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Domenic R. Fratella, 32 188 946, Technician Fourth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery "D", 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 20 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Belleville, New Jersey.

Joseph A. Losewski, 32 187 927, Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery "D", 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 12 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from West Caldwell, Essex, New Jersey.

Floyd Y. McCall, 52 601 604, Private First Class, Field Artillery Headquarters Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 10 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newton, North Carolina.

MORRIS J. McILHOY, O 561 305, Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 March 1945, to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New Milford, Connecticut.

Max S. Millen, 51 236 514, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

JOSEPH A. O'BRIEN, O1 685 949, Captain, Medical Corps, Company "A", 122d Medical Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, inclusive in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dorchester, Mass.

Scottie H. Russell, 35 064 143, Staff Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery "B", 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Post, Texas.

NICHOLAS E. SALIC, O2 006 290, 2d Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "K", 242d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 22 March 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Winnebago, Minnesota.

II. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:  
By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Anthony Harden, 12 242 308, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 252d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 April 1945, in Warzburg, Germany. When his Company was held up by fire from enemy 20 mm flak guns, Private Harden, a light machine gunner, moved his weapon into an exposed position and directed fire against the hostile weapons. His position was immediately discovered by the enemy, who turned the fire of several guns upon him. Although hurled from his post by one enemy burst, Private Harden returned and continued firing, diverting the enemy until the flak positions were overrun by friendly rifle troops. His courage and determination were major factors in the successful advance of his company. Entered military service from Utica, New York.

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THOMAS F. HEAVEY, O1 326 220, 1st Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "A", 243d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945 near Guldersheim, Germany. When Lieutenant Heavey became aware of extreme tenseness existing in the leading elements of his company, he took up a position at the head of the column to reassure and encourage his men. Later when enemy mortar and artillery fire caused a number of men to drop to the ground, Lieutenant Heavey stood up and moved ahead as if to continue the attack alone. His actions encouraged the men to follow him and despite the heavy fire, the company advanced and captured the town. By his courage and leadership Lieutenant Heavey was responsible for the capture of Guldersheim. Entered military service from Teaneck, New Jersey.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

Elzie Glass, SS 158 756, Master Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Battery, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 19 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lynchburg, Virginia.

III. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART:.....Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

Phillip Evola, 37 138 008, Private First Class, Armored Force, 756th Tank Battalion, on 27 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

Joseph M. Moore, 33 587 282, Private, Infantry, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 21 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

IV. AWARD OF THE MEDICAL BADGE:...Pursuant to the authority contained in Section II, War Department Circular 60, dated 1 March 1945 and 2d Indorsement, Headquarters Third U S Army, AG 200.6 (7 June)GNMCA-4, dated 27 June 1945 to letter HQ ETOUS, AG 200.6/1MTDGA, subject: Medical Badge, dated 7 June 1945, the following named enlisted men, from unit indicated, are awarded the Medical Badge:

GRADE	NAME	ASN	UNIT	DATE OF QUALIFICATION
Tec 3	Jones, Forrest H.	37 57 947	Med Det, Sp Trs	24 April 45
Tec 3	Warron, Donald E.	36 52 336	Med Det, Sp Trs	12 February 45
Pfc	Neese, Robert D.	35 45 176	Med Det, Sp Trs	24 April 45
Pfc	Caderot, Conrad A.	31 38 578	Med Det, Sp Trs	24 April 45
Pfc	Ferguson, Clyde H.	35 708 166	Med Det, Sp Trs	12 February 45
Pfc	Pyle, Donald T.	32 755 795	Med Det, Sp Trs	12 February 45

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- W. REVOCATIONS:...So much of General Orders Number 61, this headquarters, as pertains to the awarding of the 1st Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart to Milo L. Killian, 39 906 499, Staff Sergeant Company "C", 222d Infantry Regiment is revoked.
- So much of General Orders Number 52, this headquarters, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Lloyd Harris, 34 059 928, Private First Class, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.
- So much of General Orders Number 52, this headquarters, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Bernard H. Jaroslow, 12 110 976, Private, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.
- So much of General Orders Number 52, this headquarters, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Thomas F. Driscoll, 33 533 619, Private First Class, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

BURNS, JAMES,  
Colonel, General Staff Corps,  
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

*James D. Tanner*  
JAMES D. TANNER,  
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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS):... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

Herbert M. Peters, 17 085 243, Private First Class Infantry, Company "H", 242d Infantry Regiment for gallantry in action on 25 January 1945 near Kaltenhaus, France. In the face of an enemy attack, Private Peters moved his machine gun from a prepared position into the open to fire more effectively against the enemy. When his gun jammed, he dismantled and cleaned it, then resumed firing. Upon the destruction of the gun by enemy mortar fire, Private Peters obtained an automatic rifle and continued the fight. When this weapon in turn was disabled he seized a rifle and returned to the fight. Constantly exposing himself to enemy artillery, mortar, automatic weapons, and small arms fire, Private Peters was mortally wounded. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs Eva A. Peters, (Mother), 996 Davis Avenue, Dubuque, Iowa. Entered military service from Dubuque, Iowa.

II. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

Loren Benkendorf, 36 304 253, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945 near Reipertsweller, France. When the advance of his platoon was halted by an enemy road block, Private Benkendorf advanced alone to silence the enemy machine gun. Unmindful of his own safety, he exposed himself to heavy automatic and rifle fire and hurled a hand grenade into the emplacement, killing the gunner and forcing the remaining enemy to surrender. By his outstanding courage and devotion to duty, Private Benkendorf made possible the continued advance of his platoon. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Richard R. Danilowski, 32 671 122, Technical Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment for gallantry in action on 9 January 1945 near Hatten, France. While commanding a 57 mm anti-tank gun, Sergeant Danilowski observed the approach of a large number of enemy tanks. Unable to fire effectively from the gun's prepared positions, Sergeant Danilowski moved it into

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the open where it promptly eliminated a German Mark IV tank. Twice intense 88 mm and artillery fire forced him to move the gun, but each time Sergeant Danilowski occupied an exposed position to obtain the most effective fire. Although wounded by an 88 mm shell burst, Sergeant Danilowski's fire direction resulted in the destruction of three Mark IV tanks. His outstanding courage and leadership enabled his gun crew to halt an enemy armored attack at a critical period. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

Richard L. Faulkner, 31 380 476, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry Company "C", 832d Infantry Regiment for gallantry in action on 1 April 1945 near Brittenbrunn, Germany. When forward elements of his company drew rifle and automatic weapons fire, Corporal Faulkner manned a jeep-mounted 50 caliber machine gun and returned the fire. A panzerfaust exploded near the jeep, wounding the driver and knocking Corporal Faulkner to the ground. Despite the force of the concussion he ran to the aid of the driver and dressed him to a place of safety returned to his gun and alone covered the withdrawal of the other troops, remaining in his exposed position until ordered to withdraw by the company commander. He then carried the driver to cover where he assisted in caring for his wounds and aided other men wounded in the withdrawal. Corporal Faulkner's prompt and courageous action permitted his company to make an organized withdrawal and saved several wounded men from possible death or capture. Entered military service from New London, Connecticut.

Chester Giles, 37 065 104, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 April 1945 near Perbach, Germany. When his patrol was ambushed by a strong enemy force, Sergeant Giles immediately directed the movement of men and vehicles to cover. Then, using the fire of his men as a protective cover he succeeded in getting the first vehicle turned around and on the road to safety. Wounded twice by small arms fire, he continued to direct the movement of vehicles until he was forcibly placed on a jeep to be evacuated. By his courageous action, the squad was enabled to withdraw from the ambush with minimum casualties. Entered military service from Paragould, Arkansas.

Theodore A. Johnson, 37 673 799, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 233d Infantry Regiment for gallantry in action on 5 April 1945 at Wurzburg, Germany. During bitter street fighting in Wurzburg, Germany, Sergeant Johnson left his mortar section and without regard for his personal safety, accompanied a medical aid man across fifty yards of open terrain to the aid of a wounded tank. Under heavy hostile fire, he helped administer first aid to the wounded man and assisted the aid man in carrying him back across the same open area. He then returned to his section where he aided in repulsing a sudden enemy counter-attack. By his outstanding courage and devotion to duty, Sergeant Johnson assisted in saving a fellow soldier from possible death or capture and in supporting the assault on Wurzburg. Entered military service from Fayette, Iowa.

Albert J. Kent, 33 068 909, Corporal, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 243d Infantry Regiment for gallantry in action on 9 January 1945 near Hatten, France. Corporal Kent was serving as gunner of a 57 mm anti-tank gun when a large number of enemy tanks approached.

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Unable to fire effectively from the gun's prepared position, Corporal Kent and other members of the squad moved their gun into the open and fired on the enemy from three successive positions. With complete disregard for his own safety, Corporal Kent remained at his post in the face of intense artillery fire and performed his duties as gunner so effectively that three enemy Mark IV tanks were destroyed, and heavy casualties were inflicted upon fleeing tank crews. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

RAYMOND E. KEPLINGER, JR., O. 558 890, Second Lieutenant, Infantry Anti-Tank Company, 43d Infantry Regiment for gallantry in action on 9 January 1945 near Hatten, France. Lieutenant Keplinger was with the third squad of his anti-tank platoon protecting the flanks of two battalions when ten hostile armored vehicles approached the squad's position from a woods. Realizing that the squad would soon exhaust their ammunition Lieutenant Keplinger drove his jeep under intense fire to the other gun positions, loaded it with ammunition and returned in the face of heavy fire from the tanks. Although wounded three times by shell fragments, Lieutenant Keplinger directed his platoon's fire so skillfully that four Mark IV tanks and two personnel carriers were destroyed and more than sixty enemy killed. His courageous and gallant leadership was responsible for breaking up a determined hostile attack. Entered military service from Martinsburg, West Virginia.

ROY C. MCGINNIS, O. 036 307, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 232d Infantry Regiment for gallantry in action on 25 April 1945 near Altshelm, Germany. As lead scout for the point squad of his battalion, Private McGinnis observed an enemy machine gun nest concealed in a woods, halted the battalion and had proceeded alone to within twenty feet of the machine gun when the gunner opened fire. Private McGinnis killed the enemy gunner with two rounds from his rifle. The shots aroused the enemy riflemen who turned to flee into the woods. Private McGinnis pursued them, firing as he went, until all of the enemy halted and surrendered to him. By his courageous act Private McGinnis eliminated hostile resistance and enabled his battalion to continue its advance. Entered military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

Ephraim O. Norman, O. 17 148 529, Corporal, Infantry, Company "D", 232d Infantry Regiment for gallantry in action on 8 April 1945 near Arnstein, Germany. While on a reconnaissance mission in a jeep, Corporal Norman came under heavy small arms fire from a group of houses on the outskirts of the town. Directing automatic fire at the houses from two heavy machine guns jeeps with him, Corporal Norman proceeded under fire to the first house and returned with nine prisoners. He was then fired on from a railroad underpass. Corporal Norman proceeded to the underpass firing as he went, and persuaded thirty more of the enemy to surrender. His aggressive action and coolness under fire was responsible for the capture of thirty-nine of the enemy and permitted the reconnaissance to continue unmolested by enemy fire. Entered military service from North Kansas City, Missouri.

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WENDELL G. VAN AUKEN, O26 269, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "C", 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 23 April 1945 near Dookingen, Germany. As Lieutenant Van Auken's company approached their objective, they encountered intense small arms fire. While his men sought cover Lieutenant Van Auken remained upright and moved along the front urging them forward, at times advancing beyond the leading elements of his company. As a result of his example his men left cover followed him forward and over ran the enemy. By his outstanding courage and leadership, Lieutenant Van Auken was responsible for the capture of Dookingen. Entered military service from Buffalo, Wyoming.

III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS):... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to:

Guy S. Petrucelli, O2 235 315, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24-25 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. During the attack on enemy positions near Schweighausen, Private Petrucelli's machine gun squad was held up by heavy mortar and machine gun fire. As he started to maneuver his squad to bring flanking fire upon the enemy, he was mortally wounded, but his squad carried out the movement he had initiated and reached their designated position. By his outstanding courage and leadership, Private Petrucelli made the successful assault possible. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Raffale Petrucelli (Mother), 574 North Seventh Street, Newark, New Jersey. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

IV. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Robert W. Brandt, O 257 857, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945, near Wending, Germany. While on patrol Sergeant Brandt was fired upon by a sniper from a clump of trees. Refusing to take cover, he sprayed the woods with his sub-machine gun and killed the sniper. Sergeant Brandt's prompt and courageous action enabled the patrol to complete its mission. Entered military service from the Bronx, New York.

Joseph S. Crooks, 10 601 976, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "P", 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. When his company was attacked while relieving another unit, Private Crooks moved out into the street under intense enemy fire to place himself in a position from which he brought automatic rifle fire upon the enemy. The attack was thrown into confusion by his fire sufficiently for other men of his company to maneuver into positions from which they were able to bring about the disorganization and withdrawal of the enemy forces. By his courage and prompt action, Private Crooks was instrumental in breaking up a determined enemy attack. Entered military service from London, England.

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Wayne V. Cummings, 38 425 382, Private, Infantry, Company "F", 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. During an attack across flat terrain upon heavily fortified positions the third platoon, to which Private Cummings was assigned was hit by a hail of artillery, machine gun and small arms fire, causing heavy casualties. Private Cummings and another man left a covered position in the face of the intense fire to rescue a seriously wounded comrade. Despite the fact that the attempt was almost suicidal, these two men managed to crawl to the side of the wounded man and succeeded in carrying him back to a place of safety, materially aiding in saving his life. Entered military service from Grand Rapids, Kent, Michigan.

Dwain E. Dawson, 38 475 231, Private, Infantry, Company "F", 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. As a rifleman in a combat patrol organized to meet a violent enemy counterattack, Private Dawson took up an exposed position from which he could fire effectively on the enemy. From this position, he identified and shot the officer leading the counterattack, resulting in the disorganization and withdrawal of the enemy. By his courage and aggressiveness Private Dawson prevented development of an enemy assault. Entered military service from Trawick, Texas.

William A. Eitel, 38 383 763, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "F", 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, near Schweinfurt, Germany. When the house from which his squad was guarding the right flank of his company was demolished by intense machine-gun and flak fire, several men were wounded. Sergeant Eitel, in plain view of the enemy tore down a fence outside the house permitting litter bearers to evacuate the wounded. Through his courage and initiative, Sergeant Eitel was instrumental in saving the lives of two of his men. Entered military service from Jal, New Mexico.

Fredrick J. Eppler, 36 843 491, Private, Infantry, Company "F", 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. Private Eppler was a rifleman in a platoon which came under intense enemy fire while attacking strongly fortified positions. Observing a wounded soldier lying undfired in an open field, Private Eppler and another man left cover, advanced into the open and carried him to safety. His courage and disregard for his own safety were instrumental in saving a fellow soldier from death or capture. Entered military service from Racine, Wisconsin.

Billie L. Eudy, 38 607 617, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "F", 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 16 April 1945, near Furth, Germany. When two battalions were held up by an enemy machine gun, Sergeant Eudy worked his way into the attic of a building to a position which overlooked the enemy position. From this he was able to fire upon the machine gun, killing the enemy manning the gun. By his courage and aggressiveness, Sergeant Eudy played a major role in the reduction of enemy resistance in Furth. Entered military service from Mount Pleasant, North Carolina.

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Robert R. Foster, SS 401 397, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945, near Hatten, France. Private Foster's squad was in a defensive position holding off a strong enemy attack when several tanks went past and took up positions a short distance away. Because of poor visibility, identification of the tanks as friendly or hostile was extremely difficult. Private Foster, voluntarily and without hesitation moved from his covered position and worked his way close enough to the tanks to identify them as friendly. His courage and devotion to duty prevented a possibly costly error in identification. Entered military service from Thornville, Ohio.

Charles J. Fullenkamp, SS 087 580, Private First Class (then Private), Infantry, Company "F", 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945, near Gambenheim, France. During a withdrawal under heavy small arms and machine gun fire, Private Fullenkamp noticed that one of the men had been seriously wounded. As he administered first aid, he was fired upon by an enemy machine gun. Private Fullenkamp silenced the machine gun with rifle fire. Aided by another soldier, he then placed the wounded man on a nearby jeep and followed the withdrawal. Despite heavy small arms fire, Private Fullenkamp loaded the jeep with another wounded man and six soldiers. By his outstanding bravery and initiative, Private Fullenkamp saved two wounded men from possible death or capture, and aided six others to escape. Entered military service from New Bremen, Ohio.

THOMAS F. HEAVEY, OI 325 220, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "A", 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 22-23 March 1945, near Salzwoog, Dahn & Bosenberg, Germany. As part of a Task force spearheading his Battalion's advance, Lieutenant Heavey and his platoon repeatedly drove in enemy rear guards. Lieutenant Heavey personally led patrols into several towns to reconnoiter, and assembled and sent to the rear large numbers of prisoners. His skill and aggressiveness were responsible for the rapid advance of the Battalion. Entered military service from Teaneck, New Jersey.

William J. Heck, AS 190 668, Private, Infantry, Company "F", 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. As a rifleman in a combat patrol organized to meet a violent enemy counterattack, Private Heck assumed an exposed position from which he could fire effectively on the enemy. From this position, he identified and shot the officer leading the counterattack, resulting in the disorganization and withdrawal of the enemy. By his courage and aggressiveness, Private Heck prevented development of an enemy assault. Entered military service from Camden, New Jersey.

DONALD E. SCHMETZEL, O 549 511, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "C", 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 January 1945, near Ingolshaim, France. Lieutenant Schmetzel observed two dazed and exhausted men whose vehicle had been destroyed by anti-tank fire, lying two hundred yards beyond the main line of resistance. As he left his position to go to their assistance, he was subjected to heavy small arms fire. Taking advantage of all

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available cover, he continued on, reached the men, and brought them to safety. Through his outstanding courage and initiative, Lieutenant Schaetzel saved two fellow soldiers from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Davenport, North Dakota.

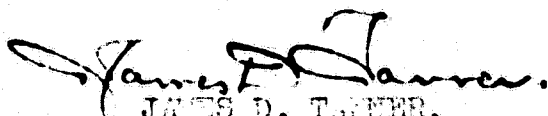
Edward F. Sullivan Jr., 31 455 979, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "H", 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, near Hergolshausen, Germany. When his company was caught in a heavy enemy artillery concentration, Private Sullivan observed three injured men who had been unable to reach cover. With utter disregard for his own safety, Private Sullivan voluntarily exposed himself to the intense fire to administer first aid and arrange for their evacuation. Due to his prompt and courageous action, one man's life was saved and two other men were given needed medical attention. Entered military service from Dorchester, Massachusetts.

Bill J. Walker, 14 145 467, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F", 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. During the attack on Wurzburg, Private Walker, armed with a light machine gun entered the dark passageway of a cellar into which enemy rifle men were known to have withdrawn. Moving and firing rapidly Private Walker advanced through the cellar wounding five enemy and forcing more than thirty to surrender. By his courage and aggressive action Private Walker played a major role in this action. Entered military service from Avondale Estates, Georgia.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

BURNS BEALL,  
Colonel, General Staff Corps,  
Chief of Staff.

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Lt Col., A.G.D.,  
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Award of the Purple Heart.....I  
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I. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART:-----Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-5, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action:

- Paul Allen, 35 457 248, Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Pineville, Kentucky.
- Raymond C. Bessmer, 20 229 839, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from New York, New York.
- THOMAS W. CANTLEY, 01 185 224, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery A, 403d Field Artillery Battalion, 22 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Charleston, South Carolina.
- Angele Chirico, 32 783 539, Armored Force, Company B, 756th Tank Battalion, 17 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.
- Arvin J. Davis, 39 581 209, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 232d Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from El Centro, California.
- Joseph I. Davis, 31 407 726, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Medical detachment, 756th Tank Battalion, 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Britain, Connecticut.
- William C. Douglas, 33 090 390, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, 8 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Big Island, Virginia.
- Arnold E. Dunavin, 33 245 669, Corporal, Armored Force, Company B, 756th Tank Battalion, 6 February 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from York, Pennsylvania.
- James L. Endsley, 57 445 426, Staff Sergeant, Armored Force, Company B, 756th Tank Battalion, 30 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
- Bernard Fink, 12 230 219, Private First Class, Armored Force, Company B, 756th Tank Battalion, 14 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.
- Nicholas T. George, 32 432 129, Sergeant, Armored Force, Headquarters Company, 756th Tank Battalion, 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Camden, New Jersey.

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William J. Hauer, 42 007 378, Sergeant, Infantry, Anti-tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

Clarence L. Henderson, 39 604 434, Staff Sergeant, Armored Force, Company B, 756th Tank Battalion, 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Sidney, Montana.

Richard D. Howell, 37 479 338, Technician Fourth Grade, (then Corporal), Field Artillery, Battery B, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, 22 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Albion, Nebraska.

James J. Pencusck, 37 463 171, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 756th Tank Battalion, 5 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Omaha, Nebraska.

Lee E. Merritt, 36 975 084, Technician Fourth Grade, Armored Force, Company D, 756th Tank Battalion, 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Greenville, Michigan.

Harry L. Mitchell, 35 591 117, Sergeant, Armored Force, Company D, 756th Tank Battalion, 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Akron, Ohio.

James T. Montague, 34 376 134, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, 18 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Cornersville, Tennessee.

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~~Glenn H. Prescott~~, 42 093 006, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 232d Infantry Regiment, 17 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Bath, New York.

JAMES W. SHELL, 02 010 789, Second Lieutenant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, 10 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Highland Park, Illinois.

William Schwartz, 32 359 190, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 756th Tank Battalion, 4 May 1945, in Austria. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

John J. Chincuskis, 36 618 308, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 756th Tank Battalion, 4 May 1945, in Austria. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Ernest R. Terand, 36 043 604, Staff Sergeant, Armored Force, Headquarters Company, 756th Tank Battalion, 7 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Spring Valley, Illinois.

Lee R. Waltman, 38 313 338, Corporal, Armored Force, Company B, 756th Tank Battalion, 31 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Bogalusa, Louisiana.

II. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART:-.....

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action:

William W. Bate, 35 107 133, Corporal, Armored Force, 756th Tank Battalion, 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ellettsville, Indiana.

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III. REVOCATIONS:--..... Such of Section II, General Order Number 136, this headquarters, as, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Corporal William W. Beston, 35 107 133, 756th Tank Battalion, is revoked.

Such of General Order Number 52, this headquarters, as, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Lester R. Bernhart, 35 088 041, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

Such of General Order Number 54, this headquarters, as, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Corporal Olson R. Wood, 38 297 911, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

By command of Brigadier General LINDEN:

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20 May 1948

**WITHDRAWAL OF GENERAL ORDER**

So much of General Order 139, Headquarters 42nd Infantry Division, dated 10 August 1945 as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Private Arlington C. Raymond, 42 114 960, for wounds received in action on 3 April 1945, is withdrawn.

The Purple Heart was posthumously awarded to the above-named individual for having made the supreme sacrifice in defense of his country on 3 April 1945.

BY ORDER OF THE ACTING SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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**HEADQUARTERS**  
**42d INFANTRY DIVISION**

GENERAL ORDERS)

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NUMBER 139)

10 August 1945.

**ORIGINAL ORDER -**

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1. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR..... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

Edward F. De Nello, 31 136 591, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 April 1945 near Schweinfurt, Germany. When heavy casualties were inflicted on his platoon by sniper fire Corporal DeNello volunteered to crawl forward into the open in order to draw fire and locate the sniper. As he started forward he was wounded in the arm but, despite his wound, he continued on his mission, killing the enemy sniper. By his outstanding courage and initiative Corporal DeMello made it possible for his platoon to continue the attack against the enemy. Entered military service from New Bedford, Massachusetts.

Claude J. LaFleur, 36 877 405, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 April 1945 near Urbach, Germany. While on a patrol, Sergeant LaFleur's platoon was ambushed by superior enemy forces. Discovering that a companion had been wounded, Sergeant LaFleur left his own covered position to administer first aid and place the wounded man on a vehicle for evacuation. Although he was himself wounded in both legs, he held the wounded man safely in place until the party reached the aid station. By his courage and determination Sergeant LaFleur saved a fellow soldier from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

FRED L. MOORE JR. O 551 197, First Lieutenant, (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945 near Phillipsburg, France. Wounded while deploying his machine gun platoon to bring fire on an enemy position that was holding up the company to which he was attached, Lieutenant Moore remained with his platoon until he was assured that his machine guns were placing effective fire upon the enemy. When he discovered he was in an area so heavily covered by enemy fire that it was impossible for litter bearers to reach him, he crawled to a point from which he could be evacuated, this making it unnecessary for the aid men to enter the danger area. Lieutenant Moore's outstanding courage, leadership and coolness were responsible for the successful accomplishment of the platoon mission. Entered military service from Aurora, Illinois.

Wolfgang F. Robinow, 33 004 252, Master Sergeant, Infantry, Military Intelligence Service, 42d Infantry Division, for gallantry in action on 16 April 1945, near Urbach, Germany. When the patrol he accompanied as interpreter was ambushed by strong enemy forces on three sides, Sergeant Robinow noticed that one of his men

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was wounded. Disregarding his own safety he advanced through intense fire to his vehicle, turned it around and carried the wounded man back to the aid station, though himself wounded in the left arm. Sergeant Robinow then returned with three tanks, directing their fire from his position on top of one, until his unit succeeded in withdrawing. His outstanding courage and determination saved a fellow soldier from possible death or capture and enabled the patrol to withdraw. Entered military service from Washington, District of Columbia.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.....(a) By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

GEORGE C. BARNETT, O 545 397, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242nd Infantry Regiment, 10-11 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from American Fork, Utah.

William C. Griebel, O 7 608 361, Corporal, Infantry, Cannon Company, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Maplewood, Missouri.

Leland A. Schuhring, O 36 966 420, Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 5-6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Fern E. Sterner, O 15 401 359, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 16 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Lincolnton, Maryland.

William C. Hill, O 44 040 565, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 1 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chattanooga, Tennessee.

(b). By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

Furson J. Blackmon, O 20 448 724, Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery I, 41st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 19 November 1944 to 1 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Elbarton, Georgia.

FRANK C. ROBERTS JR., O 01 043 576, 1st Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion 232nd Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 23 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

NEWMAN B. DONNELL, O 404 644, Captain, Infantry, 42d Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment, from 15 February 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

LEE R. BOSS, O 35 659 680, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232nd Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ghent, West Virginia.

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John M. Kohan, 35 235 271, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 30 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Youngstown, Ohio.

Edward C. Schueler, 20 258 613, Master Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 222nd Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Union City, New Jersey.

Vernon G. Snyder, 39 466 562, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment 232nd Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Spokane, Washington.

James A. Stevens, 31 111 574, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Pittsford, Maine.

**III. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following individual for meritorious achievement in action:

Arthur A. Poucher, 37 634 959, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 to 19 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

**IV. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART** -(POSTHUMOUS) Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

Arlington C. Baymond, 42 114 950, Private, CE., Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, Germany, 3 April 1945. Entered military service from Durhamville, New York.

**V. AWARD OF THE MEDICAL BADGE**:-... Pursuant to the authority contained in Section II, War Department Circular 66, dated 1 March 1945 and 2d Indorsement, Headquarters Third U S Army, IG 200.6 (7 June) GFMCA-4, dated 27 June 1945 to Letter HQ ETOUSA, IG 200.6/1 MPDGA, subject: Medical Badge, dated 7 June 1945, the following named officers and enlisted men, from units indicated, are awarded the Medical Badge:

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>DATE OF QUALIFICATION</u>
Pfc	Adams, Lester A	31 392 744	756 Tk Bn	30 December 1944
Cpl	Altman, Meyer	37 631 912	756 Tk Bn	30 December 1944
Tec 4	Buck, LeRoy J	36 170 122	2d Cml Mort Bn 11	November 1944
S Sgt	Carter, Paul B	39 677 932	2d Cml Mort Bn 11	November 1944
Pfc	Coffin, Tristram E	36 413 060	2d Cml Mort Bn 11	November 1944
S Sgt	Conner, Hubert L	37 235 983	756 Tk Bn	30 December 1944
Tec 4	Csape, Alexander T	32 247 229	2d Cml Mort Bn 11	November 1944
Pfc	Daniels, Frank A	36 715 038	2d Cml Mort Bn 11	November 1944
Tec 4	Davis, Joseph P	31 047 726	756 Tk Bn	30 December 1944

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GRADE	NAME	ASN	UNIT	DATE OF QUALIFICATION
Tec 5	Gladlinski, George E	32 479 989	756 Tk Bn	30 December 1944
Tec 5	Hinrikus, Max	37 462 378	756 Tk Bn	30 December 1944
Tec 5	Karaman, George	32 425 597	756 Tk Bn	30 December 1944
Tec 5	Kirkon, Melvin D	36 517 989	2d Cml Mort Bn	11 November 1944
Pfc	Lombard, Robert	19 114 304	2d Cml Mort Bn	11 November 1944
Tec 5	McKinney, Donald O	32 477 148	2d Cml Mort Bn	11 November 1944
Tec 5	Manousek, James J	37 453 171	756 Tk Bn	30 December 1944
Pfc	Minton, Joe F	34 651 229	2d Cml Mort Bn	11 November 1944
Cpl	Rowe, Clifford V	37 251 371	756 Tk Bn	30 December 1944
Tec 3	Sanders, Robert F	32 539 404	756 Tk Bn	30 December 1944
Pfc	Seal, John Jr.	17 144 592	2d Cml Mort Bn	11 November 1944
Pfc	Shinouskis, John J	36 677 308	756 Tk Bn	30 December 1944
Pfc	Gaskstetter, Jack T	32 638 884	756 Tk Bn	27 April 1944
Capt	WATERMITE, UCEL J	0 443 257	756 Tk Bn	30 December 1944
Capt	CHIFF, FRANK	0 408 609	756 Tk Bn	15 August 1944

VI. REVOCATIONS:----- So much of General Orders Number 32, this headquarters, dated 22 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Technical Sergeant William J. Nehler, 2 596 661, Anti Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

So much of General Orders Number 32, this headquarters, dated 22 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private James A. Garrett, 35 238 733, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

By command of Brigadier General LINDEM:

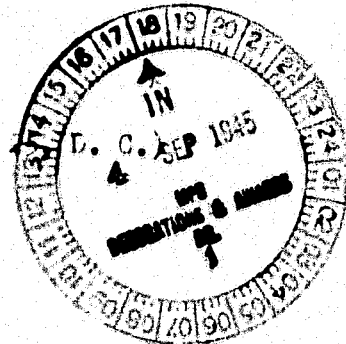
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APO #411, U. S. Army,

NUMBER 138)

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Award of the silver star.....I  
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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:--.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the silver star is awarded to:

SAMUEL W. BOYT, O 411 009, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company B, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 January 1945 near Hatten, France. Preceded by a heavy artillery concentration, an enemy infantry tank attack broke through our defensive positions. The enemy continually tried to infiltrate into Lieutenant Boyt's mortar position, but by his heroic leadership, he succeeded in holding his position against a determined enemy. When they tried to enter his defilade position through one vulnerable spot, a small tunnel, Lieutenant Boyt and another man united to fire direct mortar fire into the tunnel holding the enemy back until the mortar was destroyed by enemy fire. Lieutenant Boyt's heroic actions were an inspiration to the men who fought with him. Entered military service from Muskogee, Oklahoma.

DONALD F. BURR, O 554 643, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 April 1945 near Buchold, Germany. After his company had captured Buchold, Lieutenant Burr volunteered to remain behind with four men to intercept enemy patrols that might attempt to infiltrate the company positions. Capturing the initial patrols that infiltrated into the town, Lieutenant Burr learned of a large force in the surrounding woods. Dispersing his four men to represent a larger force, he induced the enemy to surrender. Lieutenant Burr then marched them seven miles through the darkness, without maps to his company command post. By his daring and resourcefulness, Lieutenant Burr captured a large enemy force and prevented interference with the company's communications. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

George W. Hemingway, 10 601 934, Private, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945 in the Hardt Mountains, France. During the action in the Hardt Mountains Private Hemingway noticed two wounded men lying in the open exposed to enemy fire. Without hesitation, he crossed the open ground in spite of enemy sniper fire and reached the wounded men, bringing one of them back to cover. Returning for the second man he also brought him back to safety. Through his courageous act, Private Hemingway saved two fellow soldiers from possible death or capture. Entered military service from London, England.

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Charles W. Parker, 34 824 032, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 April 1945 near Werbach, Germany. When his patrol was ambushed by a strong enemy force, Private Parker remained in his vehicle and operated its machine gun, despite the fact that he was exposed to the fire of six enemy machine guns. When his gun was put out of action by enemy fire, Private Parker attempted to hack it out of the ambush picking up men as he went. When enemy fire destroyed the vehicle, he went to the rear still under fire to bring reinforcements. He returned with tanks, directing their fire from on top of one enabling his comrades to withdraw safely. Entered military service from Abbeville, Georgia.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:--.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

✓ Waldo G. Andrews, 39 291 623, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, near Arnstein, Germany. When his platoon encountered intense rifle and machine gun fire, Sergeant Andrews led his men to cover. Then, without regard for his own safety, he guided a tank destroyer forward and directed its fire upon the enemy positions, destroying them and enabling his platoon to continue the attack. His courage and leadership were major factors in the capture of Arnstein. Entered military service from San Diego, California.

✓ Wilbur A. Biesen, 35 584 950, Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 April 1945, at Dockingen, Germany. When his platoon encountered heavy enemy fire, Sergeant Biesen refused to be stopped and continued to advance. His act inspired his fellow soldiers to follow him in a dash to the edge of town where they drove the enemy from his defenses and continued moving forward. By his courageous and determined act, Sergeant Biesen inspired his platoon to take their objective. Entered military service from Highland, Indiana.

✓ Guy W. Chapman, 35 839 306, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 March 1945 near Wildenguth, France. Private Chapman was carrying a telephone and wire reel with a combat patrol which encountered a strong enemy force. When the enemy attacked, Private Chapman continued to maintain contact with his company until his activities drew a concentration of fire which he returned with his rifle until the patrol withdrew. By his courage and determination Private Chapman kept his patrol in contact with the company, enabling it to coordinate their defense with supporting weapons. Entered military service from South Bend, Indiana.

✓ Francis J. Flannery, 33 815 651, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 April 1945, at Dockingen, Germany. When his platoon encountered heavy enemy fire, Private Flannery refused to be stopped and



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continued to advance. His act inspired his fellow soldiers to follow him in a dash to the edge of town where they drove the enemy from his defenses and continued moving forward. By his courageous and determined act, Private Flannery inspired his platoon to take their objective. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

✓ Harold I. Haganan, 35 642 193, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945 near Zillingen, Germany. Because his radio was the only means of communications the battalion commander had with any of his subordinate units, Private Haganan maintained his position through intense enemy artillery and small arms fire. Further endangering himself, he set his radio up in the steeple of a church to facilitate reception. Private Haganan's heroic action was instrumental in the destruction of enemy installations by artillery fire, and the capture of the regimental objective. Entered military service from Huntington, West Virginia.

✓ Louis W. Hubach, 15 399 642, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 15 March 1945, near Reipertswiller, France. As assistant gunner in a mortar squad, Private Hubach advanced through heavy artillery and mortar fire to the assistance of a seriously wounded man and carried him to a covered position. Later that same day he led a number of aid men and litter bearers through a heavily mined area to another group of seriously wounded men. Private Hubach's courage and heroic efforts played a major role in saving several lives. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

✓ SEYMOUR K. LIEBER, 01 043 702, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, from 5 January 1945 to 16 January 1945, inclusive, in Brunsheim, France, when his company was defending Dursenheim against a superior enemy force, Lieutenant Lieber, company executive officer, rode a leading tank into the town and from his position on the vehicle located targets and directed fire which destroyed a number of enemy guns. On other occasions during the battle for the town, Lieutenant Lieber took ammunition into the town and served as liaison officer with higher headquarters. His courage and devotion to duty contributed effectively to the defense of the town and the crossing of the Moselle River which followed. Entered military service from Auburn, Massachusetts.

✓ George G. Marino, 20 904 444, Corporal, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, near Wurgburg, Germany. Under direct enemy observation, Corporal Marino, first scout, advanced into an open field to establish an observation post. When he was held up by hostile fire, Corporal Marino called for mortar fire on the enemy, though aware the shells would fall within a few yards of his own position, and under cover of this fire established the observation post. His courage and disregard for his own safety enabled a vulnerable flank to be protected by mortar fire. Entered military service from Compton, California.

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Joseph F. Miller, 13 024 277, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 near Eggleston, Germany. When an American plane was forced down in enemy territory about four miles from his battalion command post Sergeant Miller, a telephone lineman volunteered with other members of his wire crew to attempt to rescue the pilot, although the plane had landed only 400 yards from a woods in which enemy were reported. Forced to abandon their vehicle and a machine gun when it became mired, Sergeant Miller and his crew advanced to within a mile of the plane when they were fired upon. Returning the fire they continued to advance and reached a farm where they discovered the flyer hiding in a hayloft. Just a few minutes before SS troops visited the farm but failed to find him. Enroute back to our lines the party was the target of a mortar concentration, but all escaped injury. By his courage and devotion to duty Sergeant Miller saved the pilot from death or capture. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

William W. Owens, 38 185 171, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 5 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. As a litter bearer Private Owens proceeded alone to the aid of a tank crew whose vehicle had been wrecked by panzerfaust fire. Completely disregarding his own safety, Private Owens directed several nearby infantrymen to provide covering fire, and advanced to the tank where he found an officer and two enlisted men. Private Owens administered first aid and with the assistance of other aid men carried the three wounded men to safety. By his courage and initiative, Private Owens was responsible for saving three wounded men from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Choudrant, Louisiana.

Clarence J. Pitka, 20 749 402, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 332d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945, near Filstatt, France. Private Pitka repeatedly exposed himself to heavy enemy fire to maintain fire from his 81mm mortar in support of rifle troops. Although wounded in the face, Private Pitka remained on duty for several hours before he consented to be evacuated to an aid station. His courage and devotion to duty directly contributed to the repulse of the enemy attack. Entered military service from New Ulm, Minnesota.

Douglas B. Rhoads, 36 417 526, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 near Eggleston, Germany. When an American plane was forced down in enemy territory about four miles from his battalion command post Sergeant Rhoads, a telephone lineman, volunteered with other members of his wire crew to attempt to rescue the pilot, although the plane had landed only 400 yards from a woods in which enemy were reported. Forced to abandon their vehicle and a machine gun when it became mired, Sergeant Rhoads and his crew advanced to within a mile of the plane when they were fired upon. Returning the fire they continued to advance and reached a farm where they discovered the flyer hiding in a hayloft. Just a few minutes

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before SS troops visited the farm but failed to find him. Enroute back to our lines the party was the target of a mortar concentration, but all escaped injury. By his courage and devotion to duty Sergeant Rhoads saved the pilot from death or capture. Entered military service from Kalamazoo, Michigan.

III. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-  
By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the first Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

James E. Priscaro, 33 698 960, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 26 April 1945, at Eggleston, Germany. When an American plane was forced down in enemy territory about four miles from his battalion command post Sergeant Priscaro, a telephone lineman, volunteered with other members of his wire crew to attempt to rescue the pilot, although the plane had landed only 400 yards from woods in which enemy were reported. Forced to abandon their vehicle and a machine gun when it became mired, Sergeant Priscaro and his crew advanced to within a mile of the plane when they were fired upon. Returning the fire they continued to advance and reached a farm where they discovered the flyer hiding in a hayloft. Just a few minutes before SS troops visited the farm but failed to find him. Enroute back to our lines the party was the target of a mortar concentration, but all escaped injury. By his courage and devotion to duty Sergeant Priscaro saved the pilot from death or capture. Entered military service from New Castle, Pennsylvania.

Lawrence H. Johnson, 37 574 218, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 April 1945 near Berg, Germany. Sergeant Johnson, a platoon guide, was riding a tank into Berg when the tanks came under heavy enemy fire. Although the fire caused the majority of the troops to dismount, the tank carrying Sergeant Johnson continued into the town and the foot troops were signaled to support the attack. Realizing that the men outside Berg could not see the signal, Sergeant Johnson volunteered to return through the enemy fire and bring them up. Enroute he was knocked unconscious by panzerfaust fire but on regaining consciousness, he continued on, reached the troops and guided them into Berg. His courage and devotion to duty effectively contributed to the capture of the town. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

IV. REVOCATIONS:..... So much of General Orders Number 36, this headquarters, dated 23 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Fred B. Lacy, 38 538 498, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

So much of General Orders Number 36, this headquarters, dated 23 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Ralph R. Yohn, 13 08+ 168, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

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So much of General Orders Number 32, this headquarters, dated 22 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Sergeant Charles E. Cullers, 6 993 904, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

So much of General Orders Number 32, this headquarters, dated 22 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Delmar L. Harris, 36 998 191, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

So much of General Orders Number 71, this headquarters, dated 25 May 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Technician Fifth Grade Roslyn H. Wood, 32 510 613, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

By command of Brigadier General LINDEN:

BURNS BEALL,  
Colonel, General Staff Corps,  
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GENERAL ORDERS)

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ATO #411, U. S. Army,

NUMBER 136) COPY OF THIS GO GIVEN TO C.I.E. 4 August 1945.

Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....I  
 Award of the Purple Heart.....II  
 Award of the Medical Badge.....III  
 Revocations.....IV

I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-----by direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-25, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

LISLE BERTHOLOMEY, O 406 248, Lieutenant Colonel, Chaplain Corps, Headquarters, 42d Infantry Division, from 6 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Whitnall, New York.

STANLEY W. NOVINSKI, O1 288 426, Captain, Corps of Military Police, 42d Infantry Division, from 11 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ripon, Wisconsin.

JAMES P. O'CONNELL, O 324 427, Lieutenant Colonel, Air Corps, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 6 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

II. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART:-----Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-25, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

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 William W. Boston, 35 107 133, Corporal, Armored Force, 756th Tank Battalion, on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Salem, Indiana.

Frank Brown, 18 008 906, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 9 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

Earl F. Donnelly, 37 563 439, Sergeant, Armored Force, 756th Tank Battalion, on 6 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Casper, Wyoming.

Jack T. Gackstatter, 32 636 884, Private First Class, Armored Force, 756th Tank Battalion, on 19 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

John T. Hichelsimer, 32 708 112, Private, Armored Force, 756th Tank Battalion, on 15 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Garderbe, Alabama.

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Eugene R. Ross, 37 608 441, Corporal, Armored Force, 756th Tank Battalion, on 2 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

Armando V. Vignolo, 31 237 637, Sergeant, Armored Force, 756th Tank Battalion, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Dorchester, Massachusetts.

Arnold L. White, 34 990 932, Private, Armored Force, 756th Tank Battalion, on 20 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Block, Tennessee.

III. AWARD OF THE MEDICAL BADGE:-----Pursuant to the authority contained in Section II, War Department Circular 66, dated 1 March 1945 and 2d Indorsement, headquarters Third U S Army, AG 200.6 (7 June) GYCA-4, dated 27 June 1945 to letter Hq AFOSA, AG 200.6/1 MEDGA, subject: Medical Badge, dated 7 June 1945, the following named enlisted men, from units indicated, are awarded the Medical Badge:

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>DATE OF QUALIFICATION</u>
Sgt	Fenny, William J.	12 007 408	601st TD Bn	20 Dec 1942
Tec 3	Ostrobinski, Stanley J.	31 039 419	601st TD Bn	20 Dec 1942
Tec 4	Anton, Carmen	57 114 781	601st TD Bn	20 Dec 1942
Tec 4	Epstein, Herman	53 181 795	601st TD Bn	20 Dec 1942
Tec 4	Mitchell, Joseph E.	14 062 085	601st TD Bn	20 Dec 1942
Tec 4	Schwarz, Carl F.	35 380 036	601st TD Bn	20 Dec 1942
Tec 5	Paluzzo, Angelo	32 057 932	601st TD Bn	20 Dec 1942
Tec 4	Opperman, Nelson M.	35 280 707	601st TD Bn	20 Dec 1942
Tec 5	Ballen, James J.	34 049 257	601st TD Bn	10 Mar 1943
Tec 5	Peterson, Kenneth D.	37 169 837	601st TD Bn	10 Mar 1943
Cpl	Minsky, David E.	53 364 822	601st TD Bn	20 Dec 1942
Pfc	Ackerman, Clifford A.	39 231 887	601st TD Bn	10 Mar 1943
Pfc	Baker, Ross W.	35 386 127	601st TD Bn	10 Mar 1943
Pfc	Ozarnicki, Edmund J.	36 246 233	601st TD Bn	10 Mar 1943
Pfc	Stratmeyer, Claus	39 392 532	601st TD Bn	10 Mar 1943

ok IV. REVOCATIONS:-----So much of General Orders Number 32, this headquarters, dated 22 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Luciel L. Holley, 37 044 132, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

ok So much of General Orders Number 70, this headquarters, dated 24 May 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Michael J. Matarazzo, 33 699 055, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

ok So much of General Orders Number 34, this headquarters, dated 25 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Kenneth A. Del Greco, 35 606 966, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

ok So much of General Orders Number 34, this headquarters, dated 25 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Edward V. Urban, 37 436 870, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

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So much of General Order Number 34, this headquarters, dated 23 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private First Class James W. Ward, 12 060 520, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

AGO #411, U. S. Army,

NUMBER 135)

ORIGINAL ORDER - 216

2 August 1945.

Award of the Silver Star.....	I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....	II
Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.....	III
Award of the Soldier's Medal.....	IV

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

THOMAS E. MOORE JR., O26 615, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery B, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action, on 18 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. Lieutenant Moore was forward observer adjusting artillery fire when the Infantry unit supported by his Battalion was held up by an intense crossfire from enemy machine guns. Disregarding his own safety, Lieutenant Moore exposed himself to the hostile fire to adjust on the machine guns and deliberately placed the fire of his own batteries within fifty yards of his position, destroying the German guns. He then exposed himself again to adjust fire on a hostile pillbox and a third time braved heavy fire to accomplish the destruction of additional machine gun positions. By his outstanding courage and devotion to duty, Lieutenant Moore prevented heavy casualties and enabled the Infantry to continue its advance. Entered military service from Vandergrift, Pennsylvania.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL..... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 602-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Elliot J. Baskin, 35 815 662, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 2d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 15 March 1945, in the Nord Mountains, France. When his company was held up by heavy enemy fire, Private Baskin, a scout, advanced through the fire to an exposed position from which he located enemy snipers and defensive positions and directed the fire of the members of his company on them. Disregarding the German fire, Private Baskin remained at his exposed post until he was wounded. By his courage and devotion to duty his company was enabled to continue its advance with minimum casualties. Entered military service from Paducah, Kentucky.

Vicenti T. Moreno, 38 580 300, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 23d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. During the fight for Wurzburg, Private Moreno exposed himself to the heavy sniper fire which was harassing his company and fired five rounds from his rocket launcher into a section of a building housing the enemy. Private Moreno's fire held the enemy down, allowing riflemen to enter the building and destroy them. Through Private Moreno's courageous and determined action his company was enabled to continue its advance. Entered military service from Anthony, New Mexico.

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John J. Strack, 37 621 356, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 232nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945 near Schweinfurt, Germany. On three occasions when his platoon was held up by automatic fire, Sergeant Strack crawled to within a few yards of the enemy weapon. Exposing himself each time to hurl hand grenades into the emplacement, he silenced the gun and enabled his platoon to continue on to its objective. By his courage and devotion to duty, he made possible the completion of the patrol's mission. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

Jack A. Tavegia, 36 630 926, Technician Fifth Grade, (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, Company A, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, on 3 April 1945 near Wurzburg, Germany. During the street fighting in Wurzburg, Private Tavegia drove a load of ammunition to a building near several tank destroyers which were under intense enemy fire. Unable to drive his vehicle any further because of the heavy fire, Private Tavegia dismounted and carried the ammunition on foot to each destroyer. His courage and determined action enabled the destroyers to neutralize hostile strong points, permitting the Infantry to advance. Entered military service from Aurora City, Illinois.

III. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR—... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

Edward V. Cherry, 33 250 612, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from DuRois, Pennsylvania.

Joseph Kolenda, 36 562 211, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company A, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

James W. Rogers, 38 467 216, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Company A, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Fritch, Oklahoma.

Felix A. Stasiak, 32 739 375, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company A, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Cheektowage, New York.

Vernon Webster, 15 320 800, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

IV. AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL—... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, The Soldier's Medal is awarded to:

Stanley Brazowski, 18 022 295, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 142d Engineers Combat Battalion, for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy on 25 March 1945 near Lambach, Germany. Sergeant Brazowski was a member of a demolition party destroying captured pillboxes in the Siegfried Line when an Officer was overcome by gas inside a pillbox which had just been blown up. Two soldiers endeavored to rescue the Officer but were driven out by the poisonous fumes.

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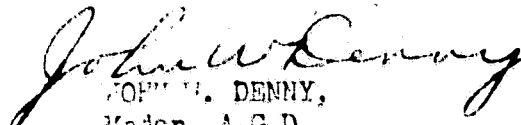
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Sergeant Brazowski then, at the risk of his own life and fully aware of the hazards involved, entered the pillbox, found the Officer and removed him to safety. His prompt and courageous act saved the Officer from asphyxiation. Entered military service from Henryetta, Oklahoma.

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CENTRAL ORDERS)  
NUMBER 134)

ORIGINAL 32

ATO #411, U. S. Army,  
1 August 1945.

Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....I  
Award of the Purple Heart.....II  
Revocations.....III

I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of ARMY regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

George L. Fahn, 20 322 423, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945, near Stein, Germany. While supporting a patrol in the town of Stein, Sergeant Fahn guided a medical aid man to a wounded soldier who was under direct hostile observation. Placing his tank destroyer between the injured man and the enemy, Sergeant Fahn dismounted and assisted the aid man in placing the soldier on the deck of the destroyer and then returned him to his own lines. His courage and prompt action resulted in saving a fellow soldier from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania.

II. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART:-.....Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

Clifton Brock, 34 784 566, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, 2 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tallahassee, Florida.

Norman W. Cohn, 39 919 951, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, 28 June 1945, in Austria. Entered military service from Twin Falls, Idaho.

LOUIS TIORAK, 01 320 982, Captain, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Pontiac, Michigan.

Lyle L. Williams, 37 772 840, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, 25 June 1945, in Austria. Entered military service from Rockwell City, Iowa.

III. REVOCATIONS:-.....So much of General Orders Number 32, this headquarters, dated 22 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private First Class James G. Dugan, 37 388 448, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

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So much of General Orders Number 71, this headquarters, dated 25 May 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Sergeant Henry W. Glendon, 32 640 585, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

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GENERAL ORDER # 341

1 August 1945.

Award of the bronze star medal.....I  
Revolutions.....II

I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: (a) - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-15, 28 September 1943, as amended, the bronze star medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

Howard T. Baldwin, 34 148 717, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Knoxville, Tennessee.

Robert L. Barnett, 6 583 215, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 January to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

Bennie W. Bauer, 17 011 065, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 January 1945 to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Fargo, North Dakota.

DONALD W. BURR, 0 554 643, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 January to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

Robert L. Campbell, 54 283 153, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 January to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Grand Junction, Tennessee.

John T. Carlson, 32 276 163, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

Ralph E. Conwell, 7 315 220, Technical Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 January to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

James O. Carroll, 56 545 842, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 January 1945 to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Pontiac, Michigan.

John W. Corbin, 32 061 596, Staff Sergeant (then Private), Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 January to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

Thomas H. Cooch, 54 754 781, Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 January to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Lexington, Tennessee.

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Anthony Harder, 12 242 308, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 January to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Utica, New York.

Ralph W. Henderer, 35 798 048, Corporal, Field Artillery, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

William V. Huff, 34 734 836, Technical Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 January to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Knoxville, Tennessee.

Earl G. Kilpatrick, 38 406 710, Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ada, Oklahoma.

PHILIP B. LIBBER, 01 822 592, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Threaveport, Louisiana.

Arthur L. Moore, 39 278 070, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

Elwood L. Noll, 33 160 799, Corporal, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery A, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, on 13 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Womelsdorf, Pennsylvania.

Chester P. Novak, 37 703 189, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 January to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

Theodore A. Pfeiffer, Jr. 42 017 044, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Irvington, New Jersey.

Kenneth R. Tresler, 33 012 450, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, on 20 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Hugh M. Wittich, 35 067 265, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

John L. Wojtusik, 36 873 243, Sergeant, Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 January 1945 to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Jackson, Michigan.

Howard F. Wolpert, 13 158 407, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 January 1945 to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

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Donald L. Wooley, 37 333 023, Private, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Canon City, Colorado.

ALEXANDER TRIGHT, O 428 012, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery B, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, on 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Washington, Georgia.

Louis I. Young, 35 581 304, Private, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

b. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1940, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

ROBERT L. ANDERSON, O 435 896, Captain, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Ferry D. Arent, 36 190 218, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 27 October 1944 to 25 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Benton Harbor, Michigan.

James R. Crowe, 35 456 902, Private First Class, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery D, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 20 November 1944 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Stanton, Kentucky.

ROBERT L. DAVIS, O1 183 823, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 43d Infantry Division Artillery, from 13 March to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

James D. Deacon, 33 213 471, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery D, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 12 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lynchburg, Virginia.

NEAL DOW, JR., O 485 263, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Washington, D.C.

JAMES I. DOYLE, O1 533 772, Captain, Medical Administrative Corps, Headquarters, 132d Medical Battalion, from 15 February to 10 March 1945, and from 12 March to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

Otto Tuhn, 33 160 215, Corporal, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery A, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 28 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Ridgway, Pennsylvania.

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Edman R. Faust, Jr., 33 917 125, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 29 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Altoona, Pennsylvania.

Peter A. Fragala, 32 188 790, Corporal, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery D, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, (Mobile), from 29 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Long Branch, New Jersey.

John A. Gale, 32 192 531, Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery D, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 11 December 1944 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Malone, New York.

Glenn W. Gillespie, Jr., 35 409 107, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Galion, Ohio.

Arthur W. Goddard, 31 101 610, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery D, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 19 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Portland, Maine.

Joseph W. McCarthy, 20 346 827, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Poring, Maryland.

William G. Roberts, 33 035 680, Master Sergeant, Chemical Warfare Service, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Chemical Mortar Battalion, from 1 January to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Coyie Shelton, 34 599 186, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Argura, North Carolina.

Walter J. Covers, 34 255 900, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery D, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 20 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Julian, North Carolina.

KEOVINE R. SPROTT, III, O 461 732, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery C, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Columbia, South Carolina.

James W. Neal, 34 601 781, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 29 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France, and Germany. Entered military service from Charlotte, North Carolina.

Carmen Whitbeck, 32 040 830, Technical Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company C, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Albany, New York.

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Clyde W. Wilhoit, 34 36- 776, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Chattanooga, Tennessee.

OK } II. REVOCATIONS:--.....So much of Section VI, General Orders Number 100, this Headquarters, dated 30 June 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Walter G. Neef, SS 52- 405, Company K, 252d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

OK } So much of General Orders Number 90, this Headquarters, dated 9 June 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Layton L. Baker, SS 700 674, Company K, 252d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

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42D INFANTRY DIVISION

GENERAL ORDERS)

APO #411, U. S. Army,

NUMBER 132)

ORIGINAL ORDER 4 422/

30 July 1945.

Award of the Bronze Star Medal..... I  
Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal..... II

1. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL-(a) By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

Lloyd Blackburn, 33 422 766, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, Company A, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Charleroi, Pennsylvania.

Ray J. Bagni, 39 416 366, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Butte, Montana.

George W. Cauley, Jr., 33 693 729, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry, 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Sydn. A. Horstead, 32 754 560, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry, 16--19 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Wilmington, Delaware.

Dave Joy, 34 028 873, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 232nd Infantry, 16 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Blaine, Louisiana.

RUSSEL E. KELLEY, 02 006 295, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company L, 242nd Infantry, 15--22 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Methuen, Massachusetts.

Billy P. Knox, 35 088 935, Sergeant (then Private), Infantry, Company L, 232nd Infantry, 16--19 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Hazard, Kentucky.

Allen F. Koch, 37 621 321, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery A, 392nd Field Artillery Battalion, 18--20 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

Steve Kropelnicka, 37 594 781, Sergeant (then Private), Infantry, Company L, 232nd Infantry, 16--19 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from South Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Russell G. Lynch, 34 493 647, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry, 16--19 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Lowville, New York.

Harold F. Matthews, 32 463 302, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery A, 431st Antiaircraft Automatic Weapons Battalion, 31 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pittstown, New Jersey.

Jim C. Madlin, 34 601 268, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Company C, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 21 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Monroe, North Carolina.

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Markel Mosley, 6 986 760, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 232nd Infantry, 2 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from East Akron, Ohio.

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~~Byron S. Mungler, 37 772 349, Private First Class, Infantry, Rainbow Rangers, First Battalion, 242d Infantry, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.~~

Leonard F. Stone, 35 624 051, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company A, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Miamisburg, Ohio.

Tack E. Tate, 38 564 500, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 232nd Infantry, 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Francis G. Lovay, 36 978 354, Private First Class (then Private), Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry, 16--19 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Saginaw, Michigan.

George F. Understahl, 36 362 177, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Coal City, Illinois.

Raymond C. Woods, 33 655 738, Private, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392nd Field Artillery Battalion, 18--20 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Dorchester, Virginia.

Edward Zizza, 31 082 193, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Revere, Massachusetts.

(b) By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

William R. Abernathy, 38 520 121, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42nd Infantry Division Artillery, from 15 March 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lake Providence, Louisiana.

Theodore R. Anderson, 37 574 746, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242nd Infantry, from 15 March 1945 to 25 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

HERMAN AVESEY, O 332 522, Major, Infantry, Headquarters 222d Infantry, from 9 December 1944 to 1 February 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New Lexington, Ohio.

WILFELD B. CHANNING, O 355 176, Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery C, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, (Mobile), 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Great Neck, Long Island, New York.

WILLIAM A. COBB, O 375 133, Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery B, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Louisburg, North Carolina.

CALVIN G. DIETRICH, O 441 241, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, 17th Army attached to 242nd Infantry, from 15 March 1945 to 30 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Osford, Mississippi.

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George Ehl, Jr., 33 161 181, Staff Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery A, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 19 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Coopersburg, Pennsylvania.

PAYMOND L. EINSBAHR, O 364 433, Captain, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry, from 9 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Laramie, Wyoming.

Irving Green, 12 110 736, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company 242nd Infantry, from 15 March to 25 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Edward P. Horn, 32 796 189, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery C, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newberg, New York.

Henning H. Olson, 31 184 463, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242nd Infantry, from 15 March 1945 to 25 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ashburnham, Massachusetts.

Willard V. Parnell, 6 274 642, Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery D, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 19 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Mitchell, Nebraska.

William H. Prentice Jr., 31 042 713, First Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company 242d Infantry, from 5 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Manchester Green, Connecticut.

REGINALD R. REETZ, O2 048 459, First Lieutenant, Medical Administrative Corps, Medical Detachment, 252nd Infantry, from 15 March 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hebron, North Dakota.

JACK S. RICHMOND, O 350 739, Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery D, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jackson, Minnesota.

William A. Shutt, 33 160 735, Technician Fourth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery A, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 29 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Reading, Pennsylvania.

2. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL----- (a) By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

Homer L. Geumer, 16 074 612, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Peoria, Illinois.

Carl R. Wilson, 39 278 210, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company A, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

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(b) By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

STEPHEN M. BEVICK, O 382 216 Captain, Infantry, Headquarters, 242nd Infantry, from 15 March 1945 to 13 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lead, South Dakota.

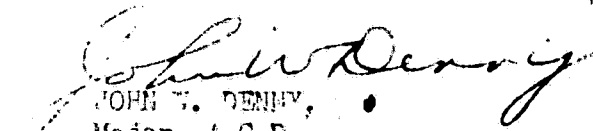
RALPH R. COFFIN, O 309 442, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters 42d Division Artillery, from 22 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hutchinson, Kansas.

JOHN MEADE, O 16 338, Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters 42d Division Artillery, from 22 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

THOMAS W. CANTLEY, O1 183 824, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery B, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 21 and 22 March 1945 near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. As a field artillery observer, Lieutenant Cantley accompanied a rifle company in the assault of the Siegfried Line. During the course of the action, he saw a man hit twice by enemy fire and leaving his covered position, advanced under heavy fire to reach the injured man and drag him to cover. Subsequently utilizing a sub-machine gun he fought off three attempts by an enemy demolition squad to destroy a vital bridge. Unable to return to his own radio, due to a heavy concentration of enemy fire, he used a combination of infantry and artillery radios to relay information to his artillery organization and successfully covered the withdrawal of the infantry unit. Only after the infantry had retired did he withdraw from his forward position. By his courage and devotion to duty he played a major role in the defense of the town of Ludwigswinkel against German counterattacks. Entered military service from Charleston, South Carolina.

James B. Carpenter, 59 287 028, Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945 near Althorn, France. During the attack upon the enemy positions near Althorn, France, Sergeant Carpenter became separated from his platoon but immediately joined another and participated in the assault. Discovering that all of the officers and non-commissioned officers of the platoon he joined had been killed or wounded, he immediately assumed command, re-organized the group and led them in the assault. While leading this attack, he was hit and seriously wounded. By his initiative, outstanding courage and leadership, Sergeant Carpenter played a major role in the successful assault. Entered military service from Pomona, California.

Leonard M. Goldman, 37 594 927, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 8 April 1945, near Buchold, Germany. When the Infantry platoon of which Sergeant Goldman was platoon sergeant came under fire from two companies of enemy infantry, by using radio, telephone and hand signals and exposing himself to intense fire, he successfully directed tanks to the German position. In the midst of this fire fight, Sergeant Goldman

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organized several medical aid men and led them to a group of wounded men. While returning to his platoon, Sergeant Goldman was himself wounded. By his courage, tactical skill and devotion to duty, he played a major role in this particular action and was instrumental in saving several friendly troops from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Laurence Landgraf, 39 201 858, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 March 1945, at Althorn, France. Sergeant Landgraf was a squad leader in a patrol sent out to locate and eliminate certain German machine gun and mortar positions. When the patrol contacted the enemy, it came under intense mortar and machine gun fire, and Sergeant Landgraf was severely wounded. Declining evacuation for medical treatment, he remained with his squad, successfully directing and concentrating their fire on the enemy positions and, when several of his men were wounded, he exposed himself to the enemy fire to give them first aid. By his outstanding courage and devotion to duty, Sergeant Landgraf insured the success of his squad and saved several fellow soldiers from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Olympia, Washington.

Victor J. Murauskos, 32 402 250, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action, on 25 April 1945, near Kaisheim, Germany. While the section of tank destroyers led by Sergeant Murauskos was in reserve, a battalion of friendly tanks was forced to withdraw by heavy enemy fire from dug-in emplacements. Dismounting from his vehicle, Sergeant Murauskos crawled over the crest of a hill, deliberately drawing fire upon himself in order to locate the hostile positions. After eliminating one machine gun nest with his rifle, he called up a destroyer on each flank and directed their fire as they crushed one enemy strongpoint after another. By his courage, professional ability, and aggressive action, Sergeant Murauskos enabled the friendly tanks to resume their advance. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

EDWIN RUSTBERG, 019 542, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, (Infantry), Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, for gallantry in action on 9 January 1945 at Hatten, France. As Commanding Officer of the first Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, during the action at Hatten, France, Colonel Rustberg planned and executed the defense of that area with outstanding success. In spite of point blank fire from enemy tanks supported by Infantry that raked his positions with fire, Colonel Rustberg by personal example held his troops in position and withstood the enemy attack. Fighting side by side with his men in the face of overwhelming odds without mechanized or artillery support, Colonel Rustberg by his courageous leadership, tenacity and devotion to duty played a major role in the successful defense of the town of Hatten. Entered military service from Brownsville, Texas.

IRVING R. SHORT, 02 006 207, 2d Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 April 1945 near Wertheim, Germany. During the action near Wertheim, Germany, an Intelligence and Reconnaissance Platoon of which Lieutenant Short was commanding officer, encountered heavy machine gun fire from

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a greatly superior enemy force. By his skillful leadership, he repulsed several strong enemy attacks and then ordered a withdrawal. When intense enemy fire prevented the withdrawal to a nearby woods, Lieutenant Short, although wounded during the action, boldly led his men into an adjoining town to a barn where they remained until daylight. His courage and aggressive leadership played a major role in the successful withdrawal of the platoon. Entered military service from Berkeley, California.

Raymond J. Zander, 32 760 645, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company C, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion for gallantry in action on 24 April 1945 near Goshheim, Germany. As a Tank Destroyer cannoneer, Private Zander successfully defended a Tank Destroyer convoy from serious damage from enemy aircraft. Although wounded by the strafing fire by the enemy aircraft, Private Zander opened fire on the hostile planes with a .50 caliber machine gun and destroyed one aircraft and forced the others to abandon their attack. As a result of Private Zander's courageous action, his Tank Destroyer Platoon was enabled to continue and assist in the capture of the town of Goshheim. Entered military service from Union, New Jersey.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Angelo Bisone, 36 979 179, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement on 17 January 1945 near Sessenheim, France. Observing an enemy counterattack approaching his position, Private Bisone alerted his squad, attached a grenade launcher to his rifle and began firing rapidly into the enemy. Under his determined fire, which he maintained in spite of several automatic weapons concentrated upon him, the counterattack was driven off. By his courage and devotion to duty, Private Bisone prevented a possible breach in the Company's position. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Charles Brown, 33 443 335, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945 near Hatten, France. With his Battalion Command Post under attack by superior enemy forces, and ammunition and food almost exhausted, Sergeant Brown, an intelligence sergeant, volunteered to act as rear guard for a party to obtain the needed supplies from regimental headquarters. Under artillery and small arms fire, Sergeant Brown withdrew at the rear of his group. At the edge of the town the party discovered an abandoned vehicle, repaired it, obtained the supplies and then returned to Hatten, where once again Sergeant Brown covered the party on its way back to the battalion command post. By his courage and devotion to duty he made an effective contribution to the defense of the town. Entered military service from Arlington, Virginia.

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Earl H. Davis; 35 620 852, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 252d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945; near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. While a demolition squad worked to remove enemy charges at a bridge near Ludwigswinkel, Private Davis, with others, became engaged in a fire fight with the Germans. Though Private Davis and his men were outnumbered by the enemy, who soon increased their fire to include artillery and mortar shells, they held their ground until the demolition squad had completed its work. Private Davis' courageous act was an important contribution to the action in that sector. Entered military service from Chauncey, Ohio.

Robert C. Dearth, 35 607 122, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945 near Everbach, Germany. While advancing upon the town of Everbach, Sergeant Dearth's tank destroyer came under heavy 88 mm fire at a point where a disabled destroyer blocked the road. Sergeant Dearth dismounted under intense fire, located a position for his own destroyer and directed the driver to it. He then opened fire and demolished two guns on his flank, permitting his platoon to advance into the town. By his prompt and aggressive action, Sergeant Dearth played an important part in the capture of Everbach. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

John E. Glasgow, 36 113 554, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945 near Erbach, Germany. Upon learning that there were several wounded men in Erbach, Sergeant Glasgow voluntarily drove his vehicle through intense enemy fire to go to their aid. Making three round trips, he assisted in removing the injured men to safety. By his courage and determination, Sergeant Glasgow saved several fellow soldiers from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Lincoln Park, Michigan.

Eugene L. Jacobs, 20 516 451, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, on 20 April 1945, near Mulheim, Germany. Observing a large body of enemy troops preparing a counterattack, Sergeant Jacobs dismounted and on foot led his tank destroyer platoon into a position from which effective fire could be placed on the enemy. Exposing himself to heavy machine gun and mortar fire to point out the targets to his gunner, he broke up the counterattack and the enemy withdrew. By his courage and determination, Sergeant Jacobs enabled his platoon to continue its advance. Entered military service from Caldwell, Ohio.

Wile L. Killian, 39 906 499, Corporal, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action, on 12 January 1945 west of Luttenheim, France. When four enemy armored cars fired on the road block he was defending, Corporal Killian ran through the enemy fire to a friendly mortar position. He then directed mortar fire on the cars, disabling one and forcing the others to retire. By his courageous and prompt action, Corporal Killian prevented the enemy from obtaining information of friendly dispositions. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

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Roy Kissinger, 37 039 749, Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 18 March 1945, at Fischbach, Germany. Wounded three times by enemy mortar fire, Sergeant Kissinger refused treatment until he had led his squad to cover. When he had succeeded in moving his men into the cover of a wooded area, Sergeant Kissinger submitted to first aid but refused evacuation until he had reorganized his squad and was safely dug in. His courage and leadership enabled his squad to reach cover with minimum casualties. Entered military service from Casselton, North Dakota.

Joseph Maher, 35 070 537, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Haguenau, France. When communications between his company Command Post and the observation post were severed, Private Maher, company runner, voluntarily went forward under intense enemy fire to make contact with the observation post. Returning to the Command Post, he was subjected to small arms fire from enemy troops who had infiltrated, and to cross-fire from his own troops. By his courage and determination, Private Maher enabled his Company Commander to regain contact with the observation post at a critical time. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

Robert L. Meisburg, 35 807 188, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, near Kronungen, Germany. Private Meisburg was assistant gunner in a heavy machine gun squad which was attacked for the fourth time by a large enemy force. Although silhouetted by fires in a burning town behind him, and with grenades bursting less than 15 yards from his gun, Private Meisburg remained at his position and assisted in delivering effective fire on the enemy. By his courage and devotion to duty he contributed effectively to the repulse of an attack. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

Earlie E. Moses, 33 538 385, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 8 April 1945, near Arnstein, Germany. During the attack on an enemy roadblock on the outskirts of Arnstein, Private Moses, ammunition bearer, went back under intense enemy machine gun and small arms fire to replenish the supply of ammunition for his heavy machine gun. He then took up an exposed position directing the fire of his gun against the enemy positions. The coolness and courage displayed by Private Moses enabled his gun to neutralize the enemy emplacements, permitting the riflemen to move forward to their objective. Entered military service from Lynchburg, Virginia.

Ralph Nusbaum, 15 122 130, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945 in Wurzburg, Germany. After taking a strongly defended hill, Private Nusbaum's company was subjected to extremely heavy and accurate sniper fire that his mortar squad was directed to neutralize. Finding no position offering mask clearance in the woods, the squad moved into an open field in front of the riflemen, where Private Nusbaum set up his mortar in a location exposed to the direct fire of

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the enemy snipers. In spite of this fire, his accurately placed rounds silenced the Germans and caused several of them to surrender. By his courage and devotion to duty, Private Nusbaum was instrumental in covering the continued advance of his Company. Entered military service from Lima, Ohio.

Edmond J. O'Brien, 32 998 797, Corporal, Infantry, Company E, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 24 January 1945, near Ohlungen Forest, France. When his Company, under violent attack, had nearly expended its mortar ammunition, Corporal O'Brien volunteered to bring a supply forward. Returning through territory infested with infiltrating Germans, his vehicle skidded into the ditch. Despite a leg injury and enemy mortar fire falling in the area, Corporal O'Brien unloaded his vehicle and trailer, got them back on the road and reloaded the ammunition, to move on to the mortar sections of his company. His courage and devotion to duty enabled his company to successfully carry out its mission. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Maurice W. Ironovost, 11 008 096, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, near Fronunten, Germany. Private Ironovost was serving as ammunition bearer of a heavy machine gun squad which was attacked for the fourth time by a large enemy force. Although silhouetted by fires in a barns town behind him, and with grenades bursting less than 10 yards from the gun positions, Private Ironovost left cover and advanced through rifle and automatic weapons fire to assist the machine gunner. By his courage and devotion to duty he aided in repulsing an attack with enemy losses of two men killed, one wounded and one captured. Entered military service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

Raymond C. Shephard, 36 201 233, Private, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, Company M, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 March 1945, near Bannstein, Germany. Finding another soldier wounded, Private Shephard, company aid man, left cover and under direct enemy observation, went to the injured man. His route led him over ditches, across a shoulder-deep stream and through woods. Though he was under concentrated enemy sniper fire all the way, Private Shephard reached the wounded man, administered first aid and evacuated him. His courage and determination were responsible for saving a fellow soldier from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Joseph Skvarla, 34 966 778, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, near Harzburg, Germany. Private Skvarla, member of a mortar platoon, was on guard when he sighted and fired on a 60-man German patrol advancing on his position. Though wounded almost immediately, Private Skvarla made his way back to his platoon and gave warning. During the engagement which followed, and despite his injury, he remained with his unit and continued fighting. Private Skvarla's courageous act was largely responsible for inflicting heavy casualties upon the Germans and breaking up the attack. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

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John K. Smithen, 33 687 832, Private First Class, Infantry, Company T, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, at Arnstein, Germany. While acting as squad leader in the attack on Arnstein, Private Smithen's squad was held up by enemy snipers. In an effort to locate the snipers, Private Smithen deliberately exposed himself to their fire. When the enemy had disclosed their location, Private Smithen led his squad to a position from which they killed several of the snipers and drove off the remainder. As the result of his courageous action, Private Smithen's squad continued to advance without casualties. Entered military service from Blooming Grove, Texas.

Byron B. Zeppelin, 36 845 672, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, near Kronungen, Germany. Private Zeppelin was a heavy machine gunner in a squad which was attacked for the fourth time by a large enemy force. Although silhouetted by fires in a burning town behind him, and with grenades bursting less than 15 yards from his position, Private Zeppelin remained at his gun and delivered effective fire on the enemy. By his courage and devotion to duty he assisted in repulsing the attack with heavy enemy losses. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

III. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:  
By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 23 September 1945, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

JOHN C. CAVIN, O 362 353, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, headquarters 48th Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 22 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. Colonel Cavin led an attack by tank-riding Infantry which penetrated enemy defenses at Balzwoos and then east and south to Dahn and Busenberg. The attack was made with such perfect coordination and violence that the enemy was completely disorganized. Colonel Cavin personally made a foot reconnaissance through the burning town of Busenberg to insure the momentum of the attacking elements under his command. His professional ability and leadership led to the collapse of enemy resistance at a critical point. Entered military service from Penlo, Georgia.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

BURNT BEALL,  
Colonel, General Staff Corps,  
Chief of Staff.

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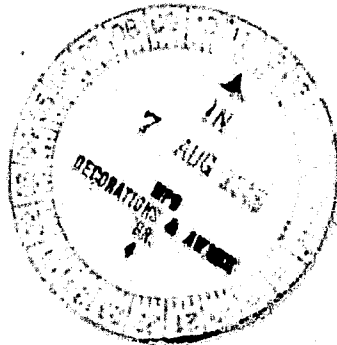
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Award of the Purple Heart.....I  
Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart.....II  
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I. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART:--.....Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

Theodore H. Brown, 31 351 666, Private First Class, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, 17 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Brewer, Maine.

Joseph W. Crowley, 31 370 169, Private First Class, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, 17 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

Kermit T. Davidson, 35 088 865, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Toronto, Ohio.

Logan H. Denzer, 37 591 597, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from LeSueur, Minnesota.

Raymond Luna, 38 409 570, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

II. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART:--..... Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following individual for wounds received in action against the enemy:

Golden Wacks, 35 466 770, Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, 21 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Sunshine, Kentucky.

III. REVOCATION:--....., So much of General Orders Number 33, this headquarters, dated 22 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private First Class George H. Pedrick, 42 190 595, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

BURNS BEALL,  
Colonel, General Staff Corps,  
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ORIGINAL ORDER # 447

AGO #411, U. S. Army,  
15 July 1945.

Award of the Silver Star (Posthumous).....I  
Award of the Silver Star.....II

1. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS).....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

JOHN L. BERG, O1 051 842, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. Volunteering to lead a rescue party across two hundred yards of open terrain to a wounded man who lay exposed to direct enemy observation, Lieutenant Berg worked his way under heavy fire through the snow to the man's side. Placing the wounded man on a litter, the party returned across the open field, successfully evacuating the man under continual enemy fire. Later in the day Lieutenant Berg was mortally wounded while leading his platoon in the defense of its position against a strong enemy attack. His outstanding courage and devotion to duty were responsible for saving a fellow soldier from possible death or capture. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Bernice A. Berg (Wife), Independence, Wisconsin. Entered military service from Independence, Wisconsin.

Felix Bryk, 33 538 588, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. When his company was held up by enemy troops strongly entrenched in a heavily wooded area, Private Bryk boldly exposed himself to hostile small arms and mortar fire to locate the hostile positions. Private Bryk then moved forward to within fifty yards of the enemy positions where he was mortally wounded. His heroic action in drawing hostile fire enabled the rest of his platoon to eliminate the enemy strongpoint and permitted the continued advance of the company. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Helen Bryk (Mother), 241 South Street, Chester, Pennsylvania. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

William T. Burns, 33 514 560, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. When his platoon was ordered to clear out an enemy position that had held up his company's advance, Private Burns crawled forward across open terrain under enemy fire to an exposed position within close range of the strong-point. Firing his automatic rifle so effectively that he killed one of the enemy and held the others down in their position, he enabled the rest of his squad to work its way around one flank where it destroyed the enemy emplacement. While participating in the action, Private Burns was mortally wounded. His heroic self-sacrifice and untiring devotion

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to duty are worthy of the highest praise. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Robert G. Burns (Mother), Route #1, Jonesville, South Carolina. Entered military service from Jonesville, South Carolina.

Damon L. Minton, 35 827 210, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 22nd Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 March 1945 in the Hardt Mountains, France. During the advance through the Hardt Mountains, Private Minton repeatedly exposed himself to heavy machine gun and small arms fire to find the best location from which his machine gun could lay down a base of fire to neutralize enemy positions and cover the advance of troops. After successfully protecting an assault on an enemy machine gun emplacement and a command post, he was moving forward toward a hill position, when he came under sniper fire and was mortally wounded. By his outstanding bravery and self-sacrifice, Private Minton enabled his Company to crush the enemy defenses. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Eltie L. Minton (wife), Peonie Route, C/O Doll Elmore, Clarkson, Kentucky. Entered military service from Clarkson, Kentucky.

Franklin W. Van Nest, 37 068 115, Private, Infantry, Company L, 22nd Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 January 1945 near Neuberg, France. Private Van Nest was a member of a night patrol whose mission it was to halt enemy infiltration and re-establish the Battalion main line of resistance. When contact was made with the enemy, the patrol was subjected to intense mortar and small arms fire, in the course of which Private Van Nest was wounded twice. Declining to be evacuated for medical treatment, he remained at his position, firing his automatic rifle so effectively that he inflicted several casualties on the enemy until he was hit a third time by a mortar fragment and mortally wounded. By the sacrifice of his life, he enabled his patrol to complete its mission. Name and address of nearest relative: Vera E. Van Nest (Wife), 405 Lincoln Avenue, Alameda, California. Entered military service from Alameda, California.

11. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, it is mandated, the Silver Star is awarded to:

Markins R. Blair, 14 046 227, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 14 March 1945 near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. When his company was held up by enemy resistance, Private Blair crossed a road and an open area swept by heavy hostile fire to reach several wounded men. He remained with them until litter bearers arrived. By his courage and disregard of his own safety, Private Blair was instrumental in saving several fellow soldiers from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Memphis, Tennessee.

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Eddie Burt, Jr., 34 478 758, Private, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 3 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. Private Burt was covering the advance toward the Main River with a machine gun when an enemy anti-aircraft gun began to spray the area with shrapnel. Although wounded by the hostile fire, Private Burt refused to seek cover, turning his fire upon the enemy gun until he put it out of action. Only then did he submit to medical attention. By his outstanding courage and devotion to duty, Private Burt enabled his company to continue its advance. Entered military service from Charleston, Mississippi.

ARCID W. BUSHCHER, OI 312 315, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945, at Lichtenberg, France. While moving forward to take command of a platoon that had been held up in an enemy mine field, Lieutenant Bushcher stepped on a mine, despite a painful injury to his leg, he continued forward to reach the platoon and lead the attack, remaining with his men and refusing to be evacuated during the entire offensive through the Harat Mountains and the Sigfried Line. His courageous leadership and unflinching devotion to duty were an inspiration to his men and were important factors in the successful accomplishments of his regiment. Entered military service from Topeka, Kansas.

WILLIAM CORSON, O 306 442, Captain, Infantry, Company A, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 January 1945, near Batten, France. When the right of his Company was overrun by a superior enemy force and a strong counterattack failed to restore the line, Captain Corson commanded a tank destroyer and directed it to the threatened point. Mounted on the destroyer and exposed to intense hostile fire, he directed its fire into one enemy-held building after another until the Germans were driven out and the line restored. Captain Corson then moved to the left of his Company, where a violent enemy attack had developed, and personally led his troops in fighting off this new threat until he was severely wounded and captured. His outstanding courage and leadership resulted in delaying the enemy until reinforcements arrived. Entered military service from Zionsville, Ohio.

WICKEY G. W. CUSTER, O 247 445, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 January 1945 near St. Amand, France. Answering a radio call for assistance from two platoons of his Battalion which were completely surrounded by the enemy, Colonel Custer organized a small force of three light tanks, two armored cars and twenty infantrymen. Personally leading the attack against such superior enemy force and in the face of German automatic weapons, small arms and rocket launcher fire, Colonel Custer so employed his small force that the enemy was completely routed, the two platoons rescued and the town of St. Amand retaken. Approximately forty of the enemy were killed and 100 taken prisoner. The conspicuous gallantry and leadership displayed by Colonel Custer exemplify the finest traditions of the service. Entered military service from Monroe, Michigan.

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WARRIN C. DUNN, O 552 026, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 13 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. When his platoon was held up by enemy machine gun and rocket launcher fire, Lieutenant Dunn leaped to his feet and led his men forward into the heavy hostile fire. As a result of his act the enemy emplacements were overrun, two machine guns and a rocket launcher were destroyed and several enemy killed. Continuing the attack under Lieutenant Dunn's inspiring leadership, his platoon breached the enemy defenses, captured an oil station, a company command post and the enemy company commander. By his outstanding courage and determination, Lieutenant Dunn enabled his Battalion to capture its objective. Entered military service from Hollywood, California.

Beverly M. Griffin, 33 451 060, Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 13 January 1945, near Puntzenheim, France. Sergeant Griffin, leader of a heavy machine gun squad, was defending a pillbox in the Maginot Line when a German patrol was observed approaching the position on a side from which it was not possible to fire. Sergeant Griffin immediately volunteered to leave the pillbox and set up his machine gun on the top, in full view of the enemy. While setting up the gun he was the target for enemy fire, but he persisted in his efforts and soon brought rapid and accurate fire on the attacking Germans. By his courage and devotion to duty he repulsed the enemy attack, killing four men and forcing the remaining sixteen to surrender. Entered military service from Chevy Chase, Maryland.

William A. Grunwald, 36 655 316, Staff Sergeant, (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 2 April 1945, near Schollbrunn, Germany. When his company was held up by enemy machine gun fire from a woods, Sergeant Grunwald, second leader, led a patrol into the woods toward the hostile positions until it drew fire from an enemy machine gun. Ordering his men to take cover on either side of a road, Sergeant Grunwald, armed only with his rifle, advanced toward the enemy gun. When he was fired upon he returned the fire with his rifle and continued to advance. One of the machine gunners was wounded by his fire and the remaining two surrendered. By his courage and devotion to duty his company was able to continue its advance without casualties. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

W. ROLD H. HOUSER, O1 232 775, Captain, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 5-6 January 1945, at Stettin, France. Defending Stettin with two platoons, Captain Houser held off an enemy force of approximately 200 during eight hours of continuous combat, fearlessly moving from position to position inspiring his men to fighting against overwhelming odds. Finally, finding his unit surrounded, Captain Houser broke through the German ring, and gathered together a force of tanks, armored cars and infantry. With this force he drove off the enemy and captured the town and effected the rescue of his troops. Entered military service from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

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David M. Ianni, 42 C22 005, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry, for gallantry in action on 18 January 1945, near Sossenheim Woods, France. As medical aid man, corporal Ianni voluntarily advanced across an open field through intense enemy fire to administer first aid to two wounded men. After reaching the men and treating their wounds, Corporal Ianni returned through sniper, artillery and mortar fire, guided litter bearers to the wounded men and supervised their evacuation. During this entire time the area was subjected to heavy artillery fire. By his courage and devotion to duty he saved two fellow soldiers from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Batavia, New York.

Anthony Iannucilli, 31 385 873, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 3 April 1945 in Wurzburg, Germany. During the attack in the City of Wurzburg, Sergeant Iannucilli's platoon was held up by enemy panzerfaust fire that was banked off the wall of a concrete building in such a way that none of the enemy were exposed. Leading one of his squads, Sergeant Iannucilli worked his way to the far side of the building where fragmentation grenades were thrown through the windows. When it was discovered that the Germans were protected by an intervening wall, Sergeant Iannucilli, although wounded by a rocket fragment, reached a corner of the building and threw two white phosphorous grenades into the room by banking them off the wall in the same manner as the panzerfaust had been fired. By his courageous action two of the enemy were killed and the building set on fire, forcing the remaining fifteen Germans to surrender, and eliminating a strong enemy position. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

Mike M. Morales, 39 702 213, Technician Fourth Grade, (then Private First Class), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 January 1945, near Leuberg, France. Private Morales made his way to a building under heavy fire, administered first aid to four men, and remained to give proper treatment to one of the men to whom he had applied a tourniquet. Remaining at his post all night despite a heavy shelling, during which the roof of the building was blown off, Private Morales left only when assistance arrived to care for his patient. His outstanding courage and devotion to duty resulted in saving the life of a fellow soldier. Entered military service from Covina, California.

Albert B. Moshier, 32 575 621, Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 20 March 1945 near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. When his company was subjected to heavy enemy fire, Sergeant Moshier, a squad leader, volunteered to cover its withdrawal to positions where it could reorganize for a counter-attack. Deliberately exposing himself to draw enemy fire upon himself, Sergeant Moshier hurled grenades at enemy positions and laid down rapid and accurate rifle fire. Not until all men of the company had withdrawn did he attempt to reach his own lines. He was unable to return, however and was taken prisoner. By his courage and devotion to duty he enabled his company to withdraw to covered positions and prepare a successful attack. Entered military service from Albany, New York.

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Charles J. Palmeri, 42 096 601, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 8 April 1945, near Bucholl, Germany. In the initial burst of enemy fire during the attack by his company on Bucholl, a member of the leading element was wounded. Private Palmeri, leader of an automatic rifle team, left cover, braved the intense enemy fire and carried the wounded man to safety. Volunteering to accompany a tank destroyer, Private Palmeri and his automatic rifleman then left cover to protect maneuvering elements of their platoon. Observing a medical aid man fall wounded, he again left the cover of the tank destroyer and returned with the wounded man. By his outstanding courage and disregard for his own safety, Private Palmeri saved two fellow soldiers from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

Clyde Pickrell, 34 678 830, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 10 March 1945, near Wildenguth, France. Sergeant Pickrell was a member of a combat patrol that was attacked by a strong enemy force. Remaining behind with one squad under intense hostile fire, he silenced one enemy machine gun with hand grenades, and then exchanged grenades with German snipers who fired at him from the flank. When the squad withdrew, Sergeant Pickrell covered the movement with his rifle. Before he could withdraw himself, he was hit and wounded and has been reported as missing in action. By his outstanding courage and devotion to duty, Sergeant Pickrell enabled his squad to cover the patrol's withdrawal. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Clyde Pickrell, (wife), 402 Vance Street, Kannapolis, North Carolina. Entered military service from Kannapolis, North Carolina.

David E. Steele, 15 359 752, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 April 1945, near Wockenrot, Germany. When the platoon in which Private Steele was a driver was ambushed, the cross-fire of two machine guns was concentrated on his jeep. Knowing that the heavy machine gun mounted on his vehicle was badly needed in the fight, he remained at the wheel, clearly silhouetted against a burning building, and maneuvered his jeep into a position from which his gun could be brought to bear on the enemy. In the course of this act, Private Steele was wounded four times. His courage and disregard for his own safety enabled his platoon to make use of its most effective weapon in extricating itself from the ambush. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Indiana.

John J. Strack, 37 631 836, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 23 April 1945, near Dohlingen, Germany: As platoon leader, Sergeant Strack led his platoon through heavy enemy fire in the attack on Dohlingen after he had been wounded in the "hot." On reaching the outskirts of the town he was wounded again, but continued to direct the advance until loss of blood necessitated his evacuation. By his outstanding courage and devotion to duty, Sergeant Strack was responsible for the capture of the town and the capture of numerous prisoners. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

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Theodore H. Swayne, Jr., 32 113 081, Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945, in the Harz Mountains, France. During the attack on Hill 384, the squad led by Sergeant Swayne was held up by fire from an enemy rocket launcher. Sergeant Swayne located the weapon, worked his way forward until he came within range, and put it out of action with a hand grenade. His squad then overran the position and continued its advance. By his outstanding courage and devotion to duty, Sergeant Swayne played a major part in the capture of the objective. Entered military service from Westchester County, New York.

Lyman J. Telfer, 36 292 054, Technician Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 25 April 1945, near Unterbach, Germany. When the rifle company to which his heavy machine gun platoon was attached was held up by intense enemy fire and its company commander killed, Sergeant Telfer led his platoon into position in anticipation of an enemy counterattack. He then advanced to reconnoiter for more favorable positions and, though shot through the face, completed his reconnaissance, led his platoon into the new positions and refused evacuation until the following morning. By his outstanding courage and leadership Sergeant Telfer enabled his platoon to complete its assigned mission. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

William H. Wise, 14 091 691, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 13 April 1945, near Dabendorf, Germany. Leading a motorized patrol into town, the vehicle in which Sergeant Wise, a squad leader, was riding encountered an advancing German tank which opened fire with its machine guns. Leaping to cover, Sergeant Wise discovered an enemy panzerfaust beside the road and, although he had never fired the weapon, he directed it at the tank and destroyed it. With his rifle he then killed three enemy in dug-in positions. Directing his men to take cover in a nearby house, he withdrew under heavy enemy fire to one of his vehicles and obtained a radio. While one of his men carried the radio forward to the remainder of the squad, Sergeant Wise provided covering fire for him and killed two enemy. By his courage and devotion to duty, he destroyed a tank and five Germans and radioed for reinforcements who later captured 80 enemy. Entered military service from Selma, Alabama.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

BURNS BELL,  
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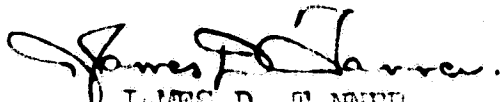
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NUMBER 123)

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal (Posthumous)..... I  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal..... II  
Award of the **First Oak Leaf Cluster** to the Bronze Star Medal ..... III  
Award of the Soldiers Medal..... IV

I. **AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS)** ..By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to:

George Bohacik Jr., 36 981 605, Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 242nd Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Althorn, France. While his platoon was crossing an enemy minefield, Sergeant Bohacik observed a sniper firing on an aid man and the casualties he was treating. Running out into the open, Sergeant Bohacik neutralized the sniper with a phosphorous grenade and then, despite a wound in his arm, crawled back to direct the fire of his men. Later in the day he was mortally wounded. By his courage and aggressiveness, Sergeant Bohacik enabled several fellow soldiers to receive medical aid. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Eva Bohacik (Mother), 230 Campbell, River Rouge, Michigan. Entered military service from River Rouge, Michigan.

Jerry J. Henry, 32 602 624, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 242nd Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Althorn, France. When several members of his squad were wounded in an enemy mine field Private Henry voluntarily entered the field under heavy small arms and mortar fire to aid the injured men. While so doing he stepped on a mine and fell on a second mine, receiving wounds from which he died. His courageous effort to save a fellow soldier exemplifies the highest traditions of the service. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Callie I. Henry, (Mother), Box 385, Greenbrier, Arkansas. Entered military service from Greenbrier, Arkansas.

II. **AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**...By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

George I. Andersen, 36 979 523, Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company E, 232nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945 in Wurzburg, Germany. With his platoon held up by heavy enemy fire, Private Andersen, a rifleman, crawled one hundred yards with his assistant squad leader under sniper fire in an effort to outflank the German defenses. Private Andersen dashed across an open area and killed two Germans who were protecting the hostile flank. Forced by intense fire to withdraw, he poured such accurate fire into the enemy positions that his platoon was able to advance. By his courage and devotion to duty he saved his platoon from casualties and enabled it to capture seventy prisoners. Entered military service from Waukensha, Wisconsin.

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Alanzo F. Betts, 38 541 994, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Cavalry, 42nd Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, in Alt, Germany. Sergeant Betts dismounted to lead a patrol through the town of Alt, when the vehicles following him were fired upon by two enemy machine guns and a panzerfaust causing the jeep to be abandoned. Crawling forward alone, Sergeant Betts reached the vehicle and, although he became the target for numerous enemy hand grenades, drove it to safety. His courage and determination resulted in saving valuable public property. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

John W. Birchall, 36 533 519, Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 232nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. With his platoon held up by heavy enemy fire, Sergeant Birchall, an assistant squad leader, crawled one hundred yards with a member of his squad under sniper fire in an effort to outflank German defenses. Sergeant Birchall dashed across an open area and killed two Germans who were protecting the hostile flank. Forced by intense fire to withdraw, he poured such accurate fire into the enemy positions that his platoon was able to advance. By his courage and devotion to duty he saved his platoon from casualties and enabled it to capture seventy prisoners. Entered military service from Fernalda, Washington.

Raymond L. Bolmes, 36 825 301, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company L, 242nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Althorn, France. After Private Bolmes had safely crossed an enemy minefield several of his squad were injured by exploding mines. Holding an exposed position on the edge of the field, he opened fire on enemy snipers, keeping them in check while engineers and litter bearers removed the wounded and cleared the field. By his courage and determination, Private Bolmes was instrumental in saving several fellow soldiers from possible death. Entered military service from Racine, Wisconsin.

William P. Brazelton, 34 635 374, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 222nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 15 March 1945, in the Hardey Mountains, France. As a member of a machine gun crew, Private Brazelton exposed himself to place fire on an enemy machine gun emplacement. After neutralizing the hostile position, Private Brazelton's crew brought the fire of their gun on a German panzerfaust team and several riflemen entrenched in higher ground. Through Private Brazelton's courage and aggressive action the enemy were held in check and our rifle troops advanced to overrun the hostile positions. Entered military service from Tupelo, Mississippi.

Richard L. Brown, 38 687 954, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 232nd Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945 in Wurzburg, Germany. When his radio would not operate in the city streets, Private Brown carried messages on foot through heavy sniper fire from his Company Commander to platoon leaders and the Battalion Command Post. Many times he went under fire over unknown routes and without protective fire, in every case delivering the message promptly. On one occasion he went to the assistance of a medical aid man who was treating a wounded soldier and under intense fire, helped remove the man to cover. His courage and devotion to duty played an important part in the capture of the city. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

Anthony S. Chmura, 36 462 684, Private, Infantry, Company D, 232nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 January 1945 near Roschweg, France. While his machine gun covered the withdrawal of a rifle platoon Private Chmura moved through heavy fire to supply the gun with ammunition. When the enemy approached his position he covered the crew with his carbine and hand grenades,

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enabling the gun to continue firing. By his courage and devotion to duty, Private Chumra assisted the patrol to complete its mission. Entered military service from Suffield, Connecticut.

James A. Derry, 33 732 194, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945 near Hatten and Rittershoffen, France. While two German divisions were attacking the towns of Hatten and Rittershoffen, Corporal Derry, a driver of a quarter-ton truck, made four trips between the two towns under heavy artillery and mortar fire. On one trip Corporal Derry transferred a number of fused anti-tank mines from Rittershoffen to Hatten in time for them to be used to stop a tank attack. On the way he drove in front of enemy tanks and received several holes in his vehicle from shell fragments. Finally he drove to Hatten left his truck under cover, crawled forward to meet the regimental commander and then drove him to Rittershoffen. By his courage and devotion to duty he contributed effectively to the defense of the two towns. Entered military service from Woodsboro, Maryland.

Virgil R. Detert, 36 298 632, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 6 April 1945 near Obbach, Germany. When the tank destroyer of which he was gun commander was ambushed by a large force of SS Troops, Sergeant Detert exposed himself to the enemy fire to man the turret machine gun. Holding back the enemy until riflemen riding on his destroyer had dismounted, he moved the vehicle forward and demolished two German machine gun nests with his 90 mm gun. His courageous action under heavy fire eliminated the ambush and disclosed the enemy positions to the Infantry, which then advanced. Entered military service from Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin.

Frank R. Dufala, 13 201 276, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 March 1945, near Willemuth, Alsace, France. As runner with a combat patrol, Private Dufala assisted in capturing two prisoners in an enemy forward artillery observer's post. Returning, the patrol encountered a strong enemy force and Private Dufala took an exposed position to cover the withdrawal of the patrol, retiring only when ordered to do so. His courage and devotion to duty were instrumental in enabling the patrol to withdraw. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Carl C. Eagle, 37 782 069, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 15 March 1945, in Reipertwiller, France. As ammunition bearer, Private Eagle advanced under intense enemy fire through a heavily mined and booby-trapped area to a position in sight of his machine gun squad's objective. He then carried ammunition to the gun, enabling it to hold up the enemy and permit the advance of rifle troops. By his courage and devotion to duty, Private Eagle was instrumental in supporting the effort which broke the hostile main line of resistance. Entered military service from Hunnington, West Virginia.

Thomas P. Earhart, 13 058 814, Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery A, 1st Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945 near Obersteinbach, Germany. When Sergeant Earhart's position was subjected to intense enemy mortar fire one of his machine gunners was wounded. Sergeant Earhart evacuated the man to a slit-trench and rendered first aid, then returned through enemy fire to his gun position and resumed command. His courage and prompt action were responsible for saving a fellow soldier from possible death. Entered military service from Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

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Thomas J. Gorni, 32 938 447, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company C, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945 near Oberndorf, Germany. During the assault on Oberndorf, Germany, the Third Battalion, 242nd Infantry, was held up by enemy mortars and well fortified machine guns. Corporal Gorni, Gunner of a Tank Destroyer crew, by rapid and accurate fire silenced the enemy gun after the other while the Tank Destroyer maneuvered through heavy enemy fire, until the enemy strong point was destroyed. His courageous and determined action enabled the Infantry to continue its advance and take the town. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.

Robert A. Graves, 39 161 790, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, Company E, 242d Infantry, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945, near Sturselbrunn, France. Sergeant Graves entered an uncleared mountain area to give medical treatment to seventeen wounded men. In spite of heavy artillery and mortar fire, he remained with the men more than eight hours, caring for them until morning, when they could be evacuated. By his courage and devotion to duty, Sergeant Graves saved a number of fellow soldiers from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Long Beach, California.

Herbert C. Hehl, 36 931 316, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 222nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 10 April 1945 near Wildenruth, Alsace, France. When a combat patrol returning to its own lines was attacked by a strong enemy force, an automatic rifleman was wounded in the head. Private Hehl, his assistant, continued an effective fire on the enemy, who were throwing hand grenades, and upon being ordered to withdraw, assisted the gunner to safety. His courage and devotion to duty enabled the patrol to withdraw and saved a fellow soldier from death or capture. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Virgil I. Hixson, 36 979 351, Private, Infantry, Company A, 232nd Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945, near Drusenheim, France. Private Hixson was occupying a forward observation post with his squad when their ammunition was nearly expended. Exposing himself to heavy fire, he left his foxhole and crawled a hundred yards for ammunition, enabling his squad to continue holding off the enemy. By his courage and devotion to duty, Private Hixson prevented possible loss of an important observation post. Entered military service from Lansing, Michigan.

Allen C. King, 38 652 645, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232nd Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945 at Uterbach, Germany. When a reconnaissance patrol met heavy enemy resistance, Private King, a machine gun squad leader, went forward under sniper fire, selected a site for his machine gun, and guided his squad into position. Private King then directed accurate fire on the enemy, enabling the patrol to continue on its mission and from the same exposed positions he supported a successful attack by riflemen on Uterbach. His courage and devotion to duty enabled the reconnaissance platoon to advance without casualties and contributed to the capture of the town. Entered military service from Harrisburg, Louisiana.

Joseph Laudicina, 32 188 501, Corporal, Battery D, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, on 26 April 1945, near Schaffstall, Germany. Delayed in crossing the Danube River by intense German artillery fire, Corporal Laudicina saw a man in his section wounded by an air burst. Despite the heavy enemy fire, Corporal Laudicina left his foxhole and aided in the evacuation of the wounded soldier. His courage and devotion to duty resulted in saving a fellow soldier from possible death or capture. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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Clarence Levasque, 31 282 157, Private First Class, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery D, 431st Anti-aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 near Schaffstall, Germany. When Private Levasque observed a man wounded by an airburst, he immediately left his foxhole and administered first aid. Then, under intense enemy fire, he assisted in evacuating the wounded man. By his courage and prompt action, Private Levasque was instrumental in saving the life of a fellow soldier. Entered military service from Frankfort, Maine.

Michael J. Matarazzo, 33 699 053, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 222nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 15 March 1945, in the Harth Mountains, Germany. As a member of a machine gun crew, Private Matarazzo exposed himself to place fire on an enemy machine gun emplacement. After neutralizing the hostile position, Private Matarazzo's crew brought the fire of their gun on a German panzerfaust team and several riflemen entrenched on higher ground. Through Private Matarazzo's courage and aggressive action the enemy were held back and our rifle troops advanced to overrun the hostile positions. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Harold L. Merchant, 31 254 303, Private, Field Artillery, Company B, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, on 29 April 1945, near Dantling, Germany. When his company was held up by a mine field in which one vehicle had been destroyed and three men injured, Private Merchant volunteered to drive his tank destroyer through the field. By expert driving he succeeded in crossing the area, overrunning the enemy and cutting off their retreat. His courage and disregard for his own safety enabled his company to get to the assistance of rifle troops which had met determined opposition. Entered military service from Williston, Vermont.

Rudolph R. Miller, 34 788 215, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 15 March 1945, at Althorn, France. While serving as a commander in an anti-tank platoon, Private Miller volunteered to enter an enemy minefield under heavy mortar and small arms fire to help evacuate several wounded men. After entering the field, Private Miller stepped on a Schu-mine and was seriously wounded. His courage and devotion to duty exemplified the finest traditions of the service. Entered military service from Miami, Florida.

William F. Gallorini, 31 460 736, Private, Field Artillery, Company C, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945 near Oberndorf, Germany. During the assault on Oberndorf, Germany, the Third Battalion, 242nd Infantry, was held up by enemy mortars and well fortified machine guns. Private Gallorini, Commander of a tank destroyer crew, by rapid and accurate fire silenced the enemy gun after the other while the tank destroyer maneuvered through heavy enemy fire, until the enemy strong point was destroyed. His courageous and determined action enabled the Infantry to continue its advance and take the town. Entered military service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

JOHN H. PERKINS 02 006 932, 2d Lieutenant, Infantry, Company E, 242nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 near Berg, Germany. With his company held up temporarily by heavy machine gun and artillery fire, Lieutenant Perkins, the company commander, received an order to advance. Passing the instructions along to his platoon leaders, Lieutenant Perkins leaped to his feet in the face of the enemy fire, shouted to his men to follow him and rushed forward toward the enemy positions. By his courage and leadership he so inspired the men of his command that they immediately joined him in the attack and succeeded in taking their objective. Entered military service from Fort Pierce, Florida.

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Kenneth Richardson, 35 793 507, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Company C, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, near Oberndorf, Germany. During the assault on Oberndorf, Germany, the 3d Battalion, 242nd Infantry, was held up by enemy mortars and well fortified machine guns. Technician Fifth Grade Richardson, Driver of a Tank Destroyer by skillful driving assisted in silencing the enemy gun after the other while he maneuvered his Tank Destroyer through heavy enemy fire, until the enemy strong point was destroyed. His courage and ability were instrumental in enabling the Infantry to continue its advance and take the town. Entered military service from Somerset, Kentucky.

Arthur Rivas, 20 920 711, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 232nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 April 1945, near Dackingen, Germany. During the attack on Dackingen, Sergeant Rivas observed a number of men who had been held up by the heavy enemy fire. Urging them to follow, he led them forward to overrun two German outposts and the main line of resistance and then into the town. By his courage and leadership, Sergeant Rivas played a major role in the capture of Dackingen. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

Everett R. Robinson, 35 732 420, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company C, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion for heroic achievement on 23 April 1945 near Oberndorf, Germany. Corporal Robinson was anti-tank gunner of a tank platoon supporting an Infantry Company that was held up by heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire. When two members of his platoon went forward with the rifle company commander to locate the enemy positions, they were wounded by artillery fire. Leaving his destroyer, Corporal Robinson advanced under fire to the wounded men, administered first aid and evacuated them to cover. Returning to his destroyer, he neutralized the enemy position with fire from his 90 mm gun. By his courage and devotion to duty the Infantry was enabled to continue its advance. Entered military service from Dixon, Kentucky.

Clayton W. Rollins, 31 266 173, Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 232nd Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945 near Kronungen, Germany. As leader of a heavy machine gun squad, Sergeant Rollins was occupying a defense position with his men when he heard a wagon approaching on a nearby road. Leaving his cover he crept to the road, saw the wagon was driven by a German soldier, leaped upon it and disarmed and captured him. Later when his squad was attacked for the fourth time by an enemy patrol, Sergeant Rollins was the first to see the enemy and opened fire with his rifle and then went to his gun position and directed fire on the enemy driving them off. A short time later, an enemy soldier crept to within a few feet of his position and demanded his surrender. Instead he turned around, fired three rifle shots and seriously wounded the German. By his courage and devotion to duty he made an effective contribution to the defense of the town. Entered military service from Nashua, New Hampshire.

Harold E. Roth, 33 410 706, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company C, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945 near Oberndorf, Germany. During the assault on Oberndorf, Germany, the Third Battalion, 242nd Infantry, was held up by enemy mortars and well fortified machine guns. Private First Class Roth, Cannon crew of a Tank Destroyer crew, by accurate and rapid fire silenced the enemy gun after the other while the Tank Destroyer maneuvered through heavy enemy fire, until the enemy strong point was destroyed. His courageous and determined action enabled the Infantry to continue its advance and take the town. Entered military service from Greenville, Pennsylvania.

Don D. Snyder, 19 152 644, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232nd Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945 at Wurzburg, Germany. When his jeep, loaded with machine gun ammunition, was fired on by infiltrating enemy troops, Private Snyder fought them off with his rifle for four hours. Finally forcing himself, he re-entered his vehicle and continued driving forward with the vitally needed ammunition. By his courageous act, Private Snyder enabled his gun to continue firing in support of advancing rifle troops. Entered military service from Santa Clara, California.

EDWARD S. SUTOSKI, 02 006 923, 2d Lieutenant, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945 near Wurzburg, Germany. Lieutenant Sutoski, commander of a heavy machine gun platoon, was advancing with his platoon in support of a rifle company when the riflemen were held up by heavy enemy fire. Leading his men through the fire, Lieutenant Sutoski set up his machine guns in exposed positions and then directed such accurate fire upon the enemy that approximately two hundred surrendered. Through his courage and devotion to duty the rifle company escaped serious casualties and was able to continue its advance. Entered military service from Elmira, New York.

Edward J. Szczerba, 33 921 617, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232nd Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 16 January 1945 near Eschwege, France. While his machine gun covered the withdrawal of a rifle platoon, Private Szczerba moved through heavy fire to supply the gun with ammunition. When the enemy approached his position, he covered the crew with his carbine and hand grenades, enabling the gun to continue firing. By his courage and devotion to duty, Private Szczerba assisted the patrol to complete its mission. Entered military service from Elizabeth, Pennsylvania.

Benjamin J. Thomas, 34 948 072, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945 at Wurzburg, Germany. Wounded early in an attack by a strong enemy force armed with automatic weapons, rifles and panzerfausts, Private Thomas, member of a mortar squad, remained in his position and returned the enemy fire with his pistol. Many times during the attack Private Thomas rose from his covered position to fire at the advancing Germans and with his pistol he killed one man and wounded another. By his courage and devotion to duty he assisted in repulsing the enemy attack with heavy losses. Entered military service from Cedartown, Georgia.

Anthony C. Tots, 42 011 774, Technical Sergeant, (then Sergeant) Infantry, Company B, 242nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 26 January 1945, near Kautenhaus, France. Under enemy mortar fire in extremely cold weather, Sergeant Tots left his covered position to set up a plan of rotation for relieving the men in the foxholes and personally taking them back, one at a time, to warmth and shelter. On one trip a mortar shell wounded the man he was taking back for relief. Sergeant Tots immediately administered first aid to the wounded man and remained with him until he could be evacuated to the aid station. His courage and devotion to duty resulted in saving a fellow soldier from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Earnardsville, New Jersey.

Orthio W. Upton, 18 182 943, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 March 1945 near Wildenruth, Alsace. When the patrol he accompanied as automatic rifleman was ambushed Private Upton was wounded in the head by a mortar fragment. Despite his wound Private Upton continued to operate his weapon and refused medical assistance until he collapsed. He was then guided to an aid station. By his courage and devotion to duty, Private Upton enabled the patrol to reorganize and complete a successful withdrawal. Entered military service from Lubbock, Texas.

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Robert W. Wood, 37 603 386, Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 29th Infantry, for heroic achievement in action, on 23 April 1945, near Doekingen, Germany. When an enemy machine gun held up the advance of his Battalion, Sergeant Wood, mortar squad leader, assumed an exposed position to locate the source of fire. Despite the lack of cover and the intense hostile fire directed at his mortar, Sergeant Wood remained at his observation post directing the mortar fire on the enemy position until he knocked out the machine gun. His conspicuous leadership resulted in the elimination of the obstacle and made possible the continuation of the attack. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

William B. Zemke, 31 411 871, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 15 April 1945, at Dambach, Germany. Observing three enemy machine gun positions to fire on his squad, Private Zemke exposed himself to rocket and sniper fire, killed two of the enemy and wounded the third. He then reorganized his squad and led it boldly into town, destroying three machine gun emplacements and enabling his company to advance without further resistance. By his courage and determination, Private Zemke contributed directly to the capture of Dambach. Entered military service from Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Leo J. Zyskowski, 36 517 859, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company C, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, on 11 April 1945, near Oberndorf, Germany. During the assault on Oberndorf, Germany, the Third Battalion, 742nd Infantry, was held up by enemy mortars and well fortified machine guns. Sergeant Zyskowski, Gun Commander of a Tank Destroyer crew directed his destroyer in silencing one enemy gun after the other while maneuvering through heavy enemy fire, until the enemy strong point was destroyed. His courage and skillful leadership were instrumental in enabling the Infantry to continue its advance and take the town. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

III. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR...By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Michael G. Benedict, 36 964 083, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 22d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 January 1945, near Neuber, France. When a combat outpost encountered heavy enemy small arms fire, Private Benedict and an officer attempted to evacuate several wounded men, but due to enemy observation and lack of cover they were unable to do so. Later, under cover of darkness, Private Benedict led a rescue detail to the injured men and although intense enemy mortar fire fell around him, succeeded in bringing the men to a safe station. Private Benedict's conspicuous action and devotion to duty were responsible for saving the lives of two wounded men. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

IV. AWARD OF THE SOLDIERS MEDAL...By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Soldiers Medal is awarded to:

Joseph P. Farber, 37 578 020, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroism and involvement in conflict with the enemy on 23 January 1945 near Maréchal, France.

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When the safety pin was accidentally knocked out of a hand grenade which had fallen on the floor of a room in which there were 15 men, Private Forbear seized the grenade, raced to a doorway and threw it into a hall. Before Private Forbear could close the door or retreat back into the room, the grenade exploded and he was wounded. His heroic and prompt action saved the other men in the room from injury or death. Entered military service from Timberlake, South Dakota.

Grover C. Morris, 32 300 394, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232nd Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 17 April 1945 at Oberreichenbach, Germany. While his platoon was working to put out a fire in a barn near the regimental command post, Sergeant Morris discovered that the owner had been trapped in the loft. Without hesitation Sergeant Morris climbed the ladder to the loft and found the man nearly suffocated by smoke. After carrying the man to safety, Sergeant Morris chopped a hole in the loft, pulled the fire hose through the hole, and directed a stream of water on the fire. By his courageous act Sergeant Morris saved a man's life and extinguished the fire which threatened to destroy the Command Post. Entered military service from Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

FURNS BEALL,  
Colonel, General Staff Corps,  
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

  
JAMES D. TANNER,  
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- Award of the Bronze Star Medal (Posthumous),.....I
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I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS):.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following individual for meritorious achievement in action:

HEROLD BUGNO, 01 288 002, Captain, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 20-21 January 1945, in France. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Marie A. Bugno, (Wife), 626 East Elm, Scranton, Pennsylvania. Entered military service from Scranton, Pennsylvania.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:.....(a) By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

Harold G. Austin, Jr., 17 146 276, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

John E. Booth, 37 325 077, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Las Vegas, Nevada.

Eugene V. Boroff, 35 087 573, Private First Class, Infantry, 1st Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 15 February to 24 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sidney, Ohio.

JENNINGS F. BRYANT, 01 298 814, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January to 7 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Asheville, North Carolina.

Paul R. Buckler, 35 243 677, Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 12 January to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Brookville, Indiana.

Samuel A. Cook, Jr., 34 286 712, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Chattanooga, Tennessee.

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Coleman G. Coyne, 11 052 853, Technical Sergeant, Counter Intelligence Corps, 42d Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment, from 21 March to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

George A. Cramer, 16 174 425, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 7 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Palatine, Illinois.

DAVID M. CROWLEY, JR., 01 043 307, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery B, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, on 2 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

Michael Dombrowski, 32 538 474, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Alvin C. Whright, 33 794 296, Corporal, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 18 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chester, Pennsylvania.

Graciano A. Font, 32 188 132, Corporal, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery D, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, (Mobile), from 8 April 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Peter Goff, 33 949 502, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Aliquippa, Pennsylvania.

GEORGE R. HAYMAN, 036 576, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from West Point, New York.

Sherman A. Isham, 31 026 176, Private First Class, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery A, 431st Anti-aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, on 19 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Dalton, New Hampshire.

Seig Reid Kahn, 34 990 706, Corporal, Counter Intelligence Corps, 42d Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment, from 22 April 1945 to 25 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Nashville, Tennessee.

CARL G. KAFLANOFF, 01 053 665, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, 42d Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment from 22 April to 25 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

Raymond F. Knodel, 37 704 795, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2nd Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bathune, Colorado.

Craig J. Lake, 39 918 902, Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 1 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Burley, Idaho.

Andy J. Mann, 38 693 826, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Sulphur, Oklahoma.

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Harold W. McGhee, 38 471 110, Private First Class, Infantry, 1st Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 15 February to 24 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

JAMES H. MICHAEL, 01 055 671, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

Ernest M. Miles, 51 351 282, Staff Sergeant, (then Private First Class) Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 9 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Burnham, Maine.

Robert R. Monson, 32 482 661, Technical Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January to 24 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Audubon, New Jersey.

Alfred Nolan, 35 840 826, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 1 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Castle Dale, Utah.

George J. Oriani, 32 511 320, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 January to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Middletown, New York.

Robert Perelman, 17 079 044, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 19 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Omaha, Nebraska.

Robert B. Ridley, 33 161 295, Private First Class, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery B, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, on 23 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from McAdoo Rocks, Pennsylvania.

Rudolph Sajdak, 36 845 510, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Mason, Wisconsin.

Wilbur E. Snyder, 36 979 768, Technician Fifth Grade, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 January to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Traverse City, Michigan.

Raymond Srock, 13 021 585, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Anti-Tank company, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 10 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Odenton, Maryland.

Patsy J. Staffiera, 32 508 187, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 January to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Tarrytown, New York.

Ruben L. Stanford, 34 837 624, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Lewman, Georgia.

James F. Strickland, 34 947 753, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Homerville, Georgia.

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Richard H. Thomas, 13 058 815, Private, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery B, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, on 28 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

Arial L. Veard, 38 486 784, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company L, 252d Infantry Regiment, from 16 January to 19 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Alexandria, Louisiana.

Harvey S. Whittenberg, 18 074 819, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery B, 431st Anti-aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, on 2 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Midland, Texas.

Jacob E. Wilkinson, 34 202 554, Private, Coast Artillery Corps, 431st Anti-aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, on 2 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Palatka, Florida.

(b) By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

Robert C. Banta, 37 523 548, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France, and Germany. Entered military service from Tempe, Arizona.

Edward M. Bentson, 36 220 087, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery A, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 15 March 1945 and from 31 March 1945 to 17 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ladford, Wisconsin.

HEROLD E. BORGER, O 336 564, Major, Field Artillery, Headquarters 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February to 28 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Scotch Plains, New Jersey.

GEORGE M. DAVIS, O 254 702, Lieutenant Colonel, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters, 431st Anti-aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, (Mobile), from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive in France and Germany. Entered military service from Richmond, Virginia.

Mark C. Dengler, 13 067 222, Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery B, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Benjamin R. Dobish, 12 033 059, First Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 21 January to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Lester G. Frankie, 36 852 717, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 March to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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Stanley C. Godlewski, 33 160 824, Staff Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery B, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, (Mobile), from 15 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Warrendale, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT G. HAUPTELEFICH, 01 181 903, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Infantry Division Artillery, from 13 March to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Waterloo, Illinois.

Axel B. Kjolhede, 36 197 951, Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery B, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 12 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Grant, Michigan.

Morris Krantz, 32 089 106, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 13 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Frank P. Kusy, 31 118 775, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery A, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, (Mobile), from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

GEORGE J. LAHEY, 01 055 060, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery A, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

William C. Lawson, 37 121 834, Technical Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Omaha, Nebraska.

CHARLES H. LEMMAN, 02 055 535, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery B, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Whitmire, South Carolina.

Paul W. Lepkowski, 32 038 277, Technical Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 19 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Niagara, New York.

ARTHUR G. MEY, 0 361 119, Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery A, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

JAMES T. McANDREW, JR., 0 462 590, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 28 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jacksonville, Florida.

JOHN J. MULLINS, 0 316 530, First Lieutenant, Corps Military Police, Military Government Detachment, 11163, from 31 January 1945 to 27 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

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Charles F. Neptune, Jr., 35 632 719, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Coshocton, Ohio.

HERMAN A. NOTHEIS, JR., 01 050 025, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery D, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 30 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

EARL W. RATHUSCH, 01 180 674, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Infantry Division Artillery, from 15 March to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Independence, Iowa.

William H. Schafer 33 121 100, Technician Fourth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery A, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Utica, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM E. SMITH, 01 112 989, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 3 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Missoula, Montana.

James A. Taylor, 35 137 178, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Oak Hill, Ohio.

WALTER B. TERRY, 0 354 836, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bernardsville, New Jersey.

KENNETH C. VANCE, 01 638 715, Captain, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lawrence, Tennessee.

Like Wally 33 018 556, Corporal, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery B, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion from 15 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Clune, Pennsylvania.

III. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:- (a) By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

Austin F. Hunter, 34 427 676, Private First Class, Infantry, 1st Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 15 February to 24 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Jay C. Kris, 17 078 546, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January to 25 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Lincoln, Nebraska.

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THEODORE MACK, O1 284 727, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March to 23 March 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Birmingham, Michigan.

(b) By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy:

Charles H. Mullen, 35 335 069, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 20 January 1945 to 19 March 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Akron, Ohio.

WILLIAM B. SMITH, O1 112 989, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineer, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, from 6 April 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Missoula, Montana.

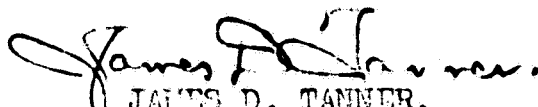
IV. REVOCATIONS:--.....So much of General Orders Number 32, this headquarters, dated 22 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Roger O. Baker, 1P 121 421, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

So much of Section II, ~~General Orders Number 126~~, this headquarters, dated 21 July 1945, as ~~pertains to the awarding of the Medical Badge to officers and enlisted men of the Medical Detachment, Headquarters 42d Division Artillery~~, is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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NUMBER 126) ORIGINAL ORDER 21 July 1945.

Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....I  
Award of the Medical Badge.....II  
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I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Harold C. Hickey, SS 420 997, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 January 1945, near Aunheim, France. When thirty enemy armed with automatic weapons were observed on the right flank of his company zone, Sergeant Hickey, Mortar Squad Leader, was given the mission of deploying his squad in support of that flank. With complete disregard for his own safety, in the face of heavy enemy fire, Sergeant Hickey deployed his squad into protected positions while he remained exposed, observing and correcting his fire until it forced the enemy into disorganized retreat. By his courage and determination, Sergeant Hickey relieved a dangerous threat to the Company flank and broke up an enemy attack. Entered military service from Beaumont, Texas.

II. AWARD OF THE MEDICAL BADGE:-----Pursuant to the authority contained in Section II, War Department Circular 66, dated 1 March 1945 and 2d Indorsement, Headquarters Third U S Army, AG 200.6 (7 Jun) GMPGA-4, dated 27 June 1945 to letter Hq ETOUSA, AG 200.6/1 MPDGA, subject: Medical Badge, dated 7 June 1945, the following named enlisted men, from units indicated, are awarded the Medical Badge:

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
SMIT	CARVER, SAMUEL J.	01 694 331 (DC)	Med Det, Hq 42d Div Arty	16 Feb 1945
CAPT	CHESNUT, PAUL F.	01 700 374 (MC)	Med Det, Hq 42d Div Arty	16 Feb 1945
T Sgt	Nation, James C.	16 002 509	Med Det, Hq 42d Div Arty	16 Feb 1945
S Sgt	Albert, Rudolph S.	32 573 007	Med Det, Hq 42d Div Arty	16 Feb 1945
Tec 4	Johnson, Edwin E.	31 249 968	Med Det, Hq 42d Div Arty	16 Feb 1945
Tec 5	Vogel, Russell F.	36 060 160	Med Det, Hq 42d Div Arty	16 Feb 1945
Tec 5	Marshall, Gerald P.	6 814 987	Med Det, Hq 42d Div Arty	16 Feb 1945
Tec 5	Indoff, Aaron J.	32 998 349	Med Det, Hq 42d Div Arty	16 Feb 1945

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<u>GR. DE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
Pfc	Mitchell, Claude P.	38 602 511	Med Det, Hq 42d Div Arty	16 Feb 1945
Tec 4	Hinchey, Floyd W.	33 208 642	Med Det, 692d TD Bn	20 Apr 1945
Tec 5	Christy, Vernon	39 390 418	Med Det, 692d TD Bn	20 Apr 1945
Tec 5	Marshall, Dale	35 503 511	Med Det, 692d TD Bn	20 Apr 1945
Tec 5	Walters, Ralph D.	35 364 890	Med Det, 692d TD Bn	20 Apr 1945
Pfc	Dean, Garland	38 212 373	Med Det, 692d TD Bn	20 Apr 1945
Pfc	Johnstone, Robert M.	31 115 670	Med Det, 692d TD Bn	20 Apr 1945
Pfc	Mullen, Charles H.	55 335 069	Med Det, 692d TD Bn	20 Apr 1945
Pfc	Shaw, William M.	35 583 592	Med Det, 692d TD Bn	20 Apr 1945
Pfc	Young, Daniel H.	34 165 965	Med Det, 692d TD Bn	20 Apr 1945
Pfc	Zushke, William H.	38 219 374	Med Det, 692d TD Bn	20 Apr 1945

III. REVOCATIONS:--.....So much of General Orders Number 70, this headquarters, dated 24 May 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Keith C. DeWyke, 37 531 416, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

So much of General Orders Number 70, this headquarters, dated 24 May 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Lester O. Edlund, 37 518 137, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

So much of General Orders Number 37, this headquarters, dated 24 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Staff Sergeant Gilbert W. Fall, 35 402 729, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

BURNS BEALL,  
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ORIGINAL ORDER 3 444

Award of the Bronze Star Medal ..... I  
Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal ..... II

I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL...By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

Auston M. Adams, 35 698 733, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Shelbyville, Kentucky.

Henry J. Andrzejewski, 35 098 099, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company A, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from La Porte, Indiana.

JAMES M. BAGLEY, 01 185 721, 2d Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 232nd Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 22 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Duluth, Minnesota.

Walter E. Banta, 32 430 073, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Elton J. Conn, 36 606 218, Private, Field Artillery, Company A, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Highland Park, Illinois.

Marvin E. Critz, 34 871 398, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232nd Infantry, 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Starkville, Mississippi.

George A. Dahl, R3 126 380, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, 4-5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

JAMES A. DEANE, 0 379 965, Major, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 1 April 1945 to 4 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Bradenton, Florida.

Harold M. Gardner, 37 696 930, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Wellman, Iowa.

Walter J. Grissim, 34 913 228, Private First Class, Infantry, Company N, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 1 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Mt. Juliet, Tennessee.

William G. Hilliard, 6 287 513, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Little Rock, Arkansas.

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Fleming F. Lee, 33 753 974, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Washington, District of Columbia.

Warren N. Lindley, 37 654 908, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Company A, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 28 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Eugene M. Majewski, 36 114 340, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Company D, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Corroll D. Malcy, 38 135 492, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Company A, 692nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Hamilton, Texas.

Eli D. Micu, 35 839 208, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company K, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 17 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from East Chicago, Indiana.

Albert A. Munoz, 38 677 612, Staff Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company C, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 1 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Rio Grande City, Texas.

William E. De Pelecyn, 36 345 548, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 1 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Racine, Wisconsin.

Wilfred L. Rohan, 17 122 156, Corporal, Infantry, Company M, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 18 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Grove Coeur, Mo.

Irwin A. Rosenwieg, 32 806 002, Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Griffen B. Simmons, 37 061 054, Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 1 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from New Hope, Arkansas.

Leroy K. Smitheman, 33 794 109, Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 7 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Norwood, Pennsylvania.

Rudolph L. Sullivan, 38 351 113, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Julius Szekely, 36 966 544, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Rbert G. Tate, 37 361 046, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Glenwood Springs, Colorado.

Felix A. Tierney, 20 217 864, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

RUSSELL N. WESTER, 02 010 777, 2d Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters 2nd Battalion, 232nd Infantry Regiment, 22 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

By direction of the president under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

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Joseph A. Bianchetti, 35 001 421, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company C, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 28 October 1944 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

Joseph E. Kucewicz, 33 351 776, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 21 October 1944 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Ashly, Pennsylvania.

Joseph T. Smith, 33 012 448, Technical Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters, Company 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 29 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Adams County, Pennsylvania.

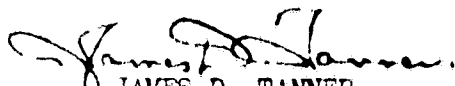
II. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL...By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

Roy F. Farmer, Jr., 34 364 845, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Clinton, Tennessee.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

Custer B. Kilpatrick, Jr., 34 678 601, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 April 1945 near Vockenrot, Germany. When his platoon was ambushed, Private Kilpatrick was wounded by a German hand grenade that struck his jeep. Attempting nevertheless to evacuate the radio operator, who had been seriously wounded, he found that the return route had been cut by the enemy. Skirting hostile positions and occupied foxholes, while the Germans concentrated heavy fire upon him, Private Kilpatrick brought his vehicle through the enemy lines. His courage and disregard for his own safety saved a fellow soldier from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina.

Peter Pavlakis, 31 385 040, Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945 in the Hardt Mountains, France. When the advance of his company was held up by heavy mortar and small arms fire, Sergeant Pavlakis led his squad down a hill toward a German machine gun position. Boldly exposing himself, he drew heavy enemy fire while his squad worked its way around the hostile emplacement to a point from which effective fire could be placed on the enemy. Sergeant Pavlakis then advanced alone toward the position and destroyed the German machine gun with a hand grenade, enabling his company to continue its advance. His courage and aggressiveness were effective contributions to the combat success of his company. Entered military service from Haverhill, Massachusetts.

Joseph F. Wood, 32 482 592, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. When his company was held up by enemy fire from well hidden snipers, Corporal Wood deliberately exposed himself to spot the enemy positions. After he had drawn the German fire, he worked his way forward of the company to a position from which he was able to definitely locate the enemy. Corporal Wood then returned and directed machine gun fire on the hostile emplacements, enabling a platoon of riflemen to attack and overrun the positions and capture forty prisoners. His outstanding courage and devotion to duty were responsible for the success of his company in completing its mission. Entered military service from Shenandoah, Pennsylvania.

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II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Andrew Balster, 20 127 791, First Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945 near Stattmatten, Germany. Discovering that a greatly superior enemy force had separated two platoons of his company and captured the unit ammunition dump, Sergeant Balster organized the few available men for defense. Cautioning his men to conserve their ammunition, he held the enemy off until the following afternoon, when he was relieved by a successful counterattack. His courage and devotion to duty insured the success of the counterattack, in which forty enemy were killed and over a hundred taken prisoner. Entered military service from Waterbury, Connecticut.

Donald J. Bartholomew, 36 678 928, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945 at Wurzburg, Germany. After an American tank destroyer had been knocked out by enemy action, Corporal Bartholomew drove his quarter-ton litter vehicle up to the burning destroyer under German sniper and automatic weapons fire from positions 150 yards away. Disregarding the heavy fire that was directed at him, he treated the wounds of two injured men and successfully evacuated them to a place of safety. By his courage and determination, Corporal Bartholomew saved two fellow soldiers from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Arcola, Illinois.

Reuben Bouza, 32 702 461, Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 4 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. When his company was encircled by the enemy, Sergeant Bouza volunteered to reconnoiter a route for vehicles to reach the position. While performing this mission he found two wounded soldiers whom he moved to safety. Despite the intensity of enemy fire, Sergeant Bouza located a suitable route and guided the supporting tanks and vehicles to the aid of his company. By his courage and determination he enabled his company to fight its way out of a critical position. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

Merlin W. Clausen, 36 363 589, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, on 24 April 1945, near Laub, Germany. When a reconnaissance patrol led by Sergeant Clausen was ambushed by six entrenched enemy armed with automatic weapons, he deployed his patrol and immediately attacked. In the ensuing fight one enemy was killed, another wounded, and the remaining four retreated to a nearby woods. Disregarding the heavy fire, Sergeant Clausen pursued and overtook them, forcing their surrender. By his courage and aggressiveness, Sergeant Clausen destroyed a strong hostile position and put six enemy out of action. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Joel L. Coffey, 34 775 446, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945, near Sessenheim, France. When the enemy attempted to overrun

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his Observation Post, Sergeant Coffey, Acting Platoon Sergeant, fought them off until his ammunition was nearly exhausted. Then with complete disregard for his own safety, he ran out across 300 yards of open terrain, swept by German automatic weapons fire, and returned with sufficient ammunition to stave off a hostile flanking movement. Sergeant Coffey then held his position until he and his men were relieved. His courage and devotion to duty enabled an important observation post to be maintained. Entered military service from Laxon, North Carolina.

Alexander P. Czeinski, 31 281 402, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, near Sessenheim, France, on 18 January 1945. Volunteering to help evacuate a wounded medical aid man, Private Czeinski and another soldier crawled through intense enemy fire to reach the man. Finding the litter damaged, Private Czeinski repaired it with his waist belt, picked up the wounded man and began the 300-yard trip back over open terrain under full observation of the enemy, arriving safely back at his company's position. His courage and determination saved a fellow soldier from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

George L. Ferris, 39 585 909, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 4 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. When a member of his company had been wounded by sniper fire at a street intersection, Private Ferris stood over the man to pin down the enemy snipers with his automatic rifle. He remained in this exposed position until a tank came up to cover the evacuation of the injured man. By his courage and determination, Private Ferris saved a fellow soldier from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Phoenix, Arizona.

Harry R. Fox, 36 978 607, Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945 near Runtzenheim, France. Stationed in a pillbox as an observer, Sergeant Fox discovered a squad of the enemy attempting to infiltrate past his position. Attempting to report this action, he found that the telephone wire to his company command post had been cut. Sergeant Fox then made his way nearly a half-mile under enemy artillery and mortar fire, repaired two breaks in the line and proceeded to his own lines and reported the German infiltration. As the result of his courageous act, the enemy patrol was routed. Entered military service from Marshall, Michigan.

Delmore N. Hait, 36 471 188, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. When his squad received a violent enemy counterattack, Private Hait came under fire of small arms and concussion grenades at a range of approximately 20 yards. Returning the fire with his automatic rifle, Private Hait remained in full view of the enemy, holding them up until his squad had withdrawn to stronger positions. His courage and determination assisted in halting a threatened enemy penetration. Entered military service from Flint, Michigan.

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Kermit W. Jones, 34 146 820, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945 near Barenthal, France. Leading a wire-laying party, Sergeant Jones came upon a heavily mined section of roadway and a partially destroyed bridge also heavily mined. Under Sergeant Jones' direction in total darkness the party neutralized the mines, removed the bridge charges and repaired the bridge sufficiently for their jeep to cross. The squad then continued to complete its wire mission. By his courage and initiative, Sergeant Jones insured the installation of communications for his Battalion. Entered military service from Lexington, Tennessee.

Edward J. Kinmet, 39 602 498, Corporal, Infantry, Cannon Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. When a fellow soldier was struck in the back and severely wounded by a bursting shell during a heavy enemy artillery barrage near Wurzburg, Germany, Corporal Kinmet voluntarily left his position and under the enemy fire dragged the unconscious man to safety. His courage and devotion to duty saved a fellow soldier from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Great Falls, Montana.

Henry L. Lasseter, 34 392 221, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 16 January 1945, near Roschwoog, France. When a strong enemy attack forced a withdrawal, Private Lasseter, a heavy machine gunner, remained in an exposed position to cover the movement with the fire of his weapon. He refused to withdraw himself until ordered to do so when it became evident that the superior enemy force was about to overrun his position. By his courage and devotion to duty, Private Lasseter enabled a difficult withdrawal to be carried out with minimum casualties. Entered military service from Lake Wales, Florida.

Duane A. McLelland, 37 575 749, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. As company aid man, Private McLelland repeatedly left his position under heavy enemy fire to give medical aid to Infantrymen wounded in the streets of Wurzburg. Not only did he administer to the wounded, but personally loaded them on vehicles, assuring their speedy evacuation to a point where further medical treatment could be given. By his courage and devotion to duty, Private McLelland saved several fellow soldiers from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Williston, North Dakota.

Robert J. Mills, 6 139 563, First Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945 near Gumbshheim, France. When Company E was ordered to withdraw from the town of Gumbshheim, Private Mills went from house to house under heavy sniper fire and informed the men of the withdrawal. Later, when the withdrawal had been completed, a number of men were found to be missing. Private Mills, facing increased enemy fire, returned to the town, located the soldiers and directed them to the new positions. By his courage and devotion to duty, several fellow soldiers were saved from possible

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death or capture. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.  
Charles T. Munsell, 37 493 788, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 13 April 1945, near Dobendorf, Germany. On patrol with the Rainbow Rangers, Private Munsell exposed himself to heavy enemy fire to cover the withdrawal of four Rangers trapped in a school house. During the action, Private Munsell knocked out an enemy automatic weapon with a hand grenade and killed two snipers, forcing the enemy to withdraw. His courage and aggressiveness enabled the members of his patrol to reach cover and cleared the route for his Battalion's advance. Entered military service from Council Grove, Kansas.

Lester E. Nuetzel, 36 983 060, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 4 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. While six men of his company had taken cover from sniper fire behind a brick wall, Private Nuetzel noticed two of the enemy, armed with panzerfausts, moving into a position from which they could fire on the wall. Exposing himself to the snipers, he moved out into the open with his automatic rifle and laid down an accurate fire that forced the enemy to withdraw. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Walter J. Oliwa, 31 413 454, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 March 1945, near Pichtenberg, France. When his combat patrol was fired upon from three sides and forced to take stronger positions, Private Oliwa ran across open ground to help set up his machine gun where it could return the enemy fire. After covering the withdrawal he picked up the gun and, firing it from the hip as he ran, rejoined the patrol. By his courage and devotion to duty, Private Oliwa enabled his patrol to carry out a difficult maneuver with minimum casualties. Entered military service from Shelton, Connecticut.

William J. Fiddick, 37 631 750, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945 near Dittenheim, Germany. When another rifleman was wounded, Private Fiddick made his way to him under intense sniper fire. After administering first aid, Private Fiddick dragged and carried the wounded man to cover where adequate medical care could be given. His prompt and courageous action saved a fellow soldier from possible death or capture. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

Elsworth A. Rosenberg, 42 018 991, Sergeant (then Private), Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945 near Gessenheim, France. When the enemy penetrated his platoon's positions after three days of almost continuous attack, Private Rosenberg left his foxhole and notified the platoon leader. He then returned and assisted in fighting off the enemy until the platoon could be withdrawn to new positions where the attack was halted. By his courage and initiative Private Rosenberg enabled his platoon to halt an enemy attack and avoid possible heavy casualties. Entered military service from Lyndhurst, New Jersey.

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Arthur A. Schroeder, 37 467 077, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 25 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. When two men were wounded, Private Schroeder voluntarily crawled through intense enemy fire and carried them to cover where he administered first aid. He then returned to their position and retrieved a .50 caliber machine gun that had been abandoned when the men were wounded. By his courage and devotion to duty, Private Schroeder saved two men from possible death and prevented the loss of valuable equipment. Entered military service from Council Bluffs, Iowa.

VINCENT F. SMOTRYS, 02 006 906, Second Lieutenant, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 January 1945 at Roschwoog, France. Attacked by a superior enemy force while on outpost two miles forward of the Main Line of Resistance, the platoon of which Sergeant Smotrys was platoon guide was forced to withdraw. The only available route was discovered by the enemy and brought under heavy fire. Sergeant Smotrys led five men safely through this danger, himself carrying a sixth man who was wounded. When they reached friendly positions, Sergeant Smotrys entered his own minefield and under hostile fire, smashed down a barbed wire barrier to make a path for his men. Through his courage and leadership six soldiers were saved from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

Fred C. Spener, 37 671 446, Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945 near Wurzburg, Germany. When his company came under intense enemy small arms fire from well dug-in positions under a bridge, Sergeant Spener's mortar squad was called upon for immediate support. Deploying his squad, Sergeant Spener moved to an exposed position from which he could effectively direct and correct its fire. While doing so he received a wound in the face but, refusing medical attention, remained at his post until the German fire had been completely neutralized. By his courage and determination, Sergeant Spener enabled his squad to effectively support the Infantry assault. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

JOSEPH F. STAMMEN, 02 006 318, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 3 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. While Lieutenant Stammen was crossing the Main River, enemy machine guns killed two of the Teamsters manning the assault boat and hurled the third overboard. Lieutenant Stammen immediately took command and guided the boat to the hostile side, where he led his platoon in preventing counter-attacks on succeeding assault waves. His courage and prompt action under hazardous circumstances were effective contributions to the success of the assault on Wurzburg. Entered military service from Fresno, California.

Stanford Tabor, 35 913 929, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945 near Drusenheim, France. When Drusenheim was attacked by a large force of Germans, Sergeant Tabor withheld the fire of his mortars until the enemy had advanced well toward his lines. His opening rounds caught the enemy completely by surprise, killing many

of them and causing the entire enemy force to withdraw. Later in the day the enemy again attacked, this time using an artillery preparation. The artillery fire cut Sergeant Tabor's telephone line to his mortars and he moved out into the open under fire to repair the line. His leadership and accurate fire direction was largely responsible for repelling these attacks. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

LOUIS TIORAN, OI 320 962, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945 near Kilstett, France. When his Company Commander was mortally wounded, Lieutenant Tioran, Executive Officer, immediately assumed command of the Company and organized the defense of Kilstett. Continuously exposing himself to hostile artillery and mortar fire, he moved his heavy machine gun and mortar sections into position, deployed riflemen, and directed artillery fire upon the advancing enemy. Lieutenant Tioran's courage and leadership were effective contributions toward repulse of the enemy attack. Entered military service from Pontiac, Michigan.

Warren F. Westfeld, 35 844 693, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 4 April 1945 in Wurzburg, Germany. As platoon messenger during the fight for Wurzburg, Private Westfeld frequently exposed himself to heavy enemy fire. When the rifle troops were held up, Private Westfeld quickly established contact with the supporting heavy weapons platoon, which drove the enemy back, enabling the riflemen to advance. His courage and devotion to duty contributed to the success of his Battalion in the attack on Wurzburg. Entered military service from Kalida, Ohio.

III. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-- by direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-15, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Irving Levine, 32 991 836, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945 near Wurzburg, Germany. Private Levine, a medical aid man, was advancing with his Ranger Platoon in house to house fighting when the platoon was held up by heavy small arms fire and one of the members was wounded. Disregarding the fire, Private Levine made his way to the wounded man and administered first aid. His courage and devotion to duty enabled the man to receive immediate medical aid without which death might have ensued. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

IV. AWARD OF THE COMBAT INFANTRYMAN'S BADGE:--.....Pursuant to authority contained in WD Circular No. 40, dated 17 October 1944, the following officer is hereby awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy. The date of eligibility to wear this Badge is established

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herewith and indicated after his name:

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>ORGN</u>	<u>DATE OF ELIG.</u>
COLONEL	BEALL, BURNS	012 598	Hq 42d Inf Div (then CO, 242d Inf Regt)	2 May 1945

V. REVOCATION:-----So much of Section IV, General Orders Number 66, this headquarters, dated 21 May 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the combat Infantryman's Badge to COLONEL BEALL, BURNS, 012 598, 242d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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Colonel, General Staff Corps,  
Chief of Staff.

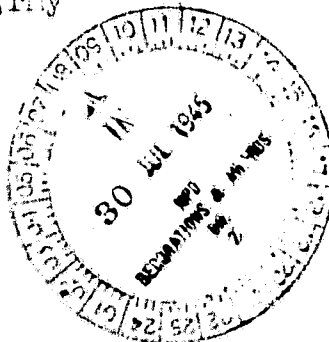
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Award of the Silver Star.....I  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....II

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

Edward B. Brescol, 35 530 825, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 April 1945 near Werra, Germany. Entering Werra as a member of a three man patrol, Private Brescol, although without communication with his Battalion, boldly issued an ultimatum that the town would be leveled if the patrol was fired upon. The patrol then smashed a communication center and seized three German officers who commanded a large detachment. Rejecting his ultimatum, Private Brescol obtained the surrender of the entire force. While the other members of the patrol marched 20 prisoners to the Battalion Command Post, Private Brescol remained behind to gather up the remainder. Alone in the town he saw another large body of enemy marching toward the airport. Rushing to the commanding officer, Private Brescol overpowered him and forced him to surrender his command. By his daring and resolute action, Private Brescol captured more than 200 enemy without a casualty. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

WILLIAM B. THOMAS, 01 302 232, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 April 1945 at Furth, Germany. Volunteering to lead a patrol across the Rognitz River to establish a bridgehead, Lieutenant Thomas reconnoitred a route under heavy fire, then led the patrol forward. When the patrol was held up at the river's edge by enemy automatic weapons fire Lieutenant Thomas made his way back and brought up a tank destroyer, exposing himself to point out the hostile positions to the destroyer commander. Under cover of the destroyer's fire, the patrol moved forward again, only to be held up a second time by heavy fire. Lieutenant Thomas once more brought up a tank destroyer and pointed out the hostile positions, which were silenced by the destroyer. Observing that one of his men was wounded, Lieutenant Thomas moved him to cover, then led the patrol across the river and established the bridgehead. There the small patrol beat off violent counterattacks for three hours, relief arriving when its ammunition was practically expended. By his outstanding courage and devotion to duty, Lieutenant Thomas made possible the crossing of the Rognitz River with minimum casualties. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

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II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-----By Provision of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Carle W. Barts, 39 486 236, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 near Furth, Germany. At the Regnitz River, during fighting to expand a bridgehead, the advance of the squad Private Barts was leading was held up by a strongly defended German combat post. Although wounded, he dashed across a street under sniper fire and reached a position from which he could fire on the enemy strongpoint. From there he shot and killed one defender and wounded three others with hand grenades. His courage and aggressiveness enabled his squad to advance without casualties. Entered military service from Wauatchee, Washington.

Arthur T. Crowston, 37 694 441, Private First Class, Cavalry, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, 42d Infantry Division, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945 near Barchheim, Germany. When the patrol of which he was a member was forced to withdraw by heavy enemy fire, Private Crowston and a reconnaissance sergeant continued forward to locate the enemy position. As they advanced, the sergeant was wounded and increasing fire forced them to abandon the quarter-ton truck in which they were riding. Assisting the wounded man back to cover, Private Crowston then returned through the fire, recovered his vehicle, and drove it back to his own lines. His courage and determination prevented the possible death or capture of a fellow soldier and loss of valuable property. Entered military service from Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Wen Y. Duncan, 35 583 624, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945 near Dornauwerth, Germany. Returning to his tank destroyer platoon with ammunition, Sergeant Duncan, security sergeant, encountered an enemy force which had blocked the road. Disregarding the heavy small arms and panzerfaust fire concentrated upon him, Sergeant Duncan ordered the truck driver through the enemy block to his platoon. His courageous act enabled the destroyers to repulse an enemy counterattack which threatened the Danube River bridgehead. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

Marvin E. Harvey, 35 653 313, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945, near Dornauwerth, Germany. Returning to his tank destroyer platoon with ammunition, Corporal Harvey, machine gunner, encountered an enemy force which had blocked the road. Disregarding the heavy small arms and panzerfaust fire concentrated upon him, Corporal Harvey manned a machine gun while the truck was driven through the enemy block to his position. His courageous act enabled the destroyers to repulse an enemy counterattack which threatened the Danube River bridgehead. Entered military service from Beckley, West Virginia.

JACK H. HATHAWAY, 01 825 672, 2nd Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 6 March 1945, near Surth, Germany. Voluntarily and with complete disregard of the danger involved, Lieutenant Hathaway dismounted from his tank destroyer and moved forward on foot in the face

of enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire to reconnoiter favorable firing positions for the platoon he commanded. Still under fire, he returned to his platoon and guided each destroyer in turn to its position and indicated its field of fire. By his courage, tactical ability, and outstanding leadership, Lieutenant Hathaway enabled the Infantry supported by his platoon to secure its objective. Entered military service from Caldwell, Idaho.

John A. Jorgenson, 16 066 210, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in Melch, France. As assistant squad leader in a reconnaissance patrol in search of enemy troops, Private Jorgenson entered Melch to find it occupied by over a hundred Germans fully equipped with weapons and ammunition. Effecting complete surprise, the patrol captured the entire garrison and established a perimeter defense, enabling the battalion to move through the town without opposition. By his courage and aggressiveness, Private Jorgenson effectively contributed to the advance of his Battalion. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

John Lambros, 37 556 145, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in Melch, France. As a rifleman in a reconnaissance patrol in search of enemy troops, Private Lambros entered Melch to find it occupied by over a hundred Germans fully equipped with weapons and ammunition. Effecting complete surprise, the patrol captured the entire garrison and established a perimeter defense, enabling the battalion to move through the town without opposition. By his courage and aggressiveness, Private Lambros effectively contributed to the advance of his Battalion. Entered military service from Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Francis B. Lucas, 35 793 698, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945, near Dornauwarth, Germany. Returning to his tank destroyer platoon with ammunition, Corporal Lucas, a driver, encountered an enemy force which had blocked the road. Disregarding the heavy small arms and panzerfaust fire concentrated on him, Corporal Lucas drove through the enemy block to his platoon. His courageous act enabled the destroyers to repulse an enemy counterattack which threatened the Danube River Bridgehead. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

Max W. Phelps, 36 296 461, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945 near Obbach, Germany. Corporal Phelps was driver of a tank destroyer called to assist an infantry company which was held up by a superior enemy force. Observing that his 90 mm gun could not reach the hostile positions, Corporal Phelps volunteered to overrun them with his destroyer. Disregarding German panzerfaust and heavy machine gun fire, Corporal Phelps succeeded in crushing the German positions, clearing the way for the Infantry. His courage and aggressiveness resulted in accomplishment of his destroyer's mission. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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Anthony Rutkowski, 42 185 033, Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Headquarters 1st Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, at Melch, France. As a rifleman in a reconnaissance patrol in search of enemy troops, Private Rutkowski entered Melch to find it occupied by over a hundred Germans fully equipped with weapons and ammunition. Effecting complete surprise, the patrol captured the entire garrison and established a perimeter defense, enabling the battalion to move through the town without opposition. By his courage and aggressiveness, Private Rutowski effectively contributed to the advance of his Battalion. Entered military service from Bayonne, New Jersey.

John T. Ryder, 31 433 773, Private, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, at Melch, France. As a rifleman in a reconnaissance patrol in search of enemy troops, Private Ryder entered Melch to find it occupied by over a hundred Germans fully equipped with weapons and ammunition. Effecting complete surprise, the patrol captured the entire garrison and established a perimeter defense, enabling the battalion to move through the town without opposition. By his courage and aggressiveness, Private Ryder effectively contributed to the advance of his Battalion. Entered military service from Barre, Massachusetts.

Arnold W. Schramm, 12 013 076, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 24 April 1945 near Monheim, Germany. Entering Monheim in advance of the leading infantry elements, Corporal Schramm, in charge of a wire crew, directed the installation of a command post telephone net under enemy small arms and artillery fire. Corporal Schramm was also endangered by friendly artillery which was being adjusted on enemy troops entrenched less than 200 yards from his installation. By his courage and devotion to duty he established a wire net which permitted the displacement of the command post without loss of communication with the firing batteries. Entered military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

Miguel Y. Torres, 39 423 431, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in Melch, France. As rifleman in a reconnaissance patrol in search of enemy troops, Private Torres entered Melch to find it occupied by over a hundred Germans fully equipped with weapons and ammunition. Effecting complete surprise, the patrol captured the entire garrison and established a perimeter defense, enabling the battalion to move through the town without opposition. By his courage and aggressiveness, Private Torres effectively contributed to the advance of his Battalion. Entered military service from Santa Clara, California.

RICHARD D. WHERLEY, 02 006 312, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in Melch, France. Leading a reconnaissance patrol in search of enemy troops, Lieutenant Wherley entered the town of Melch to find it occupied by over a hundred Germans fully equipped with weapons and ammunition. Effecting complete surprise, he captured the entire garrison and established a perimeter defense, enabling his battalion to move through the town

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without opposition. By his courage and initiative, Lieutenant Wherley effectively contributed to the advance of his Battalion. Entered military service from Table Grove, Illinois.

Loy W. Zinke, 36 8<sup>th</sup> 126, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 212d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 in Falch, France. As assistant squad leader in a reconnaissance patrol in search of enemy troops, Private Zinke entered Falch to find it occupied by over a hundred Germans fully equipped with weapons and ammunition. Effecting complete surprise, the patrol captured the entire garrison and established a perimeter defense, enabling the battalion to move through the town without opposition. By his courage and aggressiveness, Private Zinke effectively contributed to the advance of his Battalion. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

a. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

Donald E. Beckwith, 31 281 763, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company C, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 19 March 1945 to 25 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Windsor Locks, Connecticut.

William H. Campbell, 39 278 069, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

James De Flora, 32 402 295, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

John Grasso, 32 781 880, Private, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kings County, New York.

Robert N. Iulo, 32 702 954, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Harry Kantor, 32 370 375, Private, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

John F. McNamee, 39 461 256, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Spokane, Washington.

Raymond L. Mitchell, 35 453 734, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Newport, Kentucky.

Billy B. Nolen, 34 333 243, Corporal, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Montgomery, Alabama.

Joseph L. Schopler, 35 633 500, Sergeant, Field Artillery, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 19 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Fort Thomas, Kentucky.

Alex C. Torok, 35 111 633, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from South Bend, Indiana.

Frank J. Arbusto, 31 726 118, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 19 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Port Chester, New York.

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b. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

Raymond F. Bean, 34 213 227, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France, and Germany. Entered military service from Richfield, North Carolina.

Paul E. Burkard, 37 415 239, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

Wilbert D. Emig, 3 517 966, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Elvis C. Holmes, 36 044 289, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Marion, Illinois.

Lomand C. Jones, 20 924 956, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery C, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Spanish Fork, Utah.

Max Lass, 32 702 900, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Joseph A. Minnich, Jr., 33 012 435, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Company C, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Harrisburg Pennsylvania.

Julius G. Mizdel, 32 390 583, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Carlstadt, New Jersey.

Henry Morgan, 34 083 797, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France, and Germany. Entered military service from Plains, Georgia.

Francis O. Robertson, 34 264 338, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company C, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France, and Germany. Entered military service from Gurley, Alabama.

John Posko, 32 387 573, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

William C. Puckwind, 32 390 296, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

William V. Spehar, 39 139 317, Technician Fifth Grade, Quartermaster Corps, 42d Quartermaster Company, from 25 December 1944 to 3 February 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Harman J. Wade, 34 357 327, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 29 October 1944 to 30 April 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Warwick, Georgia.

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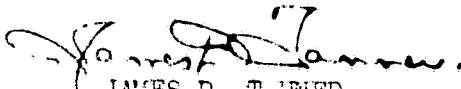
Julian W. Wells, 35 457 232, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 23 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Paris, Kentucky.

William E. Younger, 34 726 961, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 27 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Washington, District of Columbia.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

Charles F. Cain, 20 #48 542, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery D, #31st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ardertown, Georgia.

John Desorme, 12 035 344, Corporal, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery D, #31st Anti-aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, (Mobile) from 15 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Schenectady, New York.

James J. McGinley, 33 184 519, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery C, #31st Anti-aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania.

Martin O'Brien, 33 161 180, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery C, #31st Anti-aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 5 November 1944 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Imperial, Pennsylvania.

Edgar H. Smithman, 12 100 551, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, #31st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 19 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from South Ben, North Carolina.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following individual for meritorious achievement in action:

Alex Senczyk, 33 160 #22, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery A, #31st Anti-aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, (Mobile), on 14 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Gerry, Pennsylvania.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

BURNS BEALL,  
Colonel, General Staff Corps,  
Chief of Staff.

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I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS):-.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to:

LeGrande P. Kronlahken, 37 311 481, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in France. When his regiment launched the attack in the Hardt Mountains, Private Kronlahken, Battalion scout-observer, exposed himself to intense hostile fire to secure positions of maximum observation. While engaged in relaying information to his Battalion Commander he was mortally wounded by mortar fragments. By his courage and disregard for his own safety, Private Kronlahken contributed to the successful completion of his Battalion's mission. Nearest relative's name and address: Mrs. Devona M. Kronlahken (Wife), Renville, Minnesota. Entered military service from Renville, Minnesota.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

Lewis E. Armstrong, 39 616 882, Sergeant (then Corporal), Field Artillery, Company A, 892d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 1 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Butte, Montana.

Gene A. Cooksey, 39 318 676, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

John P. Crum, 37 221 622, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery D, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lawrence, Kansas.

Bruce P. Downie, 36 832 970, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15-24 March 1945 and 1-28 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Portage, Wisconsin.

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CHARLES T. FICHKA, O1 138 633, 1st Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February to 22 March 1945 and 1 April to 27 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Alolph A. Haschke, 38 011 995, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France, and Germany. Entered military service from Cedar Rapids, Nebraska.

Charles T. Hahn, 33 716 965, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 24 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

David C. Kelly, 33 161 207, Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery C, 431st Anti-aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion from 15 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bridgeville, Pennsylvania.

Edward M. Kester, 33 359 952, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 22 March 1945 and 1 April 1945 to 26 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Tunkhannock, Pennsylvania.

ROY W. MORRIS, O2 014 918, Second Lieutenant, (then Technical Sergeant), Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Kilgore, Texas.

Howard G. Robinson, 37 701 151, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March to 24 March 1945 and from 1 April to 28 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Greeley, Colorado.

BERNARD F. SCULLY, O 303 711, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 18 February to 28 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Yonkers, New York.

Hans W. Stegemann, 32 418 004, Technical Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 29 October 1944 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from L. Texas River, New Jersey.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

William T. Ashby, 36 075 439, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company B, 333d Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from East St. Louis, Illinois.

Haskell T. Baker, 37 134 747, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Company B, 333d Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Clarence, Missouri.

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RICHARD F. BAUM, O1 316 000, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 1 April to 12 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Deerfield, Illinois.

Lawrence L. Brandon, 35 001 177, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Bellaire, Ohio.

Gilbert L. Coe, 16 085 068, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, on 6 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ardmore, Oklahoma.

Joseph G. Duray, 36 966 796, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Leland L. Gelsthorpe, 36 672 615, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 1 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Waynesville, Illinois.

Edward F. Holden, 42 036 780, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Virgil L. Huckaby, 39 574 178, Staff Sergeant, (then Corporal), Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, 18 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Arlington, California.

Ralph L. Hurdle, 38 290 512, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 1 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Lake City, Arkansas.

John Johnson, 35 426 946, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Huntington, West Virginia.

Luther E. Johnson, 33 908 655, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, 1 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Barnesville, Maryland.

Daniel J. Kaedden, 37 772 417, Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

John I. Maloney, 33 488 536, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company C, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pottstown, Pennsylvania.

Robert J. McCann, 33 587 322, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 20 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Wayne R. McKee, 35 841 243, Staff Sergeant, (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Llynouth, Indiana.

JOHN MERSDORFF, III, W2 109 709, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, Army of the United States, Headquarters 431st Anti-aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, 30 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Telham Manor, New York.

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James T. Messer, Jr., 3- 339 668, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 19 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Jasper, Alabama.

Charles W. Walter, 37 606 631, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

William W. Shoults, Jr., 3- 734 989, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Whitehaven, Tennessee.

Dale W. Smith, 56 630 015, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Muscola, Illinois.

F. D. Thompson, Jr., 3- 601 704, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Mooresville, North Carolina.

Johanic L. Williams, 38 677 640, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, 7 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Gilshoe, Texas.

III. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

ROBERT T. DIXON, 034 035, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters 2d Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 7 April to 12 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Owensboro, Kentucky.

IV. AWARD OF THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE ENLIE PLAQUE:-.....Under the provisions of Section I, Circular 3-5, War Department, 23 August 1944, as amended, the Meritorious Service Plaque is awarded by the Division Commander to the following unit:

THE 122D MEDICAL BATTALION, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks from 31 January 1945 to 31 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

BURNS BEALL,  
Colonel, General Staff Corps,  
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

*James D. Turner*  
JAMES D. TURNER,  
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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

WILSON H. BIRCH, O 315 029, Major, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters, 431st Anti-aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, for gallantry in action on 30 December 1944 near Soltz-les-Forest, France. When twelve enemy aircraft attacked the battalion headquarters, Major Birch, executive officer, went to the aid of a seriously wounded officer and carried him to a covered position. He then returned, while the bombing and strafing continued, and took charge of the personnel including the wounded. Discovering a truck loaded with explosives burning near the headquarters, he carried several bodies from the vehicle and, despite the imminent danger of an explosion, started to remove the explosives but was driven off by intense heat. He and others under his direction then removed all wounded from the area before the truck exploded. His courage and devotion to duty saved the lives of many wounded men. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Frank A. Chmielewski, 32 493 363, Corporal, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 21 February 1945 near Althorn, France. Leading a reconnaissance patrol, Corporal Chmielewski stepped on a Schu mine, severely injuring his foot. The enemy immediately opened fire with two machine guns, holding up the patrol. Noticing one man who had been hit by machine gun fire, Corporal Chmielewski crawled to him, intending to administer first aid, but discovered he was dead. Corporal Chmielewski then directed the remaining men to return to their own lines and began making his own way there. After crawling 100 yards he was unable to proceed further because of his mangled foot. He paused to cut the remainder of his foot away and resumed crawling until assisted by men from his own lines. By his courage and unselfish actions, Corporal Chmielewski prevented heavy casualties in his patrol. Entered military service from Utica, New York.

John E. Johnson, 37 404 638, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 January 1945, at Newberg, France. Volunteering to bring in two wounded men who were under enemy observation, Sergeant Johnson led a rescue party across a plank bridge and a wire fence and over seventy-five yards of open terrain to evacuate one man. When they returned for the second man, they were subjected to heavy enemy mortar fire but continued until they had removed him to safety. Sergeant Johnson exposed himself once more to the intense fire to reach an officer whom he found

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to be beyond aid. Returning to his party, he directed the withdrawal without further casualties. By his outstanding bravery and determination, Sergeant Johnson saved two fellow soldiers from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Brewell, Nebraska.

Ernest W. McFeir, 32 604 214, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company C, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action on 19 March 1945 near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. Private McFeir, a runner in a tank destroyer, was advancing with his destroyer in support of Infantry when mortar and artillery fire from the Siegfried Line wounded several of the infantrymen. Dismounting from his tank destroyer, although it was under fire, Private McFeir rushed to the aid of the wounded and carried several seriously injured men 75 yards across an open area to a covered position. Crossing a courtyard under mortar fire to reach his destroyer and obtain medical supplies he was wounded in the arm but continued on, secured medical supplies and returned to assist the wounded. His courage and devotion to duty saved the lives of several seriously injured men. Entered military service from Chester, New Jersey.

PETER J. RUBINO, O 471 327, First Lieutenant, Cavalry, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion for gallantry in action on 8 April 1945 near Obbach, Germany. When the enemy launched a counter-attack, supported by artillery, Lieutenant Rubino advanced on foot to guide his tank destroyers into position and direct their fire against hostile strong points. When the enemy opened fire on the destroyers with a battery of 88 mm guns, Lieutenant Rubino remained in an exposed position to direct the fire of the destroyers. Seeking a better firing position, he then led the destroyers on foot to another location and again directed their fire on the battery. As a result of his courage and devotion to duty Lieutenant Rubino's platoon neutralized several enemy strong points, killed more than one hundred Germans and repulsed the counter-attack. Entered military service from San Pedro, California.

Avery M. Strickland, 31 000 652, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action, on 11 April 1945, near Furth, Germany. In order to support an Infantry attack, Sergeant Strickland, tank destroyer commander, made his way on foot through intense hostile fire to the leading scout of the infantry unit to reconnoiter for positions. Again through enemy fire, he made his way back to his destroyer, moved into position and demolished three enemy machine guns which had temporarily halted the Infantry. As the direct result of his courageous act the Infantry unit advanced and seized its objective. Entered military service from Magnolia, Mississippi.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

James W. Axon, 31 332 083, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery A, 603d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, near Schweinfurt, Germany. As assistant field artillery forward observer, Corporal Axon was stationed at an

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observation post in a steeple at Gildersheim during the attack on Schweinfurt. This observation post was exposed to direct enemy artillery fire and was the target of at least one concentration during which one round struck the steeple. Despite the danger from enemy fire, Corporal Axon remained at his post throughout the day and by his courage and devotion to duty assisted in directing effective fire on enemy positions in and around the city. Entered military service from New Haven, Connecticut.

George W. Balz, 35 227 691, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement, on 15 March 1945, near Teipertsweller, France. Disregarding heavy enemy fire, Private Balz stepped in an exposed position to render first aid to a wounded soldier and move him to safety. Later he guided medical aid men and litter bearers down heavily mined slopes and assisted in the evacuation of several casualties under fire. By his courage and determination, Private Balz saved several fellow soldiers from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

Joseph C. Golowski, 33 931 781, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 7 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. When the combat patrol to which he was assigned as machine gun ammunition bearer encountered enemy fire from three sides, Private Golowski was seriously wounded. Despite his wound, he crawled forward and delivered ammunition to his gun. Then, refusing to permit anyone to leave the gun to assist him, he made his way alone through the heavy fire to an aid station. By his courage and devotion to duty, Private Golowski enabled his gun to remain in action and cover the withdrawal of the patrol. Entered military service from Reading, Pennsylvania.

John W. Hall, Jr., 33 563 999, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945 near Pullhof, Germany. While the destroyer on which Private Hall was assistant gunner was exchanging fire with enemy guns, a shell case ruptured and jammed the chamber, putting the destroyer out of action. With shells falling close about, Private Hall dismounted, assembled his rammer staff, and thrust at the ruptured shell case until it was freed and the chamber cleared. By his courageous act Private Hall enabled his destroyer crew to accomplish their mission. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

Alan D. Hawkins, 18 010 025, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 28 April 1945 near Schonleifen, Germany. Advancing to support an infantry company which was held up by intense fire, Private Hawkins, gun commander, dismounted from his tank destroyer and crossed to the edge of enemy-held woods to obtain effective observation. In spite of wounds he received in this action and with complete disregard for his personal safety, he directed the fire of his guns on the hostile force effectively neutralizing it. As a result of Private Hawkins' courage and resourcefulness the rifle company was able to evacuate their wounded and reform without further loss. Entered military service from Bryan, Texas.

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Harold G. Huff, 35 833 530, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 282d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 10 March 1945 near Wildenguth, France. As assistant squad leader, Private Huff was a member of a combat patrol that was attacked by a superior German force while returning from a successful raid. Taking up an exposed position, Private Huff fought off the enemy with his rifle for 25 minutes and covered the withdrawal of his squad. His courage and devotion to duty enabled his squad to reach cover without serious casualties. Entered military service from Evansville, Indiana.

Samuel N. Jennings, 34 634 628, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 16 April 1945, near Nurnberg, Germany. Private Jennings was driving a party of Rainbow Pongers into enemy-held territory when the vehicle ahead was wrecked by a mine, wounding two men. Private Jennings ran across the mined area, administered first aid to the wounded men, then removed them to an aid station. His courage and determination saved two fellow soldiers from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Kosciusko, Mississippi.

Albert Mass, 32 995 425, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. Braving an enemy artillery concentration to repair a communication line, Private Mass and another wireman were informed that a wounded soldier was lying exposed to enemy fire on the forward slope of a nearby hill. Disregarding their own safety, Private Mass and the other wireman, accompanied by a medical aid man, made their way to the wounded man and evacuated him under observed enemy small arms fire. Private Mass, by his courage and determination, saved the life of a fellow soldier. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Michael Muli, 32 806 128, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, in Wursburg, Germany. When a member of his company was seriously wounded by heavy sniper fire that forced the company to withdraw from its positions, Private Muli assisted in the man's evacuation. Exposing himself to the enemy fire, he helped to carry the wounded man two blocks to a place of safety where he could be given medical treatment. By his courage and determination, Private Muli saved a fellow soldier from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Woodside, Long Island, New York.

Lowell L. Oelheim, 36 066 410, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 near Obersteinbach, Germany. When approaches to Obersteinbach were found blocked by mines and booby traps, Sergeant Oelheim, reconnaissance Sergeant, volunteered to clear the roads with his section. Despite heavy artillery and mortar fire, Sergeant Oelheim and his men rapidly and skillfully neutralized all of the mines and booby traps. As the result of his leadership, and devotion to duty, the tank destroyer and Infantry units captured the town with minimum casualties. Entered military service from Gallatin, Illinois.

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James W. Rogers, 38 487 216, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement on 12 April 1945, near Sulzhain, Germany. When the tank destroyer he was driving was set afire by enemy artillery and the gun commander wounded, Corporal Rogers exposed himself to enemy fire to assist the wounded man to cover. He then drove the burning destroyer out of its exposed position, enabling the gun commander to be evacuated and the fire extinguished. Finally, Corporal Rogers drove his destroyer through heavy shell fire to a defiladed position from which fire could be placed on the enemy. His courage and prompt action resulted in saving a man's life, preventing loss of his destroyer and enabling it to continue on its mission. Entered military service from Bristow, Oklahoma.

JAMES V. RUTLEDGE, O 537 531, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery A, 402d Field Artillery Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945 near Schweinfurt, Germany. As a field Artillery forward observer, Lieutenant Rutledge established an observation post in a steeple at Gillersheim during the attack on Schweinfurt. This observation post was exposed to direct enemy artillery fire and was the target of at least one concentration during which one round struck the steeple. Despite the danger from enemy fire, Lieutenant Rutledge maintained his position throughout the day and adjusted effective fire on enemy positions in and around the city. His courage and devotion to duty assisted in forcing the enemy to abandon well-defended positions protecting Schweinfurt and inflicted many casualties. Entered military service from Lansing, Michigan.

Rufus M. Smith, 35 450 555, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company B, 422d Tank Destroyer Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945 near Krottenbach, Germany. When the tank destroyer of which he served as cannoner was caught in a concentration of fire, Private Smith opened the turret and exposed himself to the fire to locate the enemy position. He then placed four rounds from his 90mm gun on the emplacement and knocked it out. Eleven Germans were killed, including the captain in command, whose papers were found to contain withdrawal orders for the garrison of the city of Furth, Germany. The courage and leadership displayed by Private Smith not only prevented casualties to the crew of the tank destroyer, but led to the capture of valuable information. Entered military service from Zepha, Kentucky.

Albert F. Zukunft, 42 007 026, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 March 1945 near Fischbach, Germany. While the anti-tank squad of which he was a member was manning an observation post, Private Zukunft crawled forward under intense hostile fire to gain maximum observation. While in his exposed position, he discovered an enemy pillbox, a machine gun nest and a column of vehicles, upon which he directed effective fire. His courage and skillful adjustment of fire resulted in the destruction of three important targets. Entered military service from Jasonville, Indiana.

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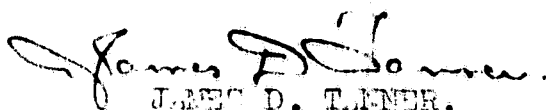
III. AWARD OF THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE BRIG PLIQUE:--.....Under the provisions of Section I, Circular 3-5, War Department, 23 August 1944, as amended, the Meritorious Service Plaque is awarded by the Division Commander to the following unit:

THE 43D INFANTRY DIVISION, MILITARY POLICE PLATOON, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks from 1 February 1945 through 7 April 1945 in France and Germany.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

BURNS BELL,  
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GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 117)

ORIGINAL ORDER -

APO #411, U. S. Army,

16 July 1945.

- Award of the Silver Star.....I.
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....II
- Award of the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque.....III
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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

Garland Dean, 38 212 373, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action on 4 April 1945 near Fishbach, Germany. As medical aid man, Private Dean was riding in the leading tank destroyer of his platoon in an assault on the Siegfried Line when he observed a friendly tank hit and set afire by enemy artillery. Leaving his destroyer, Private Dean crawled 500 yards under artillery, mortar and small arms fire to reach the burning tank. Completely exposed to enemy fire, he climbed onto the vehicle and removed the wounded crew members. He then carried each man to cover and administered first aid. By his courage and devotion to duty he undoubtedly saved the lives of the tank crew. Entered military service from Russellville, Arkansas.

Dominic P. Fratus, 11 049 359, Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 4 April 1945, in Wruzburg, Germany. While Sergeant Fratus was leading his squad in the street fighting at Wruzburg, a burst of fire wounded five members of the squad. Four were able to crawl to cover but the fifth was seriously wounded and was unable to move. In spite of intense sniper fire, Sergeant Fratus made two attempts to rescue the man, finally reaching him and dragging him to safety. By his courage and determination, Sergeant Fratus saved a fellow soldier and from almost certain death or capture. Entered military service from Plymouth, Massachusetts.

James E. Harden, 20 465 177, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. When seven men were wounded during the attack on Hill 384, Sergeant Harden, a medical aid man, went to their assistance although all were lying in exposed positions under enemy machine gun, mortar and sniper fire. Crawling forward through this fire, Sergeant Harden went from man to man, treating each and supervising their evacuation to a position of safety. While treating one man he was fired upon repeatedly. His courage and devotion to duty undoubtedly saved the lives of several of the injured men. Entered military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

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Antonio Hernandez, 36 304 974, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 431st Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion for gallantry in action on 20 November 1944 near Haute-Neuville, France. Entering an area which was discovered to be heavily mined, Corporal Hernandez, a medical aid man, and other members of his reconnaissance party withdrew while Engineers began clearing the field. In the course of the work a mine exploded, seriously injuring one of the Engineers. Corporal Hernandez immediately entered the mine field and went to the aid of the injured man. He administered first aid and was about to carry the man from the area when another mine exploded and he too was seriously injured. His prompt and courageous act in attempting to rescue his comrades in arms was in accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Leroy W. Hirst, 32 265 020, First Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action on 9 April 1945, near Everbach, Germany. Sergeant Hirst, a platoon sergeant, was advancing with his tank destroyers to assist Infantry held up by heavy enemy fire when the leading destroyer of the platoon was hit and set afire by a panzer-faust. Leaving from his destroyer, which was the last in the column, Sergeant Hirst rushed forward under intense machine gun fire, climbed into the burning destroyer and exoriated the platoon leader and two crew members who had been wounded. He then led the remaining destroyers in an attack on the town. His courage and devotion to duty resulted in the destruction of an enemy tank, two 88mm guns and two anti-aircraft guns. Entered military service from Gloucester City, New Jersey:

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Elmer F. Brown, 35 654 398, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945, near Krottenbach, Germany. Making two trips across an open field under machine gun, mortar and small arms fire, Private Brown, a messenger, went to the assistance of two seriously wounded men. On each trip he carried one of the men to safety and then administered first aid. His courage and devotion to duty undoubtedly saved the lives of the wounded men. Entered military service from Wayne, West Virginia.

James W. Bynum, 34 242 448, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery A, 402d Field Artillery Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, near Schweinfurt, Germany. A radio operator of a field artillery forward observer party, Corporal Bynum was stationed at an observation post in a steeple at Gilderheim during the attack on Schweinfurt. This observation post was exposed to direct enemy artillery fire and was the target of at least one concentration during which one round struck the steeple. Despite the danger from enemy fire, Corporal Bynum remained at his post throughout the day and by his courage and devotion to duty assisted in directing effective fire on enemy positions in and around the city. Entered military service from Columbia, South Carolina.

Edward V. Cherry, 33 250 612, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 28 April 1945, near Schenleifen, Germany. Advancing to support an infantry company which was held up by intense fire, Sergeant Cherry, platoon sergeant, dismounted from his

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tank-destroyer and crossed to the edge of enemy-held woods to obtain effective observation. In spite of wounds suffered in the act, and disregarding his own safety, he coordinated the fire of his guns with that of the Infantry, neutralizing the hostile force. As a result of Sergeant Cherry's courage and resourcefulness the rifle company was able to evacuate its wounded and reform without further loss. Entered military service from Clearfield County, Pennsylvania.

MILTON C. GARRISON, OI 179 075, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 252d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 24 April 1945 near Buchdorf, Germany. Lieutenant Garrison was attached to an Infantry Battalion as artillery forward observer when the leading elements were held up by enemy fire. Working his way forward under heavy fire which wounded a member of his party Lieutenant Garrison reached a point from which he directed accurate artillery fire on the enemy. By his courage and devotion to duty the battalion was enabled to continue the attack and capture the town. Entered military service from Gary, Indiana.

Loziel L. Halley, 37 714 122, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 March 1945, near Wildgenguth, France. When the combat patrol in which he was automatic rifleman was ambushed by a superior enemy force, Private Halley was wounded in the head by the first burst of fire. Disregarding his wound, he continued firing his weapon to protect two other wounded men lying near him. He was under direct sniper fire and several enemy crept close and attempted to silence his automatic rifle with hand grenades, but he remained in position until the patrol reached cover. He then collapsed and was evacuated. By his courage and devotion to duty, Private Halley saved two fellow soldiers from possible death or capture and enabled his patrol to withdraw. Entered military service from Ansley, Nebraska.

James L. Jones, 34 792 230, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, near Phillipsbourg, France. When several men were wounded in an attack near Phillipsbourg, Private Jones, company aid man, moved under heavy fire to administer first aid to members of his own unit and to wounded riflemen from units his platoon was supporting. On one occasion, Private Jones continued working on a wounded soldier although the enemy had placed fire directly on his position, inflicting a second wound on the injured man. Private Jones treated both wounds and evacuated the man from the field. His courage and determination resulted in saving several fellow soldiers from death or capture. Entered military service from Inverness, Florida.

Carl A. Nelson, 36 191 214, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, near Obbach, Germany. Sergeant Nelson, tank destroyer driver, was directed to overrun strong enemy positions occupied by fanatical SS troops. When less than 200 yards from the enemy, his destroyer became mired and another destroyer was dispatched to aid in extricating it. Sergeant Nelson dismounted under heavy hostile fire and guided the rescuing vehicle into position, attached his tow cable to it and supervised the work. Through his courage, Sergeant Nelson's destroyer was able to continue in action and accomplish its mission. Entered military service from Kent City, Michigan.

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Carl R. Potts, 35 726 892, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 28 April 1945, near Schenksifen, Germany. Advancing to support an infantry company which was held up by intense fire, Sergeant Potts, gun commander of a tank destroyer dismounted and crossed to the edge of enemy held woods to obtain effective observation. In spite of wounds suffered in the act, and disregarding his own safety, he directed the fire of his guns against the hostile force effectively neutralizing it. As a result of Sergeant Potts' courage and resourcefulness the Infantry was able to evacuate a group of wounded men and reform without further loss. Entered military service from Terre Haute, Indiana.

Wayne Wagner, 35 845 101, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 April 1945, near the Lech River. The machine gun squad for which Private Wagner was ammunition bearer was covering an Engineer bridge-building party upon which the enemy placed an intense concentration of fire in an effort to halt its operations. In the fire fight that ensued, Private Wagner carried eighty pounds of ammunition over an exposed route in order that his gun might continue in action. By his courage and devotion to duty, Private Wagner enabled his squad to drive off the enemy and insure completion of the bridge. Entered military service from Hammond, Indiana.

Gilbert S. Washburn, 39 217 831, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Litchenberg, France. Braving an enemy artillery concentration to repair a communication line, Private Washburn and another wireman were informed that a wounded soldier was lying exposed to enemy fire on the forward slope of a nearby hill. Disregarding their own safety, Private Washburn and the other man, accompanied by a medical aid man, made their way to the wounded man and evacuated him under observed enemy small arms fire. Private Washburn by his courage and determination saved the life of a fellow soldier. Entered military service from Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Carl B. West, 33 858 010, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. When a violent enemy counterattack forced his company to withdraw to stronger positions, Private West voluntarily remained behind to cover the movement. Despite heavy enemy fire he held his ground with his rifle until the last man in his company had reached safety, when he himself withdrew. By his courageous act, Private West enabled his company to avoid heavy casualties and repulse an enemy counterattack. Entered military service from Higdon, Alabama.

MICHAEL ZABEK, 02 010 781, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 12 April 1945, in Schweinfurt, Germany. Lieutenant Zabek exposed himself to heavy fire to deploy his platoon for a successful assault on one of two enemy machine guns. Then, with the aid of another man, he personally attacked and knocked out the second position to permit the continued advance of his platoon. By his courage and determination, Lieutenant Zabek enabled his platoon to attain its objective with minimum casualties. Entered military service from Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania.

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III. AWARD OF THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE:--.....Under the provisions of Section I, Circular 345, War Department, 23 August 1944, as amended, the Meritorious Service Plaque is awarded by the Division Commander to the following unit:

THE 742D ORDNANCE LIGHT MAINTENANCE COMPANY, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany.

IV. REVOCATIONS:--.....So much of Section II, General Orders Number 96, this headquarters, 14 June 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Howard D. Bishop, 32 495 738, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

So much of General Orders Number 63, this headquarters, 20 May 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Arthur D. Noel, 37 744 529, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

So much of General Orders Number 70, this headquarters, 24 May 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to James B. Rogers, 35 082 727, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

So much of General Orders Number 36, this headquarters, 23 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Edward J. Suchar, 35 927 933, Private, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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APO #411, U. S. Army,

NUMBER 116)

13 July 1945.

ORIGINAL ORDER

AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

JERRY R. ADERHOLD, 34 838 658, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 23 April 1945. Entered military service from Eastanollee, Georgia.

JOHN P. BENDER, 56 114 289, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 8 January 1945. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

LEONARD H. BREAUULT, 31 #04 005, Private First Class, (then Private), Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 7 April 1945. Entered military service from Alburg, Vermont.

CHARLES BROWN, 33 443 335, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 8 January 1945. Entered military service from Arlington, Virginia.

CHARLES T. BUTTS, 02 006 299, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company M, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Dresden, Tennessee.

JOSEPH P. FORBEAR, 37 570 020, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 23 January 1945. Entered military service from Promise, South Dakota.

ROBERT A. FORD, 42 177 730, Private First Class, Infantry, Company N, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 23 April 1945. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

WILLIAM F. FORD, 39 526 271, Private First Class, (then Sergeant) Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 6 January 1945. Entered military service from Grant's Pass, Oregon.

VERNON D. FOSTER, 16 078 552, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 7 January 1945. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

SAMUEL G. HOLTZMAN, 0 497 381, Captain, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 11 April 1945. Entered military service from South Fallsburg, New York.

DWERTIL D. JACKSON, 56 478 872, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 24 January 1945. Entered military service from Shumway, Illinois.

BRONALD G. KELLETT, 17 143 311, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 12 January 1945. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

NORMAN A. LANDAU, 32 353 956, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 6 January 1945. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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CLAUDE J. LaFLEUR, 36 877 405, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 7 January 1945. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

GEORGE W. MILES, 34 936 769, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 17 April 1945. Entered military service from Nashville, Tennessee.

JAMES T. MURPHY, 33 439 362, Technical Sergeant, (then Private First Class) Infantry, Company C, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 13 January 1945. Entered military service from Forest Hills, Penna.

WILTON A. NABORS, 6 921 739, Master Sergeant, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 21 March 1945. Entered military service from Euen, Alabama.

LOUIS PELLOMITT, 33 794 836, Technical Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant) Infantry, Company L, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 28 December 1944. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

EARL I. SMITH, 37 358 964, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 27 January 1945. Entered military service from North Platte, Nebraska.

JOHN G. SMITH, 36 750 551, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 11 January 1945. Entered military service from Evanston, Illinois.

FREDERIC B. SWEET, 32 132 810, Master Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Smyrna, New York.

EARNEST C. VOLKMAN, 36 905 367, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 19 March 1945. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

RICHARD K. WITCIEPT, 02 006 210, Second Lieutenant, (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 10 January 1945. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

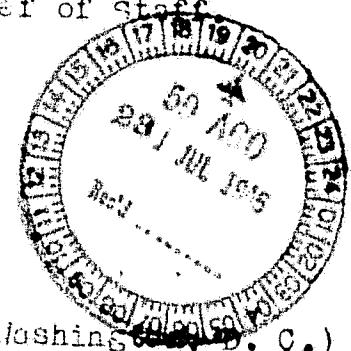
ARTHUR H. YOUNG, 36 765 480, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Ottawa, Illinois.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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HEADQUARTERS  
42D INFANTRY DIVISION

(GENERAL ORDERS)

AFPO 411, U. S. Army,

NUMBER 115)

ORIGINAL ORDER - 7

10 July 1945.

Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....I  
Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.....II  
Award of the Purple Heart.....III  
Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart.....IV  
Revocations.....V

I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following individuals for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations:

Marvin J. Bailey, 57 180 495, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 16 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Eunice, Missouri.

Roy D. Carnel, 35 105 182, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 16 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Guthrie, Kentucky.

John L. English, 58 454 335, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March to 23 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Danison, Texas.

Jerry J. Flanagan, 56 258 215, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Denver, Colo.

Albert A. Griggs, 34 812 888, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery B, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ozark, Alabama.

John G. Hall, 18 080 485, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texarkana, Texas.

Ernest G. Hayward, 37 750 242, Private, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 16 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Corning, Iowa.

Lloyd G. Hottlich, 18 177 902, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 16 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

Howard R. Kolman, 12 219 409, Corporal, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 16 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York, N. Y.

Harry C. Manger, Jr., 33 557 836, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March to 23 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

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Joseph Markovich, 32 460 421, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Lakewood, Ohio.

Nicholas J. DeGano, 32 717 385, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 16 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Wyrone Pawluk, 42 010 056, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 23 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bayonne, New Jersey.

Wilbur R. Schmidt, 36 299 447, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, on 20 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Edward A. Sliva, 31 467 129, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 16 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Newington, Connecticut.

Edward G. Smith, 34 946 976, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 16 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

II. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-- By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

FRED J. GRIFFIN, O 362 441, Major, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 21 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Lincoln, Nebraska.

III. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART:.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

Donald W. Cook, 36 442 877, Corporal, Field Artillery, 601st Tank Destroyer Battalion, 1 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Decatur, Illinois.

Willie G. Smith, 38 136 094, Sergeant, Field Artillery, 601st Tank Destroyer Battalion, 27 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Wascott, Texas.

IV. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART:--.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

Paul G. Burnett, 34 645 585, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 601st Tank Destroyer Battalion, 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from More, South Carolina.

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Henry B. Poore, Jr., 15 353 937, Sergeant, Field Artillery, 601st Tank Destroyer Battalion, 6 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Conneaut, Ohio.

Robert H. Sicard, 36 418 526, Corporal, Field Artillery, 601st Tank Destroyer Battalion, 8 November 1944, in France. Entered military service from Muskegon, Michigan.

OK } V. REVOCATIONS:-.....So much of General Orders Number 70, this head-quarters, 24 May 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Sylvester G. Tucker, 35 687 987, Private First Class, Infantry, 232d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

OK } So much of Section IV, General Orders Number 92, this head-quarters, 12 June 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Donald G. McCracken, 16 177 499, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 114)

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APO #11, U. S. Army,

10 July 1945.

- Award of the Silver Star.....I
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....II
- Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.....III
- Award of the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.....IV

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

James H. Mackey, 35 814 218, Private First Class, Field Artillery Headquarters Battery, 522d Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action, on 2 May 1945, near Egastien, Germany. When enemy tanks were reported nearby, Private Mackey and two other men set out voluntarily to find them, and followed fresh tank tracks until they came upon five Germans who fled but were later captured. Discovering an outpost of five more Germans Private Mackey and his party opened fire and pursued them so closely that they arrived at the tanks before any warning could be given to the tank crews. As a result of the action, four Mark V tanks, completely armed and equipped, were captured with their crews. Entered military service from East Chicago, Illinois.

Clarence E. Wright, 34 871 255, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 332d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 24 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. During the enemy attack on Schweighausen, Sergeant Wright skillfully placed his machine guns in position from which he could bring the most effective fire on the attacking force. When the enemy fire became intense, Sergeant Wright moved his weapons into defilade. He then crawled to an exposed position where he could observe and direct fire. Despite a serious wound inflicted by a mortar shell bursting three feet from him, he stayed at his post and continued to direct the fire of his section until loss of blood forced his evacuation. By his courage and determination, Sergeant Wright played a major role in repulsing the enemy attack. Entered military service from Laurel, Mississippi.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Robert V. Bennett, 31 380 723, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 332d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 April 1945, near Brittenbrun, Germany. As the forward elements of his company reached the edge of Brittenbrun, they encountered intense enemy small arms fire from the front and both flanks. The hostile fire from the left flank became so strong that it threatened to halt the advance of the unit. Sergeant Bennett, Mortar Platoon

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Sergeant, immediately called a mortar squad into action and personally took charge. Exposing himself to the enemy fire, he observed, issued orders and laid the first round exactly on the target. He continued to remain in this exposed position directing the fire of his squad until the enemy fire from the flank had been completely neutralized. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

Logan H. Denzer, 37 591 597, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, at Schwanfeld, Germany. While transporting troops in his 2-1/2-ton truck in company with other vehicles, Corporal Denzer entered the town of Schwanfeld, Germany, which shortly thereafter came under observed enemy artillery fire making it necessary to halt his vehicle in an exposed position. The troops on the truck attempted to dismount at this point but, realizing their hazardous positions, Corporal Denzer ordered them to remain mounted and unhesitatingly drove to cover. The quick thinking and aggressive action of Corporal Denzer was responsible for saving the lives of the occupants of his truck. Entered military service from Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Frank L. Dowdy, 34 868 160, Private First Class (then Private), Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. In the advance toward the Main River, Private Dowdy was directing machine gun fire from an exposed position when he discovered a 20mm flak gun which was firing on his company. Shortly after pointing out its position to the commander, Private Dowdy was wounded but continued directing fire until the German gun was knocked out. He then accepted medical attention. By his courage and devotion to duty, Private Dowdy assisted his company in attaining its objective with minimum casualties. Entered military service from Greensboro, North Carolina.

Joseph C. Dwyer, 37 591 902, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945 at Schwanfeld, Germany. While transporting troops in his 2-1/2-ton truck in company with other vehicles, Private Dwyer entered the town of Schwanfeld, Germany, which shortly thereafter came under observed enemy artillery fire making it necessary to halt his vehicle in an exposed position. The troops on the truck attempted to dismount at this point but, realizing their hazardous positions, Private Dwyer ordered them to remain mounted and unhesitatingly drove to cover. The quick thinking and aggressive action of Private Dwyer was responsible for saving the lives of the occupants of his truck. Entered military service from Dupree, South Dakota.

York I. Gambell, 42 690 109, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 16 April 1945 near the Lach River, Germany. When an Engineer bridge party was held up by intense enemy fire while attempting to repair a bridge over the Lach River, Private Gambell moved his heavy machine gun into an exposed position and laid down such effective fire that the enemy were forced to withdraw. His courageous act enabled the Engineers to administer aid to their wounded and to continue with their mission. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.

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James W. Hirsch, 56 776 176, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 332d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, 28 February 1945 at Reipertweiler, France. Subjected to intense enemy mortar fire while assisting in evacuating a wounded man, Private Hirsch lifted the man to his back and proceeded through the enemy fire to a forward aid station. Private Hirsch's courageous act was responsible for the successful evacuation of a wounded man in a minimum of time and without further injury. Entered military service from Joliet, Illinois.

Andrew J. Lazor, 33 570 709, Private, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945 near Obbach, Germany. Private Lazor was assistant driver of a tank destroyer that was called upon to overrun enemy emplacements manned by 70 troops, that were causing heavy casualties among the infantry. Starting across an open field, the destroyer became pinned 200 yards short of its objective. Another Destroyer was called to extricate it and Private Lazor, dismounting under intense enemy fire, directed the operation of freeing his vehicle, which then advanced and demolished the enemy positions. His courage and disregard for his own safety enabled his destroyer to continue in action. Entered military service from Robertsdale, Pennsylvania.

Kenneth L. McClung, 36 516 496, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 332d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 19 January 1945 near Soufflenheim, France. Directed to evacuate an ammunition supply point after his Battalion had withdrawn from Soufflenheim, Private McClung remained with his truck and assisted in loading the ammunition under an enemy artillery concentration while shells landed within 10 yards of his truck. Private McClung was subjected to further German artillery fire as he drove out of town. His courage and devotion to duty were responsible for saving critical ammunition from destruction or capture by the enemy. Entered military service from Alma, Michigan.

Ray T. Neal, 38 397 127, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 332d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945, near Drusenheim, France. In the face of a strong enemy attack, Private Neal, remained at his post as assistant runner of an 81 mm mortar for over one hour and would not leave his weapon until informed that his mission was completed. Later the same day when communications were cut by enemy artillery, Private Neal voluntarily left his covered position, entered the beaten zone, and repaired the line. His devotion to duty and coolness under fire aided greatly in repelling the hostile attack. Entered military service from Torchland, Oklahoma.

STANLEY W. REINS, 02 006 333, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company K, 332d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 March 1945 near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. While moving through the town of Ludwigswinkel, Lieutenant Reins' company was subjected to such an intense concentration of enemy artillery and mortar fire that the company was forced to seek shelter in the cellars of nearby houses,

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and the Company Commander, with the leading platoon, was separated from the rest of the company. Despite the heavy shelling and the activity of enemy snipers in the surrounding hills, Lieutenant Krins moved from cellar to cellar organizing the platoons and establishing contact with the forward element. By his heroic action he was able to maintain control of the company and keep his commanding officer informed as to the position and availability of all the units of his command. Entered military service from Fairbury, Nebraska.

Lorimer J. Romaguera, 38 495 509, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 17 January 1945, near Sessenheir, France. When four men of the platoon to which he was attached as Aid Man, were wounded, Private Romaguera went to their assistance under hostile fire. He administered medical aid to the men and remained with them until he could arrange for their evacuation. As a result of his courageous act, the injured were prevented from being captured by the enemy, when they later overran the area. Entered military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

Robert W. Simmons, 16 157 116, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945 near Haguenau, France. Private Simmons, first gunner, was seriously wounded when his machine gun was disabled by an enemy mortar shell. In spite of his painful injury he made his way to his company Command Post through intense hostile fire and reported that strong enemy forces had infiltrated through the outpost line. As a result of his courageous act, his company was reformed in stronger positions and dispersed the enemy. Entered military service from Portage, Wisconsin.

John W. Stebbins, 39 585 887, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. During the advance on Wurzburg, Private Stebbins' company was encircled and cut off by the enemy. In the fight that followed, Private Stebbins exposed himself to the hostile fire while he operated his radio in the attempt to call for reinforcements from the battalion command post. When his radio antenna was shot off, he quickly repaired the damage and continued its operation. Private Stebbins' courage in maintaining communications was directly responsible for saving his company from annihilation by superior enemy forces. Entered military service from Phoenix, Arizona.

Harvey T. Underhill, Jr., 35 594 812, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945 near Sommerbach, Germany. While serving as the battalion commander's radio operator, Corporal Underhill was at the head of the column with the battalion commander when they emerged from a wooded area. Observing an enemy emplacement to the front, Corporal Underhill instantly warned his commanding officer to take cover, and ran forward to flush the enemy from the first foxhole. The courage and daring initiative of Corporal Underhill was responsible for saving the life of his battalion commander and resulted in the capture of several prisoners. Entered military service from Akron, Ohio.

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Arthur L. Willett, 38 665 339, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 near the Lich River, Germany. In the face of intense enemy machine gun, mortar and sniper fire, Private Willett occupied an exposed position to place the fire from his heavy machine gun on the German positions. His protective fire enabled a squad of Engineers to continue construction of a bridge vital to the advance of the Infantry, and contributed materially to his Battalion's success in breaching the Lich River. Entered military service from El Dorado, Arkansas.

George A. Zwierschke, 32 934 336, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 in the Hardt Mountains, France. During the attack on Hill 384, Private Zwierschke manned his mortar, under intense enemy fire, against a machine gun which had held up the advance of his company. His action resulted in destruction of the enemy machine gun, permitting his company to take the hill. By his courage, determination and devotion to duty, Private Zwierschke effectively contributed to the combat success of his company. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

III. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-  
By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

John L. Frodovich, 39 929 892, Private First Class, Infantry, Company W, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 near Furth, Germany. Private Frodovich, as assistant squad leader, accompanied his squad across the Regnitz River with the mission of establishing a bridgehead for the assault of the city of Furth. In the face of repeated enemy counterattacks he assisted his squad leader in organizing the squad for defense and successfully defended the sector until other troops were able to cross and expand the bridgehead. Private Frodovich, by his skillful and determined defense of the bridgehead, played an important part in the surrender of the city of Furth and the capture of large numbers of enemy troops. Entered military service from Bingham, Utah.

IV. AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-  
By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

James R. Rogers, 36 979 810, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. When a rifle platoon was held up by heavy enemy fire, Private Rogers moved his machine gun to the forward slope of a hill. From there he laid down an intense and accurate fire that neutralized the enemy machine gun positions, allowing the platoon to continue on its mission. By his courage and skill, Private Rogers effectively assisted in breaching the enemy's fortified positions. Entered military service from Christian County, Illinois.

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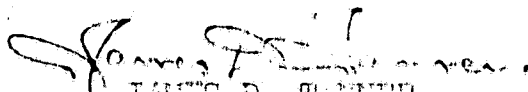
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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS).....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

Melvin H. Hansens, 16 104 733, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. Assigned a mission to lay wire from Regiment through Battalion, behind a march column, the wire section of which Private Hansens was a member was ambushed by 10 Germans at a road block. Private Hansens, who was leading, called out for the rest of the section to disperse and take cover, thereby drawing the bulk of the enemy fire upon himself. He was mortally wounded, but his sacrifice enabled the wire team to escape and to complete its mission. This outstanding act of gallantry is exemplary of the highest traditions of the military service. Name and address of nearest relative: Mr. Henry Hansens, (father), M.A.C. Avenue, East Lansing, Michigan. Entered military service from East Lansing, Michigan.

II. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:..... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

Donald T. Armstrong, 35 530 694, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 April 1945, at Wockenrot, Germany. When his platoon was ambushed and a driver was seriously wounded, Private Armstrong was directed to evacuate him to an aid station. Attempting to carry out this mission, he found that the return route had been cut by the enemy. Driving across country, skirting enemy positions and occupied fox-holes, while the Germans concentrated heavy fire upon him, Private Armstrong brought his vehicle through the enemy lines. Private Armstrong's courage and disregard for his own safety saved a fellow soldier from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Youngstown, Ohio.

Merwood C. Hoke, 33 239 999, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action, on 2 May 1945, near Tgmating, Germany. When enemy tanks were reported nearby, Corporal Hoke and two other men set out voluntarily to find them, and followed fresh tank tracks until they came upon five Germans who fled and were captured. Discovering an outpost of five more Germans, Corporal Hoke and his party opened fire and pursued them so closely that they arrived at the tanks before any warning could be given to the tank crews. As a result of the action, four

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Park V tanks, completely armed and equipped, were captured with their crews. By his courage and determination, Corporal Hoke assisted in eliminating a dangerous threat to the security of his Battalion Command Post. Entered military service from Pillow, Pennsylvania.

Edwin G. Leitch, Jr., 33 645 151, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action, on 2 May 1945, near Ngenasing, Germany. When enemy tanks were reported nearby, Corporal Leitch and two other men set out voluntarily to find them, and followed fresh tank tracks until they came upon five Germans who fled but were later captured. Discovering an outpost of five more Germans Corporal Leitch and his party opened fire and pursued them so closely that they arrived at the tanks before any warning could be given to the tank crews. As a result of the action, four Park V tanks, completely armed and equipped were captured with their crews. Entered military service from Richmond, Virginia.

III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Frederick S. Barcomb, 31 312 207, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 19 January 1945, in Soufflenheim, France. Directed to evacuate an ammunition supply point after his Battalion had withdrawn from Soufflenheim, Corporal Barcomb remained with his truck and assisted in loading the ammunition under an enemy artillery concentration while shells landed within 15 yards of the truck. Corporal Barcomb was subjected to further German artillery fire as he drove out of town. His courage and devotion to duty were responsible for saving critical ammunition from destruction or capture by the enemy. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

Henry F. Bloesser, 37 254 673, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945, near Unterbach, Germany. Private Bloesser volunteered to drive a party of Rangers over a road that was known to have been heavily mined by the enemy. Swerving from side to side to avoid mines, and straddling others, he was forced to drive at a rapid pace because of the enemy observation and artillery fire to which the road was exposed. By his courage and skillful driving he successfully completed his trip and reestablished contact between two battalions, enabling them to coordinate their attack. Entered military service from Kingman, Kansas.

Paul F. Connors, 31 094 455, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 January 1945, near Soufflenheim, France. Directed to evacuate an ammunition supply point after his Battalion had withdrawn from Soufflenheim, Private Connors remained with his truck and assisted in loading the ammunition under an enemy artillery concentration while shells landed within 15 yards of his truck. Private Connors was subjected to further German artillery fire as he drove

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out of town. His courage and devotion to duty were responsible for saving critical ammunition from destruction or capture by the enemy. Entered military service from Charlestown, Massachusetts.

Harold S. Countryman, 32 508 6-2, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 January 1945, near Soufflenheim, France. Directed to evacuate an ammunition supply point after his Battalion had withdrawn from Soufflenheim, Private Countryman remained with his truck and assisted in loading the ammunition under an enemy artillery concentration while shells landed within 15 yards of his truck. Private Countryman was subjected to further German artillery fire as he drove out of town. His courage and devotion to duty were responsible for saving critical ammunition from destruction or capture by the enemy. Entered military service from High Falls, New York.

Adolph P. Czech, 36 901 5-8, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 252d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 January 1945, near Soufflenheim, France. Directed to evacuate an ammunition supply point after his Battalion had withdrawn from Soufflenheim, Private Czech remained with his truck and assisted in loading the ammunition under an enemy artillery concentration during which shells landed within 15 yards of his truck. Private Czech was subjected to further German artillery fire as he drove out of town. His courage and devotion to duty were responsible for saving much critical ammunition from destruction or capture by the enemy. Entered military service from Cicero, Illinois.

Darwin C. Freeman, 59 403 3-7, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 February 1945, near Wingen, France. Sergeant Freeman served as a squad leader on a combat patrol that killed eight enemy, wounded twelve, captured two, and neutralized several machine gun positions, and drove off two counterattacks. Under his direction, Sergeant Freeman's squad covered a flanking movement which enabled the patrol to reach the enemy lines with minimum casualties. His tactical skill and leadership effectively contributed to the success of the patrol. Entered military service from San Andreas, California.

Claude A. Gachensur, 33 890 1-1, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945 near Agenau, France. As company wireman, Sergeant Gachensur repeatedly exposed himself to intense enemy fire to repair a telephone line between his company command post and the forward observation post. His courage and devotion to duty enabled accurate mortar and artillery fire to be placed on attacking enemy troops. Entered military service from Pannitsburg, Maryland.

Thomas Homan, 35 012 1-1, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 in the Hardt Mountains, France. When Corporal Homan saw two wounded men of his company lying in an exposed position, he voluntarily made his way through heavy enemy fire to give them first aid. One of the men was in serious condition with a stomach wound.

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After treating the soldier's injuries, Corporal Homan carried the man under fire more than 100 yards up a hill to a place of safety from where he could be evacuated and, returning to the other injured man, also carried him to safety. By his courage and devotion to duty, Corporal Homan saved two fellow soldiers from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Barberton, Ohio.

Charles O. Horst, 39 036 252, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945 near Otzath, Germany. Corporal Horst moved with the tank destroyer to which he was assigned as gunner across an open field to cover medical aid men attempting to rescue five wounded riflemen. Exposing himself to intense fire, he manned the .50 calibre machine gun in the turret of his destroyer, held up the enemy until the aid men had evacuated the wounded. By his courage and devotion to duty, Corporal Horst played a major role in preventing the death or capture of five fellow soldiers. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Charley E. Janik, 38 549 926, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 near the Loeh River, Germany. When an Engineer bridge party was held up by intense enemy fire, while attempting to repair a blown bridge over the Loeh River, Private Janik, with complete disregard for his own safety, moved his heavy machine gun into an exposed position and laid down such effective fire that the enemy were forced to withdraw. His courageous act enabled the Engineers to administer aid to their wounded and to continue with their mission. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

Daniel R. Jones, 34 664 614, Private, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near Reipartswiler, France. As a member of a combat patrol, Private Jones was participating in the attack on Hill 301 near Reipartswiler, France, when his sound was held up by an enemy sniper. Advancing until he located the German, Private Jones killed him and then wounded and took prisoner an enemy soldier manning a rocket launcher. The courage and daring initiative exhibited by Private Jones enabled his sound to resume its attack and accomplish its mission. Entered military service from Plymouth, North Carolina.

Milton S. LaForce, 39 259 419, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 February 1945 near Wingen, France. Sergeant LaForce served as a squad leader on a combat patrol that killed eight enemy, wounded twelve, captured two, and neutralized several machine gun positions, and drove off two counterattacks. Under his direction, Sergeant LaForce's squad covered a flanking movement which enabled the patrol to reach the enemy lines with minimum casualties. His tactical skill and leadership effectively contributed to the success of the patrol. Entered military service from Amid, Oklahoma.

Ward Miller, 37 470 907, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on

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19 January 1945, in Soufflenheim, France. Directed to evacuate an ammunition supply point after his Battalion had withdrawn from Soufflenheim, Private Miller remained with his truck and assisted in loading the ammunition under an enemy artillery concentration while shells landed within 15 yards of his truck. Private Miller was subjected to further German artillery fire as he drove out of town. His courage and devotion to duty were responsible for saving critical ammunition from destruction or capture by the enemy. Entered military service from Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Forrest R. Oldt, 33 637 451, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, at Schwandorf, Germany. While transporting troops in his 2-1/2-ton truck in company with other vehicles, Private Oldt entered the town of Schwandorf, Germany, which shortly thereafter came under observed enemy artillery fire making it necessary to halt his vehicle in an exposed position. The troops on the truck attempted to dismount at this point but, realizing their hazardous positions, Private Oldt ordered them to remain mounted and unhesitatingly drove to cover. The quick thinking and aggressive action of Private Oldt was responsible for saving the lives of the occupants of his truck. Entered military service from Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Lloyd A. Platt, 37 539 034, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 January 1945, near Soufflenheim, France. Directed to evacuate an ammunition supply point after his Battalion had withdrawn from Soufflenheim, Corporal Platt remained with his truck and assisted in loading the ammunition under an enemy artillery concentration while shells landed within 15 yards of his truck. Corporal Platt was subjected to further German artillery fire as he drove out of town. His courage and devotion to duty were responsible for saving critical ammunition from destruction or capture by the enemy. Entered military service from Dodge City, Kansas.

Robert T. Renouf, 36 981 643, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, near Badolzburg, Germany. When the platoon to which Private Renouf was attached as medical aid man was attacking along the edge of an open field under intense enemy small arms and machine gun fire, the platoon sergeant was wounded. Running across the open ground under heavy fire to the injured man, Private Renouf applied splints and dressings to the injured man's leg and dragged him back to cover. His courage and disregard for his own safety saved the platoon sergeant from possible death. Entered military service from Grant, Michigan.

Edward J. Thomas, 36 765 786, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 January 1945, near Soufflenheim, France. Directed to evacuate an ammunition supply point after his Battalion had withdrawn from Soufflenheim, Private Thomas remained with his truck and assisted

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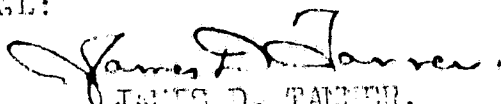
in loading the ammunition under an enemy artillery concentration while on the ground within 15 yards of his truck. Private Thomas was subjected to further German artillery fire as he drove out of town. His courage and devotion to duty were responsible for saving critical ammunition from destruction or capture by the enemy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Victor M. Wright, 39 208 346, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 322d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 5 January 1945, at Drachenbrom, France. When five men were wounded within one hundred and fifty yards of the enemy, Private Wright made his way under intense enemy fire to the injured men and, crawling from one to the other, treated their wounds and directed litter team in their evacuation. He then moved farther to the front to give first aid to the platoon leader, who had been seriously wounded in both legs, and remained with him until dark when he could be safely removed to an aid station. By his courage and devotion to duty Private Wright saved his platoon leader and five men from possible death or capture. Entered military service from San Diego, California.

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I. AWARE OF THE SILVER STAR:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

SYDNEY G. B. TENNANT, O 452 439, Captain, Cavalry, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop for gallantry in action on 17 April 1945 at Amendorf, Germany. Captain Tennant, Reconnaissance Troop Commander, drove under a white flag into Amendorf to negotiate for its surrender. Unable to find the town commander, Captain Tennant told junior officers he would return for a later meeting and at 2130, the headlights of his car making him an excellent target, he drove toward the town. Stopped by enemy soldiers at the outskirts he explained his mission, was blindfolded and taken to the commander, who refused to surrender. Captain Tennant then returned to his own lines. His disregard of danger in an attempt to prevent needless loss of life reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

SYDNEY G. B. TENNANT, O 452 439, Captain, Cavalry, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, from 15 April to 19 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. During the rapid advance of the Division in its attack on the city of Furth, Captain Tennant, as Commanding Officer, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, skillfully planned and directed the operation of his platoons far in advance of the swiftly moving infantry regiments. Carrying out an aggressive reconnaissance designed to maintain a vigorous contact with the enemy, his troop constantly probed enemy positions to locate and eradicate numerous German strongpoints. By his skillful planning, outstanding tactical ability, and constant devotion to duty, Captain Tennant aided in preparing the way for the advancing infantry, insuring the successful accomplishment of its mission. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

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By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following individuals for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States:

JACK V. EDLING, O 407 237, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters 222d Infantry Regiment, from 19 January to 23 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ironwood, Minnesota.

ROBERT J. WEILL, O 155 501, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February to 11 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

III. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART (POSTHUMOUSLY):-... Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded posthumously to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

Peder W. Jodrey, O 618 587, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 11 January 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Martha Jodrey (Mother), Box 514, Shelby, Missouri. Entered military service from Shelby, Missouri.

DANIEL P. McLAUGHLIN, O 552 643, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 11 January 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Ella A. Hutchinson (Mother), 715 Market Street, Greer, South Carolina. Entered military service from Greer, South Carolina.

IV. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART:-... Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

Wilbur E. Wise, 13 060 609, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 3 April 1945. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

V. REVOCATIONS:-... So much of Section III, General Orders Number 105, this headquarters, 30 June 1945, pertaining to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to Corporal Norwood Q. Hoke, 33 439 999, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, is revoked.

So much of Section II, General Orders Number 105, this headquarters, 30 June 1945, pertaining to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to Technician Fifth Grade Edwin G. Leitch, Jr., 33 645 151, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, is revoked.

So much of Section II, General Orders Number 105, this headquarters, 30 June 1945, pertaining to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to Private First Class James H. Mackey, 35 814 218, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, is revoked.

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10 July 1945.

So much of General Orders Number 32, this headquarters, 22 April 1945, pertaining to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Edward D. Hall, 15 121 417, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

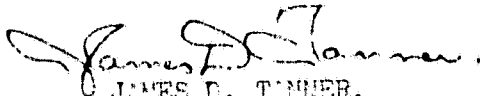
So much of General Orders Number 63, this headquarters, 20 May 1945, pertaining to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Sergeant Wilbur Perry, 38 543 399, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

So much of Section II, General Orders Number 64, this headquarters, 27 April 1945, pertaining to the awarding of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart to Private First Class Felix H. Rossar, 38 479 709, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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HEADQUARTERS  
42D INFANTRY DIVISION

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 111)

ORIGINAL ORDER -

AFO #411, U. S. Army,

2 Jul. 1945.

AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-40, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

FRANK LINDEN, O7 609, Brigadier General, Headquarters, 42d Infantry Division, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945, near Reipertswiller, France. On 15 March 1945 when stubborn enemy resistance threatened to delay the advance of one of the regiments in the Harzt Mountains, General Linden was directed by the Division Commander to contact the troop commanders concerned and take such action as might be necessary to make certain the unit advanced to its objective. General Linden unhesitatingly went forward in the face of intense concentrations of enemy small arms, mortar and artillery fire to contact regimental, battalion, company and platoon commanders to insure the success of the operation. His presence among the foremost elements of the assault units, his coolness under fire and keen appreciation of tactical requirements accomplished the desired results and the regiment met its objective on schedule. Entered military service from the University of Minnesota.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

MURKS BEALL,  
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GENERAL ORDERS)  
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AFO #111, U. S. Army,  
8 July 1945.

- Award of the Silver Star.....I
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....II
- Award of the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.....III
- Revocations.....IV

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

OLIVER D. CHRISLESEN, OR 008 915, Second Lieutenant, (then Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company L, 2326 Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 5 January 1945, at Gurbsholt, France. During the counterattack on the enemy bridgehead at Gurbsholt, Sergeant Christenson was severely wounded by artillery fire while leading his platoon to higher ground. Refusing medical aid until the wounded among his men were treated, Sergeant Christenson then consented to have his wound dressed. Although he could not walk because of his injury, he remained on the field for four hours crawling from one position to the other to direct his platoon's movement and fire, and refusing evacuation until darkness. His gallantry and devotion to duty was an inspiration to his men. Entered military service from Monroe, Wisconsin.

Thomas I. Jewell, 6 229 807, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 2326 Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 23 April 1945, near Doshingen, Germany. When his platoon leader was wounded in the attack on Doshingen, Sergeant Jewell immediately assumed command of the platoon and in the face of withering enemy fire led his platoon against the enemy positions, knocking out a machine gun, killing four of the enemy and taking one prisoner. Sergeant Jewell continued to lead the attack into the city, wiping out several strongpoints. His gallantry and devotion to duty were directly responsible for the success of the platoon assault, enabling the company to move in and occupy the city. Entered military service from Palestine, Texas.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Donald W. Schaeffer, 57 611 300, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 2326 Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945, at Olpeichin, Germany. When the machine guns of his company's second platoon ran low on ammunition during a critical attack, Private Schaeffer volunteered to replenish the supply. Under direct observation of the enemy and in the face of German machine gun fire, he brought the vitally-needed ammunition across open terrain. His courageous act enabled the platoon to hold its positions and continue fighting. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

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-2 July 1945.

John B. Payton, 36 810 708, Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action 11 April 1945, near Schweinfurt, Germany, sighting a patrol in and around buildings on a hill to his right front, Sergeant Payton volunteered to contact the patrol and find out whether it was enemy or friendly. While advancing toward his objective, he was fired upon by enemy snipers and machine guns on his left flank, but continued fearlessly on his mission, contacted the patrol, which proved to be friendly, thereby allowing his attack to bring their fire to bear on the machine gun emplacements on the left flank. This neutralized the enemy fire and allowed the 2d Battalion to advance on its mission. Sergeant Payton's courage and devotion to duty were major contributions to the success of the attack upon Schweinfurt. Entered military service from Madison, Wisconsin.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following individuals for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States:

ELMER H. GRIFF, O 554 918, Lieutenant Colonel, Chemical Warfare Service, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 5 January to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Co. Clair, Michigan.

ROBERT W. FLICK, OI 930 420, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters 421st Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 March to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Long Beach, California.

FRANK S. STEIN, O 548 476, Major, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters 421st Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 March to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bogalusa, Louisiana.

III. AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:--..... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

MORRIS G. GAUL, OII 800, Colonel, Infantry, 242d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 15 March 1945 to 23 March 1945 in the Hürtgen Mountains, France. As commanding officer, 242d Infantry Regiment, Colonel Gaul led his regiment in the attack on the enemy in the Hürtgen Mountains, through the Siegfried Line, and into Germany. Proceeding at the head of the Second Battalion through an enemy mine field under heavy enemy artillery fire, he skillfully employed the striking power of his regiment, at the same time keeping the Division Commander informed of his progress. When his leading battalion encountered a strong German counter-attack, Colonel Gaul went ahead in the face of severe enemy small arms and mortar fire to direct the employment of his troops. By reason of his superior tactical knowledge and exceptional qualities of leadership, his regiment breached the Siegfried Line, inflicted numerous casualties upon the enemy, captured more than 2000 prisoners, and was the first regiment of the Division to enter Germany. Entered military service from Haverhill, Mass.

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2 July 1945.

ALFRED A. McNEESE, O11 256, Colonel, Infantry, 258d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in action during the period 15 March 1945 to 6 April 1945 in France and Germany. Colonel McNeese commanded the 352d Infantry Regiment during the attack through the Harst Mountains and the breaching of the Siegfried Line and during the advance of the Division through the Northain-Warzburg area in Germany. Under his superior leadership, his regiment captured Barenthal, Phillipsbourg, and Obersteinbach; then, after taking over the entire Division sector, systematically cleared out the by-passed area and isolated pockets of resistance. The subsequent attack of the regiment along the Main River and into Warzburg contributed greatly to the attainment of the Division objective. Colonel McNeese's outstanding professional ability, aggressiveness, and constant personal supervision of the employment of his battalions were responsible for the successful accomplishment of all missions assigned him. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

IV. REVOCATIONS:-----So much of Section III, General Orders Number 107, this Headquarters, 30 June 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal to MORTON C. CAUL, O11 805, Colonel, Infantry, 242d Infantry Regiment, and, ALFRED A. McNEESE, O11 256, Colonel, Infantry, 258d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

BURKE BEALL,  
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HEADQUARTERS  
2ND INFANTRY DIVISION

GENERAL ORDERS)  
NUMBER 109)

APO #411, U. S. Army,  
30 June 1945.

*MISSING ORDER*

Award of the Silver Star.....I  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....II

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:-.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

EDWARD W. CLARK, O 377 883, Captain, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 January 1945, at Stadtmatton, France. Captain Clark volunteered to accompany a force organized to rescue two platoons which were surrounded by the enemy. When one of the supporting tanks was knocked out by an enemy rocket launcher and the troops were pinned down by heavy sniper fire, Captain Clark braved the German barrage and led a detachment of infantry to the enemy positions, wiped them out, and enabled the attack to continue. By his courageous leadership and daring initiative, the two platoons were rescued, the town of Stadtmatton was recaptured, forty enemy were killed, and more than one hundred taken prisoner. Entered military service from Anniston, Alabama.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-...By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

John W. Harding, 39 620 171, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945, at Ludwigswinkel, Germany. When the company to which he was attached as aid man was pinned down by fire from enemy pillboxes, Private Harding went forward to render first aid to several wounded men. Exposing himself to direct enemy observation and ignoring the heavy fire, he moved from one injured man to another, treating them and dragging them to cover. Obtaining a litter, Private Harding continued to expose himself while he and another man evacuated the wounded, successfully removing them all to places of safety. Entered military service from Colorado Springs, Colorado.

James T. Murphy, 33 439 232, Technician Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company C, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 January 1945 near Hatten, France. While standing guard near his company's billets, Private Murphy saw a large trail of the enemy advancing toward the houses. He took up a position in a bar-by-burn and opened up on the Germans with an automatic rifle. Though exposed to hostile fire of machine guns and machine-pistols, Private Murphy continued to fight the attacking force alone until friendly soldiers came to his assistance. His devotion to duty



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and undoubted courage prevented the enemy from surrounding the billets or inflicting casualties. Entered military service from North Braddock, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT C. SCHMELZ, OI 047 329, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, 431st Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 near Schaffstall, Germany. While waiting to cross the Danube River a member of Lieutenant Schmeltz's platoon was wounded by an enemy 88 mm shell. Disregarding his own safety, Lieutenant Schmeltz placed the injured man on his back and drove through the intense German fire to an aid station. By his courage and prompt action, Lieutenant Schmeltz assisted in saving the life of his man from a possible death. Entered military service from North Hill, Pennsylvania.

b. By direction of the applicant under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-15, 25 October 1940 and under the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following individuals for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

Harry R. Alley, 37 670 130, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Winterset, Iowa.

Joseph Blazic, 33 693 630, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 43d Division Artillery, from 15 March to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Washington, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM S. BORDEN, JR., O 548 434, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Morrisville, Pennsylvania.

John Gilbert, 12 201 355, Corporal, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Battery, 431st Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion from 15 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Florida, New York.

LAMAR T. GUN, O 451 604, Captain, Field Artillery, 52d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

PROCTOR J. HULLSCHUR, W2 108 549, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, Army of the United States, Headquarters 431st Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from White Bear Lake, Minnesota.

HEVIN W. MADON, OI 000 011, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery D, 431st Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 20 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Watervliet, Michigan.

HERBERT L. WITTS, W2 123 173, Warrant Officer, Junior Grade, Army of the United States, Service Company, 252d Infantry Regiment, from 20 November 1944 to 4 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ashland, Ohio.

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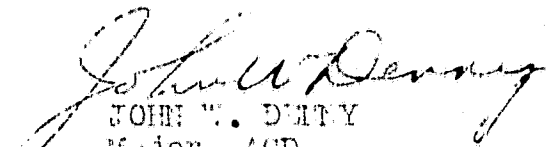
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MILTON B. ZEPER, OI 046 703, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery A, 131st Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 12 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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HEADQUARTERS  
42D INFANTRY DIVISION

CENTRAL ORDERS)

AFPO #411, U. S. Army,

NUMBER 107)

ORIGINAL ORDER # 409, 30 June 1945.

- Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....I
- Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.....II
- Award of the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.....III
- Award of the Soldier's Medal.....IV

I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army regulations 600-45, 23 September 1945, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following individuals for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

JAMES I. BERRIAN, O 426 522, Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, 122d Medical Battalion, from 9 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Raymond F. Dickey, 35 543 297, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, on 10 April 1945, between Ober Spissheim and Gerlheim, Germany. Entered military service from Sandusky, Fremont, Ohio.

Orris Donovan, 38 564 470, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters battery, 42d Division Artillery, from 15 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

ROBERT F. GILL, O1 166 720, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Flushing, New York.

THOMAS H. GREGG, O 434 592, Captain, Cavalry, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Mission, Kansas.

WILLIAM H. VOLBERT, O1 389 277, First Lieutenant, Quartermaster Corps, 42d Quartermaster Company, from 20 February to 30 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fargo, North Dakota.

Richard G. Lambert, 13 136 167, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters battery, 42d Division Artillery, from 15 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

Victor F. Lewis, 6 281 755, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery A, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 9 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fairstead, Pennsylvania.

JAMES J. HIFON, O 445 442, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Green Bay, Wisconsin.

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WILLIAM C. IONAH, JR., OI 183 512, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 692d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

James M. McCurdy, 37 701 928, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Infantry Division Artillery, from 15 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Morgan, Colorado.

Robert L. Puncik, 38 388 982, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 692d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February to 8 May, 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

ROBERT E. DULYER, O 618 733, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Infantry Division Artillery, from 15 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Valparaiso, Indiana.

Donald J. Schanning, 37 374 703, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Infantry Division Artillery, from 15 March 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Washington, Pennsylvania.

CHARLES ROBERT SMYTH, OI 797 195, Captain, (then 1st Lieutenant) Corps of Military Police, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 15 March 1945 to 26 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Louis F. G. Stephan, 37 631 257, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Infantry Division Artillery, from 15 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

Herbert L. Hitchew, 34 837 107, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery 42d Infantry Division Artillery, from 15 March 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

JOHN I. WICKER, O3 025 617, Second Lieutenant, (formerly Warrant Officer Junior Grade) Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 17 March 1945 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Big Cabin, Oklahoma.

II. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-10, 23 September 1943, is awarded, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal to the following individual for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

Levi Urruh, 37 300 251, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Warren, Kansas.

III. AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-10, 23 September 1943, is awarded, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal to the following individuals for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

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**LESTER A. MCNEESE**, O 11 236, Colonel, Infantry, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 6 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

**NORMAN C. CRUIK**, O 11 803, Colonel, Infantry, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 23 March 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Honolulu, Hawaii. REV. BY CO# 110 - *2 July 1945*

IV. AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-40, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded to:

**EDWIN A. GERLIKOWSKI**, O 548 773, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company E, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 25 March 1945 near Rumbach, Germany. When another officer was overcome by poisonous fumes in a Siegfried Line pillbox which had recently been dynamited, Lieutenant Gerlikowski entered the fortification and carried out the unconscious officer. Lieutenant Gerlikowski then successfully administered artificial respiration. By his heroic act Lieutenant Gerlikowski saved the life of a fellow officer. Entered military service from Green Bay, Wisconsin.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

**BURNS BEALL**,  
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HEADQUARTERS  
42D INFANTRY DIVISION

GENERAL ORDERS)  
NUMBER 106)

RECEIVED ORDER

AGC #111, U. S. Army,  
30 June 1945.

- Award of the Silver Star (Posthumous).....I
- Award of the Silver Star.....II
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....III
- Award of the First Class Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.....IV
- Award of the Purple Heart (Posthumous).....V
- Award of the Purple Heart.....VI
- Recommendations.....VII

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS):-.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

1. WYRON R. CHRISTENSEN, SS CGS 501, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 42nd Infantry Regiment, 1st Infantry in action on 23 January 1945, near Schwanhausen, Alsace. During a counterattack by his company, Private Christensen observed a companion fall back wounded. Crawling 25 yards over open terrain under an intense mortar barrage, he reached the injured man and applied a tourniquet to his leg. Private Christensen remained with the wounded man for four hours, loosening the tourniquet when necessary and waiting targets for friendly machine gunners with tracer. Upon arrival of aid men, Private Christensen rose to continue the attack when he was struck by a burst from a hidden machine pistol. By his courageous act, Private Christensen saved the life of a wounded man, gave great assistance to supporting machine guns and contributed to the continued advance of his company. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. WYRON CHRISTENSEN (Mother), 714 West Dayton Street, Madison, Wisconsin. Entered military service from Madison, Wisconsin.

II. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:-.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

1. JAMES H. MARTIN, SS CIO 394, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company C, 1st Field Destroyer Battalion, 1st Infantry in action on 6 March 1945, near Cologne, Germany. When the lead Tank Destroyer of a convoy moving forward in the assault on Cologne, Germany, burst into flames from a direct enemy shell hit, Private Martin, riding in the following Destroyer jumped down from his own position and went forward to the burning vehicle. Under withering enemy machine gun and small arms fire he successfully evacuated the wounded members of the crew. Through his courageous and gallant act, Private Martin saved the lives of several of his comrades. Entered military service from Las Vegas, Nevada.

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30 June 1945.

FRED R. MURPHY, O1 132 206, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 7 April 1945 near Schweinfurt, Germany. Lieutenant Murphy was assigned the mission of checking the condition of bridges over the Main River. To accomplish this mission, it was necessary to fly behind the enemy lines over positions known to be heavily defended by anti-aircraft guns. At one point during the flight, eighteen 88mm guns opened fire simultaneously and the wings and fuselage of the airplane were punctured by fragments of shrapnel and the fuselage tossed the plane violently in the air. Withuster plane and for his safety, Lieutenant Murphy continued on his mission until he had determined the condition of each bridge. The vital information secured as a result of Lieutenant Murphy's courage and devotion to duty were of material assistance in the tactical planning for the attack upon Schweinfurt. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Robert Gorton, 6 945 670, Staff Sergeant, (then Sergeant), Company A, 781st Tank Battalion, for gallantry in action on 17 January 1945, near Sossenheim, France. When the enemy launched a strong counter-attack across a small river and the infantry unit he was supporting withdrew, Sergeant Gorton opened fire on his tank. Together with another tank and machine gun squad, he repulsed the assault and drove the enemy back across the river. Refusing to withdraw until his ammunition was exhausted, he killed or wounded more than three hundred Germans. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 300-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Thurston M. Cole, 42 107 125, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Department, Company A, 123d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 17 February 1945, in the Vosges Mountains, France. Private Cole accompanied by an ambulance orderly drove his ambulance up a fire road over which no heavy vehicle had traveled to evacuate three men who had been wounded by enemy mortar fire. Although snipers were still active on the flanks and one bullet hit the front of the ambulance, and although fallen trees had to be cleared from the trail twice to provide passage near the vehicle, Private Cole ignored personal danger and brought the men to safety. Entered military service from Louisville, Tennessee.

Frank H. Goodsell, 36 545 216, Private, Medical Department, Company A, 123d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 30 March 1945, near Gommern, Germany. Private Goodsell, ambulance orderly, together with a driver, were en route to a casualty clearing station from Schwan, which had just been entered by our Infantry. The team and the ambulance from it were completely subjected to observed mortar and artillery fire which brought the ambulance down the road just behind it. Private Goodsell succeeded in evacuating three men wounded in this most recent possible serious complications. Entered military service from Pontiac, Michigan.

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~~Edward J. Halk, 35 259 989, Corporal, Field Artillery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 2 May 1945 near Eymating, Germany. When enemy tanks were reported nearby, Corporal Halk and two other men set out with a tank to find them, and followed from tank tracks until they came upon five Germans who fled and were captured. Discovering an outpost of five more Germans Corporal Halk and his party opened fire and pursued them until they arrived at the tanks before any warning could be given to the tank crews. As a result of the action, four Mark V tanks, completely armed and equipped, were captured with their crews. Entered military service from Hills, Pennsylvania.~~

Edward J. Hudyc, 36 736 083, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company A, 183d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 29 April 1945 at Deulish, Germany. Private Hudyc, ambulance driver, together with an orderly, were attached to an Infantry Battalion when it entered Dachen. The swift advance of the infantry left many active pockets of resistance which were still firing on troops advancing along the road at the edge of the town. Under fire Private Hudyc went forward of the aid station to treat and evacuate casualties to and from the collection company which was under fire. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Romanus E. Kerns, Jr., 35 087 100, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company A, 183d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 10 March 1945, in France. On the night of 16 March 1945, when all contact had been lost between two medical aid stations, Private Kerns a litter bearer, volunteered to establish a new contact. Under cover of darkness and risking enemy machine gun fire, he made his way through territory known to be swarmed with anti-personnel and belu-mines to regain contact. The mission was achieved after more than three hours, thus facilitating the future success of medical aid operations. Entered military service from Huntington, West Virginia.

Paul W. Laws, 37 354 713, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, near Furth, Germany. As his platoon participated in establishing a bridgehead across the Remitz River, Sergeant Laws, led his squad across the river under intense enemy fire and inspired and encouraged his men to hold their position against repeated counter-attacks. For three hours Sergeant Laws and his men defended their sector until other troops crossed the river to exploit the bridgehead. His courageous leadership contributed directly to the capitulation of Furth and the surrender of more than three thousand enemy. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

Robert H. Litchfield, 31 333 831, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945 in Furth, Germany. Private Litchfield was the later tie Riflemen of a squad that forced its way across the Remitz River to establish a bridgehead for the assault on the City of Furth. In the face of repeated German counterattacks he defended his sector for three hours of bitter fighting, enabling other troops to cross and expand the bridgehead. By his heroic action and skillful and determined defense, Private Litchfield contributed to the surrender of the city and the capture of more than three thousand enemy. Entered military service from Concord, Massachusetts.

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Daniel Lups, SS 855 147, Private First Class, (then Private), Medical Department, Company A, 1284 Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 28 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. On the above date Private Lups, as ambulance orderly, was evacuating casualties from the Main River bridgehead at Wurzburg. The injured were transported across the river on boats and placed on the bank right at the river bank where heavy enemy fire was encountered from compressed flak guns and snipers. Throughout the entire day, Private Lups braved the intense enemy fire to give medical treatment and speedy evacuation to wounded personnel. His valiant work at a critical point in the evacuation effort aided greatly in the close medical support rendered by the company. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Franklin H. Murray, SS 439 506, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company A, 1284 Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 29 April 1945 at Dachsau, Germany. As the collecting company in which Private Murray was ambulance orderly was subjected to severe shelling three men were wounded. Oblivious to the fire still falling in the company area and despite several shell holes in the ambulance, Private Murray and the ambulance driver evacuated the wounded to the rear. One of the men had a serious head injury and the action of Private Murray saved him from possible death. Entered military service from Guilford, Vermont.

Robert H. Marroll, SS 539 635, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery A, 4024 Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, on 10 April 1945, at Schweinfurt, Germany. In preparation for the attack on Schweinfurt, Corporal Marroll assisted in setting up an observation post in a church steeple which became the target for a concentration of enemy artillery fire. Although the post was shelled by a direct hit, Corporal Marroll remained in his original position and continued to direct the artillery fire. Entered military service from Manchester, New Hampshire.

IV. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-.....By resolution of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, of 30 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Philip E. Inebnit, SS 640 487, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 2nd Infantry Division, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 near Ertz, Germany. Private Inebnit, as assistant squad leader, accompanied his squad across the Rogwitz River with the mission of establishing a bridgehead for the assault of the city of Ertz. In the face of reported enemy counterattacks he assisted his squad leader in organizing the squad for defense and successfully defended the sector until other troops were able to cross and expand the bridgehead. Private Inebnit, by his skillful and determined defense of the bridgehead, played an important part in the surrender of the city of Ertz and the capture of large numbers of enemy troops. Entered military service from Goshon, Indiana.

V. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART (CONTINUOUS):-.....Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded posthumously to the following persons who served in action against the enemy:

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A. J. Roy, SS 133 603, Staff Sergeant, Cavalry, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Company, 24 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Betty L. Roy (Wife), 602 Bevie Street, Sweetwater, Texas. Entered military service from Abilene, Texas.

VI. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART:-----Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-25, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

William J. McGhee, SS 352 450, Technician Fifth Grade, Cavalry 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Company, 24 April 1945. Entered military service from Fort Sill, Oklahoma, Texas.

~~Walter G. Hoop, SS 352 450, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, France, 13 January 1945. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.~~ **REV. BY CGO #133 - 6/1/45**

Keith I. Wilson, SS 356 624, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, Company, 17 April 1945. Entered military service from Bridgeton, New Jersey.

OK VII. REVOCATIONS:-----So much of General Order Number 52, this headquarters, 22 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Anthony Bonaluce, SS 495 451, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

OK VIII. So much of General Order Number 52, this headquarters, 25 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to John W. Stansway, SS 968 448, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

DURIS DEWILL,  
Colonel, General Staff Corps,  
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

*John W. Dewill*  
JOHN W. DEWILL,  
Major, AGD,  
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GENERAL ORDERS)

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30 June 1945.

Award of the Silver Star.....I  
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Award of the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal....III

1. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

LOWELL E. HOGAN, O 431 248, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 34th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 7 April 1945, near Schweinfurt, Germany. Lieutenant Hogan was assigned the mission of checking the condition of bridges over the Main River. To accomplish this mission, it was necessary to fly behind the enemy lines over positions known to be heavily defended by anti-aircraft guns. At one point during the flight, eighteen 88mm guns opened fire simultaneously and the wings and fuselage of the airplane were punctured by fragments of shrapnel and the concussion tossed the plane violently in the air. With utter disregard for his safety, Lieutenant Hogan continued on his mission until he had determined the condition of each bridge. The vital information secured as a result of Lieutenant Hogan's courage and devotion to duty were of material assistance in the tactical planning for the attack upon Schweinfurt. Entered military service from Omaha, Nebraska.

Robert F. Kelly, SO 200 755, Staff Sergeant, Armored Force, Company A, 781st Tank Battalion, for gallantry in action on 17 January 1945 near Sessenheim, France. When the enemy launched a strong counter-attack across a small river, heavily supported by small arms, mortar and artillery fire, and the infantry unit he was supporting withdrew from its positions, Sergeant Kelly ordered his tank section to hold fast. Together with another tank and a machine gun squad, he repulsed the assault and drove the enemy back across the river. Refusing to withdraw his tanks until their last rounds of ammunition had been exhausted, he kept them firing until they had killed or wounded over three hundred Germans. Entered military service from New York, New York.

FRANK C. MOYER, O1 057 546, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company B, 42d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 24 January 1945 near Schwischausen, France. When a large force of enemy troops attacked our positions and forced a withdrawal, Lieutenant Moyer was ordered to reestablish the main line of resistance with his heavy machine gun platoon and a supporting rifle platoon. Upon contacting the superior enemy force and finding it impossible to occupy the former gun positions, he committed his men as a rifle platoon and led them in two attacks under heavy German mortar, automatic weapon and small arms fire, until he was seriously wounded in the leg. By his gallantry in the face of overwhelming odds, Lieutenant Moyer contributed to the defense of Schwischausen and gained valuable time for the

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preparation of further resistance to the determined enemy effort.  
Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

11. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-43, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Birtus L. Barrett, SS 633 206, Private First Class, (then private), Medical Department, Company A, 1331 Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 17 February 1945, in the Harst Mountains, France. Private Barrett accompanied by an ambulance bravely drove his ambulance up a fire break over which no heavy vehicle had traveled to evacuate three men who had been wounded by enemy mortar fire. Although snipers were still active on the flanks and one bullet hit the front of the ambulance, and although fallen trees had to be cleared from the trail twice to provide passage room for the vehicle, Private Barrett ignored personal danger and brought the men to safety. Entered military service from Huntington, West Virginia.

Jewel W. Pitticks, SS 631 258, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company A, 1331 Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 29 April 1945, near Dachau, Germany. On the night of 29 April 1945, at Dachau, Germany, the collecting company to which Private Pitticks was assigned as ambulance driver was subjected to severe shelling. Three members of his company were wounded as a result of this action. Oblivious to the sporadic fire still falling in the company area and despite several shell holes in the ambulance, Private Pitticks and the ambulance orderly, Private Murray, evacuated the wounded men to the rear. One of the men had a serious head injury, and by the heroic action of Private Pitticks his life was saved. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

Tony S. Camarillo, SS 442 164, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company A, 1331 Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 at Furth, Germany. Private Camarillo, ambulance orderly, and an orderly, went forward of a Battalion aid station to assist five men who were injured when an enemy shell struck their ammunition truck. The vehicle was burning and the ammunition had exploded. After Private Camarillo and the orderly, together with the other men, removed the injured men from the vehicle. Despite intense enemy fire, Private Camarillo skillfully treated the wounded men and took them through the rubble strewn streets. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

Henry W. Carter, SS 346 210, Private, Medical Department, Company A, 1331 Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 14 March to 15 May 1945 in France and Germany. On 20 March 1945, Private Carter, ambulance orderly together with the driver, Corporal Roy H. [Name], was called on to evacuate two wounded men from an aid station at [Location], Germany. While the ambulance was being placed in position, a mortar shell fell in the area. Despite the heavy shelling, Corporal [Name] and Private Carter put the casualties in the ambulance and started to the rear over a road, part of which was being shelled by observed artillery fire. By their courageous action in effecting the evacuation of the wounded, the life of one

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man was saved. Entered military service from Eugene, Oregon.

Walter M. Green, SS 467 074, Private, Field Artillery, Company A, 6888 Central Postal Directory Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 28 April 1945 near Willendorf, Germany. When a number of men were wounded, Private Green dismounted from his tank destroyer and, under hostile fire, administered first aid and accomplished their evacuation. Attending litter bearers who were giving aid to other wounded under direct German fire, Private Green returned to his vehicle and covered them with a .50 calibre machine gun. Entered military service from Williston, Oklahoma.

Robert J. Kleinlein, SS 259 467, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company A, 123d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945, at Schenau, Germany. During the siege of Schenau, Germany, Private Kleinlein, under intense enemy fire, voluntarily crawled to a foxhole where two wounded machine gunners lay. After applying first aid, he placed the injured men on litters and brought them to a collecting point through the enemy barrage. His courageous act was responsible for saving the lives of two men. Entered military service from New York, New York.

\* Edwin G. Litch, Sr., SS 836 814, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 2 May 1945 near Legding, Germany. When enemy tanks were reported nearby, Corporal Litch and two other men set out voluntarily to find them, and followed fresh tank tracks until they came upon five Germans who had been captured. Discovering an outpost of five more Germans, Corporal Litch and his party opened fire and pursued them so closely that they arrived at the tanks before any warning could be given to the tank crews. As a result of the action, four Mark V tanks, completely armed and equipped, were captured with their crews. Entered military service from Richmond, Virginia.

Benjamin J. Lobodzinski, SS 873 475, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company A, 123d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 30 March 1945 near Schenau, Germany. Private Lobodzinski, as a medic driver, together with an orderly, were evacuating casualties from Schenau, which had just been entered by our Infantry. The ambulance and the road leading from it were constantly subjected to observation from the enemy artillery which frequently followed the ambulance with direct bursting fire just behind it. Private Lobodzinski succeeded in evacuating numerous wounded in time to prevent possible serious complications. Entered military service from Bay City, Michigan.

\* James H. Mackay, SS 814 818, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 2 May 1945 near Legding, Germany. When enemy tanks were reported nearby, Private Mackay and two other men set out voluntarily to find them, and followed fresh tank tracks until they came upon five Germans who had been captured. Discovering an outpost of five more Germans, Private Mackay and his party opened fire and pursued them so closely that they arrived at the tanks before any warning could be given to the tank crews. As a result of the action, four Mark V

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tanks, completely armed and equipped, were captured with their crews. Entered military service from East Chicago, Illinois.

Private C. Mattison, 35 840 325, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in Furth, Germany. Private Mattison, as squad leader led his squad across the Rhinitz River with the mission of establishing a bridgehead for the assault on the city of Furth. In the face of repeated enemy counterattacks, he organized the squad for defense and successfully defended the sector until other troops were able to cross and expand the bridgehead. Private Mattison, by his skillful and determined defense of the bridgehead, played an important part in the surrender of the city of Furth and the capture of large number of enemy troops. Entered military service from Hammond, Indiana.

Private L. Ownbey, 35 159 759, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery C, 22d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, on 18 April 1945, at Furth, Germany. While serving as a member of a forward observer section near a bridge at Furth, Corporal Ownbey was in a house near the end of a tunnel when an infantryman was shot and wounded in the back by enemy fire from within the tunnel. Disregarding the heavy enemy fire, Corporal Ownbey left the shelter of the house to assist an officer in removing the wounded man from the open entrance of the tunnel to a place of safety where the injuries could be treated. Entered military service from Goodland, Indiana.

Private P. Parlu, 34 224 191, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in Furth, Germany. Private Parlu, as a messenger, accompanied his squad across the Rhinitz River with the mission of establishing a bridgehead for the assault on the city of Furth. In the face of repeated enemy counterattacks he assisted his squad leader in organizing the squad for defense and successfully defended the sector until other troops were able to cross and expand the bridgehead. Private Parlu, by his skillful and determined defense of the bridgehead, played an important part in the surrender of the city of Furth and the capture of large numbers of enemy troops. Entered military service from Paris, Tennessee.

Private V. Roberts, 31 179 777, Corporal, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, at Furth, Germany. Corporal Roberts was a killer in the squad that crossed its way across the Rhinitz River to establish a bridgehead for the assault on the city of Furth. In the face of repeated German counterattacks he directed his sector for three hours of bitter fighting, enabling other troops to cross and expand the bridgehead. By his heroic action and skillful and determined defense, Corporal Roberts contributed to the surrender of the city and the capture of more than three thousand enemy. Entered military service from Portsmouth, New Jersey.

Private H. Thompson, 34 827 097, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 22d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19-20 April 1945, near Ludwigsbrunn, Germany. During the assault on the city of Furth, Corporal Thompson, with the

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help of two other men, laid and maintained the telephone lines to the three Field Artillery Forward Observers of the Battalion even though they were shot out many times by Artillery and Mortar fire. He disregarded for his personal safety in working on these lines while being fired on by the enemy insured communications at a time when it was most necessary to the successful advance of the Infantry. By his speed and skill, and his coolness under fire, Corporal Thompson kept the lines in operation and contributed to the successful accomplishment of the Artillery's mission. Entered military service from Cummins, Georgia.

III. AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-  
By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-15, 23 September 1943, as amended, the second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Thomas R. Holly, 39 154 561, Private First Class, Infantry, Camp York, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, at Puth, Germany. Private Holly, as assistant squad leader, accompanied his squad across the Regnitz River with the mission of establishing a bridgehead for the assault of the city of Puth. In the face of repeated enemy counterattacks he assisted his squad leader in organizing the squad for defense and successfully defended the spot until other troops were able to cross and expand the bridgehead. Private Holly, by his skillful and determined defense of the bridgehead, played an important part in the surrender of the city of Puth and the capture of large numbers of enemy troops. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

by command of Major General COLLINS:

BURNS BEALL,  
Colonel, General Staff Corps,  
Chief of Staff.

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21 January 1949

WITHDRAWAL OF PURPLE HEART ORDER

So much of General Orders 103, Headquarters 42nd Infantry Division, APO 411, dated 23 June 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Walter F. Belina, ASN 36 979 453, is withdrawn.

The award of the Posthumous Purple Heart has been made to the above named individual who died of wounds received in action.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

*B V Merrick*

Adjutant General



1-BA 203; Dexter, Vernon W.  
15 172 503

1 April 1949

REVOCATION OF PURPLE HEART ORDER

So much of General Order No. 103, Headquarters 42nd Infantry  
Division, dated 23 June 1945, as pertains to the award of the  
Purple Heart to Vernon W. Dexter, 15 172 503, is withdrawn.

The award of the Posthumous Purple Heart has been made to the  
above named individual who died of wounds received in action.

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

*W. L. Leary*  
Adjutant General

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GENERAL ORDERS)

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Award of the Purple Heart (Posthumous).....I  
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Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart.....IV

I. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART (POSTHUMOUS):-.....Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded posthumously to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

VERNON E. BARTER, 15 1/2 503, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 28 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Lucille W. Baxter (Wife), 502 Neal Street, South Parkersburg, West Virginia. Entered military service from Charleston, West Virginia.

WALTER F. BELINA, 33 979 453, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 6 January 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Frances Belina (Mother), 5729 N. Manton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

ROBERT N. BERRY, 37 526 702, Private, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 21 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Monica E. Berry (Wife), 9007 Somoca Lane, Bethesda, Maryland. Entered military service from Stillwater, Oklahoma.

KENNETH A. BLANTON, 44 013 751, Private, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 29 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Nora H. Blanton (Mother), Route #3, Rose Hill, North Carolina. Entered military service from Fayetteville, North Carolina.

CLARO L. CADENA, 39 150 587, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 24 January 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mr. Silvanio G. Cadena (Father), General Delivery, Anthony, New Mexico. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

LEONARD L. CANSLER, 37 515 229, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 4 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mr. Leonard E. Cansler (Father), Phillipsburg, Missouri. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

JOHN H. CHATTERTON, 39 180 516, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 27 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mr. Francis L. Chatterton (Brother), 209 5th Street, North Great Falls, Montana. Entered military service from Tacoma, Washington.

VERNE L. CHRISTENSEN, 37 748 510, Private, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 21 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mr. Victor A. Christenson (Father), Route #2, Neosho Falls, Kansas. Entered military service from Leavenworth, Kansas.

JAMES W. COX, 36 375 200, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 26 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Josie Cox (Mother), 204 Orange Street, Jackson, Michigan. Entered military service from Jackson, Michigan.

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FERRELL DAVISSON, 35 292 637, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 4 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Elsie B. Davisson (Mother), Route #2, Wallace, West Virginia. Entered military service from Harrison Clarksburg, West Virginia.

DOMINIC R. DELUCA, 51 329 360, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 6 January 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Theresia Deluca (Mother), 1201 Pembroke Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut. Entered military service from New Haven, Connecticut.

RUFUS L. DERRICK, 54 909 346, Private, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 6 January 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Theresia M. Derrick (Mother), Route #4, Corinth, Mississippi. Entered military service from Corinth, Mississippi.

EDWARD H. EDENS, 58 532 909, Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 10 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Alino B. Kendall (Aunt), 5924 Hudson, Dallas, Texas. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

DWIGHT B. ELDRED, JR., 42 072 543, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 5 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mr. Dwight B. Eldred (Father), 5 Richlieu Road, Scarsdale, New York. Entered military service from New York, New York.

JOSE A. GARZA, 38 676 915, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 11 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Josefa C. Garza (Mother), General Delivery, Benavides, Texas. Entered military service from San Diego, Texas.

DELMER C. HAMILTON, 32 737 360, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 5 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Elsie Hamilton (Mother), 615 W. Court Street, Ithica, New York. Entered military service from Ithica, New York.

JACK E. HODGE, 55 087 999, Private, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 6 January 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mr. Charles A. Hodge (Father), 425 Spind Street, Wooster, Ohio. Entered military service from Wooster, Ohio.

FREDERICK T. HOFFMAN, 31 417 974, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 5 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Kathrine M. Hoffman (Wife), 10 So. Onota Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts. Entered military service from Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

EVERETT J. HORROCKS, 51 247 695, Private, Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 28 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mr. George J. Horrocks (Father), 75 Forest Street, Providence, Rhode Island. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

ANTHONY INGLIZ, 53 641 505, Private, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 10 March 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Rosa Ingliz (Mother), 750 E. 175th Street, Bronx, New York. Entered military service from New York, New York.

PAUL J. LA FOREST, 02 006 512, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 11 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Cathrine La. Forest (Wife), 2359, Righton, Detroit, Michigan. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

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CHRISTIAN LEQUILLU, 54 286 508, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 26 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Ollie Marie Lequillon (Wife), Route #5, Johnson City, Tennessee. Entered military service from Johnson City, Tennessee.

ALDEN R. LITTLEFIELD, 31 596 524, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 5 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Ida Littlefield (Wife), 170 State Street, Augusta House, Augusta, Maine. Entered military service from Hallowell, Maine.

CURRIE L. LITTLEFIELD, JR., 52 971 120, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 3 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Estelle L. Mathews (Mother), 1 Brook Road, Bronxville, New York. Entered military service from New York, New York.

LESLIE L. LILES, 34 788 157, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 28 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mr. Raleigh L. Liles (Father), Route #5, North Chattanooga, Tennessee. Entered military service from North Chattanooga, Tennessee.

OLIVER B. OLSON, 17 001 724, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 28 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Louise L. Olson (Mother), 1404 S. 7th Street, LaCrosse, Wisconsin. Entered military service from LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

ROBERT E. OWENS, 55 071 575, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 16 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Elizabeth R. Owens (Mother), Route #2, West Union, Ohio. Entered military service from West Union, Ohio.

JERRY T. PALMER, 0 241 001, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 25 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Mary Rebecca Palmer (Wife), 20 John Street, St. Augustine, Florida. Entered military service from St. Augustine, Florida.

JOHN T. PARSLOW, 52 224 570, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 6 January 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Catherine Rebecca (Mother), 225 Columbia Avenue, Atlas, Pennsylvania. Entered military service from New York, New York.

DOUGLAS R. RECORDE, 37 346 172, Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 24 January 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Mrs. Lou Recorde (Wife), Coal Dale, Colorado. Entered military service from Coal Dale, Colorado.

WILLIAM W. ROUSE, JR., 37 751 358, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 3 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mr. William W. Rouse, Sr., (Father), Alda, Nebraska. Entered military service from Leavenworth, Kansas.

LESLIE H. SANDERS, 0 551 446, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 23 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mr. Norman Sanders (Father), Ashton, Illinois. Entered military service from Ashton, Illinois.

CARROLL D. SCHOVILLE, 55 851 882, Private, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 4 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mr. Claude J. Schoville (Father), 2104 W. 61st Street, Cleveland, Ohio. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

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HARRY SLEGER, 15 065 355, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 5 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Elizabeth A. Senger (Wife), North Jackson Street, Robinson, Illinois. Entered military service from Vincennes, Indiana.

SEYMOUR SILVERMAN, 32 435 095, Private First Class, Infantry, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, 11 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Bertha Silverman (Mother), 934 Barretto Street, Bronx, New York. Entered military service from New York, New York.

DAVID B. SKIDMORE, 01 551 670, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Gladys M. Skidmore (Wife), 359 Park Avenue, West Mansfield, Ohio. Entered military service from Mansfield, Ohio.

JOSEPH A. STRUBA, 33 019 737, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 27 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Margaret Struba (Wife), 549 Edith Avenue, 3d stop, Pennsylvania. Entered military service from Altoona, Pennsylvania.

DANIEL H. TOWSE, 11 052 530, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Virginia I. Towse (Wife), 79 Green Street, Woburn, Massachusetts. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

RICHARD E. VANCEL, 01 293 465, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 24 January 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Barbara L. Vansel (Wife), 1216 E. Bronson Street, South Bend, Indiana. Entered military service from South Bend, Indiana.

EDWARD D. WARREN, 52 919 887, Private, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 16 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Mary A. Warren (Mother), Route #1, Box 362, Anniston, Alabama. Entered military service from Anniston, Alabama.

WILLIAM J. WHITING, 32 327 848, Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Alin B. Whiting (Mother), 413 E. 18th Street, Brooklyn, New York. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

EVERETT K. ZELLER, 39 476 077, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 19 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Gertrude Zeller (Wife), Route #4, Albany, Oregon. Entered military service from Albany, Oregon.

FRANK R. ZETTEROWER, JR., 54 827 516, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 6 January 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Nora T. Zetterower (Wife), c/o Mrs. Homer B. Molton, Statesboro, Georgia. Entered military service from Dublin, Georgia.

II. AWARD OF THE FIRST ORK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART (POSTHUMOUS):-.....  
Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Ork Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded posthumously to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

JOSEPH P. BIRSOBIK, 6 890 917, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 10 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Evelyn P. Birsovik (Wife), 518 1/2 E. 4th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

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CLARENCE W. FOSS, 52 495 456, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 5 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Lillian Campbell (Mother), 122 Broad Street, Gloversville, New York. Entered military service from Gloversville, New York.

DONALD F. HUNTER, 55 243 646, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 232d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 2 May 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Stella Hojer (Mother), 601 S. Dundee Street, South Bend, Indiana. Entered military service from South Bend, Indiana.

AL TRUSCOTT, O 410 370, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 April 1945. Name and address of nearest relative - Mrs. Betti Truscott (Wife), 20 Barry Avenue, Columbus, Georgia. Entered military service from Columbus, Georgia.

III. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART:-----Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

GAIL N. CURRY, 36 979 681, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, France, 7 January 1945. Entered military service from Benton, Illinois.

JACOB P. GABINI, 52 938 190, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 29 April 1945. Entered military service from Ithaca, New York.

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~~RAYMOND F. ...~~ 57 722 176, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 232d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 25 April 1945. Entered military service from Worthington, Minnesota.

WILLARD L. MILLER, 57 594 899, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, France, 23 January 1945. Entered military service from Jackson, Minnesota.

MERRY H. SANCHEZ, 38 462 909, Private, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 492d Field Artillery Battalion, Germany, 26 April 1945. Entered military service from San Houston, Texas.

WILLARD L. ... 57 075 157, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, France, 18 February 1945. Entered military service from Dayton, Ohio.

REESE A. WONDRET, 37 415 265, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 5 April 1945. Entered military service from Marshfield, Missouri.

IV. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART:-----Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

PAUL F. MASEBURN, 55 647 530, Private, Infantry, Company G, 232d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 5 April 1945. Entered military service from Ironton, Ohio.

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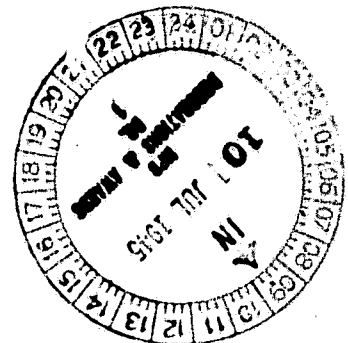
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I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

HENRY ANDREWS, O 548 713, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the Harde Mountains, France. When the advance of his company through the Harde Mountains was held up by an enemy machine gun, Lieutenant Andrews, weapons platoon leader, went forward under intense mortar and machine gun fire to direct and adjust 60mm mortar fire on the hostile machine gun position. Through his courage, aggressive action and skillful fire direction, the enemy emplacement was neutralized and our troops continued the advance. Entered military service from Hollandale, Mississippi.

Roy H. Bird, 39 917 975, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, near Reipertsweiler, France. Private Bird was serving as radio operator for his platoon during the attack on an enemy-held hill when his radio failed. Observing that two squad leaders were wounded and that one of the squads was becoming disorganized, Private Bird immediately assumed command of that squad, skillfully reorganized it, and redeployed and led his men in continuation of the attack. His initiative and courageous leadership were instrumental in assuring the success of his platoon. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

Votold J. Butkus, 35 897 578, Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Reipertsweiler, France. While attacking a hill north of Reipertsweiler, France, Sergeant Butkus led a 60mm mortar squad. He constantly exposed himself to heavy small arms and mortar fire to direct effective fire on the enemy positions. Much credit for the success of the attack is due to Sergeant Butkus' courage, skillful leadership and effective fire direction. Entered military service from East Chicago, Indiana.

Philip E. Dennis, 56 861 823, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, in Zauntondorf, Germany. Volunteering to drive a quarter-ton truck for four Rangers, Private Dennis rounded a street corner and found himself face to face with a German tank and approximately 25 German soldiers who immediately opened fire with machine guns and rifles. The Rangers dismounted and deployed in a nearby house while Private Dennis, with complete disregard for his own personal safety, turned the truck around, drove back to his company, picked up four riflemen with a rocket

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launcher and returned to the scene of the action. Again drawing enemy fire, Private Dennis led the men into the house occupied by the Germans and assisted in the fire fight, holding off the enemy until support arrived. Only one casualty was suffered by our troops while five Germans were killed and 20 taken prisoner. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Donald C. Dustin, 31 875 185, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945 near Sessenheim, France. During an attack on the town of Sessenheim, Private Dustin, driver for an 81mm mortar squad, drove his vehicle through heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire in order to bring up vitally needed ammunition. When his squad advanced into the town he assisted in setting up the mortar under intense hostile fire. Private Dustin's coolness while subjected to enemy action and his determination to keep his mortar squad supplied with ammunition, contributed greatly to the success of the supported rifle troops. Entered military service from Randolph, Vermont.

Wayne Fox, 36 960 9-7, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945 near Buchold, Germany. As his company emerged from the town of Buchold, the enemy opened fire on the lead element, causing a number of casualties. Without hesitation, Private Fox, the company aid man, made repeated trips into the intense fire administering aid to the wounded and making them as comfortable as possible. This display of courage greatly heightened morale of the troops and was responsible for saving several lives. Entered military service from Mecosta, Michigan.

Thomas R. Hooley, 39 154 561, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action from 5 January 1945 to 25 January 1945, near Wissenbourg, France. As Browning Automatic Rifleman, Private Hooley voluntarily participated in twelve combat and reconnaissance patrol missions, frequently covering the withdrawal of the patrol in the face of superior enemy forces. His coolness, aggressiveness and skill with his weapon contributed greatly to the success of the missions in which he took part. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

Earl J. Horn, 39 211 608, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action for the period 9 to 20 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Corporal Horn, as a member of an artillery forward observer section, exhibited tireless effort and contributed to the delivery of effective artillery fire when needed by the infantry in the drive from Schweinfurt to Nurnberg, Germany. On several occasions, facing enemy machine gun, 20mm flak fire, he moved to an observation post with the observer to bring fire on enemy installations, neutralizing these enemy positions and enabling the infantry to capture its objective. Entered military service from Seattle, Washington.

Roy W. Johnson, 33 525 415, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 252d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period from 18 February to 8 March 1945, inclusive, near Reipertsweiler, France. During the period from 18 February to 8 March 1945, Private Johnson accompanied six reconnaissance patrols into enemy territory. On all of these missions Private Johnson's

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skillful scouting ability played a very important part in the success of the patrols. On many occasions Private Johnson's cool courage and skill inspired his comrades and was instrumental in the success of the assigned mission. Entered military service from Hampton, Virginia.

Elmer E. Kojza, SS 161 215, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945, at Stein, Germany. While establishing a bridgehead, the lead tank destroyer of Sergeant Kojza's platoon was knocked out by enemy panzerfaust fire, and the platoon leader and gunner killed. The three remaining members of the crew were wounded. Riding in the last destroyer, Sergeant Kojza observed the action, and despite heavy enemy fire, ran forward and evacuated the wounded and dead men. After reorganizing the platoon, Sergeant Kojza led his men in an attack which routed the enemy from their positions. Through Sergeant Kojza's courageous action the lives of three men were saved and the bridgehead was established. Entered military service from Bridgeville, Pennsylvania.

Joseph E. Kroutzberger, SS 575 052, Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 252d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Reipartsweiler, France. While his platoon was attacking a road block near Reipartsweiler, Sergeant Kroutzberger skillfully led supply parties through a heavily mined area with ammunition required by the forward elements. On returning to the rear for additional ammunition, Sergeant Kroutzberger assisted in evacuating a number of men wounded in the action. His courageous action and aggressive leadership contributed greatly to the successful accomplishments of his company. Entered military service from Portage, Pennsylvania.

Albino D. Marcantonio, SS 702 175, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during February and March 1945, in France. As a member of the Rainbow Rangers, Private Marcantonio participated in five reconnaissance and five combat patrols. All of this patrol action was conducted in the face of well dug-in enemy positions and unfavorable weather and terrain conditions. Private Marcantonio was a major factor in the success of each of these patrols which inflicted many casualties and eliminated numerous enemy strong points. Entered military service from Epoderrick, Colorado.

Earl C. Martin, 44 051 057, Private, Infantry, Company A, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 9 April 1945, near Guldorheim, Germany. When fragments from a German 88mm shell severely wounded a rocket-launcher operator, Private Martin and another soldier, under direct observation of the enemy and during intensive artillery and mortar shelling, made their way to the injured man and carried him to a place of comparative safety. Private Martin's courageous act and complete disregard for his own safety, resulted in saving a fellow-soldier's life. Entered military service from Phil Campbell, Alabama.

Jose R. Merone, SS 866 179, Private, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 February 1945, near Wingen, France. Serving as Automatic Rifleman on a combat patrol, Private Merone played a prominent part in repulsing two vicious counterattacks and neutralizing two enemy machine gun emplacements. When the patrol withdrew, Private Merone maintained a heavy volume of fire with his automatic weapon to cover his patrol's movement. His aggressive conduct and effective fire contributed greatly to the success of the patrol. Entered military service from Maricopa, Arizona.

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D. C. Palmer, 44 026 944, Private, Infantry, Company F, 2221 Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 March 1945, near Altrich, France. On his first combat patrol, Private Palmer, and a group of other soldiers had become separated from the main body of the patrol, were pinned down by enemy automatic weapon firing from a concealed position. Private Palmer to the aid, Private Palmer hurled a white phosphorus mortar directly into the German emplacement, screening the attack by the rest of the group and enabling them to knock out the position. His alert and aggressive action contributed greatly to the success of the patrol, causing 46 enemy casualties. Entered military service from Douglas, Georgia.

Leonard H. Riano, 19 160 778, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 2221 Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during February and March 1945, in France. As a member of the Rainbow Rangers, Private Riano participated in four reconnaissance and six combat patrols. All of this patrol action was conducted in the face of well dug-in enemy positions and unfavorable weather and terrain conditions. Private Riano was a major factor in the success of each of these patrols which inflicted many casualties and eliminated numerous enemy strong points. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

Carlos S. Rice, 20 516 459, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, Company B, 6922 Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945, at Stein, Germany. While establishing a bridgehead, Corporal Rice's tank destroyer was hit by panzerfaust fire, killing the platoon leader and gunner and wounding three other members of the crew. Private Rice then drove the crippled destroyer to safety and aided in evacuating the wounded. After his platoon had reorganized, Corporal Rice drove his destroyer into a firing position and continued the assault. Through his courageous action the lives of three men were saved and the bridgehead was established. Entered military service from Caldwell, Ohio.

Lawrence W. Schode, 32 027 598, First Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, near Woyersheim, France. When the communication lines between the platoons of the heavy weapons company had been cut by enemy fire, Sergeant Schode, as reconnaissance sergeant, left his observation post and, despite German mortar and artillery fire, crossed 175 yards of flat terrain to re-establish communications. After completing repairs and adjusting the telephone of one platoon, Sergeant Schode returned under hostile fire to his observation post. Through his heroic act his platoons were able to place fire on enemy gun installations which were harrassing his battalion. Entered military service from Potsdam, New York.

RONALD S. STRANGE, O 550 364, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945, in the Sessonheim Woods, France. Volunteering to evacuate a wounded man from a forward Observation Post, Lieutenant Strange, Mortar Platoon leader, completely disregarded his own personal safety, courageously braved intense enemy fire and successfully carried the casualty to safety and medical aid. The outstanding heroism displayed by Lieutenant Strange saved a soldier from possible death. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

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Francis F. Taylor, 57 097 425 Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action from 3 to 5 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Private Taylor consistently exhibited the loss and conscientious efforts as a member of an artillery battery of heavy guns in the attack on Warzburg, Germany, until attached to an Infantry company. He advanced under heavy enemy fire to obstruct objects which were obstructing the traffic of mortar and driver, assisted in the neutralization of enemy heavy weapons. Entered military service from Livermore, Iowa.

Lyman J. Telfer, 35 191 081, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievements in action on 8 April 1945 at Arnstein, Germany. At Arnstein, Germany, on 8 April 1945, Sergeant Telfer was acting as platoon leader of a heavy machine gun platoon when the riflemen of Company E of his regiment were pinned down by machine gun fire from several enemy positions. Sergeant Telfer demonstrated unusual tactical ability in selecting positions for his weapons with a result that the enemy positions were completely neutralized. Sergeant Telfer's tactical ability and leadership were directly responsible for the capture of the enemy objective. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

WILLIAM B. THOMAS, 01 302 232, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 February 1945, near Ofalthorn, France. While acting as Executive Officer, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, Lieutenant Thomas observed that several members of a combat patrol who were reinforcements on their first mission, were exhibiting signs of extreme nervousness during the absence of their patrol leader. Disregarding the enemy fire, Lieutenant Thomas went to the patrol, and passing among the men, reassured and encouraged them. While returning to his lines, enemy mortar fire wounded another officer and in going to his aid, Lieutenant Thomas was himself wounded. His courageous leadership and unflinching devotion to duty reflect distinct credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

Charles L. Thorne, 20 742 022, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4-5 January 1945, near LaWantzenau, France. While transporting ammunition to a front line Battalion in blackout over unfamiliar roads, Corporal Thorne encountered intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, but ignoring the danger involved, continued on his assigned mission. At his destination, he worked for six hours, under intermittent artillery fire to unload and distribute the vitally needed cargo. By his courage and determination in the face of enemy fire, Corporal Thorne contributed to the accomplishment of his Regiment's mission. Entered military service from Forrest City, Arkansas.

Harris O. Tonkin, 34 498 446, Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 January 1945, near Hagenu, France. When surprised by enemy fire, Sergeant Tonkin led his machine gun squad to a new position where he directed fire and inflicted several casualties on the enemy. When ordered to withdraw from his position in the face of superior hostile forces, Sergeant Tonkin led his men through a heavily wooded area and across two wide streams, so skillfully that no men or equipment were lost. Sergeant Tonkin's judgment and tactical ability resulted in the accomplishment of his squad's mission. Entered military service from Knoxville, Tennessee.

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MARVIN TURNER, O2 006 292, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action near Baumstein, France, on 16 March 1945. When his platoon was momentarily halted by onony fire from well dug in positions to the direct front during an attack on the onony near Baumstein, Lieutenant Turner moved from man to man with needed words of encouragement and reassurance. His courageous action in the face of intense onony fire inspired his men to attain their objective. Entered military service from Manhattan, Kansas.

Charles E. Walk, SS 655 893, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, in Schweinfurt, Germany. Sergeant Walk was leading his squad in the attack on the city of Schweinfurt when his platoon was pinned down by fire from two onony machine guns. Sergeant Walk, with the assistance of one BAR man, exposed himself to the onony fire in order to manoeuver into position to lay down a base of fire on the onony positions which permitted his platoon to move forward and wipe them out. His courageous act was responsible for the continued advance of his platoon. Entered military service from Wytheville, Virginia.

John E. West, SS 752 580, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action from 6 January to 7 March 1945, near Berlinback, Houlberg, and Althorn, France. Participating in approximately fifteen combat and reconnaissance patrols within onony territory, Sergeant West displayed outstanding leadership, tactical skill and courage. As a result of Sergeant West's skillful leadership and tactical ability, heavy casualties were inflicted upon the onony and valuable information concerning onony positions were made available for use in subsequent operations. Entered military service from Montgomery County, Maryland.

Glenn G. Wiggins, 37 697 431, Private, Field Artillery, Battery B, 592d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action for the period from 9 to 20 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Private Wiggins, as a member of an artillery forward observer section, exhibited tireless effort and contributed to the delivery of effective artillery fire when needed by the Infantry in the drive from Schweinfurt to Nurnberg, Germany. On several occasions, facing onony machine gun fire and 20mm flak fire, he moved to an observation post with the observer to bring fire on onony installations, neutralizing these onony positions, and enabling the Infantry to capture its objectives. Entered military service from Remick, Iowa.

III. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the **First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal** is awarded to:

John Coporing, 37 559 959, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. When his platoon leader was wounded, Sergeant Coporing assumed command at a time when the platoon was pinned down by onony small arms and mortar fire. Despite this handicap, he skillfully deployed his men so that effective counter-fire could be brought to bear on the onony, and the advance continued. Throughout the remainder of the operations in the Hardt Mountains and the Siegfried Line, Sergeant Coporing led his platoon in an outstanding manner, contributing greatly to the success of the company's missions. Entered military service from Iola, Kansas.

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Thomas R. Hooley, SN 154 561, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 February 1945, near Althorn, France. When a reconnaissance patrol was subjected to intense mortar, machine gun and small arms fire, and five casualties were inflicted on the patrol, Private Hooley volunteered to go after the wounded men, despite the fact that the enemy was riling the area where they were located with a heavy mortar barrage. Moving with skill and daring, Private Hooley picked his way to the wounded men and succeeded in carrying them to safety. Private Hooley's courageous and voluntary action resulted in saving the lives of five wounded men in the face of severe enemy fire. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

WILLIAM G. MITSCH, OI 288 276, Captain, Infantry, Company F, 252d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, near Arnstein, Germany. Captain Mitsch was in command of Company F, 252d Infantry Regiment, in an attack on the high ground northeast of Arnstein, Germany. Though constantly exposed to heavy automatic and small arms fire, Captain Mitsch displayed outstanding leadership in rallying small groups of men who had been disorganized by the heavy fire. He personally led the right platoon forward in the attack against 500 of the enemy, overrunning the enemy positions and capturing the main part of the town of Arnstein. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

Jesse W. Osborne, SS 055 650, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 252d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945, at the Lock River crossing in Germany. When reports of enemy activity in the vicinity of the Lock River delayed an Engineer party in its efforts to replace a blown bridge, Sergeant Osborne volunteered to lead a patrol to investigate the enemy force. He set out with two men in the face of enemy mortar and small arms fire from across the river. After crossing 150 yards of open terrain and finding no enemy in the area, he made the hazardous return trip and reported the results of his mission, enabling the Engineers to continue. Entered military service from Rockford, Illinois.

III. AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:--....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

ARTHUR H. EDWARDS, O 569 537, Major, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 252d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945, in Sossenheim, France. Advised that troops heavily engaged in Sossenheim were without medical aid, Major Edwards with two volunteers crossed four kilometers of open terrain to reach the town. Although fierce fighting was in progress, Major Edwards supervised the collection of twelve severely wounded men from widely scattered points under heavy enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire and gave them medical care. After nightfall he commandeered a truck and evacuated the wounded. His courageous action and professional skill were responsible for the saving of many lives. Entered military service from Bernice, Louisiana.

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Francis L. Tence, 17 054 713, Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 March 1945, near Althorn, France. When intense enemy machine gun fire halted the patrol of which Sergeant Tence was a member, he unhesitatingly crawled to within a few feet of the gun emplacement and destroyed it with grenades. As a result of Sergeant Tence's courageous action, forty-six casualties were inflicted upon the enemy. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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Chief of Staff.

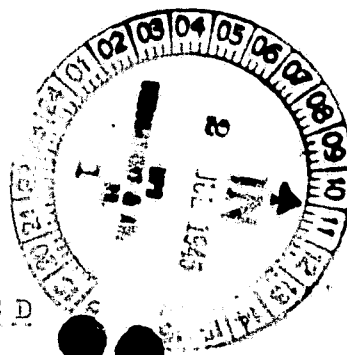
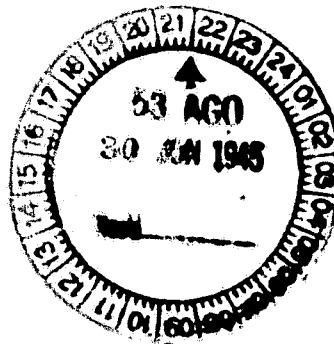
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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:...By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945; as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following individuals for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

DANIEL M. ANDREWS, O 262 502, Captain, Infantry, Company "A", 122d Infantry Regiment, from 17 April 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Arlington, Virginia.

Ralph L. Bailey, 32 146 702, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company "B", 592d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 20 October 1944 to 19 April 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Peoria, Illinois.

Marion W. Bardin, Jr, 51 236 324, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, 592d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 20 October 1944 to 19 April 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Rayville, Louisiana.

Lawrence Barolotti, 42 137 624, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 592d Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 February 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

WED C. BARRELL, 01 107 309, Captain, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 592d Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 February 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from De Moines, Iowa.

Elbert C. Brown, 33 532 916, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 592d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

ERSON L. CASEY, O 472 113, Captain, Medical Corps, Company "C", 122d Medical Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 4 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

HOWE S. CENTERS, 01 189 040, 1st Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 592d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

RICHARD L. COPELAND, 01 107 276, Captain, Corps of Engineers, 122d Engineer Combat Battalion, from 10 January 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Elmhurst, Illinois.

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JAMES W. CREASHAN, O3 016 250, 2d Lieutenant, (then Technician Third Grade), Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 1 March 1945, to 2 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Phoenix, Arizona.

ISAAC T. DIXON, O1 279 191, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters 992d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 20 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Arcadia, Louisiana.

JAMES R. DAVIES, O 589 425, 2d Lieutenant, Cavalry, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, from 16 February to 27 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Joseph Evens, Jr, 17 119 746, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 123d Medical Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 2 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from El Dorado, Kansas.

JOHN T. EVERTINGHAM, O1 221 563, 2d Lieutenant, Reconnaissance Company, 992d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 16 December 1944 to 7 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kentopolis, Idaho.

Charles J. Foster, 52 992 932, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 592d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 2 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Oceanside, New York.

LYMAN S. GARDNER, O 316 537, Lieutenant Colonel, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 14 March 1945 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

PHILLIP S. GRIFFITH, W2 119 390, Chief Warrant Officer, 132d Signal Company, from 17 March 1945 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fayetteville, Tennessee.

Alfred E. Harley, 56 966 137, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 26 December 1944 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

ALFRED A. HIRSH, O2 066 225, 2d Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 252d Infantry Regiment, from 17 March 1945 to 2 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New Castle, Pennsylvania.

GRADY H. HINES, O 556 104, 2d Lieutenant, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

DONALD L. HINMON, O 306 251, Captain, Field Artillery, 242d Field Artillery Battalion, from 25 January 1945 to 12 February 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Santa Monica, California.

Russell E. Hoyle, 13 033 739, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 191 Division Artillery, from 15 March 1945 to 2 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

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EDWARD J. KEATING, OI 547 021, Captain, Medical Administrative Corps, Headquarters 122d Medical Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

LEON W. KIDD, O 522 234, Captain, (then 1st Lieutenant), Chaplain Corps, Headquarters First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 19 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fargo, Oklahoma.

Stanley F. Krowczyk, 32 701 627, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

FRANKLIN D. LAWYER, O 527 180, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, Company "C", 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

DAVID LEVY, OI 320 337, Captain, Infantry, Service Company, 282d Infantry Regiment, from 23 December 1944, to 4 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

JO E. LUCAS, 33 129 215, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters, 42d Infantry Division, from 20 February 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Muskogee, Oklahoma.

DAVID W. McLENN, O 542 029, First Lieutenant, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 8 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Meridian, Mississippi.

William J. O'Hairs, 55 402 092, Private First Class, Infantry, Regimental Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 25 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pittston, Pennsylvania.

DIVIN G. OTTEY, OI 316 632, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Service Company, 282d Infantry, from 23 December 1944 to 4 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Seattle, Washington.

IWIN D. POGUE, O 301 566, Major, Field Artillery, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 14 March 1945, to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Franklin, Indiana.

HUGH J. REID, O2 085 273, First Lieutenant, Signal Corps, 102d Signal Company, from 17 March 1945 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Alva, Oklahoma.

CHARLES E. RHOADS, OI 201 215, Captain, Infantry, Cannon Company, 202d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 20 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

MAX RICHTER, OI 300 327, Major, Medical Corps, Special Troop, 42d Infantry Division, from 3 January 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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Hubert R. G. SUTEL, SS 078 191, Priv to First Class, Medical Department, Company "A", 122d Medical Battalion, from 21 January 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Paducahville, Kentucky.

Joseph A. SUTEL, SS 238 088, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company "A", 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JOHN E. SUTELL, JR, O 319 305, Captain, (then First Lieutenant) Field Artillery, Headquarters 43d Division Artillery, from 16 February 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

JOSEPH J. SWIN, O 419 077, Major, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 42d Infantry Division, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois, Warrent.

FRANK L. SWITH, 7 081 828, Technician Third Grade, Field Artillery, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

FRANCIS L. SWITH, O 178 082, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

WILLIAM J. SWINARD, O 366 023, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 2 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

FRANK C. SWINDELL, O 067 079, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Battery, 43d Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion, from 19 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Connecticut.

DONALD L. SWIN, SS 832 336, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, Special Troop, 42d Infantry Division from 16 February 1945 to 23 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fifield, Wisconsin.

WILLIAM R. SWIN, SS 348 383, Priv to First Class, Medical Department, Company "A", 122d Medical Battalion, from 8 February 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lubbock, Texas.

AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:  
By Executive Order of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-10, 25 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following individuals for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

JOHN J. SWIN, O 361 835, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 20 April 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from California, U.S.A.

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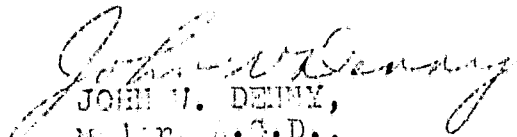
III. AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Air Medal is awarded to the following individual for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

ALFRED J. SEITZER, O1 171 451, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 542d Field Artillery, Battalion, from 12 April 1945 to 24 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Saginaw, Michigan.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

BURNS BEALL,  
Colonel, General Staff Corps,  
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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS):.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

PAROLD BUGNO, O 128 808, Captain, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 24-25 January 1945 near Neufberg, France. Out of from the Infantry Company on his right, and without communications to the rear, Captain Bugno, under a heavy concentration of enemy artillery and mortar fire, directed his men to a more favorable position from which to fire upon the enemy. Though outnumbered, Captain Bugno continued to maintain pressure upon the enemy for a period of six hours when he became a casualty. As a result of his courageous action, Captain Bugno contained a strong enemy force, limiting its penetration of friendly lines, and eventually enabling his company to repel the enemy. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Marie H. Bugno, (Wife), 1016 Prospect Avenue, Scranton, Pennsylvania. Entered military service from Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Bedford C. Miller, O 6 725 473, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 27 February 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. While standing guard on the main line of resistance, Corporal Miller heard a terrific explosion to his direct front, followed by a cry for help. Knowing that a Tiger Patrol was operating in that sector and also that the sector was heavily wired and booby trapped, Corporal Miller courageously worked his way through the entanglements to the side of the wounded man, administered first aid and was carrying him to the rear when he tripped a booby trap wire and was severely wounded himself. Despite his wounds he continued to carry the other man to a point where medical attention took over. Both men were soon evacuated and on the way to the hospital Corporal Miller died of his wounds. His gallantry and disregard for his own safety resulted in saving the life of another man. Nearest relative: Mrs. Ivy Miller (Mother), Dohiphan, Missouri. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Stanley D. Phillips, O 33 859 561, Private, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. During an assault by his platoon in the Hardt Mountains, Private Phillips advanced under hostile artillery fire to reach enemy positions, deliberately exposing himself to intense small arms fire in order that the enemy positions might be

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disclosed. While moving forward in the face of the heavy fire he became a casualty. His heroic action enabled the rest of his squad to advance under concealment and destroy the enemy strong-point to permit the continued advance of the platoon. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Margaret S. Phillips (Mother), Route #3, Box 22, Hilton Village, Virginia. Entered military service from Hilton Village, Virginia.

II. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is Awarded to:

Frank J. Gradisek, SS 285 251, Staff Sergeant, Cavalry, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, for gallantry in action on 23 April 1945 near Milligen, Germany. While on a route reconnaissance, Sergeant Gradisek's platoon was fired on by enemy troops in well dug in positions along the edge of a wooded area. During a brief lull in the ensuing fire, two officers, apparently unaware of the battle, drove by and continued ahead about 300 yards before they were forced to abandon their vehicle and take cover from renewed enemy fire. Rapidly sizing up the situation and seeing that the officers were hopelessly pinned down and faced with capture or injury, Sergeant Gradisek and another enlisted man seized a machine gun and proceeded up the road into the enemy fire, set up their weapon in an exposed spot and sprayed the enemy positions, covering the safe retreat of the officers, after which they withdrew and rejoined their platoon. The gallantry displayed by Sergeant Gradisek saved two officers from death or capture and is exemplary of the finest traditions of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from Lorraine, Ohio.

Joseph LaFontaine, SS 280 168, Sergeant (then Corporal), Cavalry, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, for gallantry in action on 23 April 1945 near Milligen, Germany. While on a route reconnaissance, Corporal LaFontaine's platoon was fired on by enemy troops in well dug in positions along the edge of a wooded area. During a brief lull in the ensuing fire, two officers, apparently unaware of the battle, drove by and continued ahead about 300 yards before they were forced to abandon their vehicle and take cover from renewed enemy fire. Rapidly sizing up the situation and seeing that the officers were hopelessly pinned down and faced with capture or injury, Corporal LaFontaine and another enlisted man seized a machine gun and proceeded up the road into the enemy fire, set up their weapon in an exposed spot and sprayed the enemy positions, covering the safe retreat of the officers, after which they withdrew and rejoined their platoon. The gallantry displayed by Corporal LaFontaine saved two officers from death or capture and is exemplary of the finest traditions of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from Willimontic, Maine.

WILLIAM G. MITSCH, O1 288 276, Captain, Infantry, Company T, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 March 1945, near Ludwigsinkel, Germany. Captain Mitsch personally led his Company

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across the Sarrob River and established a bridgehead under intense enemy fire. A short time later, when radio communication with his platoons failed, he bravely braved the German fire, going boldly from one platoon to the next to check their positions and bolster the fighting spirit of the men. When a superior enemy force threatened his position, Captain Pitreth led tanks in the face of devastating machine gun and sniper fire to a position from where the tank crews were able to lay down effective fire in support of the bridgehead. Due to his bravery, leadership and determination the bridgehead was maintained and his battalion enabled to continue its advance. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

Lloyd Travis, 34 655 650, Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945, near Liebertweiler, France. During the attack in the Hardt Mountains near Liebertweiler, Sergeant Travis boldly led his heavy machine gun section out on the forward slope of the hill, in the face of intense enemy automatic weapons fire. The speed employed by Sergeant Travis in this maneuver took the enemy by surprise and neutralized the German weapons on the opposite slope, allowing the rifle elements to break through the enemy line and continue their advance. This gallant act was directly responsible for the success of the mission. Entered military service from Meadville, Mississippi.

III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:--....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-40, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Bronze Star medal is awarded to:

ARTHUR W. ALLEN, 01 755 583, Captain, Medical Corps, headquarters First Battalion, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action at Wurzburg, Germany on 1 and 2 April 1945. When the Infantry Battalion to which he was assigned as surgeon was overrun by hostile forces, Capt Allen reportedly exposed himself to enemy fire to perform his duties, in many instances voluntarily acting as emergency litter bearer. Through two days and nights, during which casualties were sustained among his assistants, Captain Allen acted with skill and unflinching courage to the relief of the wounded entrusted to his care. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Frank Anderson, 54 257 930, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 243d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 February 1945 near Hinstburg, France. When two soldiers were trapped in a mine field detonated two mines and were severely wounded, Private Anderson, accompanied by another man, led the way through the field to rescue them. Carrying the two men out of the area, he administered first aid and evacuated the men by truck. Private Anderson's courageous action in twice crossing an unswept mine field is worthy of the highest praise. Entered military service from Blount, Georgia.

Robert J. Prigati, 20 126 896, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on

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18 April 1945 in Furth, Germany. When his platoon participated in establishing a bridgehead across the Rennitz River, Sergeant Brigati, platoon sergeant, led his men across under intense enemy fire and inspired and encouraged them to hold against the fury of repeated counter-attacks. For three hours Sergeant Brigati and his men defended their sector until other troops crossed the river to exploit the bridgehead. Sergeant Brigati's inspiring courage contributed directly to the capitulation of Furth and the surrender of 3,000 enemy troops. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

Hubert B. Busby, Jr., 14 063 860, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945, near Sessenheim, France. Volunteering to help evacuate a medical aid man who was wounded when an enemy artillery barrage hit a pillbox observation post, Private Busby and another soldier crawled through intense mortar, machine gun and small arms fire to the pillbox. Finding the litter damaged, Private Busby quickly took off his waist belt, repaired the litter, picked up the wounded man, and began the 300 yard trip back over open terrain under full observation of the enemy, arriving safely back at his company's position. This display of heroism was responsible for saving the life of a soldier and exemplifies the highest traditions of the Rainbow Division that rendered military service from Rossville, Georgia.

Turgene Bush, 36 739 111, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. When a strong enemy force threatened to delay the attack on Wurzburg, Corporal Bush drove his tank destroyer from a concealed position into an area shelled by enemy artillery and panzerfausts to deliver effective fire. After several accurate rounds from his destroyer, the hostile positions were neutralized. Through Corporal Bush's courageous action the rifle troops were able to advance and take their objective. Entered military service from Whitfield, Illinois.

William W. Christensen, 37 747 879, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, near Reipertswiller, France. When the right flank of his company was being driven back from its attack on Hill 335, Private Christensen moved his light machine gun into a position from which he delivered fire on the advancing enemy. While his fire caused confusion and a temporary halt in the enemy's thrust, the rifle elements of his company reorganized and threw back the enemy. By his quick and timely act, Private Christensen prevented the enemy from successfully launching a counter-attack and contributed to the successful accomplishments of his company. Entered military service from York, Nebraska.

Walter Ellis, 37 678 614, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery B, 688th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, 19 April 1945 near Furth, Germany. Sergeant Ellis, chief of a howitzer section, directed and supervised a seven-hour attack upon enemy

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snipers who were holding up the advance of Infantry troops, although his section was subjected throughout to German artillery and small arms fire. As a result of Sergeant Ellis' unceasing and accurate fire, combat elements were greatly aided in their attack upon the city of Furth. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.

William P. Fischer, 36 472 243, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. Private Fischer was lead scout for a squad that encountered heavy enemy rocket launcher fire during an attack near Wurzburg. When the pressure of German fire became so great that the squad was forced to withdraw, Private Fischer held his ground, while the platoon was maneuvering to flank the enemy, he covered the movement with his fire. His courageous action in the face of incessant hostile fire assisted materially in the reduction of the enemy position. Entered military service from Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Frederick H. Gunther, 35 692 833, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 April 1945 near Furbach, Germany. Private Gunther was an Aid Man attached to a platoon of heavy machine guns in the action west of Furbach. During the action one of the members of the platoon was wounded in the head. Private Gunther crawled to him and administered first aid although both he and the wounded man were under direct enemy observation and fire. He remained with the wounded man, exposed to enemy fire, for fifteen minutes until the litter bearers came up and assisted in the evacuation of the soldier. Entered military service from Plymouth, Indiana.

Clayton F. Haines, 33 761 872, Corporal, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945, near Wilstett, France. When a quarter-ton vehicle and trailer, loaded with ammunition for a forward heavy machine gun squad, was hit by enemy shrapnel, Corporal Haines crawled from his foxhole to make repairs on the vehicle. Under intense hostile artillery and mortar fire, he completed the repairs on the vehicle and sent it on its mission. His courageous act enabled the forward machine gun squad to maintain its fire against the enemy and materially aided our offensive in his sector. Entered military service from Woodward, Pennsylvania.

Stanley Hesterlo, Jr., 37 482 616, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 5 January 1945, near Wilstett, France. In order to supply his platoon with vitally-needed ammunition, Private Hesterlo drove a loaded quarter-ton vehicle under heavy enemy artillery, mortar, and small-arms fire from the ammunition supply point to his platoon. Exposing himself to enemy fire, he repeatedly crossed open terrain to deliver important messages between the Company Command Post and his platoon. Private Hesterlo's courageous actions and devotion to duty contributed to the success of his platoon in its defense against a superior enemy force. Entered military service from Omaha, Nebraska.

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Thomas R. Heaton, 15 313 316, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 February 1945 near Colmar-Banion, France. When the leader of his platoon was killed during the enemy attack near Schwabachmatt, Private Heaton immediately assumed command and skillfully maneuvered his platoon to heavy grazing fire of German machine guns in order to bring effective fire to bear upon the attacking force. When his ammunition supply was exhausted, Private Heaton displaced his position and went to the rear where he located ammunition. After loading the platoon with as much ammunition as they could carry, he moved forward to the old position and resumed the fight. Private Heaton's courage and aggressive leadership in the face of heavy enemy mortar and automatic weapons fire inspired his men and was a major contribution in the defeat of the enemy. Entered military service from Lafayette, Indiana.

Herbert B. Knox, 54 603 976, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 2d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. While Sergeant Knox was guarding a road block in Wurzburg, his tank destroyer was attacked by two platoons of German Infantry. Keeping the machine gun mounted on his vehicle, he opened fire, killing and wounding a large number of enemy personnel. By his quick thinking and effective fire, Sergeant Knox and the other members of his crew were able successfully to repel the enemy attack. Entered military service from Huntersville, North Carolina.

Jerald M. Patience, 32 333 033, Corporal, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Battery, 481st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 30 December 1944, at South-Hat-Hain, France. When twelve enemy planes attacked his battalion headquarters with dive-bombing and strafing, Corporal Patience remained by his radio transmitter, endeavoring to broadcast the warning to the antiaircraft intelligence net. Although bombs fell just outside the building, their fragments piercing walls, shattering glass, and starting fires, and the strafing bullets damaged the transmitter and his hair, Corporal Patience stayed at his post throughout the twenty-five minute of the raid. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Ervin L. Miller, 38 364 457, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 February 1945 near Kilstatt, France. Upon learning that a soldier had been hit by enemy shrapnel, Private Miller, Company B, immediately left his covered position and moved boldly out into the field of battle. Under intense enemy fire he administered first aid to the wounded man and then evacuated him to the Battalion Aid Station. As a result of Private Miller's courage and devotion to duty, this man's life was saved. Entered military service from Gardin, Illinois.

John J. Ogan, 32 589 890, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, at Schwabachmatt, Germany. While transporting troops in

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His 1 1/2-ton truck in company with other vehicles, Corporal Owens entered the town of Schwinfeld, Germany, which shortly thereafter came under occupation, observed enemy artillery fire compelling him to stop his vehicle in an exposed position. The troops on the truck attempted to retreat at this point but, realizing their hazardous position, Corporal Owens ordered them to remain mounted and unhesitatingly drove toward the enemy, avoiding several shells that landed at the place just vacated by him. The quick thinking and aggressive action of Corporal Owens was responsible for saving the lives of the occupants of his truck. Entered military service from Joplin, Oklahoma.

Frank A. Standi, 33 791 208, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Company B, 1183 Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945, near Bersdorf and Engenhausen, Germany. On reconnaissance with his platoon leader and two others, Corporal Standi saw three German prisoners take their heads from a foxhole and called the platoon leader's attention to the enemy. Accompanied by the others, Corporal Standi advanced upon the Germans and forced them to surrender. Investigating further they found more of the enemy in the immediate vicinity. As a direct result of Corporal Standi's prompt and courageous action, forty-five enemy personnel, an antitank machine gun, mortarbombs and hand grenades were captured and the beach was removed from the path of advancing Infantry units. Entered military service from Chester, Pennsylvania.

Walter L. Titter, 33 732 245, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 February 1945, near Hatten, France. When enemy shrapnel fragments disabled a prime mover, Sergeant Titter, motor mechanic, undertook to repair the damaged equipment, despite heavy German Artillery fire. Although advised to wait until hostile fire diminished, Sergeant Titter immediately went to work on the crippled motor and restored the vehicle to operating condition. Through Sergeant Titter's efforts a vital piece of equipment was repaired and its gun mobilized and sent to the support of hard-pressed Infantry. Entered military service from Chesapeake City, Maryland.

William V. Turner, 34 273 196, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 102d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 March 1945, near Dahn, Germany. Serving as a lineman on the horizontal wire to the front, Private Turner's fortitude and tireless energy greatly aided in maintaining vital signal communications between the Regimental Command Post and the rapidly advancing battalions. When the wire vehicle became mined, Private Turner hand-carried over 3,000 yards of wire to the forward battalions. Despite the mountainous terrain, road blocks and the presence of enemy snipers, he accomplished his mission. Private Turner's courage and unflinching devotion to duty reflect the highest standards of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

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DENNIS G. VAN AUKEN, JR., O46 269, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company C, 852d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. When his commanding officer was wounded just before the assault on Wurzburg, Lieutenant Van Auken, Executive Officer, took immediate command, completed the organization for the attack under constant enemy sniper and automatic weapons fire, then personally led the company forward. Under Lieutenant Van Auken's aggressive command, the company objective was taken despite severe enemy resistance. Entered military service from Buffalo, Wyoming.

Dominick Venezia, 35 699 206, Technician Fifth Grade, Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, near Durbach, Germany. While reconnoitering an area for an observation post, Corporal Venezia's three-vehicle patrol was trapped between enemy and friendly fire and three members of the patrol wounded. While the injured men were loaded into two of his vehicles, Corporal Venezia manned the machine gun mounted on the third and covered their withdrawal. By his courageous act in exposing himself to enemy fire, Corporal Venezia saved the members of his patrol from possible death or injury. Entered military service from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

John J. Michak, 35 488 973, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Company B, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945, between Erbersdorf and Engenhausen, Germany. Corporal Michak was a member of a reconnaissance patrol which encountered an enemy prepared position fully manned. With three other men he promptly attacked the position, routing the enemy and bringing them captured until the area was cleared. As the result of his prompt and aggressive action, forty five prisoners were taken and a mine removed from the route of the advancing infantry. Entered military service from Pottsville, Pennsylvania.

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal..... I  
Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.....II

I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:--...By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Donald C. Bowman, 34 775 289, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Company I, 202d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action from 5 January 1945 to 1 March 1945 in France. As company aid man participating in a number of patrols into enemy territory, Sergeant Bowman was very often called upon to brave extreme weather conditions and difficult terrain to carry out his assigned missions. On 28 February he accompanied a 30-man combat patrol which encountered the enemy at close range and suffered four casualties from German small arms and mortar fire. Two of these casualties were serious and probably owe their lives to the prompt and efficient first aid administered by Sergeant Bowman. Later in the same day he performed an exceptionally skillful act in rendering first aid to a man with a wound in the stomach. Through his constant attention to duty the lives of numerous wounded men were saved. Entered military service from Greensboro, North Carolina.

ROBERT C. CLEMENT, 02 610 779, 2d Lieutenant, Infantry, Company B, 202d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 April 1945 at Wurzburg, Germany. In the attack on Wurzburg, Lieutenant Clement insisted on leading his platoon on a gruelling twelve mile approach march in spite of severe pains in both legs. He stayed at the head of his platoon throughout the battle and consented to be evacuated only when the positions in the city were taken. His unflinching determination and inspiring devotion to duty contributed materially to the success of the attack. Entered military service from Rockford, Illinois.

1st Lt. F. Golden, Jr., 34 543 828, Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 202d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27-28 February 1945, near Wingen, France. While serving as platoon guide, Sergeant Golden accompanied a 40-man patrol whose mission it was to establish and maintain contact with the enemy. At a point beyond the main line of resistance, the patrol encountered two enemy machine gun nests. In a flanking attack on the Germans, Sergeant Golden, with others, while exposed to intense hostile machine gun fire, destroyed both emplacements in rapid succession and repulsed two enemy frontal attacks. When four members of the group became separated from the remainder of the patrol, Sergeant Golden crossed open terrain and risked his own life to reach them and re-established contact. His unflinching courage and devotion to duty resulted in the destruction

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of two enemy machine guns and accounted for twenty enemy casualties, including eight killed and the capture of two. Entered military service from South Jacksonville, Florida.

Paul L. Moran, SS 299 416, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 February 1945, near Reipertswiller, France. While serving with the Rainbow Rangers as lead scout of a seven-man patrol, Private Moran was fired on at a range of twenty-five yards by five enemy using hand grenades and small arms. Although Private Moran was injured in the arm by grenade fragments, he refused to be evacuated and insisted on continuing to the patrol objective. Returning from the successful reconnaissance with vital information, he enabled artillery to place a devastating mission on the area. His courageous conduct was consistent with the highest standards of the Rainbow Rangers. Entered military service from Tiffin, Ohio.

Arthur F. Haselbuhn, SS 966 432, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during February and March 1945 in the Hardt Mountains, France. As a member of the Rainbow Rangers, Private Haselbuhn participated in six reconnaissance and four combat patrols in enemy territory. These patrols destroyed many enemy emplacements, inflicted numerous casualties upon enemy personnel and secured vital information concerning enemy dispositions which greatly facilitated future tactical operations. Private Haselbuhn's devotion to duty and courage were a major contribution to the success of these reconnaissance and combat patrols. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

August P. Henneforth, SS 780 017, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company C, 69th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 17 November 1944, near Stolberg, Germany. On the above date Sergeant Henneforth went forward under heavy enemy fire to reconnoiter a route to bring a tank destroyer to neutralize hostile positions that had checked the advance of his unit. During the night he succeeded in moving a destroyer to a position from which the next day he directed its fire on the enemy emplacements he had located in the reconnaissance. Through Sergeant Henneforth's skill and courage, his unit was enabled to drive the enemy from strong positions. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

Thadden Hill Jr., 44 040 015, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Reipertswiller, France. As ammunition bearer for a 60mm mortar squad during the attack through the Hardt Mountains, Private Hill constantly exposed himself to enemy fire while carrying ammunition to his gun. During periods when his squad did not need his services as ammunition bearer, he voluntarily fought as a rifleman, thereby strengthening his company's effectiveness in combat. His courageous action and devotion to duty contributed greatly to the successful accomplishments of his company. Entered military service from New Port, Tennessee.

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Lester C. Jacobsen, 37 313 592, Staff Sergeant, Cavalry, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in action, from 15 March to 6 May 1945 in France and Germany. As platoon sergeant, 2d Platoon, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Sergeant Jacobsen ably led his men on numerous assigned tasks in enemy-held territory. His dauntless courage and determination of purpose resulted in such valuable information being gathered from the enemy, which contributed materially to the success of the Division in combat. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

KERNEITH F. WAXEY, O1 019 979, Captain, Armored Forces, Company D, 27th Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in action from 24 April to 1 May 1945, near Dachau and Munich, Germany. As Commanding Officer, Company D, 27th Tank Battalion, Captain Waxey's conscientious attention to the tactical demands upon his Company directly contributed to the rapid and successful progress of the Infantry units he supported. In the advance and attack from the Danube River to Dachau and Munich, he personally led his tanks, without regard to his own safety, spearheading repeated assaults and by his example and brilliant leadership, inspiring the men under his command to repeated success. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Bill J. McGrath, 37 641 235, Private First Class, Infantry, 4th Cavalry, 3d Battalion, 22nd Infantry, for heroic achievement in action on 23 February 1945, near Winga, France. While out with a Rainbow Scout patrol detailed to reconnoiter, given order and bring back prisoners, Private McGrath, with others, moved close to a known German machine gun installation and hurled grenades into it. Three of the enemy, heavily armed, emerged and were shot by the patrol. When a fourth member of the machine gun crew refused to come out, Private McGrath leaped into the dugout and brought him out by force, after which the patrol returned to its own lines. Private McGrath's heroic actions resulted in the killing of three Germans, the capture of one other, and the destruction of their gun emplacement. Entered military service from Columbia, Mississippi.

Walter R. Murphy, O1 308 303, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 February 1945 near Sessenheim, France. Private Murphy volunteered to ride a tank into the town of Sessenheim, France, to assist a company which was under heavy attack by a large enemy force. Private Murphy, acting without concern for his personal safety and using an anti-tank weapon, was responsible for killing and capturing a number of the enemy. After the town had been cleared, Private Murphy returned to his platoon to act as a runner with his mortar squad which went into position to fire on the enemy. Entered military service from Belmont, Massachusetts.

Frank R. Peralzski, 36 835 000, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company I, 223d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 5 January 1945 to 1 March 1945 in France. As company squire, Corporal Peralzski participated in over ten patrol missions, unhesitatingly braving enemy fire and, with high technical



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will, administered first aid, saving the lives of several wounded men. His calm thoroughness inspired all the men in his company and his outstanding courage was reflected in the success of the patrol he accompanied. Entered military service from Liberty, North Carolina.

Robert J. Tringle, 36 635 003, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery C, 2032 Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action during the period 15 March 1945 to 9 May 1945, in France and Germany. Voluntarily serving as radio operator with a Forward Observer team, Private Tringle remained with the Infantry Company to which he was attached on the entire march through the Siegfried Line and over the most rugged terrain and heavily wooded area. As a result of his outstanding courage and devotion to duty essential radio communication was maintained under the most trying conditions. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Joe W. Rhea, 6 292 303, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2324 Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945 near Turzburg, Germany. When the forward switchboard of the observation post which he was attending was surrounded by enemy forces on the night of 3 April 1945, Private Rhea, realizing the importance of maintaining communications to the rear, stuck steadfastly to his post. Though he was under a constant enemy concentration of mortar, small arms and rocket fire, he continued to send urgent calls depicting the serious position of the forward observation post. As a result of the valuable information courageously furnished by Private Rhea reinforcements were sent and drove off the enemy attacks. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

Elmer A. Rohrkaste, 6 281 298, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 2324 Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 January 1945 near Schweighausen, France. When Sergeant Rohrkaste's platoon withdrew from Schweighausen under a heavy enemy attack, it was forced to abandon four quarter-ton trucks and trailers loaded with equipment. When the platoon arrived at the company command post, Sergeant Rohrkaste volunteered to get one of the vehicles. After picking his way through intense mortar, machine gun and small arms fire he reached the vehicles, and drove one of them back to the command post. Sergeant Rohrkaste's voluntary action was directly responsible for the recovery of a truck and a trailer which otherwise would have fallen into enemy hands. Entered military service from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

Richard J. Scanlon, 36 489 272, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company C, 6934 Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945, in Schweinfurt, Germany. While supporting the rifle troops in the attack of Schweinfurt, Sergeant Scanlon's tank destroyer led the foremost elements in the assault. In the action his destroyer fired 35 rounds of 90mm ammunition at snipers, machine gun emplacements and road blocks. Despite the intensity of the enemy mortar and small arms fire directed at his destroyer, he drove forward, spearheading the infantry attack, destroying several hostile installations, and inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy. Entered military service from Ashland, Pennsylvania.

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John W. Temple, 33 910 028, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 33rd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945 near Sessenheim, France. Private Temple volunteered to ride a tank into Sessenheim to assist a company under heavy enemy attack. In the bitter street fighting that ensued, he captured two of the enemy. When he and two other men were fired on from a barn, he set the barn on fire and captured five more of the enemy when they fled the building. After the town had been cleared, Private Temple returned through heavy artillery fire to resume his place in his mortar squad. Entered military service from Montclair, New Jersey.

Claude E. Townsend, 37 155 204, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 20th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, at Arnstein, Germany. In the attack on Arnstein, Sergeant Townsend led part of his platoon against enemy positions on the hill tops above the town. So skillfully did Sergeant Townsend deploy his men against heavy enemy automatic weapons and small arms fire that his section captured or killed approximately 40 of the enemy. Through Sergeant Townsend's courageous and aggressive leadership, vital ground was seized and Arnstein was captured with the minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Camp Crook, South Dakota.

James S. Worshan, 34 512 459, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action from 28 October 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. During the above period Sergeant Worshan diligently and conscientiously performed his duties as chief radio operator and radio sergeant. While chief radio operator in combat at Leckweiler, Germany, Sergeant Worshan remained at his radio in an open vehicle while his unit was subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire. At Wursburg, Germany, he established a relay station in the town which made communication with forward elements possible. Sergeant Worshan's devotion to duty, skill and initiative contributed materially to the combat success of his Battalion. Entered military service from Marion, South Carolina.

II. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:—  
By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 23 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star medal is awarded to:

James R. Rogers, 36 979 810, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 33rd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27-28 February 1945, near Wincen, France. Private Rogers, accompanying a 40-man patrol whose mission it was to seek and maintain contact with the enemy until further orders, encountered two enemy machine gun nests. In a flanking attack on the Germans, Private Rogers, with others, destroyed both emplacements in quick succession. While these enemy emplacements Private Rogers was exposed to intense hostile fire, but he successfully carried out his assigned tasks dur-

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ing the fight. As a result of his unswerving courage and devotion to duty, at least eight of the enemy were killed, twelve wounded and two prisoners taken, in addition to the destruction of two German machine guns. Entered military service from Pulpitt, Illinois.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following individuals for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

Arthur C. Argue, 13 124 955, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 252d Infantry Regiment, from 26 December 1944 to 4 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

PAUL D. ARVIN, O 292 797, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 1 to 12 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Elkhart, Indiana.

WILLIAM S. BARNALL, O24 382, Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Richmond, California.

William L. Brown, O 231 923, Technician Third Grade, Field Artillery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Port Arthur, Texas.

JOHN W. CRATE, O 550 091, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 15 to 23 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Eamon Eckles, 34 338 324, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company C, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 23 October 1944 to 30 April 1945, inclusive, in France, Holland, and Germany. Entered military service from Opelika, Alabama.

Charles R. Eeonovich, 55 260 494, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France, Holland, Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from West Elizabeth, Pennsylvania.

William Edwards, 59 303 528, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 302d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Vale, Oregon.

Frank Erdmann, 31 338 269, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery A, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Norwalk, Connecticut.

VAUGHN E. EVANS, O 515 836, Major, Infantry, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 7 to 10 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Longview, Washington.

Wilbert J. G. Roth, Jr., 53 260 217, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 15 April 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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Kenneth Guy, 42 025 060, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery A, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.

James M. Insko, 35 115 616, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 15 December 1944 to 25 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Diego, California.

Robert H. James, 20 740 227, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, Company D, 122d Medical Battalion, from 8 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bebe, Arkansas.

Arthur D. Joiner, 34 812 804, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

James C. Lowry, Jr., 35 692 265, Technician Fifth Grade, Finance Department, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, from 24 December 1944 to 8 February 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Frederick F. MacDonald, 31 234 009, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery A, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 31 March to 17 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Dorchester, Massachusetts.

Karl A. Nielsen, 52 031 729, Technician Third Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Division Artillery, from 15 February to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Penn Yan, New York.

ROBERT E. O'DONNELL, 01 284 742, Captain, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 26 December 1944 to 4 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Kenneth J. Oliver, 16 020 160, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March to 23 March 1945, inclusive, in the Hardt Mountains, France. Entered military service from Superior, Wisconsin.

John D. O'Neil, 36 729 239, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, from 5 January to 2 February 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Dwaine G. Paradis, 36 765 333, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Company D, 122d Medical Battalion, from 8 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Gunter Pintske, 35 090 542, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 18 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Valparaiso, Indiana.

Abraham Rolnick, 52 995 262, Private First Class Medical Department, Company D, 122d Medical Battalion, from 8 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

STILLMAN F. SAWYER, 0 547 153, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March to 12 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

Robert J. Shannahan, 37 416 837, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France, Holland and Germany. Entered military service from Astoria, New York.

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BERNARD W. SMITH, O 591 991, Major, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Akron, Ohio.

William A. Vaughn, 37 539 327, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 15 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hannibal, Missouri.

Russell R. White, 36 544 378, Master Sergeant, Quartermaster Corps; 42d Division Quartermaster Company, from 25 December 1944 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

II. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART:-----Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

MILLER J. PALMER, 39 294 324, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 17 January 1945. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

JOHN W. FLYNN, 38 545 347, Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 11 April 1945. Entered military service from Whulser, Texas.

III. AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 28 September 1945, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded to:

Michael Grodzki, 36 673 846, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 25 April 1945, in Northain, Germany. Seeing two soldiers struggling for their lives after their kayak had overturned in a deep channel of the swift Main River at Northain, Germany, Sergeant Grodzki quickly threw off his helmet and weapon and swam to their aid. He overcame the struggles of one of the drowning men, towed him to the river's edge and carried him to safety while a companion rescued the other man. This deed of heroism was responsible for saving the life of the soldier. Entered military service from Sparta, Illinois.

Henry G. Strochilus, 35 738 274, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 25 April 1945, in Northain, Germany. Seeing two soldiers struggling for their lives after their kayak had overturned in the swift Main River at Northain, Germany, Corporal Strochilus quickly threw off his helmet and weapon and swam to their aid. He overcame the struggles of one of the drowning men, towed him to the river's edge and carried him to safety while a companion rescued the other man. This deed of heroism was responsible for saving the life of the soldier. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

IV. REVOCATIONS:-----So much of Section II, General Orders Number 93, this Headquarters, 14 June 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to John Copony, 37 539 939, Technical Sergeant, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

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So much of Section I General Orders 78, this headquarters 28 May 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to DONALD F. KUCHLER, O 451 929, Captain, Infantry, Service Company, 233d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLIER.

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42ND INFANTRY DIVISION

GENERAL ORDER

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Award of the Silver Star .....I  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....II

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:-----By direction of the President under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

JOHN H. POWERS, O1 046 229, 1st Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "A" 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 21 and 22 March 1945, at the Siegfried Line. In the assault on the Siegfried Line, Lieutenant Powers led his platoon, in the face of intense enemy mortar, artillery, and small arms fire, across five creeks, and systematically attacked eight German pillboxes, killing or capturing their defenders. Under his leadership the platoon seized the high ground behind the emplacements, thereby preventing a possible enemy counterattack. During this attack Lieutenant Powers distinguished himself by his aggressive leadership and outstanding tactical ability, inflicting heavy casualties upon the enemy without loss to his platoon. Entered military service from New York, New York.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Andrew T. Baker, 35 227 645, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 5 January to 25 January 1945 near Wissembourg, France. Participating as scout in more than ten reconnaissance and combat patrols, Private Baker, displayed superior fortitude and ability, under the most adverse conditions of weather and terrain. These patrols, often undertaken voluntarily by Private Baker, were conducted in both daylight and darkness and usually in the face of bitter enemy resistance. Due in large measure to Private Baker's courage and devotion to duty every patrol was successfully completed and much information of great military value was obtained. Entered military service from Richmond, Virginia.

Ernest Barnes, 39 102 028, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company A, 122d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 at Furth, Germany. While serving as ambulance driver, Private Barnes and his ambulance driver went forward of the front lines of the 2d Battalion, 222d Infantry to recover five men who were wounded when German artillery struck their ammunition truck. The vehicle was burning and presented a good target for enemy artillery and small arms fire falling in the near vicinity. The ammunition exploded soon after Private Barnes and his companion, aided by two other men, succeeded in getting the injured men away from the burning vehicle. Despite intense enemy fire, Private Barnes

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skillfully treated the wounded and evacuated them through the rubble-strewn streets. His courageous act was largely responsible for saving the lives of five men. Entered military service from Leachville, Arkansas.

Carl W. Boggs, 20 528 138, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during February and March in the Hardt Mountains, France. As a member of the Rainbow Rangers, Private Boggs participated in six reconnaissance and four combat patrols in enemy territory. These patrols destroyed many enemy emplacements, inflicted numerous casualties upon enemy personnel and secured vital information concerning enemy dispositions which greatly facilitated future tactical operations. Private Boggs's devotion to duty and courage were a major contribution to the success of these reconnaissance and combat patrols. Entered military service from Gassaway, West Virginia.

Milton R. Bowman, 35 413 161, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 February near Sessenheim, France. Private Bowman volunteered to ride a tank into Sessenheim to assist a company which was under heavy enemy attack. During the vicious street fighting that ensued, an enemy machine gun in a cellar caused numerous casualties. Private Bowman advanced in the face of direct fire, threw two grenades into the cellar and silenced the gun. After the town had been cleared, Private Bowman returned through heavy artillery fire to resume his place in his mortar squad. Entered military service from Zanesville, Ohio.

James D. Caudle, 18 068 551, Private, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 February 1945, near Winsburg, France. When two officers crossing an enemy mine field near Winsburg detonated two of the mines and were severely wounded, Private Caudle fearlessly entered the unswept mine field to rescue them. Carrying them out of the area with the assistance of another man, Private Caudle administered first aid and evacuated them by truck. His courageous action in crossing an unswept mine field and devotion to his fellow men exemplifies the best traditions of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from Portales, New Mexico.

Michael F. Cerminaro, 32 947 880, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company C, 122d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in Belch, France. Serving as a litter bearer, Private Cerminaro on the above date assisted in the evacuation of a litter case accompanied by five walking wounded. Private Cerminaro guided the party through a heavily mined field on to an ambulance station approximately four miles away in blackout over mountainous terrain. Private Cerminaro's courage and devotion to duty contributed directly toward saving the lives of his comrades. Entered military service from Utica, New York.

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G. R. Davis, 31 322 339, Staff Sergeant, then Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 332d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action from 16 January 1945 to 19 January 1945, inclusive, near Haguenau, France. During the period of 16 January to 19 January 1945, inclusive, Sergeant Davis was a member of the Infantry component of an Infantry-Tank Task Force, operating in and near Haguenau Forest in France. For 72 consecutive hours with no sleep and very little food, through sleet, snow and rain, Sergeant Davis and the other members of the Task Force withstood a heavy enemy attack. Under heavy enemy artillery, mortar, automatic and small arms fire, they held two platoons of riflemen in the town of Drussenau, held a defensive position around a bridge outside of Sassenheim against an enemy attack to allow a demolition squad to destroy the bridge, and successfully stopped numerous enemy counterattacks. By his outstanding courage and unflinching devotion to duty, Sergeant Davis and the other members of the Task Force successfully delayed the determined enemy offensive sufficiently to allow reserve forces to be reorganized in order effectively to continue the assault upon the enemy. Entered military service from South Portland, Maine.

Kermit F. Davidson, 35 088 865, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 332d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, at Schwanfeld, Germany. On 8 April 1945 at Schwanfeld, Germany, while transporting troops in a 2 1/2-ton truck in company with four vehicles, Private Davidson entered the town which shortly thereafter came under observed, enemy artillery fire, making it necessary that the truck be stopped in an exposed position. The troops on the truck attempted to dismount at this point but were ordered to remain on the truck as Private Davidson, realizing their hazardous position, insisted in moving the truck to a covered position. While doing so several shells landed in the vicinity of the spot at which he had first halted, killing one man and wounding seven others in the accompanying trucks. The clear thinking and aggressive action of Private Davidson saved not only his truck but also the lives of many of the troops he was transporting. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

Peter Dennis, 31 115 088, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company C, 152d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action from 3 April to 18 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. While serving as an ambulance orderly, Private Dennis was captured when his ambulance was ambushed 3 April 1945, near Birkenfeld. Enroute to Germany, Private Dennis escaped when the train on which he was a prisoner was strafed by Allied aircraft, and avoided recapture for several days until rescued by the 15th Infantry Division. Although suffering from exhaustion and trench foot, he refused evacuation and after five more days made his way back to his company. By his courage, loyalty, devotion to duty and uncompromising fortitude, Private Dennis exemplified the finest traditions of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from Burlington, Vermont.

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