J. FOLEY, 31030070, Sergeant, Company G, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from Methuen, Massachusetts.

✓✓✓ ARTHUR G. MANNING, 32843470, Sergeant, Company F, 21 October 1944. Entered the Service from Niagara Falls, New York.

✓✓✓ HOYT SPARKOW, 7009917, Sergeant, Company G, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

✓✓✓ RICHARD L. HANAS, 37446992, Private First Class, Company G, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from Waterloo, Iowa.

✓✓✓ VINCENT J. ANDRIOLA, 32921786, Private First Class, Company A, 19 October 1944. Entered the Service from Newark, New Jersey.

✓✓✓ MORRIS B. BLENE, 20808146, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 10 October 1944. Entered the Service from Hillsboro, Texas.

✓✓✓ FRANK G. DI LORENZO, 32885412, Private First Class, Company G, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

✓✓✓ ROY A. DOHONEY, 20809444, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Hillsboro, Texas.

✓✓✓ EMERY W. FAUE, 37541289, Private First Class, Company F, 27 October 1944. Entered the Service from Hamul, Minnesota.

✓✓✓ WADE C. GLADDEN, 34580131, Private First Class, Company E, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Alabama City, Alabama.

✓✓✓ ROBERT E. GREINL, 36807206, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 12 October 1944. Entered the Service from Allis, Wisconsin.

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✓ CHARLES A. HENDRIX, 34714930, Private First Class, Company G, 22 October 1944. Entered the Service from Fayetteville, Tennessee.

✓ WALTER H. MUSE, 31300654, Private First Class, Company E, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Wilmington, Massachusetts.

✓ ARNOLD W. ROST, 37571999, Private First Class, Company B, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from Rochester, Minnesota.

✓ DAVID P. BOWEN, 14120948, Private, Company B, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Chattanooga, Tennessee.

✓ LAWRENCE BREEDEN, 34498193, Private, Company A, 18 October 1944. Entered the Service from Sevierville, Tennessee.

✓ FRANK GABRIC, 35919907, Private, Company G, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Greentown, Ohio.

✓ HERSCHEL J. GRIST, JR., 14171313, Private, Company E, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Dillard, Georgia.

✓ GENE P. HENDRIX, 34732737, Private, Company C, 22 October 1944. Entered the Service from Memphis, Tennessee.

✓ GEORGE MESCO, JR., 33430945, Private, Company E, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania.

✓ WILLIAM H. PETERSON, 37683234, Private, Company A, 27 October 1944. Entered the Service from Pringhar, Iowa.

✓ JOHN T. SULLIN, 20342692, Private, Headquarters Company, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Princess Anne, Maryland.

✓ WHIRTA L. UPCHURCH, 38037469, Private, Company A, 18 October 1944. Entered the Service from Paris, Texas.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a second Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a third Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 143d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

✓ EDWIN C. PETRANEK, 0504726, First Lieutenant, 7 October 1944. Entered the Service from White River, South Dakota.

✓ HENRY L. VOLLBRACHT, 0447306, First Lieutenant, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from East Islip, Long Island, New York.

✓ RICHARD D. GAGE, 35556954, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 22 October 1944. Entered the Service from Columbia City, Indiana.

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Award of Purple Heart..... I
Corrected Award of Oak Leaf Cluster..... II

SECTION I - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 142d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

- EARL H. GOLFORD, 6888093, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 10 November 1944. Entered the Service from Putnam, West Virginia.
- THOMAS BATTLEAS, 3 1108, Sergeant, Company E, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.
- CHARLES E. GAINES, 36612468, Sergeant, Company L, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Olney, Illinois.
- RAY W. KNECHT, 39413907, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 27 October 1944. Entered the Service from Lodi, California.
- VIRGIL H. BORGSTADT, 37503781, Private First Class, Company F, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Concordia, Missouri.
- ROBERT J. CHALFANT, 35878544, Private First Class, Company E, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Covington, Kentucky.
- KENNETH W. FRANKS, 35809566, Private First Class, Company M, 14 November 1944. Entered the Service from Corydon, Indiana.
- LOUIS J. HANKUS, 36643152, Private First Class, Company M, 14 November 1944. Entered the Service from Calumet Park, Illinois.
- RUDOLPH MANFREDINI, 37675546, Private First Class, Company L, 14 November 1944. Entered the Service from West Des Moines, Iowa.
- CHARLES S. MC PHATE, 34133013, Private First Class, Company F, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Natchez, Mississippi.
- EDGAR T. WOLFE, 34042088, Private First Class, Company L, 15 November 1944. Entered the Service from Memphis, Tennessee.
- JAMES W. BROWN, 34796101, Private, Company L, 15 November 1944. Entered the Service from Ocoee, Florida.
- MYRON P. FARNSWORTH, 31403129, Private, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Bristol, Connecticut.
- EVERETTE P. HODGES, 34916153, Private, Company D, 27 October 1944. Entered the Service from Birmingham, Alabama.
- WILTON L. LYLES, 34931773, Private, Company E, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Drayton, South Carolina.
- LESLIE C. WAGONER, 35813746, Private, Company L, 15 November 1944. Entered the Service from Hopkinsville, Kentucky.
- MILLARD B. WRIGHT, 34516180, Private, Company F, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Honea Path, South Carolina.
- ROSARIO GRAZIANO, 42068154, Private, Company A, 18 October 1944. Entered the Service from Newburgh, New York.

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JOSEPH F. HAFFIELD, 34903776, Private, Company C, 12 November 1944. Entered the Service from Dunlap, Tennessee.

FRANK JENNINGS, 37626905, Private, Service Company, 12 November 1944. Entered the Service from Dexter, Missouri.

CHARLEY L. KING, 38590812, Private, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Gowen, Oklahoma.

HARRY L. WALKER, 35779156, Private, Company C, 12 November 1944. Entered the Service from Portsmouth, Ohio.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 133d Field Artillery Battalion, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

MARVIN H. BOOZER, 38051656, Private First Class, Battery B, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Nacogdoches, Texas.

WARREN E. CARLSEN, 42002050, Private, Headquarters Battery, 14 November 1944. Entered the Service from Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey.

SECTION II - CORRECTED AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

So much of General Orders Number 438, cs, this Headquarters, as awards a Purple Heart to Technician Fifth Grade Staff SANTOMAURO, 39125035, Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

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

"S.M. SANTOMAURO, 39125035, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from San Jose, California.

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AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 143d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

- JAMES J. FERRARI, 42080883, Private, Company F, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- GEORGE A. FESSMAN, 42066951, Private, Company F, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Jackson Heights, New York.
- MILLIN G. FIELDS, 35925674, Private, Company F, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Lorain, Ohio.
- MICHAEL R. GIANNASCA, 31358250, Private, Company E, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Revere, Massachusetts.
- ANDREW G. GREEN, 33658770, Private, Company F, 28 October 1944. Entered the Service from Hot Springs, Virginia.
- DAVISON HAYES, 33706631, Private, Company F, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- PAUL A. HERMANN, 36823732, Private, Company E, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Laurium, Michigan.
- VINCENT JANOWSKI, 31344900, Private, Cannon Company, 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from New Britain, Connecticut.
- PETER P. JURAS, 42102378, Private, Company L, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Newark, New Jersey.
- ODIS W. KILLOUGH, 20807636, Private, Headquarters Company, 15 October 1944. Entered the Service from Coolidge, Texas.
- LESLIE C. KIRN, 39621170, Private, Company G, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from Oswego, Montana.
- JAMES M. LEINBACH, 33835187, Private, Company G, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from Berkshire Heights, Pennsylvania.
- LOUIS B. LICHAUSE, 35925475, Private, Company A, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Akron, Ohio.
- NELLO MARCHETTI, 38603068, Private, Company G, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from Lake Village, Arkansas.
- CHESTER O. MURPHY, 38517155, Private, Company L, 14 October 1944. Entered the Service from Crossett, Arkansas.
- CLARENCE W. OLLER, 39707728, Private, Company L, 18 October 1944. Entered the Service from Unknown.
- GEOFFREY PARSONS, 34814747, Private, Company F, 27 October 1944. Entered the Service from Bessemer, Alabama.
- WILLIAM H. PETERSON, 37683234, Private, Company A, 10 October 1944. Entered the Service from Pringhar, Iowa.
- VICTOR REGHANY, 32999430, Private, Company B, 27 October 1944. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.
- RAYMOND S. RICKERSON, 33684280, Private, Company G, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from Akeley, Pennsylvania.

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STEPHEN ROMAN, 36893024, Private, Company G, 5 October 1944. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.

DAVE SHEINWITZ, 42065267, Private, Company G, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from Bronx, New York.

IRA C. SHEPHERD, 34898316, Private, Company G, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from North Wilkesboro, North Carolina.

JOHN H. SMART, 33656539, Private, Company A, 19 October 1944. Entered the Service from Danville, Virginia.

JIM E. STEPHENS, 34802254, Private, Company F, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Gadsden, Alabama.

JOSEPH M. TORRE, 35060892, Private, Company E, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Painesville, Ohio.

PHILIP D. VONDY, 37345899, Private, Company A, 30 September 1944. Entered the Service from Snyder, Colorado.

WALTER WILDER, 31370174, Private, Company E, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Quincy, Massachusetts.

WELDON R. WRIGHT, 39858326, Private, Medical Detachment, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from Mesa, Arizona.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 143d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Italy.

JOHN R. CARBERRY, 20808062, Sergeant, Company D, 12 December 1943. Entered the Service from Temple, Texas.

ARVIN CROSSMAN, 36578532, Sergeant, Company H, 25 January 1944. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.

DELFINO P. GAONA, 20808858, Sergeant, Company H, 15 February 1944. Entered the Service from Galveston, Texas.

WALTER L. BARANSKI, 36320017, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

OTTO KOEHLER, 32337299, Private First Class, Company D, 8 December 1943. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 143d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

- LEONARD R. RYCHLEWSKI, 36288472, Private First Class, Company L, 1 November 1944. Entered the Service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- RAYMOND W. SMITH, 33632501, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 21 October 1944. Entered the Service from South Norfolk, Virginia.
- JAMES H. STARNES, 34590917, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Salisbury, North Carolina.
- LEE R. STEWART, 34657882, Private First Class, Company F, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Central, South Carolina.
- RICHARD C. STOCNTON, 31372152, Private First Class, Company G, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Beverly, Massachusetts.
- CEVLRN C. TUTTLE, 34893513, Private First Class, Company F, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Walnut Cove, North Carolina.
- KENNETH R. WARINNER, 37723894, Private First Class, Company F, 28 October 1944. Entered the Service from Wellington, Missouri.
- SAMUEL WEISS, 20223755, Private First Class, Company F, 12 October 1944. Entered the Service from Jersey City, New Jersey.
- LAWRENCE G. WILLIS, 31339674, Private First Class, Company A, 18 October 1944. Entered the Service from South Troy, Vermont.
- CLARENCE W. ADKINS, 34802751, Private, Medical Detachment, 2 October 1944. Entered the Service from Trussville, Alabama.
- ERVIN O. BAGROWSKI, 35229478, Private, Company F, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Toledo, Ohio.
- LEVIO C. ASCI, 31408003, Private, Company L, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Newington, Connecticut.
- OAKLEY BALL, 35804451, Private, Company H, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Sextons Creek, Kentucky.
- ALAN R. BARON, 42048413, Private, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.
- HARRY W. BLOUSE, 33807659, Private, Company C, 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Chester, Pennsylvania.
- LEMMIE M. BROADWATER, 34875950, Private, Company E, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Florence, Mississippi.
- WILLIAM F. BUCHANAN, 35875195, Private, Company E, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Foster, Kentucky.
- ISAUEL E. CAMPBELL, 34725299, Private, Company A, 27 October 1944. Entered the Service from Butler, Tennessee.
- WAYLON B. CARTER, 34360458, Private, Medical Detachment, 5 October 1944. Entered the Service from Sparta, Tennessee.
- GILLAN B. CHRISTENSEN, 37722401, Private, Company E, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Kansas City, Missouri.

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ROBERT O. CLEVINGER, 35875435, Private, Company E, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Wilmington, Ohio.

IRA H. COBB, 34679319, Private, Company A, 6 October 1944. Entered the Service from Mt. Olive, North Carolina.

THOMAS J. CONNELLY, 33171731, Private, Company C, 18 October 1944. Entered the Service from Braddock, Pennsylvania.

CLIFFORD CROUSE, 42092902, Private, Company E, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Cattaraugus, New York.

VINCENT J. DALY, 33751870, Private, Company E, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Washington, D. C.

JAMES B. DAVIS, 35775387, Private, Company E, 24 October 1944. Entered the Service from Huntington, West Virginia.

RICHARD J. DILLON, 37729561, Private, Company G, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Kansas City, Missouri.

ARVIL DULITT, 34635052, Private, Company F, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Leadsville, Mississippi.

WILBUR V. DUNCAN, 34899619, Private, Company G, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Siler City, North Carolina.

KENNETH S. LITTLETON, 32855189, Private, Company M, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Glens Falls, New York.

IOWELL F. EWING, 38628432, Private, Company F, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Scurry, Texas.

ARTHUR C. FARNER, 35899537, Private, Company F, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Covington, Indiana.

RALPH T. FAVIA, 42066444, Private, Company F, 28 October 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

JOAQUIN FELLICIANO, 42058794, Private, Company F, 27 October 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

ALBERT C. FENSTERMAKER, 33836525, Private, Company F, 27 October 1944. Entered the Service from Nazareth, Pennsylvania.

JOHN A. FLINT, 36902699, Private, Company F, 21 October 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

WILLIS W. FERGUSON, 37731030, Private, Company F, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Allendale, Missouri.

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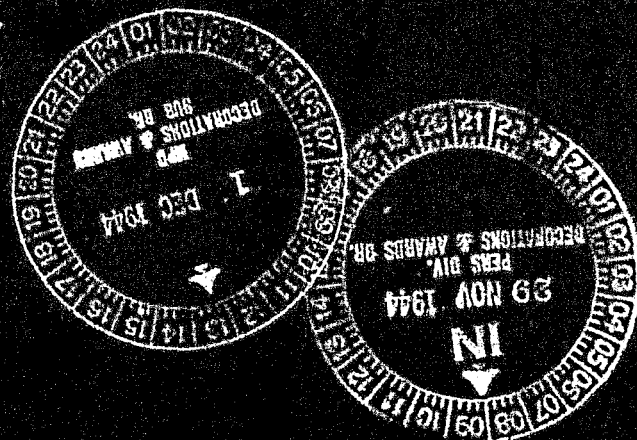
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17 November 1944

NO. 445

AWARD OF ONE OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 142C Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

D. VID D. GILLESPIE, Jr., 0322977, Captain, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Dixon, Wyoming.

ROY CHRISTENSEN, 31476069, Technical Sergeant, Company A, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Yankton, South Dakota.

JOHN B. PILOSI, 33268212, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Newlands, Pennsylvania.

JOHN Y. GILL, 20805816, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from Maricillo, Texas.

WILLIAM N. RUGHES, 20804646, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Coleman, Texas.

JAMES MESITT, Jr., 35555939, Sergeant, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

DOMINIC SIMON, 12123799, Sergeant, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

LAWRENCE CAMPBELL, 33337727, Corporal, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Nottingham, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM L. BOYLES, 34891478, Private First Class, Company G, 4 November 1944. Entered the Service from Lincolnton, North Carolina.

ROBERT P. BROWN, 32302100, Private First Class, Company G, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Bound Brook, New Jersey.

CRIVILLE J. CAMPBELL, 38219451, Private First Class, Antitank Company 10 November 1944. Entered the Service from Ft Worth, Texas.

JOHN CAMPBELL, 34439733, Private First Class, Company E, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Hickory, North Carolina.

DANIEL G. CHAMBERLAIN, 33797444, Private First Class, Company G, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from South Pottstown, Pennsylvania.

BENJAMIN COLLIER, 31415033, Private First Class, Company G, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

RAYMOND L. DELANCEY, 36817990, Private First Class, Company G, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Green Bay, Wisconsin.

RAYMOND O. SAUTHEAU, 31005966, Private First Class, Company G, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Baldwinville, Massachusetts.

WILLIAM S. SMITHSON, 33465022, Private First Class, Company D, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Dickson City, Pennsylvania.

MARCEL G. RIVAS, 38026044, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 12 November 1944. Entered the Service from El Paso, Texas.

LEWIS E. WILSON, 31269683, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 11 November 1944. Entered the Service from Keene, New Hampshire.

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REED L. YOUNGLOOD, 14131124, Private First Class, Company F, 10 November 1944. Entered the Service from Birmingham, Alabama.

LEO L. MANNWOOD, 36896157, Private, Medical Detachment, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Highland Park, Michigan.

JOHN A. PIFER, Jr., 34881795, Private, Company E, 10 November 1944. Entered the Service from Nashville, Tennessee.

CHARLES H. LAUGHLINBAUGH, 33874166, Private, Company G, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from York, Pennsylvania.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a second Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a third Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 142d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

RAYMOND T. LAHAR, 01293612, First Lieutenant, 10 November 1944. Entered the Service from Newport, Vermont.

NEFFORD D. JAMES, 38060198, First Sergeant, Company E, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Keilton, Texas.

FLORENCE J. LAIS, 32943856, Private, Company L, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Westchester, New York.

COLLETT H. MC CLINTOCK, 35772650, Private, Company M, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Linton, West Virginia.

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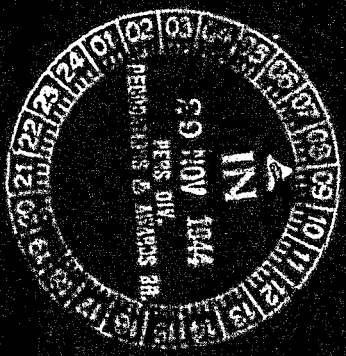
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SECTION I - POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

ERVIN K. MATHES, 36320347, Private First Class, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 August 1944 in France. Company L was occupying a defensive position in a former enemy stronghold. Private First Class Mathes, a rifleman, joined a combat patrol with the mission of clearing the enemy from the southern part of the town. While advancing toward their objective, the patrol members were subjected to heavy machine gun fire from a hostile pillbox. Private First Class Mathes was seriously wounded by the enemy fire before he could reach a covered position. In spite of the intense pain of his wound, he refused evacuation and, from his exposed position, fired a full clip of rifle ammunition into the pillbox, thereby enabling his comrades to move to more advantageous positions. While he was reloading, another burst from the enemy gun killed him instantly. Next of Kin: Mrs. T. Mathes (Mother), 5604 South May Street, Chicago, Illinois.

SECTION II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

RICHARD M. BURRAGE, 0407025, Captain, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 August 1944 in France. Because the 1st Battalion was assigned the defense of a wide sector, it was necessary to leave a gap between the positions of Companies A and B. While Captain Burrage was moving the battalion command post into position behind Company B, a large enemy force launched a savage attack. Aware that the heavy machine gun, mortar and tank fire threatened to disorganize the company, Captain Burrage swiftly directed his command post group into position to return the enemy fire. He then collected the men of Company B, reorganized the unit and established a defense against the hostile attackers. He led the battalion's reserve company forward to help repel the attack and called for support from tank destroyers. The tempo of enemy fire increased, but Captain Burrage courageously placed the tank destroyers in an advantageous position from which they destroyed an enemy tank. His daring and ingenuity were largely responsible for the repulse of the attack. Entered the Service from Waco, Texas.

Citation amended by G.O. # 478 - Dec. 10, 1944
JAMES R. LOWERY, 01101301, Captain, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action from 22 to 26 ~~October~~ ^{September} 1944 in France. Company K was assigned the mission of protecting the left flank of the 3d Battalion during an attack

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Against a well-defended enemy stronghold. In the approach march, the company was delayed by heavy machine gun and rifle fire. Captain Lowery, battalion S-3, had joined Company K in the assembly area and now, exposing himself to the small arms fire, halted the column and reconnoitered the area to his front in an attempt to locate the enemy positions. When the order was given to continue the advance, Captain Lowery led his men forward through a densely wooded area until sunset, then, with the battalion halted for the night, prepared his plan of attack for the following morning. He personally led the company in the assault and was successful in seizing a hill which overlooked the hostile stronghold. Later, while accompanying the battalion commander on a reconnaissance to the outskirts of the enemy-held town, he was wounded by the hostile fire. Ignoring the pain of his wounds, Captain Lowery assisted in establishing defenses within the town when it was liberated by the friendly troops. On 26 October ¹⁹⁴⁴ he led the battalion to a new area and, while supervising the organization of the defenses, was seriously wounded during a heavy artillery barrage and was evacuated to the rear. Entered the Service from Cheboygan, Michigan.

ELBERT E. ALBERTY, 01295483, First Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 September 1944 in France. Lieutenant Alberty led his Weapons Platoon in support of the leading platoon of Company I in an attack against a town. He advanced along the streets of the former enemy stronghold with the assault platoon in order to spot targets for his guns. The attack was temporarily delayed by fire from two enemy howitzers. While a bazookaman knocked out one of the guns, Lieutenant Alberty ran back to his platoon, set up his mortar and, without assistance, silenced the second gun and killed seven of the crew members with his accurate fire. He then pressed forward beyond the advance elements of the company, entered a house occupied by the enemy and, single-handed, killed four of the soldiers and captured seven. Later in the day, when he spotted a large hostile force on a hill outside the town, he directed effective mortar fire on them, completely routing the enemy soldiers. Entered the Service from Sarcoxie, Missouri.

JAMES P. HOLLOWAY, 01299047, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 August 1944 in France. Lieutenant Holloway was assigned the mission of forming a point for leading a task force through strong enemy defenses to a position in the rear of the hostile force. If this infiltration were successfully accomplished, the task force could close a trap on enemy troops in the area. Lieutenant Holloway personally led a squad forward through the darkness as point for the task force. As he moved toward the hostile positions, he was halted by a sentry. He instantly closed with the enemy soldier and, after a brief struggle, disarmed and silenced him without waking hostile troops sleeping nearby. He continued to lead his men forward through the enemy lines, moving cautiously past machine guns and antitank guns which covered the road and extended 350 yards in depth. Lieutenant Holloway was halted by another sentry who threw a hand grenade at him. The grenade exploded at his feet, he instantly retaliated, killing the sentry with an accurately hurled grenade. He then led the task force safely into position, thereby enabling friendly troops to capture over 300 enemy soldiers in the area. Entered the Service from Dallas, Texas.

PETER LARSON, 0384739, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 7 October 1944 in France. The 1st Battalion of the 143d Infantry Regiment was unable to contact the 141st Infantry Regiment on

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its left flank because of a large enemy pocket well entrenched in the intervening area. Lieutenant Larson, platoon leader, was assigned the mission of smashing the resistance. After making a personal reconnaissance and acquainting his non-commissioned officers with his plan of attack, he led his platoon forward in the assault. When they had advanced for 200 yards, they were suddenly subjected to heavy machine gun and rifle grenade fire. Lieutenant Larson swiftly put down a base of fire, then led a maneuvering element to the enemy's flank. Displaying unusual intrepidity and ingenuity, he directed his men in silencing the two machine guns and routing the hostile riflemen. After proceeding 200 yards further, the platoon encountered the main enemy force. During the ensuing fire fight, which lasted for two hours, Lieutenant Larson valiantly led his men in the face of machine gun and mortar fire. Under his inspiring leadership the platoon dislodged the 35 enemy soldiers, killed two and wounded six, thereby enabling the battalion to contact the regiment on its flank. Entered the Service from Omaha, Nebraska.

GILBERT M. PARDUE, JR., 34775974, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 21 September 1944 in France. Tec 5 Pardue, aid man, was attached to a rifle platoon of Company E during an attack against a well-defended enemy stronghold. Heavy machine gun and rifle fire directed from a ridge line to the unit's front and right flank delayed the assault and inflicted several casualties on the attacking troops. Tec 5 Pardue advanced in the face of the hostile fire and moved from one wounded soldier to another, administering expert first aid. A savage enemy counterattack from the right flank forced Company E to withdraw to more advantageous positions. Tec 5 Pardue assisted one of the seriously wounded men to safety, then returned to the area which the friendly troops had just left to aid other injured soldiers. Fearlessly exposing himself to incessant machine gun and rifle fire which swept the terrain, he treated the wounds of four patients and evacuated them from the area. After sunset he thought that he heard the cry of a wounded man in the area between the friendly and the hostile lines. He valiantly left his place of safety and, although he became the target for enemy small arms fire, carefully searched the area until he was certain that no wounded soldiers remained. Entered the Service from Boonville, North Carolina.

STERLING R. WENDELL, 35212795, Technician Fifth Grade, Company I, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 8 September 1944 in France. The 3d Battalion had fought all day before an enemy stronghold and, after nightfall, prepared to assault the town. Tec 5 Wendell was assigned the mission of leading a three-man patrol into the town to ascertain enemy strength and locate gun positions. He moved boldly from house to house, hurling grenades and firing his weapon in order to draw hostile fire. He then led his patrol back to the battalion, reported the locations of the enemy guns and volunteered to lead the attack into the town. During the intense fight which followed the assault, Tec 5 Wendell advanced at the head of his organization and worked his way from house to house, braving the heavy hostile fire which swept the streets. When he encountered three enemy soldiers, he emptied his sub-machine gun into their midst, killing one and wounding the other two. He fought valiantly for seven hours until the hostile force was completely routed and the objective secured. Entered the Service from Charleston, West Virginia.

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SECTION III - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action.

CHARLES J. DENNOLA, 021293, Lieutenant Colonel, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 August 1944 in France. Lieutenant Colonel Dennola, commanding the 2d Battalion, was assigned the mission of seizing a strategically important hill and closing the trap on enemy troops in the area. After organizing his battalion, he led his company commanders on a reconnaissance over unknown terrain to select routes of approach for the night attack. When the assault was launched, he moved forward over a slippery, precipitous trail in order to check the disposition of his advance elements. Suddenly a strong enemy force of infantry and tanks launched a desperate counterattack. Lieutenant Colonel Dennola ordered his men to engage the hostile infantry elements and move immediately toward high ground so that another battalion could direct artillery fire on the enemy tanks. Aware that the units of his battalion were deployed and had been scattered by enemy infiltration, he valiantly remained in the area, proving heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, to insure the safe withdrawal of his men to higher ground. After he had made certain that the entire organization had left the shell-hole area, he led his battalion to the high ground and seized this secondary objective. Just before daybreak he was ordered to withdraw from the ridge and attempt to regain the position he had occupied on the previous day which had since been taken by the enemy. He led Companies F and G through hostile territory in a brilliant maneuver to the rear of the enemy positions and forced the hostile troops into a pocket where several hundred were killed and captured. Entered the Service from Poughkeepsie, New York.

BENJAMIN L. GARCIA, 38025734, Technical Sergeant, Company C, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 24 August 1944 in France. Sergeant Garcia, commanding a 60mm mortar section, was assigned the task of supporting an attack against an enemy stronghold and protecting the right flank of the assaulting unit. Heavy fire from four hostile tanks forced an antitank gun crew to abandon their weapon and withdraw to a place of safety. In spite of the hostile fire which swept the area, Sergeant Garcia valiantly crawled across exposed terrain to the gun position and, with the assistance of a comrade, manned the gun. He directed effective fire on the charging tanks, destroyed one and forced the remaining three to withdraw, thereby preventing an enemy breakthrough. Entered the Service from San Antonio, Texas.

By command of Major General DANIELSON:

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 142d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

- SAM J. FORNICOLI, 32673869, Private, Company E, 11 November 1944. Entered the Service from Rochester, New York.
- FRANCIS W. GREEN, 34834752, Private, Company D, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Dublin, Georgia.
- VERNON GRIFFITH, 20804678, Private, Antitank Company, 12 November 1944. Entered the Service from Coloman, Texas.
- BARTON S. HALLISS, 38561063, Private, Company A, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Hallettsville, Texas.
- GORDON V. HARRISON, 36783690, Private, Company C, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.
- ANDREW C. HENNING, 37681961, Private, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Clarksville, Iowa.
- EARL A. HENSON, 35894479, Private, Company D, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Tipton, Indiana.
- JOSÉ O. HERNANDEZ, 42023970, Private, Company C, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Ithaca, New York.
- WILLIAM B. HUBBARD, 32306764, Private, Medical Detachment, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Jamaica, New York.
- RAYMOND JANOWSKI, 42092978, Private, Company C, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Buffalo, New York.
- WILLIAM A. KASSA, 33037114, Private, Company D, 11 November 1944. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- HARSEL N. KEISTER, 33920370, Private, Company C, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Rochester, Pennsylvania.
- HOWARD D. KIDD, 34923002, Private, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Gowen, Oklahoma.
- ANGELLO L. MOSA, 34794302, Private, Company H, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Tampa, Florida.
- ROBERT A. L. ROSE, 31262347, Private, Cannon Company, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Lowell, Massachusetts.
- WILLIAM D. LILLY, 39711111, Private, Medical Detachment, 10 November 1944. Entered the Service from Independence, Missouri.
- FELDMICK J. LUDWIG, 36486446, Private, Company G, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from New Boston, Michigan.
- WENDELL W. PERKINS, 36888017, Private, Company H, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Lansing, Michigan.
- ROY W. FITZGERALD, 34915966, Private, Company E, 11 November 1944. Entered the Service from Florida, Alabama.
- JOHN J. KILGUS, 32946483, Private, Company A, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Little Falls, New York.
- ODIS M. PITTS, 34796523, Private, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Lake Wales, Florida.

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JAMES R. BUZZI, 33268149, Private, Medical Detachment, 5 November 1944.
Entered the Service from Bentleyville, Pennsylvania.

EDWARD H. DAMOND, 15055356, Private, Company G, 9 November 1944. Entered
the Service from Middlesboro, Kentucky.

JOHN H. REESE, 35298782, Private, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered
the Service from Oak Hill, Ohio.

ALLEN S. RICHARD, 35810173, Private, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered
the Service from Newtonville, Indiana.

GILBERT L. ROMO, 38026215, Private, Headquarters Company, 9 November 1944.
Entered the Service from Fort Latta, Texas.

F. R. SCHUMACHER, 32839051, Private, Medical Detachment, 9 November 1944.
Entered the Service from Binghamton, New York.

EARL SCHWARTZ, 33610137, Private, Company G, 8 November 1944. Entered
the Service from Plains, Pennsylvania.

MICHAEL V. SALYN, 32910691, Private, Company L, 10 November 1944. Entered
the Service from Carteret, New Jersey.

PHILIP P. VULLO, 32833734, Private, Company A, 9 November 1944. Entered
the Service from Buffalo, New York.

LENNETH J. WARD, 34774524, Private, Company K, 9 November 1944. Entered
the Service from Whittier, North Carolina.

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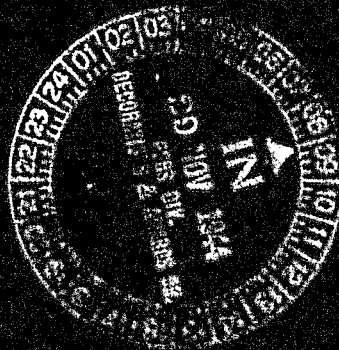
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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 112d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

ROBERT G. ANDERSON, 0380707, Captain, 11 November 1944. Entered the Service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

SYDNEY I. LOWENTHAL, 02048058, 1st Lieutenant, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from Newark, New Jersey.

WALTER R. SETTLE, 01492528, 2d Lieutenant, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Woodridge, New Jersey.

DONALD W. BLAKBROUGH, 31069898, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Monson, Massachusetts.

PRELSTON G. BURKETT, 20804612, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 12 November 1944. Entered the Service from Burkett, Texas.

LEVIN J. DOMINICI, 36227727, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Iron River, Michigan.

BOYD D. DOVE, 33093227, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Crigers, Virginia.

HUBERT N. MASON, 35558090, Sergeant, Company A, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Lima, Ohio.

WILLIAM E. LEONARD, 42005413, Corporal, Company A, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Highland Park, New Jersey.

FLOYD J. CULLINS, 20804631, Private First Class, Company B, 12 November 1944. Entered the Service from Coleman, Texas.

ORVILLE S. DUSTMANN, 35277340, Private First Class, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Neward, Ohio.

REYNOLDO T. GARZA, 38026441, Private First Class, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Campbellton, Texas.

MEDGAR R. HAMMONDS, 38233023, Private First Class, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Vanndale, Arkansas.

DOLPH T. HENCHLL, 36288853, Private First Class, Company A, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Hayward, Wisconsin.

JAMES P. ROST, 36823721, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Calumet, Michigan.

DONALD SKARUP, 32747905, Private First Class, Company K, 19 October 1944. Entered the Service from Troy, New York.

JOSEPH K. SZCZEPANSKI, 36412153, Private First Class, Company A, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

HAROLD H. TAYLOR, 32943622, Private First Class, Company D, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Gloversville, New York.

FURMAN E. WATKINS, 34515968, Private First Class, Company C, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Fendleton, South Carolina.

WILBURN T. VILLIS, 18048401, Private First Class, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Norman, Arkansas.

ROBERT L. WINGHOW, 36716057, Private First Class, Company G, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

CHARLES A. ALLBEE, 12226190, Private, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Yonkers, New York.

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GROVER A. ALLISON, 33874170, Private, Company E, 10 November 1944. Entered the Service from Hed Lion, Pennsylvania.

EUGENE G. BASHINSKI, 33606934, Private, Company H, 11 November 1944. Entered the Service from Nanticoke, Pennsylvania.

LEONE BERNARDI, 39120504, Private, Company G, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from San Jose, California.

ALVIN R. BLEVINS, 6663096, Private, Company E, 10 November 1944. Entered the Service from Cragford, Alabama.

BRUCE H. BOSWELL, 34895196, Private, Company G, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Monroe, North Carolina.

LAWRENCE V. BLAZINSKI, 32947490, Private, Company E, 10 November 1944. Entered the Service from Cohoes, New York.

WALTER F. BRAZZLE, 37427225, Private, Antitank Company, 10 November 1944. Entered the Service from Booneville, Iowa.

ROY R. BROCK, 36783628, Private, Company A, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Olney, Illinois.

WILLIS E. BRUNK, 37691090, Private, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Pulaski, Iowa.

OLLIE H. BURKHART, 34889732, Private, Company G, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Knoxville, Tennessee.

ALBERT R. BUSCH, 36896533, Private, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Glennie, Michigan.

TOM R. BYRD, 38482312, Private, Company G, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Cookville, Texas.

WAYNE N. CALDWELL, 34926890, Private, Company F, 11 November 1944. Entered the Service from New Albany, Mississippi.

ALEJANDRO G. CANEZ, 39584055, Private, Company G, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Tucson, Arizona.

MARCOSITO COMACHO, 38026601, Private, Company E, 11 November 1944. Entered the Service from Beeville, Texas.

BILL GOODY, 34793074, Private, Antitank Company, 10 November 1944. Entered the Service from Pinetta, Florida.

HAROLD R. DANIELS, 37638781, Private, Company K, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Memphis, Missouri.


ARTHUR R. EVANS, 17143986, Private, Company F, 9 November 1944. Entered the Service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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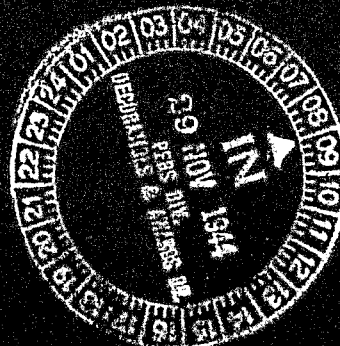


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Award of Purple Heart..... I
Corrected Award of Oak Leaf Cluster..... II

SECTION I — AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 143d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

GIBSON COOKE, 33801028, Private First Class, Company B, 18 October 1944.
Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JAMES T. COOPER, 34725082, Private First Class, Company B, 13 October 1944. Entered the Service from Cordova, Tennessee.

JAMES W. CRAMER, 32461211, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 11 October 1944. Entered the Service from Madison, New Jersey.

FRANK G. DI LORLENZO, 32885412, Private First Class, Company G, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

JOHN R. DOMATT, 33619464, Private First Class, Company B, 2 October 1944. Entered the Service from Hatfield, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT L. EGGLESTON, 36585572, Private First Class, Company F, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Owosso, Michigan.

GERALD R. IRLANDSON, 36712747, Private First Class, Company F, 27 October 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

BERNARD S. FERRO, 39420321, Private First Class, Company F, 27 October 1944. Entered the Service from Turlock, California.

PAUL W. FILLIS, 35292923, Private First Class, Company F, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Springfield, Ohio.

NIF ROSCOE M. GUTSILL, 33058931, Private First Class, Company F, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Monterey, Virginia.

WILLIAM F. HARTUNG, 33401838, Private First Class, Company E, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

NIF HOWARD J. HULLY, 32920030, Private First Class, Company G, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from Glen Ridge, New Jersey.

NIF HARRY D. HEGLER, 34515298, Private First Class, Company H, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Orlando, Florida.

LESTER L. HOLLAND, 38037398, Private First Class, Company B, 16 October 1944. Entered the Service from Gladewater, Texas.

ARNOLD B. HOSIER, 35875426, Private First Class, Company F, 27 October 1944. Entered the Service from Clarksville, Ohio.

JOSEPH J. KUBCHAK, 33764080, Private First Class, Company F, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

DAVID F. JAY, 39143639, Private First Class, Company F, 28 October 1944. Entered the Service from Millits, California.

NOEL V. KENT, 34636568, Private First Class, Company I, 28 October 1944. Entered the Service from Dumas, Mississippi.

CHARLES P. MERRIGAN, 32162297, Private First Class, Company B, 18 October 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

WILLIAM H. KRUTER, 32826073, Private First Class, Company D, 17 October 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

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CLARENCE A. KUIFEL, 37446147, Private First Class, Company G, 1 November 1944. Entered the Service from Sheldon, Iowa.

JAMES C. MC NITT, 34582511, Private First Class, Company I, 28 October 1944. Entered the Service from Fairfield, Alabama.

LITTLE K. MARSHALL, 35730234, Private First Class, Company E, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Eddyville, Kentucky.

PAUL F. MARTELL, JR., 36163842, Private First Class, Company G, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.

ALONZO R. REMAINS, 12012330, Private First Class, Company F, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Westtown (Chester), Pennsylvania.

STANCIL B. REEVETT, 34670379, Private First Class, Company E, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from St. Pauls, North Carolina.

GEORGE B. RITCHIE, 34884066, Private First Class, Company F, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Nashville, Tennessee.

WLO F. QUINN, 31075094, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 18 October 1944. Entered the Service from Lowell, Massachusetts.

LEWIS H. ROSE, 36539706, Private First Class, Company E, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Grosse Isle, Michigan.

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

CLAUDE B. OSPURN, JR., 0411084, 1st Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, 16 September 1943, Italy. Entered the Service from Abilene, Texas.

ARTHUR K. HANCOCK, 20813598, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery "C", 131st Field Artillery Battalion, 3 November 1944, France. Entered the Service from Lorenzo, Texas.

SECTION II - CORRECTED AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

So much of General Orders Number 433, cs, this Headquarters, as awards a Purple Heart to 1st Lieutenant ERNEST L. SHELDON, 01177631, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

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

"ERNEST L. SHELDON, 01177631, 1st Lieutenant, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, 27 October 1944. Entered the Service from Johnstown, Pennsylvania."

By command of Major General DAHLQUIST:

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AGREDA 201 Bartolet, Lester E.
38 880 763 (3 Feb 51)

14 March 1951

SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Withdrawal of General Orders

TO: Mr. Lester E. Bartolet
234 East 2nd South Street
Carlinville, Illinois

1. As much of General Orders 440, Headquarters 18th Infantry Division, dated 15 November 1944, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Lester E. Bartolet, 38 880 763, for wounds received in action on 30 October 1944, is withdrawn.

2. The Purple Heart was previously awarded to above-named individual by Special Orders 85, Headquarters 17th Evacuation Hospital, dated 30 October 1944, for wounds received in action on 30 October 1944.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

W A Leary
Adjutant General

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7 March 1955

AGRC-SA 201 Werneke, William J.
32 098 310 (25 Jan 55)

SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Withdrawal of General Orders

1. So much of General Orders 440, Headquarters 36th Infantry Division, dated 15 November 1944, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to William J. Werneke, 32 098 310, is withdrawn.

2. Subject individual was previously awarded the Purple Heart by General Orders 29, Headquarters 27th Evacuation Hospital, dated 18 October 1944.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

Adjutant General
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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 143d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

✓ WILLIAM F. NORRIS, JR., 0365619, Captain, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Newton, Georgia.

✓ JOSEPH H. SPIVEY, JR., 01317726, First Lieutenant, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Tyler, Alabama.

✓ GEORGE W. McCABE, 01314932, Second Lieutenant, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Waterbury, Connecticut.

✓ JOHN A. MATTHESS, 0535379, Second Lieutenant, 27 October 1944. Entered the Service from Yeadon, Pennsylvania.

✓ DONALD J. HANSTOCK, 01297944, Second Lieutenant, 7 October 1944. Entered the Service from Freeport, New York.

✓ ROBERT S. MAYLOR, 33231040, First Sergeant, Company K, 3 October 1944. Entered the Service from Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania.

✓ SHLLVIE L. CALDWELL, 34713816, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Flintville, Tennessee.

✓ RALPH L. CHILDRRESS, 36627098, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Beecher City, Illinois.

✓ GLYDE DIGERLLA, 36680316, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 1 November 1944. Entered the Service from Hamburg, Illinois.

✓ ELMO MOORE, JR., 20809296, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 18 October 1944. Entered the Service from Waco, Texas.

✓ GEORGE J. STEFANIK, 35051600, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Cleveland, Ohio.

✓ JOE D. TILLMAN, 37503452, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Treece, Kansas.

✓ WILLIAM J. HERNLEKE, 32098310, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 18 October 1944. Entered the Service from Narrowsburg, New York.

✓ GEORGE S. CRUMB, JR., 33610547, Sergeant, Company E, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Danville, Pennsylvania.

✓ WARREN A. LEXTER, 36879318, Sergeant, Company F, 28 October 1944. Entered the Service from Jackson, Michigan.

✓ CHARLES H. MCGEE, 35632216, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Bellville, Ohio.

✓ JAMES A. RINCE, 35709049, Sergeant, Company F, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Lockland, Ohio.

✓ STANLEY M. THOMAS, 34037584, Sergeant, Company K, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Alarka, North Carolina.

✓ M. URICE R. WILBY, 35914584, Sergeant, Company L, 18 October 1944. Entered the Service from Niles, Ohio.

✓ PAUL A. JORDAN, 34658308, Corporal, Company H, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Greenville, South Carolina.

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MILTON W. HALPERN, 32345887, Technician Grade V, Headquarters Company, 27 October 1944. Entered the Service from S. Ozone Park, New York.

JOHN A. MORRAN, 37437859, Technician Grade V, Cannon Company, 8 October 1944. Entered the Service from Emmetsburg, Iowa.

LIGE E. STUPPENS, 38051352, Technician Grade V, Company K, 23 October 1944. Entered the Service from Cleveland, Texas.

JAMES H. WILSON, 36661001, Technician Grade V, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from West Frankfort, Illinois.

GEORGE L. ANDERSON, 36185191, Private First Class, Company B, 18 October 1944. Entered the Service from Norway, Michigan.

VALENTINE J. AUGUSTINE, 6558803, Private First Class, Company A, 17 October 1944. Entered the Service from Mellen, Wisconsin.

ARCHIE D. BANWART, 36680776, Private First Class, Company A, 6 October 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

HOWARD D. BENTY, 34495863, Private First Class, Company A, 18 October 1944. Entered the Service from Jamestown, Tennessee.

FRED W. BEMIS, 31333080, Private First Class, Company G, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from New Haven, Connecticut.

LESTER R. BERTOLT, 36680763, Private First Class, Company E, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Carlinville, Illinois.

FRED BILBREY, 36680594, Private First Class, Company A, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

JOHN A. BOULAY, 20111171, Private First Class, Company F, 28 October 1944. Entered the Service from Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

OLE A. BYLUND, 36880550, Private First Class, Company F, 20 October 1944. Entered the Service from St Clair Shores, Michigan.

JACK C. BYRD, 38465136, Private First Class, Company E, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Muskogee, Oklahoma.

JOHN J. CINCOTT, 37556838, Private First Class, Company E, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from St Paul, Minnesota.

FLOYD H. COFFEL, 37402367, Private First Class, Company F, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Parma, Missouri.

JOSEPH M. CONVY, 33797411, Private First Class, Company B, 29 October 1944. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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SECTION I — AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat.

- WILLIAM D. MAC GIBBON, 0508201, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, 20 August to 20 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Portland, Oregon.
- WILLIAM T. NELSON, JR., 38036738, master Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 4 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Longview, Texas.
- JOHN J. WHELING, 39093268, Staff Sergeant, Cannon Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 10 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Oregon City, Oregon.
- BARNEY W. F. RSLON, JR., 32747596, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery B, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, 17 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Albany, New York.
- FRED R. WOODS, 20815649, Corporal, Battery C, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, 23 June 1944, Italy. Entered the Service from Marshall, Texas.
- ELMER OJA, 36320318, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 4 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Chicago, Ill.
- STANLEY J. WALCZENSKI, 32303907, Private First Class, Cannon Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 10 September 1944, France. Entered the Service from Passaic, New Jersey.
- GERALD S. GORDON, 16146591, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, 5 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Chicago, Ill.
- JOHN C. HILL, 18080961, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 143d Infantry Regiment, 4 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Mills, Texas.
- JEAN EL MOU LAC, 32808975, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 28 August 1944, France. Entered the Service from New York, N.Y.
- DOMINIC J. TULLY, 32209363, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 4 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Bayonne, N.J.
- WALTER C. HILSTMAN, 36740030, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 4 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Salem, Illinois.
- JAMES W. WORTHINGTON, 38037361, Private, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 4 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Corsicana, Texas.
- PAUL MASSARO, 3280463, Private, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 4 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.
- MELVIN J. HOLT, JR., 33565664, Private, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 4 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Baltimore, Maryland.
- LEON J. BARCH, 3922807, Private, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 4 October 1944, France. Entered the Service from Preston, Idaho.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations.

ANTHONY A. GULLUM, 37336263, Sergeant, Company B, 753d Tank Battalion, 10 July 1943 to 30 October 1944, in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the Service from Damar, Kansas.

VINCENT H. PLACK, 35790778, Private, Headquarters Battery, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, 18 November 1943 to 28 October 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the Service from North Newport, Kentucky.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat in France.

SAMUEL W. ROSENBERG, 0350478, Major, Medical Corps, 142d Infantry Regiment, 27 September 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

WILLIAM L. JURK, 20808236, Technician Fifth Grade, Cannon Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 10 September 1944. Entered the Service from Caldwell, Texas.

DEWAY E. PITTS, 34707876, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 4 October 1944. Entered the Service from Hamilton, Alabama.

TROY C. HENDERSON, 34579647, Private, Cannon Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 10 September 1944. Entered the Service from Alma, Georgia.

SECTION III -- CORRECTED AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

So much of General Orders Number 312, cs, this Headquarters, as awards a Bronze Star Medal to PATRICK CORONA, 31292193, Private First Class, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, is rescinded, and the following substituted therefor.

"Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

WASCO A. CORONA, 31292193, Private First Class, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, 31 May 1944. Entered the Service from Providence, Rhode Island."

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SECTION I — AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 142d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

MURRAY SOLOMOWITZ, 32899118, Sergeant, Company K, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York. ✓

DAVID DOSI, 36576343, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 28 September 1944. Entered the Service from River Rouge, Michigan. ✓

X SAM S. ANTONAURO, 39125035, Technician Fifth Grade, M Detachment, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from San Jose, Calif. ✓
Detachment, 5 Nov 1944

GEORGE E. KIDWELL, 33454523, Private First Class, Company 1944. Entered the Service from Arlington, Virginia. ✓

G. SP. RE B. S. NOLIMENTI, 42037298, Private First Class, Company M, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Corona, New York. ✓

RICHARD L. ZURFF, 37486168, Private First Class, Company G, 4 November 1944. Entered the Service from Sioux Falls, South Dakota. ✓

JAKE F. B. UMBERGER, 39621210, Private, Company A, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Great Falls, Montana. ✓

ERNEST E. BICK, 39864754, Private, Company F, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Eloy, Arizona. ✓

BALLARD L. CARICO, 33059979, Private, Company G, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Gerald, Virginia. ✓

ROLAND H. FLOWERS, 35298386, Private, Company L, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Gallon, Ohio. ✓

LEWELLYN E. KLENER, 35902691, Private, Company G, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Pierceton, Indiana. ✓

DENNIS F. MORRIS, 34257393, Private, Company A, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Parkersburg, North Carolina. ✓

GEORGE A. PRESSLEY, 34876146, Private, Company G, 4 November 1944. Entered the Service from Pacolet mills, South Carolina. ✓

R. C. RUDD, 34885273, Private, Company K, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Hornbeak, Tennessee. ✓

LELL J. SCHILL, 37633939, Private, Company L, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Jefferson City, Missouri. ✓

GATRELL C. THOMPSON, 34917570, Private, Company I, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Gadsden, Alabama. ✓

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SECTION I -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 142d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

MURRAY SOLOMONWITZ, 32899118, Sergeant, Company A, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

DAVID DOSA, 36576343, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 28 September 1944. Entered the Service from River Rouge, Michigan.

X SAM S. NIOMAURO, 39125035, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from San Jose, California. *award is read the OLC by [unclear] 449 - Nov. 17, 1962*

GEORGE E. KIDWELL, 33454523, Private First Class, Company E, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Arlington, Virginia.

G. SPARE B. SANCLIMANTI, 42037298, Private First Class, Company M, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Corona, New York.

RICHARD L. ZURFF, 37486168, Private First Class, Company G, 4 November 1944. Entered the Service from Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

JACK F. BAUMBERGER, 39621210, Private, Company A, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Great Falls, Montana.

ERNEST E. BICE, 39864754, Private, Company F, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Eloy, Arizona.

BILLARD L. CARICO, 39659979, Private, Company G, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Gerald, Virginia.

ROLAND H. FLOWERS, 35298386, Private, Company L, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Gallon, Ohio.

KENNETH E. KLENER, 35902691, Private, Company G, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Pierceton, Indiana.

DEANIS F. MORRIS, 34257393, Private, Company A, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Parkersburg, North Carolina.

GEORGE A. PRESSLEY, 34896146, Private, Company G, 4 November 1944. Entered the Service from Pacolet Mills, South Carolina.

R. C. RUDD, 34885273, Private, Company K, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Hornbeak, Tennessee.

LEE J. SCHELL, 37633939, Private, Company L, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Jefferson City, Missouri.

CHARLES C. THOMPSON, 34917570, Private, Company I, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Gadsden, Alabama.

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HOWARD C. WILCOX, 36784542, Private, Company K, 8 November 1944. Entered the Service from Payson, Illinois.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 111th Medical Battalion, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

MICHAEL R. MILLER, 31245709, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 25 October 1944. Entered the Service from Johnstown, Knos Island.

LEWIS M. MILLER, Jr., 38065798, Private First Class, Company C, 8 September 1944. Entered the Service from Annis, Texas.

GERALD C. BAUM, 33515038, Private, Company A, 7 October 1944. Entered the Service from Shermansdale, Pennsylvania.

LEVIN L. WRIGHT, 35038872, Private First Class, Company C, 7 October 1944. Entered the Service from Smithland, Kentucky.

CLARK L. McDONALD, 35842548, Private First Class, Company A, 7 October 1944. Entered the Service from Winstboro, North Carolina.

JAMES V. GUMIN, 33696997, Private, Company A, 30 October 1944. Entered the Service from Pittsough, Pennsylvania.

MARIO LAMPARELLO, 42009470, Private, Company A, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Newark, New Jersey.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF Oak LEAF CLUSTER

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

GERALD C. BAUM, 33515038, Private, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Shermansdale, Pennsylvania.

By command of Major General DAHLQUIST:

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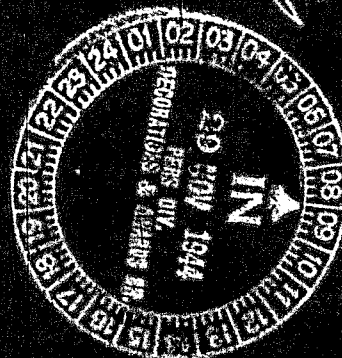
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SECTION I -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

RICHARD W. BATT, 37675770, Private First Class, Company A, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 25 September 1944 in France. Company A was attacking hostile positions on a strategic hill when a large enemy force flanked the unit and cut it off from the remainder of the battalion. The 1st Platoon was ordered to clear the hostile elements from the area, and the squad in which Private First Class Batt was automatic rifleman led the assault. Although outnumbered by the hostile force, the squad seized a key terrain feature which protected the company's rear. Private First Class Batt put his weapon into action and faced the full force of the enemy attack. His accurate fire inflicted heavy casualties on the hostile soldiers as they charged his position. He courageously maintained his position alone and held the terrain feature until the remainder of the platoon arrived. During the intense fire fight which ensued, Private First Class Batt was killed by an enemy sniper. Next of kin: Mrs. Beula B. Batt (Mother), 314 McGregor Street, Algona, Iowa.

SECTION II -- POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Silver Star is posthumously awarded to the following named individual for gallantry in action.

EUGENE OATLEY, 15302111, Private, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 September 1944 in France. During an attack against well-fortified enemy positions, Private Oatley was assigned as orderly and bodyguard to the battalion commander. Incessant small arms fire directed at an attic window in a building discouraged its being used as an observation post. Private Oatley boldly climbed to the window and, exposing himself to the enemy fire, began operating his sub-machine gun. His accurate bursts of fire silenced the enemy and enabled his companions to join him at the window. During a later phase of the operation he again directed fire against enemy snipers who were harassing a second house used as the battalion and artillery observation post. Although he suffered minor cuts from glass shattered by enemy fire, he continued operating an automatic rifle until the hostile soldiers were forced to withdraw. Private Oatley was killed in action in a later engagement. Next of kin: Mr. Samuel J. Oatley (Father), 734 Chesbrough Street, Toledo, Ohio.

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SECTION III -- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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

WILLIAM I. SIEBOLD, 01316790, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 28 August 1944 in France. Lieutenant Siebold, leader of a machine gun platoon, led one of his sections in support of an attack against a hostile stronghold. As they advanced in the assault, the friendly troops were subjected to heavy enemy machine gun and mortar fire which blasted the avenues of approach. Lieutenant Siebold swiftly led his men to a place of safety, then, braving the incessant hostile fire, reconnoitered the area for advantageous machine gun positions and possible routes of approach. While returning to his men, he was wounded in the arm and leg by hurtling shell fragments and was rendered momentarily unconscious by the concussion of the explosion. As soon as he regained consciousness he struggled on to reach his men. Then, ignoring the intense pain of his wounds, he led them to the position he had selected and would not consent to be evacuated until he was sure the mission would be successfully completed. Entered the Service from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

ANTHONY J. VIGNOLA, 01170402, Second Lieutenant, 133d Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 21 June 1944 in Italy. Lieutenant Vignola was attached to the 3d Battalion, 143d Infantry Regiment, as forward observer for his artillery battalion. He was ordered to join Company A in relieving a unit which was occupying strategic positions on a hill. While climbing over rocky, difficult terrain toward the top of the hill, the troops were subjected to heavy artillery and mortar shelling and were pinned to the ground. Lieutenant Vignola voluntarily led his section forward beyond the infantrymen to the crest of the hill. There he set up his radio and began adjusting artillery fire on the enemy guns, momentarily neutralizing them. In the brief respite the infantry troops proceeded up the hill and moved into position. Almost immediately the enemy directed a heavy artillery and mortar barrage at Lieutenant Vignola's observation post. A nearby shell explosion wounded five soldiers, hurled Lieutenant Vignola to the ground and smashed his radio. He crawled to the injured soldiers and administered first aid until the aid men arrived. He then braved the incessant hostile fire to lay a telephone line from the company command post to his observation post so that he could resume his fire missions. When he spotted two enemy tanks charging the friendly troops, he directed accurate fire on them, disabling one and forcing the other to withdraw. His effective artillery shelling inflicted heavy losses in equipment and personnel on the hostile force. Entered the Service from Wilmington, Delaware.

WILLIAM G. BOWLES, 33525309, Private First Class, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 August 1944 in France. After landing on D-day in the invasion of Southern France, Company L advanced to its objective in an enemy-held town and took up a defensive position. Private First Class Bowles and a companion were awakened at daybreak by the sound of a machine gun firing across the street from their position. They cautiously crossed the street, located the building which housed the enemy machine gun and crawled alongside the building until they were directly under the hostile fire. A hand grenade hurled through the window silenced the gun. Proceeding down the street, they met a member of the French irregulars who informed them of the location of the enemy command post. They immediately made their way to the building which the Frenchman had described, kicked the door open and fired their rifles as they entered the command post. Their sudden surprise action surprised the five enemy soldiers who occupied the building into surrender, and Private First Class Bowles and his companion captured this center of hostile operations and completely disrupted their

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communications. Entered the Service from Richmond Virginia.

LUCON J. MAHAR, 32834658, Private First Class, Company F, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 September 1944 in France. The 2d Platoon of Company F was assigned the mission of preceding the remainder of the company into an enemy-held town. Private First Class Mahar, an automatic rifleman, advanced with the platoon across open terrain swept by machine gun and rifle fire and was among the first to enter the town. He moved cautiously from building to building until he found an advantageous position on a balcony which overlooked the town's most important thoroughfare. Although he became the target for heavy enemy anti-aircraft fire, he courageously remained on the balcony and directed fire against the hostile vehicles on the road below. When a prime mover approached his position, he killed the driver and, later, killed the driver of a cargo carrier as it moved down the road. He maintained his perilous position for over eight hours, operating his automatic rifle against the enemy until the town was liberated. Entered the Service from Rochester, New York.

MILLARD BRESIN, 42060779, Private, Company B, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 September 1944 in France. Private Bresin was a member of a five-man patrol sent forward to investigate two houses which were thought to be occupied by the enemy. In order to reach one of the buildings it was necessary to cross a clearing 200 yards long. While two of the patrol members remained in position to cover their movements, Private Bresin and two companions ran toward the house across open terrain swept by machine gun fire from the left flank. They reached the house, cleared it of the enemy and returned the hostile fire so that their two comrades could cross the clearing and rejoin them. These two soldiers were killed before they could reach the house, and, almost immediately, the enemy launched a determined counterattack. After holding their position as long as possible, Private Bresin and the two remaining patrol members were forced to withdraw into the woods. Although he was the target for heavy fire which killed another of his comrades, Private Bresin succeeded in reaching the friendly lines with his valuable report on the enemy's disposition. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

FRANK A. GOLWITZER, 36568146, Private, Company D, 141st Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 24 August 1944 in France. Private Golwitzer was a member of a machine gun squad ordered to support an assault against an enemy stronghold and protect the right flank of the attacking unit. When four enemy tanks charged the company's flank, direct fire forced an antitank gun crew to abandon their weapon and withdraw to a place of cover. In spite of heavy, incessant tank fire which swept the area, Private Golwitzer, with a comrade, crawled across the exposed terrain to the antitank gun position. Displaying unusual skill and courage, he manned the gun and directed effective fire on the tanks, destroying one and forcing the other three to withdraw. Entered the Service from Flint, Michigan.

SECTION IV -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals for gallantry in action.

LEON D. ROBERTSON, 02055839, Captain, 143d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action from 26 to 29 August 1944 in France. Captain Robertson, commanding Company L, was assigned the mission of attacking well-fortified enemy positions

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on high ground. As he led the company toward its objective, an intense fire fight commenced. Captain Robertson boldly exposed himself to the incessant small arms, mortar and artillery fire to urge his men forward and direct them in routing the enemy and relieving their objective. He swiftly reorganized his depleted force, established a strong defensive position and repelled a savage counterattack. On 29 August the company was ordered to attack strongly defended positions on a nearby hill. Captain Robertson led his men forward and directed the assault so skillfully that the objective was taken without a single casualty to the friendly troops. He immediately crawled beyond his company's position and established an observation post within 50 yards of an enemy road block. From his observation post he observed a motorized column moving up the valley below him and directed effective artillery fire on the enemy column, contributing materially to the destruction of two tanks, 120 vehicles and the capture of approximately 500 prisoners. Entered the Service from Merkel, Texas.

HIRAM F. FENTON, 01703044, First Lieutenant, 142d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 2 September 1944 in France. When, during an attack against enemy defenses, the leading platoon of Company B was delayed by fire from two hostile machine guns, Lieutenant Fenton voluntarily led his platoon to the right flank. Ignoring the rapid bursts of machine gun fire, he directed his men in returning the hostile fire so effectively that the enemy was forced to withdraw. After advancing approximately 200 yards farther, the company again encountered hostile resistance. Lieutenant Fenton, moving directly in the face of heavy small arms fire, ran toward the front of his platoon to ascertain the situation and formulate a plan of attack. As he moved forward, he returned the enemy fire, wounding a soldier operating a machine pistol. He then led the platoon against the hostile force, routed the enemy and enabled the company to reach its objective. On 17 September, while attacking through a densely wooded area, Company B was subjected to heavy machine gun, rifle and tank fire. Lieutenant Fenton, commanding the leading platoon, continued dauntlessly forward and directed his men in killing 15 enemy soldiers, capturing four and completely disorganizing the hostile force. Entered the Service from Coleman, Texas.

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9 June 1952

SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Withdrawal of General Orders

TO: Mr. Wilbur M. Saak
1158 George Street
Chester, Illinois

1. So much of General Orders 436, Headquarters 38th Infantry Division, dated 11 November 1944, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Wilbur M. Saak, 36 768 946, is withdrawn.

2. The Purple Heart was previously awarded to above named former soldier by General Orders 81, Headquarters 27th Evacuation Hospital, dated 7 November 1944.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

H. H. Newman
Adjutant General

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Award of Purple Heart..... I
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SECTION I -- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

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

- ROBERT BRINKLHOFF, 0236812, Major, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, 15 August 1944. Entered the Service from Houston, Texas.
- LEON G. PIERCE, 01180296, First Lieutenant, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from Honorville, Alabama.
- RAYMOND H. PAPA, 32793184, Private, Service Battery, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, 15 August 1944. Entered the Service from Hatboro, Pennsylvania.
- HOWARD G. BRUNCESS, 33678244, Private, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- WILBUR M. SNAK, 36768946, Private, Company L, 142d Infantry Regiment, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from St. Louis, Missouri.
- PAUL W. SMITH, 33680785, Private, Company K, 142d Infantry Regiment, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Union City, Pennsylvania.
- CHARLES J. SZIBOWSKI, 33319784, Private, Company M, 142d Infantry Regiment, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- JAMES J. TIBBALL, 42057572, Private, Company I, 142d Infantry Regiment, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Glendale, New York.
- JOHN T. WADLEY, 34852078, Private, Company J, 142d Infantry Regiment, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Richlands, North Carolina.
- EDWARD L. WOLFORD, 33903776, Private, Company K, 142d Infantry Regiment, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Baltimore, Maryland.
- VIRGIL L. WORRELL, 36776841, Private, Company I, 142d Infantry Regiment, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Carthage, Illinois.

SECTION II -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 142d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

- ROBERT J. GANS, 01304370, First Lieutenant, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.
- WALTER L. MARSHALL, 34208823, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Panama City, Florida.
- HENRY G. HATABURDA, 31383786, Sergeant, Company K, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Woonsocket, Rhode Island.
- RAY T. SENTER, 37616066, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Buckhorn, Missouri.

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1944. Entered the Service from Balltown, Pennsylvania.
 HAROLD B. THOMPSON, 36887304, Private First Class, Company A, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Ingham, Michigan.
 LAWRENCE J. WATERS, 37539939, Private First Class, Company L, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Kansas City, Kansas.
 GEORGE W. WOODS, 34544196, Private First Class, Company A, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Ft. Meade, Florida.
 LUDWIG K. AUJDA, 36898218, Private, Company L, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Lenox, Michigan.
 STANLEY M. GOLINSKY, 32919107, Private, Company F, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Trenton, New Jersey.
 NORMAN V. MCGUIRE, 35770750, Private, Company I, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Marion, Ohio.
 JOHN F. MUSKOUSKY, 33833687, Private, Company F, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from Manoney City, Pennsylvania.
 STANLEY SKOMRO, 31348765, Private, Company K, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from Donson, Massachusetts.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a second Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a third Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 142d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

FRION PRESSLEY, 7002031, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 4 November 1944. Entered the Service from Pacolet Mills, South Carolina.
 EARL G. WRIGHT, 38036410, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from Rochester, Texas.
 SAMUEL GO CASAREZ, 38026507, Corporal, Company L, 31 October 1944. Entered the Service from Charlotta, Texas.
 WILLIAM T. SAIGER, 34571990, Private First Class, Company I, 4 November 1944. Entered the Service from Elberton, Virginia.

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

JESSE W. BEWLEY, 20805393, Technical Sergeant, Company F, 142d Infantry Regiment, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from Canyon, Texas.
 PEARL J. MOHLER, 35277646, Private First Class, Company I, 142d Infantry Regiment, 28 September 1944. Entered the Service from Gore, Ohio.

By command of Major General DONALD ULST:

JOHN J. [Signature]
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Under the provisions of Army regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 142d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

CARROLL M. HANNA, 0422145, First Lieutenant, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from East Hartford, Connecticut.

ALFRED O. STUBINVOLL, 01319677, Second Lieutenant, 4 November 1944. Entered the Service from New York, New York.

GUY A. WILLISON, 0507487, Second Lieutenant, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Casper, Wyoming.

NIF — JOHN I. HOWLAND, 20843755, Technical Sergeant, antitank Company, 3 November 1944. Entered the Service from Monahan, Texas.

EDWARD M. SPANER, 36823708, Sergeant, Company K, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Calumet, Michigan.

CARL W. KEDING, 36595323, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Gladwin, Michigan.

MF — EARL N. BALL, 37511692, Private First Class, Company L, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Hutchinson, Kansas.

NORMAN L. BANDER, 35236510, Private First Class, Company L, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Wellsville, Ohio.

NIF — DAVID SOBOLINK, 37541228, Private First Class, Company B, 4 November 1944. Entered the Service from Federal Dam, Minnesota.

JOSE C. ARIZ, 38026067, Private First Class, Company K, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Beeville, Texas.

JOHN V. CONCILIO, 31324569, Private First Class, Company G, 4 November 1944. Entered the Service from Derby, Connecticut.

EDGAR J. CUROLE, JR., 38387539, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 6 November 1944. Entered the Service from Lockport, Louisiana.

HARRY C. MILLBARGER, 33701382, Private First Class, Company L, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Frank, Pennsylvania.

ARTHUR AMLER, 32984861, Private First Class, Company L, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Huntington Station, New York.

THOMAS F. GARVEY, 31346906, Private First Class, Company K, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

WILLIAM H. GRIMMAN, JR., 35759684, Private First Class, Company A, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Grafton, West Virginia.

WILFRED J. HARVILUX, 37542573, Private First Class, Company L, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Stillwater, Minnesota.

RAYMOND C. HANNAN, 38036711, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 4 November 1944. Entered the Service from Seymour, Texas.

SAMUEL LIDGERT, 33149698, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Philipsburg, Pennsylvania.

STEVENS J. SIEGEL, 36713628, Private First Class, Company F, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

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PETE D. SAUGER, 38543892, Private First Class, Company K, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Warton, Texas.

MERVIN J. WIDL, 36236260, Private First Class, Company K, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Jefferson, Wisconsin.

THEODORE P. WOLOSZYNSKI, 32776982, Private First Class, Company K, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from Paterson, New Jersey.

HARVEY L. BAKER, 34848157, Private, Company K, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Westville, South Carolina.

JOHN J. BOLCKMAN, 36834923, Private, Company G, 4 November 1944. Entered the Service from Manitowac, Wisconsin.

FRED A. BUDASSI, 32955160, Private, Company I, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Trenton, New Jersey.

HOWARD G. EDGE, 34927116, Private, Company L, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Guntown, Mississippi.

WILLIAM H. FRIZZELL, 31403699, Private, Company L, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Montpelier, Vermont.

LESLIE B. HARVEY, 38036372, Private, Company H, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Mineral Wells, Texas.

JAMES C. HICKERSON, 34903571, Private, Company I, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Holladay, Tennessee.

HUBERT D. HOUK, 35810761, Private, Company K, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Siletown, Kentucky.

ALBERT R. HUNT, 37489822, Private, Company A, 5 November 1944. Entered the Service from Bellwood, Nebraska.

WALTER JANNIG, 36890265, Private, Company K, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Dearborn, Michigan.

THOMAS F. LANGSTON, 34931383, Private, Company B, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Catachee, South Carolina.

WILLIAM E. NORTHQUIST, 39208840, Private, Company F, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Seattle, Washington.

ROBERT H. PATON, 34926425, Private, Company K, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Waterford, Michigan.

EDWARD S. PETKO, 33836513, Private, Company I, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Northampton, Pennsylvania.

FRANK E. PHILLIPS, 36883892, Private, Company L, 7 November 1944. Entered the Service from Cheboygan, Michigan.

by command of Major General D. H. QUILLST:

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