

Roy F. Farmer, Jr., 34 364 845, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. While supporting rifle troops in the assault of Wurzburg, Sergeant Farmer's tank destroyer was exposed to heavy enemy counter-battery, small arms and panzer-fust fire. Despite the intensity of this fire, Sergeant Farmer stood his ground and returned extremely effective fire, destroying two enemy tanks, another vehicle, and an undetermined number of personnel. Sergeant Farmer's steadfast courage and determination greatly aided the rifle troops in capturing Wurzburg. Entered military service from Clinton, Tennessee.

Wallace W. Given, 36 651 667, Technical Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 15 March to 8 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. During the attack on Hill 301, north of Reipertswiller, France, on 15 March 1945, when most of the non-commissioned officers of his platoon including the platoon leader had been killed or wounded, Private Given took command of the remainder of the platoon and led them successfully through the attack. In succeeding actions, as acting platoon sergeant, he performed his duties in a highly efficient and aggressive manner. On 8 April, during the battle for Wurzburg, Germany, when his platoon leader had to be evacuated, Private Given carried on as platoon leader and through energetic leadership, outstanding ability and devotion to duty guided the platoon to successful completion of its mission. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Henry W. Claudel, 32 640 585, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 January 1945, near Hagenu, France. While in charge of a heavy machine gun squad outpost, Private Claudel was given the difficult mission of moving his squad under intense hostile fire into a new position from where he could bring effective fire upon a German emplacement. This maneuver was made with great skill and ability, the gun set up in the new position and very effective fire brought upon the enemy, inflicting many casualties. A short time later when superior enemy forces made it necessary to withdraw, Private Claudel led his squad through a wooded area into its new position without a single casualty in men or equipment. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

John T. Ingram, 13 189 200, Private First Class, Medical Department, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Reipertswiller, France. While his company was attacking a hill north of Reipertswiller, Private Ingram, constantly exposed himself to heavy enemy fire to render first aid to men who had been wounded. Through his courageous action and devotion to duty many of the wounded were quickly evacuated to a rear area where they could receive immediate treatment. Entered military service from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

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Roy M. Koss, 34 213 469, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Company A, 122d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945 at Schonau, Germany. While serving as ambulance driver, Corporal Koss and his ambulance orderly were called upon to evacuate two wounded men from a battalion aid station at Schonau, Germany. German mortar shells began falling in the area while Corporal Koss was placing the ambulance in position. Despite the heavy shelling, Corporal Koss and his orderly placed the casualties in the ambulance and started to the rear over a road, which was being subjected to observed enemy artillery fire. By their courageous action in effecting the speedy evacuation of the wounded, the life of one man was saved. Entered military service from Bessemer, Alabama.

WILLIAM H. McPHERSON, 01 326 416, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action from 15 March to 25 March 1945 in the Hardt Mountains, France. During the operations in the Hardt Mountains and the breaching of the Siegfried Line, Lieutenant McPherson, Rainbow Rangers Platoon leader, led numerous reconnaissance, infiltration and combat patrols against well-concealed and strongly fortified German defenses, gathering information necessary for the foundation of plans for subsequent attacks. His daring tactics often forced the enemy to reveal his location, and his efforts were responsible for heavy enemy casualties and the capture of many prisoners, aiding materially in the success of the missions of his Battalion. Entered military service from Seattle, Washington.

Matthew L. Snyder, 36 544 604, Sergeant, Medical Department, Company C, 122d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in Melch, France. Serving as a litter bearer, Sergeant Snyder on the above date assisted in the evacuation of one litter case accompanied by five walking wounded. Sergeant Snyder guided the party through a heavily mined field on to an ambulance station approximately four miles away in blackout over mountainous terrain. Sergeant Snyder's courage and devotion to duty contributed directly toward saving the lives of his comrades. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Daniel P. Towse, 11 054 380, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during the period 5 January 1945 to 25 January 1945, near Wissembourg, France. As leader or assistant leader of at least ten combat and reconnaissance patrols, Sergeant Towse displayed superior tactical skill and military ability under the most adverse weather and terrain conditions. In every case the missions he undertook were successfully completed without a single casualty, due in large part to his leadership and excellent judgment. The voluntary assumption of these hazardous assignments contributed directly to the combat success of his Battalion. Entered military service from Woburn, Massachusetts.

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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:

Ralph R. Heine, 37 092 971, Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 January 1945, near Ingolshelm, France. When an overwhelming enemy force attacked his company's outpost, Sergeant Heine was wounded by enemy fire, while covering the withdrawal. Moving back, he came upon the platoon sergeant, who, in an attempt to rescue another wounded man, lay exhausted in the mud of a small creek. Though under intense machine gun and small arms fire from the pressing Germans, Sergeant Heine, pulled both the wounded man and Platoon Sergeant out of the mire. In doing this he was again hit by enemy fire, and was reported missing in action. The outstanding courage and unflinching devotion to duty and to his fellowmen exhibited by Sergeant Heine reflect great credit upon himself and the armed services of the United States, and are worthy of the highest praise. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Elizabeth Heine, (Wife), 6405 Ridge Avenue, Wollston, Missouri. Entered military service from Wollston, Missouri.

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:

JOHN A. ARBROTH, 34 864 554, Private, Infantry, Company J, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 9 January 1945. Entered military service from Richland County, South Carolina.

FRANK ANTONELLI, 36 016 327, Corporal, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 11 April 1945. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

FLETCHER A. BEUMONT, JR., 36 922 881, Private First Class, Infantry, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 24 January 1945. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

FRANCIS C. BERRY, 13 085 460, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 25 January 1945. Entered military service from Altoona, Pennsylvania.

EDWARD D. BENTON, 36 493 782, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 23 January 1945. Entered military service from Ilion, New Jersey.

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ALLEN P. COCCETTI, 33 939 790, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 3 May 1945. Entered military service from Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania.

HARRY P. DAVIS, 35 617 101, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, France, 23 December 1944. Entered military service from Shenandoah, Pennsylvania.

LAWRENCE G. DRIEHLER, 32 511 171, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 24 January 1945. Entered military service from Westchester, New York.

HARMON J. ELLIS, 18 028 908, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 24 January 1945. Entered military service from Fort Reno, Oklahoma.

JOHN L. ENGLISH, 33 434 535, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 6 January 1945. Entered military service from Denison, Texas.

LOUIS E. GAGE, 39 045 987, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 21 January 1945. Entered military service from Berkeley, California.

GERARD A. GUILMONT, 31 455 404, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 3 May 1945. Entered military service from Fall River, Massachusetts.

FRED HARTNER, JR., 37 431 743, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 15 January 1945. Entered military service from Rockwood, Georgia.

HAROLD R. HAYMOND, 36 979 039, Private, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 11 January 1945. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

DUANE M. HERRIG, 36 663 484, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 11 January 1945. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

DAMON D. HINES, 36 525 676, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 13 January 1945. Entered military service from Pontiac, Illinois.

CLARENCE R. JAMES, 42 085 446, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 8 January 1945. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

JOHN MASONIS, 11 044 954, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 6 January 1945. Entered military service from New Britain, Connecticut.

ROLAND R. MEHARG, 36 728 161, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 22 January 1945. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

ROBERT R. MONSEN, 32 482 651, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 25 January 1945. Entered military service from Camden, New Jersey.

ELMER F. POOR, 38 666 031, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 5 January 1945. Entered military service from Van Buren, Arkansas.

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FRANK F. REVELLO, 32 640 802, Private, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 6 January 1945. Entered military service from Richmond, New York.

TILMAN B. E. BURNARD, 35 243 833, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 10 January 1945. Entered military service from Selon, Indiana.

PAUL L. SILEY, 35 515 069, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 20 January 1945. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

MICHAEL S. SHEDDEN, 16 125 073, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 3 May 1945. Entered military service from Cherry Valley, Illinois.

JOHN L. SCHNEIDERHOFER, 36 078 735, Private, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 6 January 1945. Entered military service from St. Louis, Illinois.

ANDREW J. WASTO, 35 284 748, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 29 April 1945. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

CHARLES B. WARD, 34 970 501, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 3 May 1945. Entered military service from Watauga City, North Carolina.

ROY A. WILLIS, 33 063 581, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, France, 23 January 1945. Entered military service from Ada, Oklahoma.

III. 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:

FRANCIS C. BELKEY, 13 085 460, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 3 April 1945. Entered military service from Altoona, Pennsylvania.

RICHARD C. SMITH, 42 023 609, Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 222d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 3 May 1945. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.

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:

Manuel S. Robello, 31 369 108, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Company B, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroism not involving actual combat with the enemy on 25 March 1945 near Rumbach, Germany. While demolishing pillboxes in the Siegfried Line, Corporal Robello's platoon leader, examining a pillbox which had recently been destroyed, was overcome by the gas resulting from the explosion. At the risk of his life, Corporal Robello entered the pillbox in search of the officer, but unable to locate him, he was forced to leave the pillbox and summon aid. Corporal Robello then re-entered the gas-filled fort equipped with a gas mask and flashlight, and accompanied by others, dragged his platoon leader to safety. His heroic act, executed with absolute disregard for his own life, undoubtedly saved the officer. Entered military service from Fall River, Massachusetts.

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V. REVOCATIONS: So much of General Orders Number 33, this headquarters, 22 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart to Private Ramon M. Perez, 39 866 290, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, and Private Alejandro R. Roynoso, Jr., 39 866 292, Company L, 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 Private First Class Francis C. Berkey, 13 083 260, Company G, 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 First Lieutenant EARL W. JACKSON, 01 326 399, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

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ORIGINAL ORDER

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- 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
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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:

Bernard D. Sasser, 31 083 462, Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 and 27 February 1945 near Kohlhutte, Alsace. When Sergeant Sasser perceived a patrol, of which he was not a member, attempting to pass through a mine field he had previously reconnoitered, he voluntarily guided it through the field. Upon passing the field, the patrol was brought under heavy enemy fire which Sergeant Sasser immediately returned at the head of the patrol. Discovering an enemy machine gun, he had advanced to within 10 yards of its position, when he was struck simultaneously by machine gun bullets and grenade fragments and was reported missing in action. His courageous leadership and uncompromising devotion to duty contributed materially to the success of the patrol and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Ann Fitzgibbon, (Mother), 650 Delaware, Detroit, Michigan. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

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 E. Baker, 32 448 687, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, at Schwanfeld, Germany. On 8 April 1945 in Schwanfeld, Germany, while transporting troops in a 2 1/2-ton truck in company with four vehicles, Private Baker entered the town which shortly thereafter came under observed enemy artillery fire, making it necessary that the vehicle be stopped in an exposed position. The troops on his truck attempted to dismount at this point but were ordered to remain on the truck as Private Baker realizing their hazardous position assisted 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 Baker saved not only his truck but also the lives of many of the troops he was transporting. Entered military service from Poughkeepsie, New York.

Willard R. Bliss, 12 102 728, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20-21 January 1945, near Clooburg, France. Learning that a quarter-ton truck

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had overturned and pinned the driver beneath, Private Bliss, with others, set out in a truck to rescue the driver. Half-way to their destination the truck became mired and the men continued on foot. When they came to the quarter-ton truck the driver was given first-aid and then evacuated by a vehicle of another unit. Returning, Private Bliss and his comrades struggled to extricate their truck from the mud until they were forced to abandon the project by enemy mortar fire. Private Bliss's efforts on this occasion were marked by a soldierly devotion to duty despite the grave dangers surrounding him. Entered military service from Tonawanda, New York.

James E. Briley, 28 117 721, Sergeant, (then Technician, Fourth Grade), Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20-21 January 1945 near Clodbury, France. Learning that a quarter-ton truck had overturned and pinned the driver beneath, Sergeant Briley, with others, set out in a truck to rescue the driver. Half-way to their destination the truck became mired and the men continued on foot. When they came to the quarter-ton truck the driver was given first aid and then evacuated by a vehicle of another unit. Returning, Sergeant Briley and his comrades struggled to extricate their truck from the mud until they were forced to abandon the project by enemy mortar fire. Sergeant Briley's efforts on this occasion were marked by a soldierly devotion to duty despite the grave dangers which surrounded him. Entered military service from Cleburne, Texas.

John R. Cartfield, 15 535 242, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment. For heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, near Würzburg, Germany. When two of the three communication lines which ran from the forward Regimental Command Post into the City of Würzburg, Germany, failed on the night of 3 April 1945, Private Cartfield drove the wire maintenance crew to the source of the trouble. Throughout the night he worked with the crew in maintaining and repairing the wires. As a result of his courageous act and devotion to duty, Private Cartfield's Company Commander was able to keep in touch with his attacking elements at a critical time. Entered military service from Greenfield, Indiana.

Raymond P. Hartney, 37 640 422, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during February and March in France. As a member of the Rainbow Rangers, Private Hartney participated in six reconnaissance and four combat patrols in enemy territory, hampered by mountainous terrain as well as enemy in well dug-in positions. His devotion to duty contributed materially to success of the the Rangers in completing every mission. With the assistance of Private Hartney, many German emplacements were reduced, numerous casualties were inflicted, many prisoners captured, and much information vital to the success of future tactical movements was obtained. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

Willis B. Inman, 36 573 217, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945 near Kilstott, France. When communication lines between his mortar section and rifle troops were disrupted by enemy fire, Private Inman, a mortar gunner, left his emplacement and, under heavy hostile artillery fire, repaired the damaged wires. His courageous act and unswerving devotion to duty enabled his squad to continue effective support to the troops in the forward areas. Entered military service from Neoga, Illinois.

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Mathias H. Kasberger, 56 984 590, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945 at Zell, Germany. When the ammunition for his section's machine gun was nearly expended, Private Kasberger voluntarily crossed over 2000 yards of open ground, covered by enemy machine gun and small arms fire, and re-loaded with a resupply. Through Private Kasberger's courageous act, his squad was able to continue its effective fire, routing the Germans from their positions, enabling rifle troops to continue their advance under protecting fire. Entered military service from Sashoygan, Wisconsin.

Leroy Koach, 55 853 073, Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945 near Schweighausen, France. Sergeant Koach was in command of a machine gun squad, engaged in defending a strong point on the Main Line of Resistance when it was struck and knocked out of position by enemy machine fire that forced the abandonment of the gun. Exposing themselves to intense fire of enemy self-propelled guns, artillery, and small arms, Sergeant Koach and another man voluntarily crawled forward to retrieve the gun. Although wounded by enemy fire, Sergeant Koach and the other man pushed on and securing the machine gun, brought it back to cover where it could be employed. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

Clyde S. Lee, 53 185 780, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945 near Reipartsweiler, France. Leading his section of machine guns in an attack, Sergeant Lee discovered the rear flank of his company exposed to enemy rifle fire. By skillfully directing his machine gun fire, he destroyed these enemy and continued the advance. On finding a group of riflemen pinned down by fire from an enemy roadblock, Sergeant Lee placed his guns in action, organized the men, knocked out the hostile roadblock. Sergeant Lee's skillful leadership and courageous actions, assisted materially in assuring the continued advance of his company. Entered military service from West Monroe, Louisiana.

Arthur Shapiro, 12 043 064, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 March 1945 in the Hardt Mountains, France. While under heavy enemy machine gun and small arms fire, Sergeant Shapiro went forward with the point squad of a combat patrol and called for artillery fire. Despite his hazardous position, he remained with the forward elements of the patrol and accurately adjusted artillery fire, neutralizing enemy positions. Through Sergeant Shapiro's cool and courageous actions several enemy were killed and a strong enemy position was knocked out. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Arthur C. Sills, 36 957 466, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement on 8 April 1945, near Schwanfeld, Germany. On 8 April 1945, in Schwanfeld, Germany, Private Sills, while transporting troops in his 2 1/2-ton truck in company with other vehicles, entered the town which shortly thereafter came under observed enemy artillery fire, making it necessary that the vehicle be stopped in an exposed position. The troops on the truck attempted to dismount at this point but Private Sills realizing their hazardous position, ordered them to remain mounted, and then attempted to drive his truck to a covered position. While doing so several shells landed in the immediate vicinity at which he had first stopped, killing one and wounding seven. The clear thinking and aggressive action of Private Sills saved not only his vehicle, but also the lives of many of the troops. Entered military service from Borwyn, Illinois.

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James W. Vance, W 640 502, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27-28 February 1945 near Wingen, France. Private Vance, accompanying a 40-man patrol whose mission it was to make and maintain contact with the enemy encountered two enemy machine gun nests. In a flanking attack on these positions, Private Vance, with others, destroyed both emplacements in rapid succession. During these engagements Private Vance was exposed to intense hostile machine gun fire but he successfully carried out his assigned tasks. As a result of his courage and devotion to duty, at least eight of the enemy were killed, twelve wounded, and two prisoners captured, in addition to the destruction of two German machine guns. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

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:

Marlin C. Glazk, 37 696 307, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March to 31 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Des Moines, Iowa.

Robert W. Hoenc, 56 817 935, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January to 24 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Columbus, Wisconsin.

William W. Stuckoy, 55 079 772, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 9-24 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

Morton L. Waisor, 32 482 484, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 122d Medical Battalion, from 15 February to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Camden, New Jersey.

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:

Sam Rodich, 36 832 541, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 April 1945 near Unterbach, Germany. Corporal Rodich medical aid man, rendered first aid to three members of his platoon under an intense enemy artillery concentration. After taking the men to the aid station, he started to return to his platoon when he found another wounded man whom he assisted to the aid station. When he returned to his platoon, he dressed the wounds of his platoon leader. Through Corporal Rodich's skill and devotion to duty, five wounded men were given immediate aid, thereby reducing the possibility of further complications from their injuries. Entered military service from West Allis, Wisconsin.

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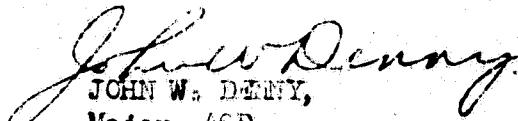
DELBERT L. LORER, 90 823 139, Private First Class, Cavalry, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Germany, 3 April 1945. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

V. REVOCATION:.....In much of General Orders Number 53, this headquarters, 32 April 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart Medal to Private First Class Lonnie R. Poole, 38 687 535, Company B, 322d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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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, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following individuals for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

Jack Bell, 6 274 728, First Sergeant, Medical Department, Company "A", 122d Medical Battalion, from 16 February to 5 May 1945, inclusive in France and Germany. Entered military service from Loveland, Colorado.

Joe C. Eaves, 38 306 393, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January to 21 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Groveton, Texas.

VIRGIL J. GIANELLI, O 355 898, Major, Medical Corps, Company D, 122d Medical Battalion, from 15 February to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Louis W. Graffagna, 16 067 754, Technical Sergeant, Medical Department, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 122d Medical Battalion, from 6 February to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Elgin, Illinois.

CLARENCE E. GRIFFITH, O 308 634, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January to 6 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Alhambra, California.

William S. Guerdell, 32 402 223, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 15 April 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

JAMES W. GUEST, O 24 133, Major, Field Artillery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 13 March to 15 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kirkwood, Missouri.

Kasper E. Joitel, 36 765 864, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 24 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rockford, Illinois.

MORTON I. KOHN, O 1 548 243, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Ordnance Department, 742d Ordnance Light Maintenance Company, from 16 February to 14 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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Everett J. Ladd, 31 349 936, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Company C, 122d Medical Battalion, from 15 March to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Willimantic, Connecticut.

George A. Larson, 37 566 642, Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade), Infantry, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 18 February to 9 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

MAJ E. FECTOR, 01 821 767, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 29 October 1944 to 7 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Winchester, Indiana.

Ralph Stern, 33 719 312, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company A, 122d Medical Battalion, from 25 March to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore Maryland.

MALCOLM L. STREHLE, O 314 598, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 16 February to 15 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Gretna, Louisiana.

LLOYD R. VAN TASSELL, O 416 771, Captain, Medical Corps, Company B, 122d Medical Battalion, from 15 February to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Oakland, California.

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 individuals for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

THEODORE H. BERGERON, O1 313 953, Captain, Headquarters, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 7 April to 12 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Asbury Park, New Jersey.

FREDERICK W. COLEMAN, III, O19 216, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters 232d Infantry Regiment, from 7 April to 12 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from West Point, New York.

CLYDE M. DILLENDER, O 353 200, Lieutenant Colonel, (then Major), Infantry, Headquarters, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 February to 28 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Louisiana, Missouri.

ROBERT G. SHERRARD JR, O19 922, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters, 42d Infantry Division, from 30 April to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from West Point, New York.

DONALD W. SWIHART, O 240 322, Lieutenant Colonel, (then Major), General Staff Corps, Headquarters, 42d Infantry Division, from 20 April to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

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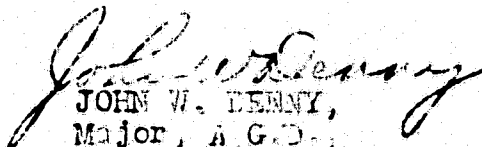
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GENERAL ORDERS)

AGO #411, U. S. Army,

NUMBER 93)

ORIGINAL ORDER -

14 June 1945.

Award of the Silver Star.....I  
Award of the Bronze Star.....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:

C. RYLAND P. WOELFER, 225350, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 January 1945, near Neubeig, France. When the outpost patrol he was commanding was forced to withdraw in the face of enemy pressure, Lieutenant Woelfer organized a covering force to enable his men to cross a 350-yard clearing under intense enemy small arms and artillery fire. Although knocked to the ground by the concussion from shells exploding nearby, he steadfastly remained at his post directing the movement. When one of his men was severely wounded, Lieutenant Woelfer manned a machine gun and protected the litter bearers who were recovering the wounded man. Locating another injured man in the Moder River, Lieutenant Woelfer pulled him out despite intense hostile fire, got him under cover, and gave directions for his evacuation. The courage and devotion to duty exhibited by Lieutenant Woelfer saved the lives of two wounded men, prevented the enemy from obtaining critical information, and succeeded in effecting withdrawal of his patrol. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

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:

Louis Abramson, 35 948 884, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 222d 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 Abramson participated in six reconnaissance and four combat patrols in the Hardt mountains. Despite the difficult terrain, the adverse weather conditions, and the presence of enemy snipers, Private Abramson always conducted himself courageously, inspiring the other members of the patrol. During these missions many prisoners were captured, several casualties were inflicted on enemy personnel, and an immeasurable amount of damage was done to enemy pillboxes, machine gun emplacements and other installations. Private Abramson's conduct contributed greatly to the success of the battalion's attack through the Hardt mountains and the Siegfried Line and reflects the highest standards of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Kenneth A. Aldrich, 20 753 915, Infantry, Sergeant, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action in January 1945, near Gleoburg, France. Participating in twelve combat and reconnaissance patrols into enemy lines, Sergeant Aldrich was called upon to operate over very difficult terrain and in exceptionally bad weather, twice during raging snowstorms. Although much information vital to future plans was obtained and many casualties were inflicted upon the enemy, only two members of the patrol were wounded. The extraordinary accomplishments of the patrol were due in large part to the outstanding alertness, tactical skill, and devotion to duty of Sergeant Aldrich. Entered military service from Sabin, Minnesota.

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Elmer W. Coffman, 17 015 227, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 3 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. When two of the three communications lines which ran from the forward Regimental Command Post into the City of Wurzburg, Germany, failed on the night of 3 April 1945, Corporal Coffman, as chief of the maintenance crew, led his men to the source of the trouble. Throughout the night he worked diligently in repairing and maintaining these vital wire communications. As a result of his determination and devotion to duty, Corporal Coffman's Company Commander was able to keep in touch with his attacking elements at a critical time. Entered military service from Kansas City, Kansas.

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\*John Copening, 37 539 959, 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 Copening assumed command at a time when the platoon was pinned down by enemy 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 enemy, and the advance continued. Throughout the remainder of the operations in the Hardt Mountains and the Siegfried Line, Sergeant Copening led his platoon in an outstanding manner, contributing greatly to the success of the company's missions. Entered military service from Iola, Kansas.

Homer T. Dooley, 18 004 802, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 22 March 1945, near Dahn, Germany. Serving as a lineman on the Regimental wire team, Private Dooley's fortitude and tireless energy greatly aided in maintaining vital signal communications between the Regimental Command Post and the rapidly advancing battalions. When his wire vehicle became mired, Private Dooley 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 Dooley's courage and unfaltering devotion to duty reflect the highest standards of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Orvaill Gann, 54 399 786, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945 in Schwanfeld, Germany. On 8 April 1945, in Schwanfeld, Germany, Private Gann, while transporting troops in the 2 1/2-ton truck in company with other vehicles, entered the town which shortly thereafter came under observed enemy artillery fire, making it necessary that the vehicle be stopped in an exposed position. The troops on the truck attempted to dismount at this point but Private Gann, realizing their hazardous position, ordered them to remain mounted, and then attempted to drive his truck to a covered position. While doing so several shells landed in the immediate vicinity at which he had first stopped, killing one man and wounding seven. The clear thinking and aggressive action of Private Gann saved not only his vehicle, but also the lives of many of the troops. Entered military service from Hamilton, Alabama.

Stefano Greco, 32 519 995, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d 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 Greco entered the town which shortly thereafter came under observed enemy artillery fire, making it necessary that the vehicle 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 Greco, realizing their hazardous position assisted in moving the truck to

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a covered position. While doing so several shells landed in the vicinity of the spot at which he had first stopped, killing one man and wounding seven others. The clear thinking and aggressive action of Private Greco saved not only his truck but also the lives of many of the troops he was transporting. Entered military service from New York, N. Y.

Claude L. McGinley, 31 045 354, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company L, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action from 14 March 1945 to 18 March 1945, inclusive, near Athorn, France. In the absence of a commissioned officer, Sergeant McGinley led his platoon over the difficult terrain of the Hardt Mountains against a determined enemy. His tactical ability, leadership and devotion to duty inspired his platoon to beat off repeated enemy counterattacks and continue its advance. By his superior performance of an exacting task, Sergeant McGinley contributed directly to the combat success of his company. Entered military service from Ulin, Maine.

James M. Mumper, 73 530 196, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, at Uchtelhausen, Germany. Private Mumper, part of the local security for his 81mm mortar platoon, seeing American tanks suddenly appear on his flank and begin to shell and machine gun his platoon position ran to his jeep and procuring a yellow smoke grenade, threw it in the direction of the oncoming tanks. Recognizing the smoke signal, the occupants ceased firing. As a result of the heroic action on the part of Private Mumper, the lives of many members of his company were saved. Entered military service from Hillsburg, Pennsylvania.

EDGAR I. ROSS, JR., 02 010 785, Second Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. Lieutenant Ross, as Assistant Communications Officer, personally supervised and directed the laying of three forward communication lines of the Observation Post into Wurzburg, Germany, on the night of 3 April 1945. Later, two of the lines failed. As these wires were vitally important to the contemplated attacks upon the city, Lieutenant Ross, with others, located and repaired the damaged wires despite a heavy concentration of small arms and unlocated sniper fire. As a result of Lieutenant Ross' determination, vital communications were maintained during a critical period. Entered military service from Menomonie, Wisconsin.

Robert M. Sarp, 36 710 030, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 8th Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Reipertsweiler, France. When a radio of a forward company had gone out of action, Sergeant Sarp voluntarily made his way to the company outpost and repaired the radio under an intense concentration of enemy mortar and small arms fire. Through his skill and courage vital communication was re-established between the front line company and the Battalion Command Post. Sergeant Sarp's action reflects the highest standards of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from Winnebago County, Illinois.

JAMES M. STONE, 01 032 659, First Lieutenant, Cavalry, 42nd Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in action on 6 April 1945 near Muhlbach, Germany. When Lieutenant Stone's platoon was suddenly raked by withering fire, one of his men was seriously wounded and another slightly wounded. Shortly afterward, Lieutenant Stone discovered the locality of the injured men and exposing himself to hostile action, moved out of his position of comparative safety and brought both wounded men under cover. His courageous deed resulted in saving the lives of both injured men, and is worthy of the finest traditions of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from Tallant, Oklahoma.

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Donald E. Stout, 35 614 643, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 22 March 1945, near Dahn, Germany. Serving as a lineman on the Regimental wire team, Corporal Stout's fortitude and tireless energy greatly aided in maintaining vital signal communications between the Regimental Command Post and the rapidly advancing battalions. When his wire vehicle became mired, Corporal Stout hand-carried over 5,000 yards of wire to the forward battalions. Despite the mountainous terrain, road blocks and the presence of enemy snipers, he accomplished his mission. Corporal Stout's courage and unfaltering devotion to duty reflect the highest standards of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from Dayton, Ohio.

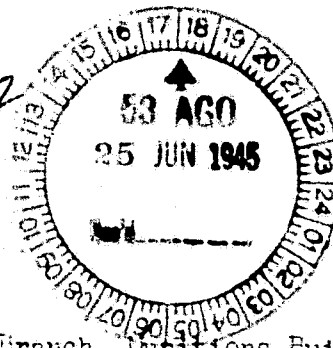
Leo Ward, 14 058 473, Private, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action 4 January 1945 to 5 January 1945, near La Wantzenau, France. Private Ward was serving as assistant driver on a 2 1/2-ton truck transporting rations to the front line over an unfamiliar road in blackout, when heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire was encountered. Refusing to be diverted from this mission, Private Ward and the driver continued on and, upon arriving at their destination, worked for almost six hours, under intermittent artillery fire, to unload and distribute their cargo to the troops. Private Ward's devotion to duty contributed materially to the morale and combat efficiency of his unit. Entered military service from Durham, North Carolina.

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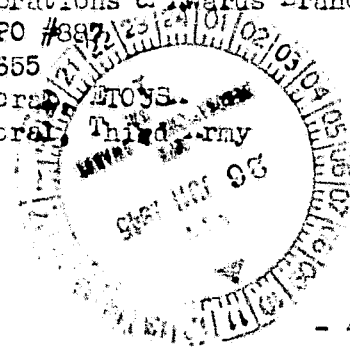
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NUMBER 92)

ORIGINAL ORDER -

12 June 1945.

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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:

Robert E. Owens, 35 071 373, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 25 January 1945, near Neuburg, France. Private Owens was serving as a member of a combat patrol on 25 January 1945 near Neuburg, when he was fired upon by enemy machine gun less than ten yards away, part of the burst passing through his clothing. Instantly bringing up his rifle, he killed the gunner and two other members of the machine gun squad, silencing the gun. After emptying his rifle at the other enemy troops in the vicinity, Private Owens dropped to his knees, reloaded and continued to fire until all of the enemy were killed, wounded, or captured. As a result of the quick thinking, outstanding skill, and extraordinary coolness under fire exhibited by Private Owens, an enemy machine gun was put out of action, three Germans killed, one was wounded, and nine were captured. Entered military service from West Union, Ohio.

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 individuals for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

GEORGE A. CARROLL, O 378 793, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 16 February to 16 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

ROYAL N. COBER, O 446 742, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 16 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Iuka, Mississippi.

George E. Ellis, 39 563 719, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. While supporting rifle troops in the assault of Wurzburg, Sergeant Ellis' tank destroyer was exposed to heavy enemy counter-battery, small arms and panzerfaust fire. Despite the intensity of this fire, Sergeant Ellis stood his ground and returned extremely effective fire, destroying two enemy tanks, another vehicle, and an undetermined number of personnel. Sergeant Ellis' steadfast courage and determination greatly aided the rifle troops in capturing Wurzburg. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

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Joseph Kolonda, 36 562 211, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. While supporting rifle troops in the assault of Wurzburg, Corporal Kolonda's tank destroyer was exposed to heavy enemy counter-battery, small arms and panzerfaust fire. Despite the intensity of this fire, Corporal Kolonda stood his ground and returned extremely effective fire, destroying two enemy tanks, another vehicle, and an undetermined number of personnel. Corporal Kolonda's steadfast courage and determination greatly aided the rifle troops in capturing Wurzburg. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Bruce D. Starkey, 19 151 945, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery A, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, near Gehrundt, France. When continuous enemy mortar fire harassed the positions of his company, Corporal Starkey volunteered for a patrol to locate the German positions. After killing one of the enemy and assisting in the capture of three others, Corporal Starkey located the enemy mortar by its smoke and directed counter-fire upon it so effectively that it was silenced. His courageous action greatly aided the subsequent advance of his company. Entered military service from Long Beach, California.

Carl R. Wilson, 39 278 210, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. While supporting rifle troops in the assault of Wurzburg, Corporal Wilson's tank destroyer was exposed to heavy enemy counter-battery, small arms and panzerfaust fire. Despite the intensity of this fire, Corporal Wilson stood his ground and returned extremely effective fire, destroying two enemy tanks, another vehicle, and an undetermined number of personnel. Corporal Wilson's steadfast courage and determination greatly aided the rifle troops in capturing Wurzburg. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

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 1945, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following individual for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

ARTHUR M. EDWARDS, O 369 337, Major, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 7 to 12 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Bernice, Louisiana.

IV: AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL:-----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:

CARL A. GREEN, 38 563 601, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, France, 17 January 1945. Entered military service from Norman, Oklahoma.

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~~DONALD G. MC CRACKEN, 16 177 499, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Pontiac, Michigan.~~

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MORRIS SIMON; 44 036 171, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 10 April 1945. Entered military service from Jesup, Georgia.

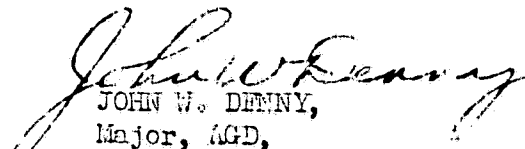
V. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL:-----Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart Medal is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

EARL E. RUFF, 6 246 015, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 19 March 1945. Entered military service from Pueblo, Colorado.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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GENERAL ORDERS)

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APO #411, U. S. Army,

10 June 1945.

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

*ORIGINAL ORDER*

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:

Stephen Bundra, 13 004 850, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 3 March 1945, near Reipersweiler, France. As squad leader in a combat patrol attacking hill 301, Sergeant Bundra foresaw the possibility that an enemy machine gun would pin down the entire patrol. Completely disregarding his own personal safety, he crawled up to the emplacement, in the face of intense automatic weapons and small arms fire and with his rifle, killed the gunner and assistant gunner, silencing the weapon and permitting his patrol to continue on its mission. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Otis C. Steele, 35 079 512, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 and 19 March 1945, at Schonau, Germany. During a heavy enemy artillery barrage at Schonau, Private Steele, Battalion messenger, left cover to answer a wounded man's call for assistance, administered first aid, then carried him to cover. A few minutes later he again voluntarily responded to a call for help and assisted aid men in taking wounded to cover. The following day Private Steele distinguished himself again by braving another German artillery bombardment, giving aid to the wounded, improvising a litter, and helping evacuate wounded from surrounding buildings. This repeated risk of life on the part of Private Steele was responsible for the saving of several wounded men and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from Batavia, Ohio.

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 individuals for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

ALVA J. CHRISTOPHER, O1 542 821, First Lieutenant, (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 9 December 1944 to 9 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Waco, Kentucky.

JOHN B. FINIGAN, O 386 029, Captain, (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 6 January to 22 March 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

DELBERT M. HARPER, O1 823 867, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 29 October 1944 to 7 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sciota, Illinois.

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JOSEPH V. HARSH, O1 031 489, First Lieutenant, Cavalry, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, from 6 January to 21 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from South Bond, Indiana.

John P. Chylak, 42 130 635, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945, near Furth, Germany. When the communication line between his battalion and a forward observation post was knocked out, Corporal Chylak traced the wire across 800 yards of open field and repaired the break despite intense enemy small arms fire. Returning to the observation post, enemy fire was so heavy that Corporal Chylak was forced to crawl and make short rushes across the open terrain. Through Corporal Chylak's courageous action, battalion communications were maintained and the battalion's successful attack on Furth was greatly aided. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

JAMES E. GIESK, O 452 755, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, near Schweinfurt, Germany. While proceeding to the city of Schweinfurt, Captain Gieso, in charge of a group of radio men, observed a number of Germans well dug in some 500 yards from his position. He immediately attacked them from the flank and succeeded in taking several prisoners. Questioning them he learned of other positions in the vicinity. With this knowledge he was able to execute a number of swift and devastating maneuvers which kept the Germans pinned down and intimidated until reinforcements arrived. By his heroic actions and tactical skill, coupled with his aggressive assaults upon the enemy, Captain Gieso surprised and overcame 104 Germans and materially aided the eventual full-scale attack upon Schweinfurt. Entered military service from Wausau, Wisconsin.

HARRY C. HAMMER, O2 006 325, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 February 1945, at Wingen, France. When several new men faltered while accompanying a reconnaissance patrol in enemy territory Lieutenant Hammer joined the patrol and inspired the fresh replacements with confidence and courage. Later, under heavy mortar and small arms fire, upon the return of the patrol, he exposed himself to meet the group on their way into the Command Post. While advancing to meet the men Lieutenant Hammer was wounded. Through his inspirational guidance and disregard for his own safety, the patrol was successful in returning with vitally needed information. Entered military service from Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Clark P. Holcombe, 34 813 871, Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action 5 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. During the attack on the high ground north of Wurzburg, where aid men were unable to reach a wounded soldier because of intense sniper fire, Sergeant Holcombe exposed himself to the fire to enable his mortar squad to bring accurate fire to bear on the enemy positions. Remaining in this exposed position, Sergeant Holcombe adjusted the fire of his mortars until the German positions were neutralized, permitting the medical aid men to go to the injured soldier, administer aid and bring him back to safety. Entered military service from Trafford, Alabama.

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Arthur L. Johnson, 34 812 634. Staff Sergeant, Cavalry, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in action on 21 April 1945, near Markendorf, Germany. When his platoon on a patrol mission suddenly came under intense enemy artillery fire, Sergeant Johnson ordered an immediate withdrawal to cover. In this maneuver a light truck bogged down and its occupants were forced to abandon it. Sergeant Johnson, unwilling to permit the vehicle to fall into enemy hands, leaped from his armored car and attempted to move the mired vehicle to safety. However, due to the mounting intensity and accuracy of hostile action he was unable to do so. Sergeant Johnson's attempt to recover this vehicle at the risk of his life reflects great credit upon himself and his troops. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

Donald W. Johnson, 17 111 858. Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, near Arnstein, Germany. While adjusting and directing mortar fire on the enemy, Sergeant Johnson was pinned down by snipers. Unable to observe his platoon's fire, he crawled with his radio across twenty yards of open ground, under intense enemy small arms fire to a position where he could direct and send fire missions back to his mortar platoon. Through Sergeant Johnson's courageous actions and expert fire direction, the enemy were routed from their positions. Entered military service from Cornett, Iowa.

William T. Lowman, 38 550-325, Private, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 February 1945, near Kohlhutte, Alsace. During penetration of enemy territory near Kohlhutte, Private Lowman was a member of a 12-man patrol which was pinned down by enemy fire from the front. As enemy fire increased and began coming from the flanks, one man stepped on a Schu mine which exploded, seriously wounding him. Private Lowman, without regard for his own safety, went to the aid of the wounded man, half carrying, half dragging him back within 50 yards of our lines where he secured assistance from an aid man in carrying him the rest of the way. This heroic act was responsible for saving a wounded man from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

Stephen Marta, 32 992 303, Staff Sergeant, (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action from 16 to 19 January 1945, near Hagenau, France. As a member of an Infantry-Tank Task Force which operated in and near the Hagenau Forest, France, Sergeant Marta was in action for 72 consecutive hours without sleep, very little food and under the most adverse of weather and battle conditions. His cool and aggressive leadership greatly aided in repulsing several vicious enemy counterattacks. Through his courage, tenacity of purpose and unfaltering devotion to duty, the enemy forces were delayed long enough to permit friendly reserves to re-group and halt further German thrusts. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Andrew S. Matthews, Jr., 39 421 647, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action 16 January 1945 at Sossenheim, France. As assistant gunner in a 60mm mortar squad in support of a rifle platoon on the main line of resistance, Private Matthews repeatedly exposed himself to intense enemy fire to obtain and prepare mortar ammunition. His perfect cooperation and skillful handling of the ammunition enabled very heavy and

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accurate fire to be placed on the attacking German forces and when the enemy fire became so intense as to necessitate withdrawal to an alternate position, Private Matthews held off the enemy with his pistol until the gunner had reached the new position and was ready for action. He then made his way back through heavy fire and resumed his position as assistant gunner, inspiring the men around him by his calm courage and faithful devotion to duty. Entered military service from Fresno, California.

Beverly J. Morris, 35 088 709, Private First Class (then Private), Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January, near Sessenheim, France. While under a furious concentration of enemy artillery and mortar fire, Private Morris transported vitally needed ammunition to a heavy machine gun position in the friendly lines. In order to achieve his mission, Private Morris exposed himself fully to German observation and fire. As a direct result of his heroic act, heavy losses were inflicted upon the enemy, and the rifle platoon the heavy machine gun squad was supporting made a successful withdrawal with minimum casualties. Entered military service from Lucas, Kentucky.

Robert H. Peery, 38 431 619, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery C, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 7 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. While accompanying a combat patrol as artillery observer, Corporal Peery was wounded and pinned down by enemy fire. Despite his wound and the intensity of the hostile mortar, automatic weapons and small arms fire, Corporal Peery accurately directed artillery fire and knocked out one enemy mortar and machine gun. During the withdrawal he successfully adjusted smoke shells to screen the patrol's movement. Under the covering smoke Corporal Peery assisted in evacuating the wounded back to our lines. His courageous actions reflect the highest standards of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

James U. Priscaro, 33 698 960, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945, near Furth, Germany. When the communication line between his battalion and a forward observation post was knocked out, Sergeant Priscaro traced the wire across 800 yards of open field and repaired the break despite intense enemy small arms fire. Returning to the observation post, enemy fire was so heavy that Sergeant Priscaro was forced to crawl and make short rushes across the open terrain. Through Sergeant Priscaro's courageous action, battalion communications were maintained and the battalion's successful attack on Furth was greatly aided. Entered military service from New Castle, Pennsylvania.

James R. Riggie, 53 245 365, Private, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, near Schweinfurt, Germany. While acting as second scout, Private Riggie deliberately exposed himself to heavy enemy fire enabling the lead scout to close with the enemy, neutralize three automatic weapons, and capture five prisoners. Through Private Riggie's courageous action his platoon was able to advance with the minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Dolanoy, Pennsylvania.

Ernest D. Rimmer, 34 597 418, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Schweighausen, Alsace. When a squad leader, covering the withdrawal of a patrol, was seriously wounded and lying in an open field in full enemy observation about 300

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yards in front of his lines, Private Pimmer voluntarily went forward to assist in his removal. Without regard for his own personal safety Private Pimmer left his cover and moved forward, through heavy snow, and in the face of withering enemy machine gun and small arms fire and returned with the wounded man on a litter, under an enemy artillery barrage. This gallant voluntary act was responsible for saving the life of the wounded man as well as preventing his capture by the enemy. Entered military service from Gaston County, North Carolina.

Alfred C. Romero, 38 488 185, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4-5 January 1945, near LaWartzenau, France. Private Romero, driving a heavy truck with rations for the front lines over an unfamiliar road in blackout, encountered heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire but refused to be diverted from his mission. Upon arrival at his destination, Private Romero and his assistant worked for almost six hours under intermittent artillery fire to unload and distribute their cargo to the troops. Private Romero's devotion to duty contributed materially to the morale and combat efficiency of his unit. Entered military service from Franklin, Louisiana.

Willie D. Strickland, 34 970 538, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 near Furth, Germany. When it became necessary to lay a communications line from his battalion to an advanced observation post, Private Strickland volunteered to assist in carrying a heavy reel of wire across a footbridge over the Rednitz river and through 800 yards of open ground under direct enemy observation and heavy small arms fire. Through enemy fire directed at the wire party the line was carried across the field in a series of short rushes. Private Strickland's courageous actions contributed materially to his battalion's successful attack on Furth, Germany. Entered military service from Louisburg, North Carolina.

Carl K. Thorstad, 37 161 364, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Schweighausen, Germany. When a heavy enemy force surrounded the second platoon of Company H, near Schweighausen, Germany, the platoon was forced to withdraw to more favorable positions. In executing the move a number of vehicles and trailers loaded with equipment were left behind and Sergeant Thorstad, with others, volunteered to recover the vehicles. Under intense enemy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire, the vehicles were found and driven back to friendly lines. Sergeant Thorstad's heroic action helped save four, one-quarter ton trucks and trailers from falling into enemy hands and much valuable equipment was repossessed. Entered military service from Minnewauken, North Dakota.

Elwin A. Young, 51 467 214, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945 near Schweighausen, Alsace. When two men were wounded by enemy fire, Private Young, a member of a heavy machine gun crew, volunteered to go to their assistance. Facing intense small arms, artillery and rocket fire he successfully brought both injured men to a place of shelter. After administering first aid he then returned to the platoon's strong point and helped retrieve an exposed heavy machine gun which otherwise would have been lost to the enemy. Through his heroic actions the lives of two wounded men were saved and valuable equipment recovered. Entered military service from St. Albans, Vermont.

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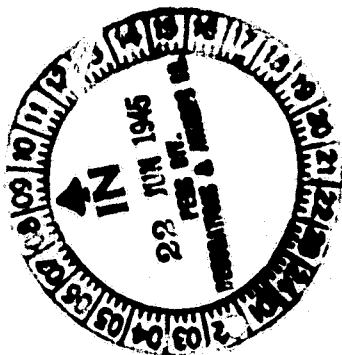
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Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....I  
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I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze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

AMEL BANGERT, OR5 202, Major, Infantry, Regimental Headquarters, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 6 January to 24 March 1945, inclusive, in the Hardt Mountains in France and Germany. Entered military service from California, Missouri.

JOHN W. DONALDSON, O26 637, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 7 to 12 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Fort Riley, Kansas.

LEO W. FAHERTY, O1 821 564, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 15 March to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Perryville, Missouri.

Charles H. Foth, O 564 074, Staff Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery A, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 March to 9 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Carlstadt, New Jersey.

John B. Higgins, O 514 243, Master Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 7 to 12 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Spokane, Washington.

STARR W. JONES, O1 285 249, Captain, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 16 February to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Patterson, New York.

THEODORE MACK, O1 284 727, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January to 6 March 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Birmingham, Michigan.

Jacob W. Marcum, 37 083 490, Master Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 27 October 1944 to 14 April 1945, in Belgium, Holland, Germany and France. Entered military service from Booneville, Missouri.

Marritt B. Robinson, 33 068 101, First Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

Roger B. Roy, 16 108 170, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 7 to 9 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

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JAMES D. TANNER, O 336 426, Lieutenant Colonel, Adjutant General's Department, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 6 February to 9 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

**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 individual for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

SAMUEL S. MORSE, O 346 559, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 15 to 19 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Manchester, New Hampshire.

**III. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL:**-----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:

LAWSON L. BAKER, 38 700 674, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 23d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 24 April 1945. Entered military service from Stanton, Conn. ~~Rev. 24 607 43~~

BEN H. WALLACE, 36 559 629, Corporal, Infantry, Company H, 22d Infantry Regiment, France, 10 March 1945. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

**IV. REVOCATIONS:**-----So much of Section I, General Orders Number 86, this headquarters, dated 6 June 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal to Private First Class Thomas R. Hoely, 39 154 51, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, and Sergeant Harris C. Tomkin, 34 498 446, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

So much of Section I, General Orders Number 84, this headquarters, dated 6 June 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to Lieutenant Colonel JAMES D. TANNER, O 336 246, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, is revoked.

So much of Section III, General Orders Number 53, this headquarters, dated 7 May 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to Lieutenant Colonel SAMUEL S. MORSE, O 346 559, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, is revoked.

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:

James A. Almaguer, 39 585 926, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 252d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. While acting as platoon runner, Private Almaguer performed his duties under constant enemy observation and fire. On one occasion when his platoon had been pinned down by sniper fire in Wurzburg, Private Almaguer, picked his way through the rubble of the city despite the enemy fire, located the snipers, killing or wounding them. Through his courageous action his platoon was enabled to continue moving forward in the attack. Entered military service from Moorpark, California.

Albert J. Ambrosavage, 33 489 551, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 252d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 March 1945, near Sarnersville, Germany. During a fire fight south of Sarnersville, Private Ambrosavage captured a prisoner and forced him to divulge the location of other enemy positions. Then, requiring the prisoner to guide him to the positions, he captured eight more enemy. Private Ambrosavage's courage and presence of mind saved his unit the difficult and dangerous task of routing the enemy from their emplacements. Entered military service from Port Carbon, Pennsylvania.

John W. Caudy, 42 116 061, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 January 1945, in Schweighausen, France. When a strong enemy force broke into the town of Schweighausen, Private Caudy's platoon was surrounded, and in the fight to withdraw they were forced to leave their vehicles behind. Private Caudy volunteered to go after the vehicles and successfully fought his way through mortar, machine gun and small arms fire to the vehicles and drove one through heavy enemy fire back to the Command Post. On another occasion, Private Caudy undertook with other volunteers to rescue a wounded man in a disabled tank. Private Caudy's party drove through an intense barrage of enemy fire, located the tank, rescued the wounded man, and carried him back to the Command Post. Entered military service from Cornwall on Hudson, New York.

William W. Culp, 36 765 965, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945, near Koenigsbruck, France. Returning from a patrol in front of his

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company outpost, Sergeant Culp, upon learning a superior enemy force had attacked during his absence, immediately led his three men back into hostile territory and, despite heavy small arms fire, bitter cold, and generally adverse circumstances, succeeded in destroying the enemy patrol, killing five men and capturing two. The success of the action was due entirely to Sergeant Culp's skillful leadership, devotion to duty, and tenacity of purpose in the face of extreme hardship. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Jack M. Ginsberg, 32 997 732, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945, near Sossenheim, France. During a heavy enemy artillery and mortar concentration, Sergeant Ginsberg carried essential ammunition to the machine guns of his section. Through Sergeant Ginsberg's courageous action, his section was able to maintain a steady volume of fire against the enemy forces while a rifle company was able to withdraw under its protection, sustaining the minimum number of casualties. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Harry D. Gruel, 13 185 245, Corporal, Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 6 April 1945, near Marzбург, Germany. When Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, to which Corporal Gruel was attached as Assistant Observer, became pinned down by enemy 88mm anti-aircraft fire, he crawled up to the front lines with a 610 radio and set it up. Though he was exposed to intense German fire, Corporal Gruel then worked his way to another vantage point and, shouting his commands to the radio operator, had his information relayed to supporting artillery. Through his singular and courageous actions, Corporal Gruel's information was directly responsible for silencing enemy fire. Entered military service from Parkton, Maryland.

Louis E. Huard, 34 466 435, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Schweighausen, Germany. When an enemy force surrounded and cut communication wires of the second platoon of Company H, near Schweighausen, Germany, Private Huard, a driver, and others, volunteered to contact the Company Command Post to return with aid. Under heavy enemy fire, they fought their way to the Command Post some four hundred yards distant and reported the plight of the second platoon. Private Huard again faced hostile fire to return with the Company Commander's instructions for their withdrawal. As a result of Private Huard's courageous action and singular devotion to duty, the second platoon of Company H successfully withdrew to a more favorable position without loss. Entered military service from Manchester, New Hampshire.

Francis S. Ireland, 33 008 247, Corporal, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, in Schweighausen, France. When a strong enemy force broke into the town of Schweighausen, Corporal Ireland's platoon was surrounded, and in the fight to withdraw they were forced to leave their vehicles behind. Corporal Ireland volunteered to go after the vehicles and successfully fought his way through mortar, machine gun and small arms fire to the vehicles and drove one through heavy enemy fire back to the Command Post. On another occasion, Corporal Ireland undertook with other volunteers to rescue a wounded man who was in a disabled tank. Corporal Ireland's party drove through an intense barrage of enemy fire, located the tank, rescued the wounded man, and carried him back to the Command Post. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

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KENNETH T. KOEBER, OI 265 975, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Third Battalion, 282d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 January 1945, near Soultz and Haguenau, France. During the strategic withdrawal from the Soultz-Haguenau area, when Company L had been left behind as a covering force, Captain Koebor, Battalion S-3, returned with 3 trucks to locate this Company and furnish them transportation. Finding that they had already withdrawn on foot, he started back to his lines and discovered that Engineers had erected road blocks in front of our positions. With the enemy advancing at his rear, Captain Koebor and his 3 truck drivers worked for an hour and a half, chopped through the road blocks and brought the trucks safely through to our lines. The initiative and determination displayed by Captain Koebor saved much valuable equipment at a critical time. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Norman S. Lang, 35 732 731, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery B, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action from 15 March 1945 to 24 March 1945. Acting as Assistant Forward Observer during the offensive in the Hardt mountains, Corporal Lang, pinned down by enemy machine gun and small-arms fire for as long as seven hours at one time, successfully used his radio to bring supporting artillery fire upon enemy targets. Through his courageous actions the Company to which he was attached achieved its chief missions. Entered military service from Washington, District of Columbia.

Hobart E. Lewis, 35 143 241, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 6 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. When the Infantry company to which Corporal Lewis was attached as a radio operator, became pinned down by enemy sniper, machine gun and 20mm anti-aircraft fire, he crawled to the front lines and set up a 610 radio. Then, correctly interpreting information received from a Forward Observer he contacted supporting artillery which was able to concentrate a barrage on the German positions. Corporal Lewis' courageous act enabled his company to continue its advance and successfully attain its objectives. Entered military service from Kokomo, Indiana.

Arthur E. Quiram, 37 265 295, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company C, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 24 February near Berksdorf, Germany. When an enemy parachute flare became lodged above the Tank Destroyer on which he was serving as a machine gunner, Private Quiram, without hesitation jumped down from his position to remove the flare, from which burning material was falling on the ammunition trailer. Realizing the imminent danger to the Destroyer and the crewmen should the ammunition ignite, he cut the flare cords and succeeded in extinguishing the flare. Through his courageous action, Private Quiram undoubtedly saved the lives of his comrades and the Destroyer from destruction. Entered military service from Windom, Minnesota.

Virgil S. Seaman, 37 049 904, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. When his platoon had been pinned down by enemy sniper fire in their advance through Wurzburg, Germany, Private Seaman deliberately exposed himself to draw the fire of the snipers, thereby locating their positions. When the snipers had been located he killed two of them and his platoon continued to advance through the city. Entered military service from Union, Missouri.

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Leonard C. Sechrist, 35 063 202, Sergeant, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, 11 April 1945, near Arnstein, Germany. While leading his squad in the attack on Arnstein, Sergeant Sechrist's company was pinned down by heavy enemy sniper fire. Realizing that the success of the company mission depended on the destruction of the snipers, Sergeant Sechrist exposed himself to enemy fire, rallied his squad and led them up a draw to a position from which they attacked and killed the snipers. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

Felix A. Stasiak, 32 739 375, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 12 April 1945, near Alitzheim, Germany. When enemy fire wounded the Gun Commander of the Tank Destroyer crew of which he was a member, Corporal Stasiak immediately took charge and backed the Destroyer to prevent further casualties. Nevertheless the Destroyer sustained three more hits and one of the tracks sank into a large hole. Corporal Stasiak, accompanied by the Assistant Driver, then leaped from the Destroyer and, exposing himself to hostile action, extinguished two gas tanks which had burst into flames. His courageous action and devotion to duty kept the Destroyer from destruction and saved the lives of other crew members. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

Warren R. Sudduth, Jr., 39 862 793, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Reipertswiler, France. During the attack north of Reipertswiler, Private Sudduth courageously exposed himself to enemy small arms and mortar fire in order to assist wounded comrades through heavily mined areas. Through Private Sudduth's cool and courageous act, several men were saved from possible death or further injury. His courage reflects the highest standards of the 42d Infantry Division. Entered military service from Nogales, Arizona.

Levi Unruh, 37 500 251, Private, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action 12 April 1945, near Alitzheim, Germany. When enemy fire felled the Gun Commander of the Tank Destroyer crew of which he was the Assistant Driver, Private Unruh backed the Destroyer to prevent further casualties. Nevertheless the Destroyer sustained three more hits and one of the tracks sank into a large hole. Private Unruh accompanied by a crew member, then leaped down from the crippled Destroyer and, fully exposed to hostile action, succeeded in extinguishing two gas tanks which had burst into flames. His courageous act and devotion to duty kept the Destroyer from destruction and saved the lives of other crew members. Entered military service from Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

RICHARD G. VALENTINE, O 345 369, Major, Infantry, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, to 17 March 1945, near Bannstein, France. Learning that critical supplies were needed in the area directly adjacent to Bannstein by the Battalion of which he was executive officer, Major Valentine personally returned through a heavily shelled region to direct the bringing in of ammunition, supplies and litter-bearers. To achieve this mission he was forced to expose himself to isolated enemy groups who were still resisting with machine gun and small-arms fire. As a direct result of Major Valentine's actions the Battalion was greatly aided in achieving its objective. Entered military service from Beverly Hills, California.

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II. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-35, 30 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

EDWIN J. STANLEY, O 555 592, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company H, 252d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action from 4 April to 12 April 1945, inclusive, near Wurzburg, Arnstein, and Uchtelhausen, Germany. During the period from 4 April to 12 April 1945, Lieutenant Stanley conducted advance reconnaissance missions over machine gun positions. Despite the fact that these missions brought him under severe enemy machine gun and sniper fire, Lieutenant Stanley courageously continued his work. In Wurzburg he shot his way out of an enemy trap, killing at least one German. Through Lieutenant Stanley's skillful selection of gun positions, the rifle companies were able to advance to their objectives with the minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Somerville, Texas.

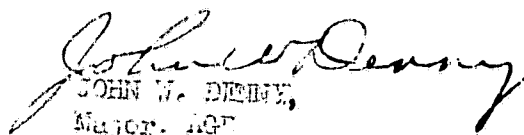
JOHN H. WEST, O 327 774, Captain, Cavalry, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945, near Obbach, Germany. Upon discovering that two Infantrymen lay badly wounded on the outskirts of Obbach, Germany, on 9 April 1945, Captain West and another officer organized a rescue party to recover the wounded men so they could receive medical aid. Exposing himself to enemy observation and subjected to hostile 4mm, 88mm, and small arms fire, Captain West and the other men crawled three hundred yards to the helpless soldiers and carried them to a sheltered position, from where they were evacuated to an aid station. Captain West's courageous action and total disregard for his own safety contributed to the saving of the lives of the wounded men. Entered military service from Statesville, North Carolina.

III. REVOCATION: ... Go much of Section II, General Orders Number 82, this headquarters, 2 June 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal to Captain JOHN H. WEST, O 327 774, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, is revoked.

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, 23 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Kenneth H. Bushman, 33 850 948, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 223d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, in Schweighausen, France. When a strong enemy force broke into the town of Schweighausen, Private Bushman's platoon was surrounded, and in the fight to withdraw was forced to leave four 1/4-ton trucks and trailers loaded with equipment behind. Private Bushman, with others, volunteered to recover the vehicles. When the detail had fought its way through mortar, machine gun and small arms fire to the vehicles, Private Bushman covered one of his comrades who ran to a truck, started it and drove by his covering position. Private Bushman jumped into the moving vehicle, covering the withdrawal with his rifle fire. Entered military service from Springdale, Pa.

Lethel Clayborn, 37 156 411, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27-28 February 1945, near Wingen, France. As a member of a 40-man patrol whose mission was to make and maintain contact with the enemy until further orders, Private Clayborn, with others, suddenly came under an intensive cross-fire of German machine guns. Shortly after, the patrol leader led a flanking movement against the enemy positions while Private Clayborn helped lay down base fire to cover the maneuver. Later, the patrol leader signaled for Private Clayborn and others to advance to where he was then stationed, and during this movement a number of men became separated from Private Clayborn's group when an enemy flare was mistaken for a friendly signal to withdraw. Still under a heavy concentration of German fire, Private Clayborn and his men then returned to the separated group, and finding the remainder of the patrol to have withdrawn, made their way to them. Despite the movements under hostile action, only one man was missing, while eight of the enemy were killed, two made prisoner and several German machine gun positions were knocked out. Private Clayborn's initiative and integrity kept his group together and kept friendly losses down to a minimum. Entered military service from Kansas City, Kansas.

Edwin W. Cole, 31 454 095, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945, at Kilstett, France. Private Cole drove his vehicle, a quarter-ton truck and trailer loaded with 81mm mortar ammunition through an intense enemy concentration of 88mm artillery fire and delivered essential ammunition to his mortar platoon. Through his action the platoon repulsed the enemy attacks effectively and supported

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the riflemen in their defense. Private Cole's courage and unfaltering devotion to duty reflects the highest standards of the 42d Infantry Division. Entered military service from Stamford, Connecticut.

John H. Copening, 37 539 954, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27-28 February 1945, near Wingen, France. Sergeant Copening, accompanying a patrol whose mission was to contact the enemy near Wingen, France, and sustain contact until further orders from the Company Commander, came under intense enemy machine gun cross-fire. At this point a section of the patrol, under an officer, left the main body to make a flank attack on the Germans. Sergeant Copening directed the covering fire to aid his officer's maneuver and then went forward, under concentrated hostile fire, to guarantee the success of the flank assault. As a result of Sergeant Copening's courageous action, eight of the enemy were killed, twelve wounded and two prisoners taken. Entered military service from Topeka, Kansas.

Isidore H. Geteles, 32 411 173, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 January 1945, in Sassenheim, France. As messenger for a six-man combat patrol with the mission of locating and destroying an enemy outpost along the Sassenheim - Dalhunden Road. Private Geteles, moving out with the patrol leader to scout and reconnoiter, heard an enemy rifle shot and saw his sergeant fall in the snow in a shower of phosphorous created as the bullet struck a grenade he was carrying on his combat jacket lapel. Private Geteles rushed to the side of his fallen patrol leader, extinguished the phosphorous flames with snow and assisted him to the Battalion Aid Station. After having his own hands bandaged, Private Geteles returned to the scene of action and rejoined his patrol. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Harold L. Horn, 35 298 418, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, at Arnstead, Germany. During the attack on Arnstead, Private Horn, machine gun squad leader, was given the mission of placing his weapon where he could fire upon enemy positions in the village. To set up his gun it was necessary for Private Horn to cross a one hundred yard clearing under direct observation of the enemy under concentrated German sniper fire. From his new position Private Horn and his squad opened fire on the enemy and caused them to withdraw. Private Horn's cool courage and determination greatly aided the progress of the attack in his sector. Entered military service from Carbonville, Ohio.

Austin Hunter, 34 427 676, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near Bouxwiller, France. Returning from a patrol which successfully located enemy mortar installations, Private Hunter picked up a German gas cape with the intention of bringing it back to our lines. As the group approached the C Company Main Line of Resistance, Private Hunter accidentally tripped a grenade wire. He instantly threw the cape over it, shouted a warning to his comrades and dropped behind a small embankment as the grenade exploded. Through his courageous act and quick thinking

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Private Hunter saved the lives of his two comrades and himself. Entered military service from New York, N. Y.

Rene C. Jacobs, 20 749 887, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains. During the attack on Hill 384, private Jacobs, in charge of the rocket launcher team attached to Company B, seeing a buddy fall in action as a result of a chest wound, left his cover, fearlessly crawled out on open terrain in the face of enemy fire and administered first aid to the wounded man. A short time later, finding another man who had been hit by a sniper's bullet, he administered morphine to the man, and then, still under intense hostile fire, started back with the wounded man toward a place of safety. At one time on the return trip the enemy barrage became so heavy that Private Jacobs was forced to take cover in a shell hole until the enemy fire slackened. This display of outstanding courage and bravery is exemplary of the highest traditions of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from Luverne, Minnesota.

Jay G. Kriz, 17 078 540, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. When a patrol on the outpost line of assistance was forced to abandon its position northwest of Schweighausen, one of the squad leaders was severely wounded by enemy fire while covering the withdrawal. Though the wounded man was in plain sight of the Germans and some three hundred yards from friendly lines, Private Kriz volunteered to bring him back to safety. Together with other men, he moved through deep snow and, fully exposed to enemy machine gun and small arms fire, successfully returned with his injured comrade. Private Kriz's courageous and outstanding act helped to save the life of the wounded man. Entered military service from Omaha, Nebraska.

LYSTER H. LUMMUS, O 465 574, Captain, Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. With the mission of capturing Hill 384, Captain Lummus personally led his Company in the attack, braving heavy small arms, machine gun, mortar and artillery fire to successfully accomplish his mission. His personal leadership, outstanding resourcefulness, and tactical initiative throughout the Hardt Mountains campaign were responsible for heavy enemy losses as compared to relatively light casualties among our troops. Entered military service from Borger, Texas.

John F. Majersky, Jr., 33 362 086, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action 25 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. When two of his comrades were wounded by direct fire from German self-propelled guns, Private Majersky crawled to where they lay and brought them to safety where he administered first aid. He then carried them to a vehicle three hundred yards to the rear over terrain still exposed to heavy enemy fire and drove them from this point to the Battalion Aid Station passing through an artillery barrage enroute. Private Majersky's intrepid

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action in the face of the enemy is in keeping with the finest traditions of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from Erie, Pennsylvania.

David F. Peterson, 31 042 456, Private First Class (then Private), Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945, near Sossenhein, France. During a heavy enemy artillery and mortar concentration, Private Peterson carried essential ammunition to the machine guns of his section. Through Private Peterson's courageous action, his section was able to maintain a steady volume of fire against the enemy force while a rifle company was able to withdraw under its protection, sustaining the minimum number of casualties. Entered military service from Norwalk, Connecticut.

DIXON C. ROGERS, 026 595, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during February 1945, in France. Lieutenant Rogers' skillful coordination of machine gun fire in support of 12 patrols was so effective that at no time was it necessary for the guns to cease firing because of being checked by friendly troops. In one action Lieutenant Rogers was controlling the fire of one section during a heavy fire fight when one gun had a stoppage. With one remaining gun he threw out a tremendous volume of fire silencing four enemy machine guns. On another occasion Lieutenant Rogers, with a section of machine guns, caught an enemy group by surprise and killed or wounded four and held the rest pinned in their foxholes until our riflemen could approach and throw grenades. Lieutenant Rogers' leadership on these supporting missions was of the greatest importance in the accomplishment of the excellent results our patrols secured. Many times he exposed himself to enemy fire to improve the effectiveness of his own fire. Entered military service from Fayette, Missouri.

William F. Salley, 38 663 969, Private, Field Artillery, Battery A, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, near Breiterbroun, Germany. As a member of the Forward Observer Section attached to Company C of the 232d Infantry, Private Salley on 1 April 1945, near Breiterbroun, Germany, crossed a two-hundred yard clearing under concentrated enemy sniper fire to get his radio from a vehicle. Then, still exposed to hostile action, he returned to the forward observer position and set up communication with supporting artillery. Private Salley's courageous act enabled the artillery battery to effectively adjust fire on the German positions. Entered military service from Benton, Arkansas.

Joseph C. Smith, 38 337 255, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, in Schweighausen, France. When a strong enemy force broke into the town of Schweighausen, Corporal Smith's platoon was surrounded, and in the fight to withdraw they were forced to leave their vehicles behind. Corporal Smith volunteered to go after the vehicles and successfully fought his way through mortar, machine gun and small arms fire to the vehicles and drove one through heavy enemy fire back to the Command Post. On another occasion, Corporal Smith

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and took with other volunteers to rescue a wounded man in a disabled tank. Corporal Smith's party drove through an intense barrage of enemy fire, located the tank, rescued the wounded man, and carried him back to the Command Post. Entered military service from Natchitoches, Louisiana.

Richard K. Thomas, 36 455 188, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Schweighausen, Germany. When the machine gun which he was operating against the enemy was knocked out by rocket fire, Private Thomas, accompanied by another soldier, volunteered to retrieve the gun though it was still under German fire. His courageous act aided in recovering the gun and aided in the defense of Schweighausen. Entered military service from Muskegon, Michigan.

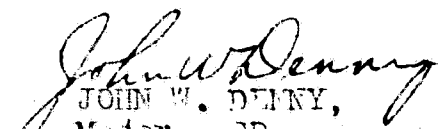
Stanley W. Tillvick, 37 600 441, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Reipertsweiler, France. When the enemy counterattacked a hill near Reipertsweiler, France, Private Tillvick courageously exposed himself to intense enemy small arms fire in order to place his mortar in the most effective position to repulse the enemy forces which threatened to overrun the company positions. Under Private Tillvick's direction his mortar fire contained the hostile advance, while the company reorganized to stop the enemy counterattack. Entered military service from Carpio, North Dakota.

TILLMAN L. WHEAT, JR., O 550 369, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company M, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24-25 January 1945, near Nouburg, France. When his company and Battalion Command Post communications were shattered by enemy mortar and artillery fire, Lieutenant Wheat volunteered to contact the front lines to secure valuable information needed by his battalion. Moving over an area studded with Schu mines and anti-personnel mines, he made four trips to and from the forward positions under intense German mortar, small arms and machine gun fire. His courageous and unflinching devotion to duty were directly responsible for the re-establishment of vital communications between his Battalion and Company Command Posts that resulted in repulsing a strong German attack. Entered military service from Eastland, Texas.

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APO #411, U.S. Army,

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ORIGINAL ORDER

8 June 1945.

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:

RAYMOND C. BURKHART, O2 002 904, Second Lieutenant, Company "A", 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, 16 March 1945, in the Herdt Mountains, France. When his company was pinned down by German machine gun fire during the attack through the Herdt Mountains, Lieutenant Burkhardt, realizing that the enemy weapon would have to be neutralized before his men could continue the attack, made a personal reconnaissance of the area in the vicinity of the hostile weapon. Lieutenant Burkhardt completed his reconnaissance in spite of the intensive fire covering that sector and redeployed his platoon in such a way as to bring effective fire upon the enemy position and neutralized the enemy weapon. Lieutenant Burkhardt's outstanding initiative, leadership and fearless action in spite of intense enemy fire was a major contribution in the accomplishment of his company's mission. Entered military service from Chester County, Pennsylvania.

Walter Chipiloski, 42 006 779, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "A", 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 January 1945, near Ingolshelm, Alsace, France. When an enemy tank approached within fifty yards of his platoon's position during a German armored attack near Ingolshelm, Sergeant Chipiloski, despite withering heavy machine gun and cannon fire from the German tank, returned effective and accurate fire with his machine gun. As a result of his courageous action his platoon was able to effect a successful withdrawal. Entered military service from Phillipsburg, New Jersey.

Robert L. Dawes, 35 226 209, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "D", 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945, near Ribartweiler, France. While subjected to intense hostile automatic weapons and sniper fire, Sergeant Dawes, platoon sergeant, immediately took command of a heavy machine gun section when the section leader was wounded. Upon assuming command of the section, Sergeant Dawes properly placed the guns in positions where effective fire could be brought to bear against the enemy. By carrying out this action on his own initiative, in spite of the intense enemy fire, Sergeant Dawes greatly facilitated the advance of the friendly riflemen and enabled them to accomplish their mission. During the penetration of the enemy position, the resourcefulness and courageous conduct of Sergeant Dawes proved of vital importance to the success of his company. Entered military service from Greenfield, Ohio.

Thomas Doran, 12 040 775, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 March 1945, in the Herdt Mountains, France. While waiting on a Herdt Mountain

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trail to guide medical aid men into his company sector, on the night of 16 March 1945. Private Doran, seeing enemy artillery wound six men from Company "A", immediately left his covered position and administered first aid to the injured men. He then carried each of them to cover to await evacuation to the aid station. This outstanding act of gallantry was responsible for saving the lives of several wounded men. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Richard Fagan, 33 590 920, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "A", 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains. When his company was pinned down by intense enemy automatic and sniper fire in the Hardt Mountains, Private Fagan courageously sought and delivered a heavy machine gun to the line, placed the gun and opened so effective a fire that the enemy automatic weapon was silenced. By his resourcefulness he enabled his company to resume the advance and within a short time to capture its objective. As a result of the bold initiative of Private Fagan an enemy machine gun was accounted for and a strongly defended and formidable position overrun. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Robert H. LeMere, 31 413 530, Private, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 14 March 1945 near Schonau, Germany. When a five-man Reconnaissance Patrol of which Private LeMere was a member came under concentrated enemy machine gun fire, four of the men were hit, including Private LeMere. Despite his wound, Private LeMere exposed himself to further hostile fire and crawled to a wounded comrade who lay helpless in the direct line of German observation and after dragging him to a place of comparative safety remained with him for three hours. Private LeMere's heroic act was responsible for saving the life of a comrade. Entered military service from New Haven, Connecticut.

Martin Mackey, 6 548 900, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "D", 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945, near Reipertswiller, France. When his platoon leader was wounded and accompanying rifle troops were pinned down by intense hostile fire, Sergeant Mackey maneuvered his heavy machine gun section into a position from which fire could be brought upon the enemy positions. Although his guns were in full view of the enemy and heavy fire was directed upon them, they were so coolly and skillfully handled by Sergeant Mackey that the enemy weapons were silenced or neutralized permitting the rifle troops to advance and seize their objective. The coolness and courage of Sergeant Mackey made possible the success of this assault with minimum casualties. Entered military service from Duluth, Minnesota.

Wayne R. Morgan, 37 750 303, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. When two platoons, having established a bridgehead near Ludwigswinkel, were subjected to an enemy counterattack of heavy mortar and small arms fire and forced to withdraw, Private Morgan covered the withdrawal by firing his automatic rifle point-blank into enemy pillbox embrasures. Though

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he was under constant German fire, he continued to blaze away at the enemy until he had expended 54 magazines of ammunition and his company had achieved the withdrawal. By his heroic action and undaunted courage, Private Morgan broke up the German counterattack and undoubtedly prevented capture or severe losses in his company. Entered military service from Burton, Kansas.

Roy Steele, SS 767 487, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, 16 March 1945, in the Herdt Mountains, France. On 16 March 1945, during the offensive in the Herdt Mountains, Sergeant Steele, rocket launcher squad leader, received word that an enemy tank, which had pinned his company down had been knocked out. He led his squad to the forward slope of the hill in front of the company when the tank opened fire, wounding eight men of the squad. Sergeant Steele, despite a heavy concentration of fire from the tank, left cover and crawled from man to man, administering first aid and carrying them to a place of safety. Though at one time he was blown from his feet by an enemy shell he recovered at once and continued carrying the wounded off the field until every man was safely removed. Entered military service from Passaic, New Jersey.

Edw n L. Webb, 39 354 271, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 4 March 1945, near Melch, France. On 4 March 1945, Private Webb was a member of a 3-man patrol which had volunteered to make a daylight reconnaissance of the town of Melch, then held by the enemy. The patrol, after fighting and maneuvering past several enemy automatic weapons and groups of enemy riflemen, reached a position from which direct and close observation of Melch was possible. During their return, Private Webb and his two companions killed one enemy rifleman who fired on them, and later killed one of two riflemen who attacked them from a reinforced dugout. Shortly afterward, the patrol became engaged in a sharp fire fight in which one member of the patrol, Private First Class Hammack, was wounded by enemy rifle fire. Realizing the importance of the information the patrol had obtained, Private Webb directed the other uninjured member of the patrol to return, while Private Webb covered his withdrawal and remained to assist the wounded man. When last seen, Private Webb was standing over Private First Class Hammack doggedly returning the enemy fire with his rifle. By his gallantry and devotion to duty in the face of almost certain death or capture, Private Webb made possible the receipt of valuable information and the successful completion of the mission for which he had volunteered. Name and address of nearest relative: Mr. Leslie Webb (Father), 80 West 17th Street, Eugene, Oregon. Entered military service from Eugene, Oregon.

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:

Elwood E. Ewan, 12 010 668, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 19 April 1945, near Furth, Germany.

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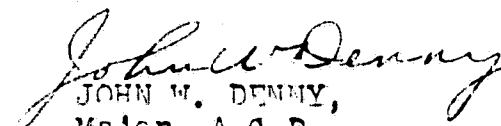
While supervising construction of a communication line to a forward observation post, Sergeant Ewan encountered severe small arms and automatic weapons fire. Despite the intensity of the fire, he exposed himself to reconnoiter and direct the wire team enroute to the observation post. Through Sergeant Ewan's courageous and skillful direction the line was laid, and artillery concentrations were called to rout the enemy from their positions. Entered military service from Pitman, New Jersey.

James D. Freetly, 6 932 133, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "I", 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action from 25 January to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. When his platoon leader was seriously wounded, Sergeant Freetly took immediate command, reorganized under heavy enemy fire, and so skillfully deployed his men in the action that thirty enemy were killed and many prisoners were taken. Sergeant Freetly's inspiring leadership and courage under fire, played a large part in the successful accomplishments of his company throughout the drive through the Hardt Mountains, the breach of the Siegfried line, and the rapid advance through Germany to Austria. Entered military service from Fulda, Minnesota.

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

I. 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:

Royce D. Harnack, 38 028 024, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 322d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 March 1945, near Melch, France. On 4 March 1945, Private Harnack was a member of a 3-man patrol which had volunteered to make a daylight reconnaissance of the town of Melch, then held by the enemy. The patrol, after fighting and maneuvering past several enemy automatic weapons and groups of enemy riflemen, reached a position from which close and direct observation of Melch was possible. During their return, Private Harnack and his two companions killed one enemy rifleman who fired on them and later killed one of two riflemen who attacked them from a reinforced dugout. Shortly afterward, the patrol became engaged in a sharp fire fight in which Private Harnack was wounded by enemy rifle fire. By his devotion to duty Private Harnack was instrumental in securing much valuable information whose receipt by his unit undoubtedly resulted in the avoidance of casualties in future operations. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

Thomas R. Hooley, 59 154 531, 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 raking 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.

Harria C. Tonkin, 54 498 446, Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement, on 23 January 1945, near Hagenn, 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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II. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL:- 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:

HERBERT E. BROWN, 31 461 766, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, Germany, 3 April 1945. Entered military service from Hyde Park, Massachusetts.

JOHN E. DINDY, 31 880 626, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 252d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

GORDON H. HERRIN, 37 023 5-9, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 252d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Butler, Missouri.

LESTER J. LIEZEL, 03 026 917, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 252d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

JAMES F. LUGERT, 18 022 102, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 252d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

LEONARD S. OLDFIELD, 42 214 753, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 252d Infantry Regiment, France, 11 January 1945. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.

JOHN PHILLIPS, JR., 58 688 198, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 252d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 21 March 1945. Entered military service from Berlin, Texas.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR . DAL

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:

William J. Dinwiddie, 20 800 489, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Rainbow Rangers, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 22 February 1945, on Tannocope Hill, France. On reconnaissance 300 yards beyond the Main Line of Resistance, Sergeant Dinwiddie, in charge of a six man patrol of Rainbow Rangers, advanced half of his men through barbed wire to neutralize an enemy machine gun position while he and the remainder of the patrol placed a protective cover of fire. Effective grenading of the emplacement forced three Germans out and the accurate fire of Sergeant Dinwiddie and his men killed them before they could escape and a fourth was taken prisoner. Sergeant Dinwiddie then elected to remain behind with his Automatic Rifleman to cover the withdrawal of his patrol from the fire of three other enemy machine guns in the vicinity, remaining in his exposed positions until all of his men had arrived safely back of our lines. His courage and outstanding tactical ability were responsible for the success of the mission. Entered military service from Donalson, Texas.

James G. Dolter, 37 159 615, Corporal, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 April 1945, in Unterbach, Germany. Corporal Dolter was leading the heavy machine gun squad of which he was squad leader from an exposed position in support of a rifle company when an intense barrage of enemy mortar and artillery fire forced his men to disperse. Despite the intensity of the enemy barrage, Corporal Dolter reorganized his squad and moved them into position where they could neutralize the enemy machine gun fire. Through Corporal Dolter's cool and courageous action the rifle company's objective was secured with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Duluth, Minnesota.

Raymond A. Gustafson, 12 161 153, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery A, 252d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, near Breitenbrunn, Germany. As radio operator for the Forward Observer Section attached to Company C of the 252d Infantry Regiment, Corporal Gustafson on 1 April 1945, near Breitenbrunn, Germany, crossed a two-hundred yard clearing under concentrated enemy sniper fire to get his radio from a vehicle. Then, still exposed to hostile action, he returned to the forward observer position and set up communication with supporting artillery. Corporal Gustafson's courageous act enabled the artillery battery to effectively adjust fire on the German positions. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

John T. Johnson, Jr., 57 484 638, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. Sergeant Johnson volunteered to

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take a detail of four litter bearers forward of our lines to evacuate two wounded men. On reaching the approximate position of the wounded men, he pushed closer to enemy lines to investigate the location of the wounded men and the position of the enemy. After discovering the first wounded man, he and his litter bearers succeeded in bringing him back to our lines without drawing enemy fire. While attempting to retrieve the second casualty, Sergeant Johnson and his aids encountered a terrific barrage of mortar and artillery fire. Despite his hazardous position he calmly directed the withdrawal of his group. Through Sergeant Johnson's courageous action the lives of two wounded men were saved. Entered military service from Barwell, Nebraska.

Homer H. Kennon, 17 029 615, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 March 1945, near Melch, France. On 4 March 1945, Sergeant Kennon volunteered as radioman on a 3-man patrol for a daylight reconnaissance of the town of Melch, then held by the enemy. The patrol, after fighting and maneuvering past several enemy automatic weapons and groups of riflemen, reached a position from which direct and close observation of Melch was possible. From this position Sergeant Kennon reported by radio much information of the enemy's installations and movements, remaining in observation until ordered to return. During their return the patrol became engaged in a sharp fire fight in which one member was wounded by enemy rifle fire. Directed by the patrol leader to return with the valuable information the patrol had gathered, Sergeant Kennon left his companions and made his way alone through enemy territory to his Battalion Command Post. By his devotion to duty and disregard for his personal safety, Sergeant Kennon was instrumental in making possible the receipt of valuable information and the successful completion of the mission for which he volunteered. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

Walter J. Kilgallon, 56 684 555, Corporal, Company K, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action 24 and 25 March 1945, at Reipertswellor, France. On 24 March 1945, near Reipertswellor, France, Corporal Kilgallon, Graves Registration non-commissioned officer, walked into a heavily mined area on a hill to remove our dead so they could be buried. The mines had not been cleared and removing the bodies of these men was an extremely dangerous undertaking over approximately 1,000 yards of difficult terrain. Corporal Kilgallon made the several trips necessary to remove all the bodies, displaying outstanding courage and faithful devotion to his comrades in arms. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Edward G. Lisac, 59 615 585, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 February 1945, near Kohlhutte, Alsace. After volunteering to lead a Reconnaissance Patrol into enemy territory, Private Lisac had advanced 350 yards beyond the Main Line of Resistance when the enemy opened fire with machine pistols and machine guns. Under orders not to fight unless necessary, Private Lisac began to withdraw his patrol. On the route back Private Lisac discovered that one man was missing, and ordered the rest of the patrol to continue back, while he returned to the initial point of advance. Seeing the missing man lying wounded, he started to go to his aid when the enemy again opened fire and began throwing grenades. Two of the grenades struck Private Lisac, but failed to detonate, however a grenade struck the wounded man and exploded. Due to the increased intensity of the enemy fire, Private Lisac was forced to withdraw, making his way safely back through enemy mines. Entered military service from Butte, Michigan.

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Ralph Loggins, 36 688 500, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945, near Kilstett, France. While directing fire on enemy installations, Sergeant Loggins' mortar section came under intense German artillery fire and two of the mortar squad were severely wounded. Sergeant Loggins then personally manned one of the 81 mm mortars and continued to direct the fire of his section in support of rifle troops, while maintaining control of his section. His heroic action and determination of purpose, undoubtedly contributed greatly to repulsing the enemy attack. Entered military service from Greenville, Illinois.

John E. Major, 38 654 284, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5-8 January 1945, near Kilstett, France. In the face of intense enemy artillery, mortar, small arms and sniper fire, Private Major, Platoon Messenger, delivered orders from section to section of machine guns and under rigid front line blackout conditions guided machine gun squads accurately into positions which had been pointed out to him in daylight, then proceeded to guide ammunition bearers to dumps for much needed supplies. His untiring efforts and efficiency in combat were of outstanding assistance in repulsing enemy attacks. Entered military service from Cheval, Louisiana.

Fairfax E. Montague, 34 787 824, Private First Class, Infantry, First Battalion, Rainbow Rangers, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action 1 February 1945 to 20 April 1945, in France and Germany. Private Montague, as assistant squad leader, participated in nine reconnaissance patrols and five combat patrols. During these missions he helped locate and destroy numerous enemy military installations and greatly aided the offensive through the Harde Mountains and the Siegfried Line. During the achievement of these objectives Private Montague was frequently exposed to enemy small arms and machine gun fire. His steadfast courage and ardent devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Coral Gables, Florida.

Charles H. Mullen, 35 555 069, Private First Class, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. When incessant heavy enemy mortar, 88mm and small-arms fire caused numerous casualties among an Infantry company and Tank Destroyers platoon to which he was attached as Company Aid Man, Private Mullen fearlessly exposed himself to German fire to administer aid to the wounded. While the day-and-night battle raged for the bridgehead east of Ludwigswinkel, he repeatedly braved the intensive and concentrated enemy fire to bring relief to fallen comrades and see to their evacuation. Private Mullen's untiring efforts and exemplary devotion to duty were responsible for saving the lives of many wounded. Entered military service from Akron, Ohio.

Harold C. Oeder, 39 581 395, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. In the face of intense enemy small arms and sniper fire, Private Oeder, with complete disregard for his own personal safety, stuck to his exposed machine gun position, in support of his company during the attack on Wurzburg, laying down a withering barrage until he had destroyed all German resistance in his zone of fire. This heroic act is exemplary of the highest traditions of the Rainbow. Entered military service from Sheldon, North Dakota.

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Buell H. Underwood, SS 664 221, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 252d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945, near Rains, Germany. While establishing a bridgehead across the Isch River, the right flank of the Second Battalion was halted by severe enemy machine gun and Panzerfaust fire. Exposing himself to the intense enemy fire, Private Underwood, acting as a heavy machine gun squad leader, sought a position for his gun, set it up under fire, brought it into action, and directed an effective volume of fire on the enemy. Private Underwood's action forced the enemy to withdraw and enabled his Battalion to drive on to its objective. Entered military service from Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Roberts E. Van De Pol, 57 189 692, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action 10 April 1945, near Obbach, Germany. When tank destroyers of the company of which he was mess sergeant had almost exhausted their fuel shortly before they were scheduled to move into direct firing positions, Sergeant Van De Pol volunteered to use a captured vehicle, the only means of transportation available, to bring up the essential supply of gasoline. Under intensive enemy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire, he loaded the vehicle with fuel and proceeded to the position of the destroyers. Sergeant Van De Pol's courageous act and devotion to duty enabled the tank destroyer platoon to maneuver into advantageous positions against the enemy and drive them out of Obbach. Entered military service from Fremont, Iowa.

George C. Wainwright, Jr., 34 653 982, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945, near Obbach, Germany. Upon learning that two Infantrymen lay badly wounded on the outskirts of Obbach, Germany, Corporal Wainwright and several others volunteered to go to the aid of the wounded men. Exposing themselves to enemy observation and subjected to hostile 40mm, 88mm, and small arms fire, Corporal Wainwright and the other men crawled three hundred yards to the helpless soldiers and carried them to a sheltered position, from where they were evacuated to an aid station. The courageous action and disregard for personal safety of Corporal Wainwright contributed to the saving of the lives of the wounded men. Entered military service from Wilson, North Carolina.

Raymond H. Williamsson, 37 464 728, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 March 1945, near Althorn, France. Sergeant Williamsson was second in command of a combat patrol that surprised and inflicted heavy casualties on a company of the enemy. During the advance, one of his men was wounded. Sergeant Williamsson immediately killed the German who shot his man, gave first aid to the wounded man, and carried on the fight, killing the enemy company commander. Forty-six casualties were inflicted on the enemy by this patrol. Sergeant Williamsson's aggressive conduct was largely responsible for this result, while his courageous rescue of a wounded man minimized the casualties his own patrol sustained. Entered military service from Rock Rapids, Iowa.

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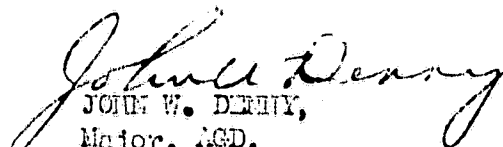
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Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....I  
Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.....II  
Award of the Purple Heart Medal.....III  
Amendment.....IV

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:

FREDERICK W. BOELTE, O1 296 803, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Regimental Headquarters, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 7 to 12 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

John J. Boney, 6 079 393, First Sergeant, MD, Company D, 122d Medical Battalion, from 15 February to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Plymouth, Pennsylvania.

William E. Brinkman, 36 458 500, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 17 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cadillac, Michigan.

William S. Engle, 6 574 956, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March to 13 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

PAUL W. GABBERT, O 558 857, First Lieutenant, Corps of Chaplains, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 1 January to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

Elmer L. Hawk, 37 239 572, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 4 January to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Orrick, Missouri.

JOHN E. McLAUGHLIN, O1 287 919, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 15 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hollywood, California.

MELVIN L. MOULD, O1 288 280, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 5 to 7 January 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

JOHN R. NYGREN, W2 108 233, Chief Warrant Officer, AUS, Service Company, 252d Infantry Regiment, from 26 December 1944 to 4 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

William K. Snelling, 34 397 492, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 15 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Graniteville, South Carolina.

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PAUL R. STICKEL, O1 525 940, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Hq Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 1 January to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Yellowsprings, Ohio.

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~~JAMES D. TRISLER, O 356 246, Lieutenant Colonel, Adjutant General's Department, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 6 February to 9 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.~~

Otto Wenger, 52 237 233, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 23 to 29 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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 individual for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

HELVIN L. MOULD, O1 288 280, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, from 7 to 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

III. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL:-----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:

CHARLES H. GORGE, 55 771 879, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 543d Field Artillery Battalion, France, 12 March 1945. Entered military service from Davis Creek, West Virginia.

IV. REMEDIAL:-----So much of Section I, General Orders Number 81, this headquarters, as pertains to the awarding of the Purple Heart Medal to Private First Class Alfred L. Kottra, 12 060 618, Company I, 243d Infantry Regiment, is amended to read First Oak Leaf Cluster.

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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 W. BARRETT, O24 448, Major, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 5 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. Major Barrett was acting as Executive Officer, 1st Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, during the attack upon Wurzburg, Germany, when the battalion became disorganized as a result of heavy casualties sustained from enemy sniper fire. Learning that the Company Commander of one of the attacking companies and the Executive Officer of the other Company were both casualties, Major Barrett proceeded in the face of intense enemy small arms and panzerfaust fire to the Companies, apprised the platoon leaders of the situation, reorganized the battalion and issued orders for the resumption of the attack. Running more than one-hundred yards to a command tank, he directed the tanks to continue the assault and reestablished contact with the regiment by radio. His outstanding courage and aggressive leadership were responsible for the continuation of the attack by his battalion and contributed greatly to the successful accomplishments of the regiment. Entered military service from Reno, Nevada.

Dwain L. Craner, 36 971 286, Private, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 January 1945, near Cambesais, France. As a member of a platoon attacking across open terrain, Private Craner was pinned down by fire from an enemy machine gun. Shortly thereafter the entire company was held up by heavy concentration of artillery. Facing the terrific hostile fire, and with utter disregard for his own safety, Private Craner moved to a position from which he killed the enemy machine gunner with rifl. fire and prevented others from operating the weapon. As a result of his courageous act, one of the enemy was killed, twenty were taken prisoners and his company was enabled to move out of the artillery concentration and continue on to its objective. Entered military service from Plainwell, Michigan.

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:

Henry A. Boston, 36 911 349, Private First Class, (then Private), Company E, 243d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 19 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. During the attack on

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Camp de Militaire, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany, when his company was pinned down by intense enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire, Private Booten set up his mortar and continued laying down a barrage despite the fact the enemy had discovered his position and was concentrating their fire upon him. Private Booten did not cease fire until ordered to do so by the Company Commander upon the successful completion of his mission. Entered military service from Equality, Illinois.

Louis J. Brannon, 38 688 216, Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 February 1945, in France. When the combat patrol of which Sergeant Brannon was a member drew heavy machine gun fire and an intense mortar barrage, it withdrew under orders of the patrol leader. Checking his men during the withdrawal, Sergeant Brannon found one of his men wounded and unconscious. With the assistance of the patrol leader he administered first aid and started to carry the wounded man to safety, ignoring the enemy mortar barrage. While carrying the wounded man to cover, Sergeant Brannon was shot in the neck and had to be evacuated under fire. Through Sergeant Brannon's courageous action, a wounded man's life was saved. Entered military service from Weatherford, Texas.

Frank J. Broz, 36 765 623, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 February 1945 near Althorn, France. While on reconnaissance in front of the Main Line of Resistance near Althorn, the patrol, led by Sergeant Broz came under an intense barrage of enemy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire, creating five casualties. Without regard for his personal safety and despite the exposed position of the wounded men, Sergeant Broz, braved the withering enemy fire and helped bring two of them back to a place of safety, as well as recovering the body of another man. This example of extreme courage and loyalty to his fellow men is worthy of the best traditions of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

James J. Darcy, 42 076 771, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 January 1945 near Hagenau, France. While anticipating an enemy attack near Hagenau, Private Darcy remained by his gun for 44 hours, ready to open fire. Finally attacked, he opened fire at once and maintained his fire until the enemy opened on his position from a new direction. Private Darcy went out of action, moved immediately to an alternate position and again opened fire, effectively surprising the enemy. His alertness and promptness to act enabled his gun to inflict heavy casualties on the enemy and materially aided in breaking up the attack. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Carl L. Davis, 14 130 864, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Neuburg, France. When an outpost of the company which he was attached as medical aid man was forced to with-

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draw due to superior enemy strength, one man was so seriously wounded that he could not be evacuated by the men at the outpost. Private Davis volunteered to go forward to evacuate the injured man. Crossing level and open terrain under direct observation and intense artillery and small arms fire, he reached the wounded man and dressed the wound under continually increasing enemy fire and carried him safely back to his lines. Private Davis' action resulted in saving a wounded man's life. Entered military service from Spring Place, Georgia.

Samuel DiSaverio, SS 591 107, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, at Neuberg, France. When the enemy launched an attack across the Moser River, Private DiSaverio was detailed to relay fire direction information by radio to the 60mm mortar section of which he was assistant gunner. After the attack got under way radio communication failed, making it impossible to fire the mission. Knowing the target area of his section of guns, Private DiSaverio on his own initiative moved to a vantage point where he had full view of both the target and the mortar positions. Despite the fact that he was under enemy observation and drawing intense artillery and small arms fire, Private DiSaverio stood his ground and brought our mortars to bear upon a large concentration of the enemy, dispersing it, and forcing the enemy to withdraw. He continued to hold his vantage point until the area was cleared. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Rethel Flatt, SS 841 234, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945 in the Hardt Mountains, France. After an enemy tank had wounded eight of his companions in a Rainbow Rangers patrol, during an attack on enemy positions in the Hardt Mountains, Private Flatt, braving intense German machine gun, mortar, and small arms fire, immediately began crawling from man to man, administering first aid. He then carried them to places of safety, one by one, until every man had been removed from the field of battle. This display of courage is exemplary of the highest traditions of the Rainbow. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

George D. Gaffin, SS 682 559, Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action during January 1945, near Clieburg, France. Accompanying numerous patrols as radio operator, Sergeant Gaffin habitually performed his duties in exemplary fashion, frequently operating in snow and extreme cold. On one occasion when enemy resistance was encountered, Sergeant Gaffin killed two Germans and captured a third. On another patrol his radio was shot off his back while advancing toward the enemy. While the patrol sought cover, Sergeant Gaffin remained with his radio until he had made certain it would not fall into enemy hands. His outstanding technical ability, aggressive leadership, and unflinching devotion to duty were largely instrumental in accomplishing the missions of his patrols. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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JOHN D. HOILE, OI 319 743, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Althorn, France. Lieutenant Hoile was serving as Executive Officer, Company K, 242d Infantry, when his Company Commander was wounded by mortar fire. Assuming command of the Company, Lieutenant Hoile successfully led his men in an attack through an enemy Schu mine field, exposed to severe enemy small arms and mortar fire. His sound judgment and courageous leadership enabled his company to inflict heavy casualties upon the enemy, forcing him to withdraw, and assuring the continued advance of Lieutenant Hoile's battalion. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

William W. Howard, SS 806 566, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action from 7 January to 8 January 1945, in Cambshain, France. Sergeant Howard exercised repeated excellence in the performance of his duties as 81st mortar squad leader under constant and heavy enemy fire. After his mortar had been knocked out by enemy artillery, Sergeant Howard acted as first scout and led a reconnaissance conducted by the Assistant Division Commander in front of an attacking rifle company. On numerous other occasions he had shown exemplary leadership and superior skill in the direction of mortar fire on the enemy. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

James M. Johns, SA 947 451, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 January 1945 near Hagendu, France. While being attacked from two directions, Private Johns acted with courage and skill, aiding the other members of his machine gun crew in the displacement of their weapon to an alternate position where they could bring more effective fire on the enemy. Despite the intensity of hostile fire, Private Johns continued to operate his gun until ordered to withdraw in face of a superior enemy force. Private Johns' coolness and fortitude, inspired confidence in the men fighting with him. Entered military service from Waycross, Georgia.

Bert J. Johnson, SA 671 949, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Althorn, France. While acting as rifle platoon messenger with Company K, 242d Infantry, near Althorn, France, Private Johnson was wounded in the leg by enemy mortar fragments. Despite the injury he remained with the platoon and maintained radio communication with the company Commander, persisting in his duty until his platoon reached the reorganization point. As a result of Private Johnson's courage and devotion to duty essential contact with the Company was maintained without interruption. Entered military service from Sandevel, Illinois.

Ray T. Johnson, 16 131 780, Corporal, Field Artillery, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action 21 February to 6 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. As Assistant Section Leader, Corporal Johnson undertook numerous and dangerous reconnaissance missions while under enemy mortar, artillery and small arms fire to ascertain advantageous gun positions for his section. On many occasions when communications were destroyed,

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Corporal Johnson maintained close liaison on foot, under heavy enemy fire, between the infantry and leading elements of the Tank Destroyer Battalion. His devotion to duty and unflinching courage contributed directly to the success of the operations in which his section was engaged. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Ernest A. Lebel, 36 106 692, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. During a counter-attack by his company, Private Lebel, first scout, was wounded in the chest by small arms fire after advancing over open ground through a heavy mortar barrage to within 25 yards of a woods held by the enemy. Despite his serious injury, he refused medical aid and continued to fire, killing an enemy machine gunner and drawing fire upon himself, enabling friendly riflemen to locate enemy emplacements and estimate their strength. As a result of Private Lebel's courageous action his company was enabled to continue its advance. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Willard J. Lisbon, 33 699 242, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action from 5 January to 25 January 1945, near Clesburg, France. Sergeant Lisbon participated in 15 combat and reconnaissance patrols during January 1945, behind enemy lines under extremely adverse conditions of weather and terrain, often against severe enemy opposition. On one occasion he led his men out of an enemy trap while they were operating within 40 yards of enemy positions. The mission was carried out without the loss of a man, while several casualties were inflicted on the enemy. Sergeant Lisbon's leadership, courage and skill were largely responsible for the success of the patrols he accompanied and led. Entered military service from Glenshaw, Pennsylvania.

Joseph F. Martinez, 37 506 830, Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 April 1945, in Uchtelhausen, Germany. When the machine gun squad he was leading, suddenly came under concentrated enemy small arms and sniper fire, Sergeant Martinez directed his group to a covered position and set up his gun. Upon discovering that his squad was well protected but not within effective observation of the Germans, Sergeant Martinez then exposed himself to hostile fire to direct the assault upon the enemy installations. Through his courageous action his squad neutralized the enemy's fire and forced many to surrender. Entered military service from Kansas City, Kansas.

George G. McDaniels, 33 716 702, Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action of 5 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. When a strong enemy patrol infiltrated through the lines and threatened his platoon's mortar positions, Sergeant McDaniels stationed himself at the entrance to a street and, remaining at his post in the face of intense enemy rifle, machine gun, and mortar fire, withstood the enemy assault until help arrived. Through Sergeant McDaniels' heroic action his platoon escaped almost certain capture or death. Entered military service from Brentwood, Maryland.

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John B. McKenna, 15 317 228, Private, Field Artillery, Battery A, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, near Breitenbrunn, Germany. As a member of the Forward Observer Section attached to Company G of the 232d Infantry, Private McKenna on 1 April 1945, near Breitenbrunn, Germany, crossed a two-hundred yard clearing under concentrated enemy sniper fire to get his radio from a vehicle. Then, still exposed to hostile action, he returned to the Forward Observer position and set up communication with supporting artillery. Private McKenna's courageous act enabled the artillery battery to effectively adjust fire on the German positions. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

Baskerville McMurtrie, 36 733 563, Private First Class, Infantry Company G, 223d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. When an eight-man patrol, which he accompanied as B.R.M., was surrounded by the enemy, Private McMurtrie employed his weapon so effectively that a way was opened for its withdrawal after he had killed at least six of the enemy. Upon reaching a place of safety, Private McMurtrie volunteered to return to the woods where the action had taken place and found and rescued a missing man. Private McMurtrie's prompt and courageous action enabled his patrol to complete its mission without loss and to inflict heavy casualties on the enemy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Ignacio R. Vazquez, 38 557 184, Corporal, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945, in Kilstett, France. During the action at Kilstett, France, Corporal Vazquez, instrument Corporal in an 31st mortar platoon, stationed himself near mortars and computed fire data under intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, keeping the guns firing at the attacking enemy. On another occasion Corporal Vazquez reconnoitered forward, under enemy observation and sniper fire, for new mortar positions. During this reconnaissance enemy artillery fire was so great that he could advance but a few feet at a time before taking cover. Corporal Vazquez's courageous action enabled the mortars to continue firing under extremely difficult conditions. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

Robert J. Williams, 37 600 115, Private, Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945 near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. During an intense enemy artillery barrage pinning down his company, when the forward artillery observer was unable to establish contact with the rear because of radio difficulties, private Williams exposed himself to enemy artillery, mortar, machine gun, and small arms fire to lay a sound power telephone wire to the Company Command Post where the artillery radio was located. This courageous act re-established the communications between the artillery and the forward observer, enabling our counter-barrage to silence the artillery of the enemy and permitting our troops to advance to take their objective. Entered military service from Cedar Rapids, Iowa.



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Philip B. Wise, 38 409 658, Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. Volunteering to retrieve one of four one-quarter ton trucks and trailers loaded with equipment which had been left behind during his platoon's withdrawal, Sergeant Wise advanced through intense enemy mortar, machine gun, and small arms fire to the courtyard where the vehicles were parked. Acting as guard while another soldier started the truck, Sergeant Wise then leaped into the vehicle and covered the withdrawal by fire as they sped down the street reaching the Company Command Post safely. His courageous action saved much valuable equipment which would otherwise have been used or destroyed by the enemy. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

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

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:

Bob F. Barnes, 37 528 987, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. When his Command Post communications were destroyed by enemy action, Sergeant Barnes volunteered to re-establish contact by laying a wire to the forward positions. Although subjected to intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, he succeeded in completing the line and then voluntarily led a machine gun section through complete darkness to the front lines. Sergeant Barnes' undaunted courage and heroic actions immeasurably aided his company in the accomplishment of its objective. Entered military service from Wichita, Kansas.

Dennis A. Duffy, 36 571 567, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 252d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945, near Sessenheim, France. During an engagement with the enemy in the woods south of Sessenheim, France, on 18 January 1945, Private Duffy, Company Runner, volunteered to lead litter bearers through heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire to a pillbox where two of our men lay wounded. After assisting in the evacuation of the two men to the forward aid station, he again volunteered to guide a convoy carrying wounded, through enemy artillery fire, to a rear aid station where he procured badly needed medical supplies to bring forward on his return. His devotion to duty and fearless action made possible the prompt treatment of casualties and the evacuation of the wounded. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Robert L. Guernsey, 37 112 982, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 and 15 January 1945, at Hunsbach, France. While under intense enemy mortar fire on 7 January 1945, one of our own mortar positions received a direct hit causing several casualties. Corporal Guernsey at once left cover, to run to the gun position and administer first aid to the wounded. Again on 15 January while our mortar positions were under enemy tank fire, a house in which several men were seeking cover was hit, and Corporal Guernsey immediately entered the house and rendered first aid. When a soldier from another unit was wounded in a nearby orchard, Corporal Guernsey administered aid despite the explosion of an artillery shell within 15 feet from his position. His complete disregard for his own safety and his outstanding devotion to duty and his fellow men resulted in the saving of the lives of several men. Entered military service from Ft. Des Moines, Iowa.

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WILBERT F. KLEIN, O2 006 907, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 March 1945, near Wildonguth, France. While leading a combat patrol into enemy territory, Lieutenant Klein observed a German artillery forward observer's post. Leaving a man to cover the front of the enemy position, Lieutenant Klein crawled behind it and ordered the men to surrender. After two Germans came out, he threw grenades into the position to destroy the installations. Advancing further the patrol destroyed more enemy positions. When the patrol became subjected to an intense enemy mortar barrage, Lieutenant Klein called for mortar fire and smoke shells to cover the withdrawal. Returning to our lines the patrol encountered a strong enemy force. Despite the hostile mortar barrage and the harassing fire of enemy snipers, Lieutenant Klein killed one sniper and knocked out a German machine gun. His cool and determined leadership in the face of a superior enemy force resulted in the successful completion of his mission and the inflicting of heavy losses on the enemy. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

HENRY W. LYDICK, O 550 611, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945, near Furth, Germany. During the crossing of the Regnitz River and attack on Furth, Germany, Lieutenant Lydick led a 5-man wire-laying communications section across an open area of 800 yards between the river and the city in the face of intense fire from enemy snipers. As a result of his courageous leadership, unhesitating loyalty, and devotion to duty communications were established and contact with adjacent and supporting units was maintained, expediting the capture of the city. Entered military service from Helena, Montana.

Charles V. Webb, 52 285 603, Corporal, Chemical Warfare Service, 168th Chemical Smoke Generator Company, for heroic achievement in action on 21 and 22 March 1945, near Fischbach, Germany. Assigned to screen the attack of the 232d and 242d Infantry Regiments, in their assault across the Moser River to establish a bridgehead on the opposite bank, Corporal Webb, in full view of the enemy and under constant machine pistol and machine gun fire, successfully concealed the right flank of the attacking Regiments from German observers. To fulfill his duty it was necessary for him to crawl through dense underbrush to contact the five emission points of his smoke generators and maintain them in operation for five hours. Through his courageous actions and unwavering attention to detail, the attacking Regiments successfully crossed the Moser River with a minimum of casualties and attained their objective. Entered military service from Canillus, New York.

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:

FREDERICK B. ALEXANDER, JR., O 450 050, Captain, General Staff Corps, (Field Artillery) Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 1 April 1945 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Greenwich, Connecticut.

Basil V. Gilsinger, 35 165 108, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 17 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Winamac, Indiana.

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Simon J. Honig, 39 074 760, Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery A, 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, from 15 March to 9 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Harper, Texas.

VERNON M. TABB, O 451 686, Captain, Infantry, Regimental Headquarters, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March to 13 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

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:

*REV. BY GOV. ILL. 1945*  
\* ~~JOHN H. WEST, O 587 777, Captain, Cavalry, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945, near Obbach, Germany. Upon discovering that two Infantrymen lay badly wounded on the outskirts of Obbach, Germany, on 9 April 1945, Captain West and another officer organized a rescue party to recover the wounded men so they could receive medical aid. Exposing himself to enemy observation and subjected to hostile 42 mm, 88 mm, and small arms fire, Captain West and the other men crawled three hundred yards to the helpless soldiers and carried them to a sheltered position from where they were evacuated to an aid station. Captain West's courageous action and total disregard for his own safety contributed to the saving of the lives of the wounded men. Entered military service from De Kalb, Illinois.~~

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:

JOHN M. BRACKEN, O 166 911, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters 42d Division Artillery, from 20 February to 7 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

IV. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR 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 Air Medal is awarded to the following individual for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

FRED R. MURPHY, O1 182 206, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 19 March to 11 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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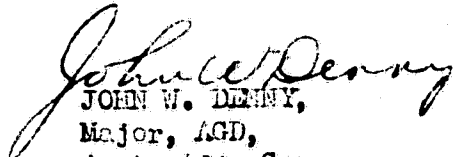
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June 1945.

Award of the Purple Heart.....I  
Award of the first oak leaf cluster to the Purple Heart.....II

I. 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:

NICHOLAS B. BATTERIDON, 19 161 460, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

DONALD T. BOHNER, 02 006 530, 2d Lieutenant, Infantry, Company A, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Edmore, N. D.

CLIFFORD G. BROWN, 20 224 960, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 6 January 1945. Entered military service from New Brunswick, N. J.

JOHN R. BURNETT, 35 088 730, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 28 March 1945. Entered military service from Hart Thomas, Ky.

TORRY V. CANNON, 44 011 215, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 11 April 1945. Entered military service from Angier, N. C.

JOHN F. COLLINS, 31 434 000, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 24 April 1945. Entered military service from Arlington, Mass.

FRANK E. DEWITT, 01 312 131, 2d Lieutenant, Infantry, Company H, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 26 April 1945. Entered military service from River Edge, N. J.

CLARENCE C. DUFFY, 0 453 434, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Maxwell, Iowa.

THEODORE C. DIEHL, 35 651 985, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 23 April 1945. Entered military service from Portsmouth, Ohio.

ROBERT J. EDGEMOND, 03 006 209, 2d Lieutenant, Infantry, Company A, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 30 March 1945. Entered military service from Spokane, Washington.

GEORGE C. FRICK, 0 15 507, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 15 January 1945. Entered military service from Lake Village, Arkansas.

LOUIS F. JACKSON, JR., 34 787 395, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 16 March 1945. Entered military service from Paris, France.

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WILLIAM C JOHNSON, 31 334 075, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 13 January 1945. Entered military service from Lynn, Mass.

JOHN J. JOHNSON, 18 066 210, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 21 April 1945. Entered military service from Detroit, Mich.

CHARLES KAPLAN, 31 198 248, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 9 April 1945. Entered military service from Torrington, Conn.

JAMES C LOGGON, 20 618 992, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Entered military service from Chicago, Ill.

WILLIAM W. McCLENN, 27 500 706, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 17 January 1945. Entered military service from Kansas City, Mo.

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ALFRED METTRA, 12 060 618, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 21 April 1945. Entered military service from New York, N. Y.

AROLD MOGRI, 35 127 126, Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 7 January 1945. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Ind.

FRED H. NICHOLL, 39 918 950, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 242d Infantry, France, 9 January 1945. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

RAYMOND R. PETER, 33 699 315, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Brentwood, Pa.

THEODORE J. PAVLO, 32 029 723, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 22 January 1945. Entered military service from Buffalo, N. Y.

RAYMOND J. PETERSON, 32 200 484, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 25 January 1945. Entered military service from Fort Niagara, N. Y.

ARTHUR L. RITZAU, 36 981 820, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wis.

BENJAMIN WHITE, 01 285 819, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 6 January 1945. Entered military service from Wildwood, N. J.

JOHN L. WIRTH, 36 813 583, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 27 February 1945. Entered military service from Kenosha, Wis.

THEODORE H. WUHLING, 37 540 026, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, France, 9 January 1945. Entered military service from Independence, Mo.

RICHARD W. SHEPHERD, 31 434 098, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 21 April 1945. Entered military service from Lawrence, Mass.

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ROBERT T V. CHOYA, 36 682 008, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 19 March 1945. Entered military service from Chicago, Ill.

MATT H WHISTNUTT, O 555 579, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 21 April 1945. Entered military service from Tulsa, Okl.

DAVID P CURBY, 37 704 219, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 24 April 1945. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

THOMAS C MARTINO, 35 564 911, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, Wissant, France, 16 March 1945. Entered military service from Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

II. 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 individual for wounds received in action against the enemy:

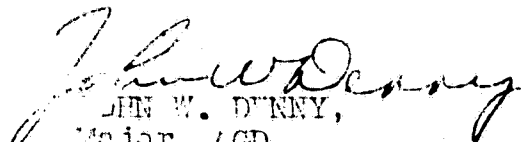
BRYNARD BRITTON, O1 285 819, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, Schwerfeld, Germany, 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Wildwood, N. J.

ETHEL W. LARSON, 38 064 238, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 23d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Hinton, Oklahoma.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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31 May 1945.

Award of the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal.....I  
Award of the Third Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal.....II  
Revocations.....III

I. AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded to the following individual for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

RICHARD M. CLARKE, O 504 108, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 20 March to 19 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

II. AWARD OF THE THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL:-----By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Third Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded to the following individual for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

RICHARD M. CLARKE, O 504 108, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 20 April to 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

III. REVOCATION:-----1. So much of Sections II and III, General Orders number 75, this headquarters dated 27 May 1945 as pertains to the awarding of the First and Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal to RICHARD M. CLARKE, O 504 108, 1st Lt. is revoked.

2. So much of General Orders number 56, this headquarters, dated 10 May 1945 as pertains to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to S Sgt Vernon J. Phelps, 35 912 576, 392d Field Artillery Battalion is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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ORIGINAL ORDER

May 1945.

Award of the Purple Heart.....I  
Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart.....II

I. 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:

ALBERT J. AMBROSINAGE, 33 489 551, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 25 April 1945. Entered military service from Allentown, Pennsylvania.

LEE J. CARTER, 20 920 215, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 232d Infantry Regiment, France, 22 January 1945. Entered military service from San Diego, California.

HENRY L. HEARD, 6 267 865, Technical Sergeant, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Woslaco, Texas.

HOWARD W. HOLLINGSWORTH, 37 697 017, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 25 April 1945. Entered military service from Des Moines, Iowa.

WILBER A. KIMMELL, 38 571 833, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, France, 16 March 1945. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

~~DONALD P. KUSHEN, 0 451 828, Captain, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, France, 4 January 1945. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.~~ *Replaced by 98-16 June 45*

CLYDE S. LEE, 38 185 760, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 25 April 1945. Entered military service from West Monroe, Louisiana.

CHESTER MILES, 39 852 492, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 25 April 1945. Entered military service from Phoenix, Arizona.

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

WILLIAM G. MUELLER, 0 439 848, Captain, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 4 April 1945. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

ROSLYN H. WOOD, 32 510 613, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 232d Infantry Regiment, Germany, 7 May 1945. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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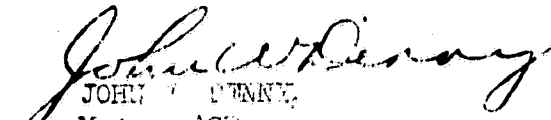
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NUMBER 77)

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28 May 1945.

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:

HENRY A. HERSH, 37 704 217, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 31 March 1945, near Fischbach, Germany. When the observation post he was manning came under heavy enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant Hersh dashed out and intentionally exposed himself in order to draw hostile fire and to determine the exact position of the German weapon. At great personal risk, the Sergeant moved among the rocks of the surrounding terrain until the enemy gun emplacement could be located and the information relayed to the supporting artillery, enabling it to bring its fire to bear upon and to silence the German machine gun. Sergeant Hersh's courageous action is in keeping with the highest military tradition of the United States Army. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

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 H. BULL, 023 424, Major, Infantry, 242d Infantry Regiment for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 15 March to 12 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Columbia, South Carolina.

EARL F. DAVISON, 01 313 724, Captain, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 26 December 1944 to 4 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Arnett, Oklahoma.

JOSEPH A. GALLO, 32 591 346, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action 25 January 1945, at Schweighausen, France. When elements of a German parachute bicycle battalion launched a strong attack against Schweighausen, Private Gallo and his squad discovered their house was surrounded by the enemy and that they were facing intense fire from hostile small arms, machine guns, mortars, grenades and Panzerfausts. Stationing himself at the head of the stairs, Private Gallo remained at his

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post for more than two hours, firing his M-3 machine gun with deadly accuracy and blasting all enemy attempts to enter the house. His courageous act was largely responsible for the repulse of the enemy and for the death of ten Germans, the wounding of eight, and the capture of eight prisoners of war. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

FRANCIS J. HANLON, OI 503 069, Captain, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, at Amsteln, Germany. While commanding his Heavy Weapons Company, Capt. Hanlon noticed that Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, was pinned to the ground by concentrated enemy machine gun and mortar fire. Personally firing one of his machine guns to enable his other machine guns to locate the enemy targets, he directed the fire of his gun with devastating effect, in spite of the heavy volumes of enemy fire directed at his position. By his courageous leadership and the accurate fire power delivered by his company, ten of the enemy were killed and the capture of more than forty prisoners was made possible. Entered military service from New York, New York.

HERBERT L. STURDAVENT, 36 980 950, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Reipertsville, France. While moving up a steep slope with his platoon, Private Sturdavent noticed some enemy activity several hundred yards to his left. Warning a platoon to his platoon, Private Sturdavent immediately opened fire with his M16 just as the Germans launched a surprise counter-attack. His timely warning and courageous actions while exposed to intense enemy machine gun and small arms fire enabled his comrades to reform and to inflict heavy casualties upon the enemy and prevented severe losses to his platoon. Entered military service from St. Joseph, Michigan.

III. ~~AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL~~ MEDALS:.....By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-15, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Air Medal is awarded to:

CENEC D. BOKNER, O 516 994, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations from 20 February to 14 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

IV. ~~AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL~~ MEDALS:.....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:

JAMES H. CABELLUS, JR., O 26 558, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations from 10 March to 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

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CEDRIC D. BRUNNER, O-516 994, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations from 15 April to 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

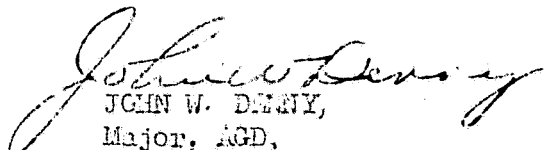
V AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL:--... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded to:

JAMES H. CABANISS, JR., O-26 558, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations from 12 April to 24 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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ORIGINAL ORDER

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 600-15, 28 September 1945, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following individuals for meritorious service in connection with military operations:

Thomas Ciccolillo, 19 020 126, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 512d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 March to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cheyenne, Wyoming.

James H. Simonton, 20 516 578, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company C, 612d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 30 April 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Cambridge, Ohio.

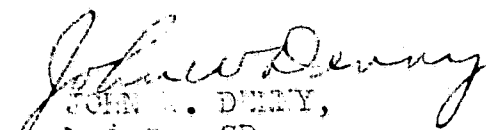
II. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-15, 28 September 1945, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

George Snake, 37 128 761, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. While the riflemen were pinned down by violent enemy sniping in the advance on Wurzburg, Private Snake's tank destroyer moved in to neutralize the hostile strongpoint. Ignoring the intense Panzerfaust fire directed at his destroyer, Private Snake manned his machine gun and killed three snipers. His courageous action allowed the riflemen to advance into the city with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Nelthill, Nebraska.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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

OFFICIAL:

  
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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:

WINSTON R. ANDERSON, 1st Lt, O 540 343, Company A, 242d Infantry Regiment, 19 April 1945, France. Entered military service from Columbus, Georgia.

James D. Birmingham, Private First Class, 36 470 346, Company D, 242d Infantry Regiment, 19 April 1945, Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Lewis W. Brooks, Private First Class, 37 640 506, Company E, 242d Infantry Regiment, 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Mexico, Mo.

Harold M. Cohn, Private First Class, 33 746 365, Headquarters and Service Company, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

George E. Nevins, Private First Class, 33 907 143, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Fullerton, Maryland.

George A. Roberts Jr., Staff Sergeant, 31 349 293, Company B, 122d Medical Battalion, 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Springfield Massachusetts.

Sam Soldano, Technician Fifth Grade, 36 624 553, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, 13 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

James M. Vitale, Technician Fourth Grade, 32 927 763, Company B, 122d Medical Battalion, 6 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

John Wakenhut, Private First Class, 42 095 805, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, 17 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

Willis R. Williams Jr., Staff Sergeant, 33 732 544, Company C, 242d Infantry Regiment, 9 January 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Derby, Virginia.

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:

Edison F. Storey, 38 654 309, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Jonesboro, Louisiana.

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III. AWARD OF THE MEDICAL BADGE:--... Pursuant to the authority contained in Section II, War Department Circular 56, dated 1 March 1945 and Section IV, Circular 148, Headquarters United States Forces, European Theater, dated 1 November 1945, the Medical Badge is awarded to the following Enlisted Man from The Medical Detachment 4th Infantry Division Special Troops, APO 411, U. S. Army.

To: 5 Joseph M. Carrigan, 31 262 428

IV. REVOCACTION:--... Section VI, General Orders number 129, this headquarters, CG, pertaining to the awarding of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart to Edison F. Storey, 38 654 309, 23rd Infantry, is revoked.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL COLLINS:

EDWIN WINSTENBERG,  
Lt. Col., General Staff Corps,  
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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:

NORMAN C. CAUM, O11 203, Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 January 1945, near Hatten, France. When a request for reinforcements was made by his First Battalion which was then facing tremendous odds and surrounded in Hatten, Colonel Caum organized a patrol from remnants of the Second Battalion, greatly understrength. Unhesitatingly, and with complete disregard for his life, he personally led this group into the town under constant artillery, tank, and small arms fire to the aid of the beleaguered forces. The fact that their commander had fought his way to them at a time when the situation was most critical spurred the officers and men surrounding him to even greater efforts and resulted in their holding fast against the numerically superior force. Colonel Caum's exemplary courage and heroic leadership were vital factors in defeating the fanatical German attempt to retake Alsace and cut off a major portion of the Sixth Army Group. Entered military service from Honolulu, Hawaii.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Heroic Achievement) 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:

Malcolm N. Barker, 38 459 414, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945 in Wurzburg, Germany. During the bitter fighting around Wurzburg, 100 heavily armed enemy troops launched a counterattack against the positions held by Private Barker's machine gun section. Private Barker moved into a position exposed to intense machine gun and rifle fire in order to observe and direct the fire of the gunners. Encouraged by his calmness and courage under fire, the section refused to yield ground to the fiercely attacking enemy, completely stopping the German effort. Entered military service from Crystal City, Texas.

William J. Burge, 33 420 945, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945, near Erbach, Germany. When the lead tank destroyer of his formation was put out of action by enemy fire during the attack on Erbach, Corporal Burge moved his weapon forward immediately. Despite the intense anti-tank fire directed at him, he continued to fire until he had eliminated the enemy emplacements which were holding up our advance. Corporal Burge's courage and aggressiveness were directly responsible for the success of the supported infantry's attack. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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Cecil P. Clemmons, 37 243 785, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 2nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 23 April 1945, at Sultz, Germany. During the attack on the village of Sultz, the advance of the 1st platoon was held up by intense enemy machine gun fire from a well dug-in position. Without regard for his own safety Private Clemmons moved forward with the other members of his platoon team, completely exposing himself to the direct fire in order to maneuver into position. Remaining in this exposed position, he fired his back into the machine gun nest, completely destroying it. As a direct result of Private Clemmons' courageous action, his platoon was able to advance into the town without further casualties. Entered military service from Highland, Missouri.

John A. Cope, 31 380 956, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Infantry, Headquarters Company 3d Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Haguenau, France. When communications were broken between Company F Command Post and its forward positions, Corporal Cope voluntarily went out to repair the wire despite severe enemy fire and moving enemy patrols. After locating and repairing the break, he discovered a wounded soldier lying out in the open. He administered first aid and went back 500 yards through the enemy fire, returning with a litter squad that evacuated the wounded man to the aid station. Corporal Cope's heroic actions restored vital communications and removed a seriously wounded man from an area where he might have been killed or further injured by enemy fire. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

Walter Evans, 34 338 236, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement on 14 January 1945 near Drusenheim, France. During the attack on Drusenheim, the enemy threw a numerically superior force into the sector occupied by the first squad of Company A. When the position became untenable in the face of tremendous enemy machine gun and rifle fire, Private Evans voluntarily remained behind in an exposed position to deliver accurate fire with his rifle. He continued to deliver accurate fire despite the hail of lead directed at his position, refusing to withdraw until his comrades had reached new defensive positions. Private Evans' outstanding courage and selfless determination played a major role in the successful defense of the sector. Entered military service from Putton, Alabama.

Frank Genova, 32 206 324, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 March 1945 near Auernheim, Germany. While a convoy was halted awaiting further orders, the enemy placed a heavy artillery concentration of its position. After the personnel had taken cover, Sergeant Genova exposed himself to the intense enemy fire and ran to the front of the convoy where he secured a radio and carried it back to the Headquarters Company Commander. His prompt and extremely courageous action enabled a counter-artillery barrage to be placed on the enemy guns, silencing them and saving many lives and valuable equipment from destruction. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Walter J. Gower, 32 727 636, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Company B, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945, near Erbach, Germany. When the lead tank destroyer was put out of action by enemy fire during the attack on Erbach, Sergeant Gower moved his weapon forward immediately. Despite intense anti-tank fire directed at him, he continued

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to advance until his runner had eliminated the enemy emplacements which were holding up our advance. As a direct result of Sergeant Gower's courage and aggressiveness, the infantry supported by his company was enabled to capture its objective. Entered military service from Endicott, New York.

WALTER G. GREENE, 2450 379, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 426 Field Artillery Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Althorn, France. While manning an observation post, Lieutenant Greene was struck by a number of enemy riflemen. While repulsing the attack he was wounded, but he remained at his position directing vital artillery fire until relieved. Lieutenant Greene's courage under fire was responsible for the continuous and accurate artillery support supplied by his Battalion. Entered military service from Phoenix City, Alabama.

Edwin C. Hill, 34 972 243, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945 near Ludwigsweidel, Germany. While delivering vital messages and instructions to the Third Battalion Command Post in Ludwigsweidel, sudden enemy machine gun fire forced Private Hill to abandon his vehicle and proceed to his objective by crawling under the heavy fire. Upon completing his mission he aided a medical soldier in evacuating wounded men across a street swept by machine gun fire. Private Hill's indomitable courage and devotion to his comrades undoubtedly saved many lives. Entered military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

Ralph E. Kiep, 39 375 491, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery A, 402d Field Artillery, for heroic achievement in action, on 10 April 1945, at Gaidersheim, Germany. During the entire night and day members of Sergeant Kiep's artillery forward observation party remained at their post in a church steeple directing fire on the city of Schweinfurt. Though assigned as a wireman, Sergeant Kiep took up the duties of observing and reporting the results of the fire. Despite constant hostile 88mm fire which even caused casualties in his party, he directed accurate fire and destroyed numerous enemy emplacements. Sergeant Kiep's heroic actions greatly facilitated the attack on Schweinfurt the following day. Entered military service from Sacramento, California.

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

George F. Acker, 36 284 692, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Company B, 152d Medical Battalion, 7-8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

William A. Benjmin, 35 814 306, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 21-24 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Providence, Kentucky.

Charles D. Frush, 36 959 224, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Itarville, Minnesota.

Carson J. Di Castro, 32 662 119, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, 9 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from Beacon, New York.

Thomas C. Dillingham, 16 106 374, Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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Floyd E. Fouremen, 35 23 754, Private, Infantry, Headquarters 31 Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 7 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Greenville, Ohio.

Clarence C. Hix, 33 123 895, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR (Meritorious Service):---. 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 an enemy of the United States:

GLENN H. APPELWARD, OI 643 308, First Lieutenant, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 15 February 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Aberdeen, Washington.

Robert J. Barth, 37 574 498, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 12 January 1945 to 9 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

James Brown, 36 832 826, Private, Medical Department, Medical Detachment 232d Infantry Regiment, from 2 April 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Stevens Point, Wisconsin.

James D. Brown, 20 828 668, Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Durant, Oklahoma.

William Caddero, 31 370 181, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 12 January 1945 to 9 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Dale F. Carlson, 39 310 863, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 5 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Leeburg, Oregon.

Elliot M. Day, 42 113 420, First Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Paris, Missouri.

Francis H. Frass, 33 620 400, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944, to 3 May 1945, inclusive in France and Germany. Entered military service from Allentown, Pennsylvania.

JAMES GARNETT JR., O 329 981, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 12 January 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL COLLINS:

EDWIN MUSTERBERG,  
Lt. Col., General Staff Corps,  
Actg. Chief of Staff.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

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23 December 1945.

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:

Chester Bardeack, 36 562 436, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company "B", 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 4 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Howard L. Hancock, 31 379 713, Corporal (then Private First Class), Corps Military Police, Military Police Platoon, 42d Infantry Division, 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from New Britain, Connecticut.

Irving Meyersohn, 42 130 138, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 232d Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

CHARLES A. MOHLER, 01 376 419, 2d Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "D", 232d Infantry Regiment, 5 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

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 an enemy of the United States:

WILLIAM J. ARYON, O 422 519, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 23 October 1944 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France and Germany. Entered military service from Urbana, Illinois.

Dale A. Polkner, 35 614 223, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Division Artillery, from 15 March 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

ROBERT P. BRENNAN, O 398 C29, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 1 April 1945 to 28 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Geneva, New York.

Lerner Ruess, 35 671 771, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 42d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lyford, Texas.

Russell W. Carvine, 37 039 619, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F", 232d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Crow Wing County, Minnesota.

Thomas M. Coleman, 34 857 508, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 20 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Wilson, North Carolina.

Alonz Comer, 20 409 528, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery "P", 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sanford, North Carolina.

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Lealon B. Chambers, 6 393 486, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "K", 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

Irving Cooper, 22 080 992, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, Company "A", 122d Medical Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Russell P. Damcott, 12 073 497, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Division Artillery, from 13 March 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Clymer, New York.

Clyton M. Davis, 35 519 306, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

HAROLD G. DE ARMENT, 026 617, 1st Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from United States Military Academy.

Wilton P. Doble, 37 574 424, Technician 4th Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

Morris Fashinsky, 12 125 043, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Norman L. Flyte, 36 765 775, Sergeant, Quartermaster Corps, 42d Quartermaster Company, from 20 February 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Walker B. Herrin, 6 386 210, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "K", 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Waycross, Georgia.

Richard C. Heekstra, 36 374 333, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Wesley L. Holmes, 6 259 433, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945, to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Soper, Oklahoma.

Robert J. Hopkins, 15 341 460, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Anderson, Indiana.

William W. Horton, 39 916 102, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Douglas, Utah.

George A. Jenson, 37 572 313, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Company "A", 122d Medical Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Walker, Minnesota.

William H. Jordan, 38 695 157, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 232d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Healdton, Oklahoma.

Ray P. Kilker, 17 042 892, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 232d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Tyndall, South Dakota.

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David C. Laycock Jr., 20 322 458, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944, to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in Holland, France, and Germany. Entered military service from Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania.

John E. Lohrstorfer, 36 858 251, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 252d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from East Detroit, Michigan.

Vasquale A. Nardo, 32 995 712, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters 2d Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Claude R. O'Brien, 20 940 540, Master Sergeant, Medical Department, Headquarters Detachment, 122d Medical Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Salem, Oregon.

Joseph F. O'Connor, 42 005 079, Technician 4th Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kearney, New Jersey.

Walter D. Porterfield, 6 854 590, Staff Sergeant, 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 Newport, Virginia.

Harry L. Prince, 34 842 180, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 18 February 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Columbia, South Carolina.

DOYLE M. RANSON, O 365 361, Major, Infantry, Headquarters Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lamesa, Texas.

Sydney D. Rich, 36 832 950, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Division Artillery, from 13 March 1945 to 5 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Green Bay, Wisconsin.

SAMUEL SHWAPER, O1 580 316, 1st Lieutenant, Quartermaster Corps, 42d Quartermaster Company, from 13 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

Stanislaw C. Sokolowski, 42 131 762, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

SYDNEY STEINBERG, O2 016 353, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Battery "C", 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Orville E. Strang, 33 795 557, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Thomas C. Stuart, 32 634 225, Sergeant, Medical Department, Company "A", 122d Medical Battalion, from 21 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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Russell G. Ward, 32 942 953, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters 2d Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Schenectady, New York.

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 service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States:

Marijan R. Pericich, 42 114 852, Private First Class, Infantry, Regimental Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hoboken, New Jersey.

ROY B. WHITE JR , 01 165 689, Major (then Captain), Field Artillery, Headquarters 42d Division Artillery, from 16 April 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

EDWIN RUSTBERG,  
Lt. Col., General Staff Corps,  
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I. 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:

Arveal W. Adams, 38 346 684, Private First Class, Corps Military Police, 42d Infantry Division Military Police Platoon, 15 March 1945 to 1 April 1945 in France. Entered military service from San Angelo, Texas.

Jose V. Aguirre, 38 555 456, Private First Class, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, 17-20 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Egale Pass, Texas.

Robert S. Aloan, 42 145 206, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, 15-22 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Louisville, New York.

James W. Anedell, 15 048 482, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Coalgood, Kentucky.

Albert C. Baumann, 35 557 603, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, 27 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

CHARLES M. BENTALLAN, 02 006 297, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, 11 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Hillside, New Jersey.

Victor J. Bordy, 36 630 040, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

George R. Brink, 33 233 224, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, 22 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Bob D. Burke, 38 698 547, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Company A, 122d Medical Battalion, 18 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Marvin L. Chute, 16 084 256, Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, 17 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Dino M. Colias, 37 564 277, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, 26 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Elmer E. Cuthrell, 34 968 291, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company A, 122d Medical Battalion, 17 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Enfield, North Carolina.

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Raymond F. Dumais, 31 130 336, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Ludlow, Massachusetts.

Jack H. Fagg, 31 936 077 Private First Class, Infantry Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, 11 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Athens, Tennessee.

Abraham Fink, 36 654 330, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, 6 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Robert J. Finnie, 37 572 851, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Company B, 122d Medical Battalion, 17 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Fargo, North Dakota.

Larry J. Glyn, 31 337 163, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company E, 122d Medical Battalion, 17 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Walter J. Grabowski, 36 539 643, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, 11 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

James M. Hancock, 38 480 428, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, 5-7 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from Tyler, Texas.

Maurice J. Healy Jr, 15 107 993, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, 17 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Jack Herrold, 6 220 362, Staff Sergeant, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, 17-20 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

Elwin Horn, 20 254 428, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, 10 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Hempstead, New York.

Bruce A. Humphries, 35 527 431, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 242d Infantry Regiment, 19 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Novelty, Ohio.

Lambert N. Hunt, 36 832 560, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company F, 122d Medical Battalion, 20 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Manitowish, Wisconsin.

Wesley V. Joy, 17 059 774, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, 20 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Park, Kansas.

William T. Kemy, 12 101 001, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, 19 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from South Orange, New Jersey.

REX L. KUEHL, 01 014 930, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Corps of Engineers, Company C, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, 22-23 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Brookfield, Missouri.

William S. King, 36 027 815, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, 11 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Princeville, Illinois.

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Clement F. Lambert, 39 474 153, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, 18 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Snohomish, Washington.

~~\*Eaton H. Lethrop, 33 521 876, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Richmond, Virginia.~~

Lloyd S. McCall, 34 770 668, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, Company A, 122d Medical Battalion, 20 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Charlotte, North Carolina.

James H. McCormack, 35 839 387, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, 17 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from New Castle, Indiana.

Eurt J. Miller, 35 834 618, Private First Class, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, 17-20 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

Calc M. Mills, 35 253 599, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, 25 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

Wayne R. Morgan, 37 750 303, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company G, 232d Infantry Regiment, 12 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Burrton, Kansas.

JAMES C. MURPHY, 0 527 165, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, Company C, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, 15-17 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Richard T. Newman, 36 423 060, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Company A, 122d Medical Battalion, 19 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio, Michigan.

Max Huse, 32 538 569, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company A, 122d Medical Battalion, 18 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Anthony J. Cstanek, 35 828 825, Private, Medical Department, Company B, 122d Medical Battalion, 17 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

Allan W. Oster, 13 184 828, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, 9 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Earl E. Owen, 19 066 049, Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, 24-25 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

Jesse E. Fennell Jr, 36 874 293, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, 25 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Faul F. Risteff Jr, 42 023 121, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Solvay, New York.

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Daniel J. Schoenbein, 35 227 807, Technician Fifth Grade, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, 17-20 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

Kenneth T. Schultz, 36 981 188, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, 9 January 1945 to 18 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Edward M. Smith, 32 284 867, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, 12 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Leechburg, Pennsylvania.

Robert L. Solt, 6 953 890, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, 15 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Greeley, Colorado.

Otis C. Steele, 35 079 512, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, 25 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from Batavia, Ohio.

Charles E. Swartz, 38 104 118, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

Norman M. Tarr, 42 090 901, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, 14 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Wellsville, New York.

Henry T. Thompson Jr, 33 645 206, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, 16 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Baskerville, Virginia.

THOMAS J. TRACEY, 02 010 788, Second Lieutenant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, 19 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Donald C. Vance, 35 914 091, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, 22 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

Euck D. Walker, 6 292 072, Private First Class, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, 17-20 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Ada, Oklahoma.

James W. Whalen, 37 661 037, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Burlington, Iowa.

Bertrem C. Wheeler, 31 376 919, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, 13 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Manchester, New Hampshire.

Lowry R. Wilson Jr, 14 116 640, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, 16 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Davidson, North Carolina.

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 an enemy of the United States:

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ROBERT M. DAVIS, O1 180 471, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Russell, Kansas.

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:

FRANK BULTLEY, O1 326 378, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, 3 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

KENNETH T. KOTZER, O1 293 975, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, 21-23 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Malcolm J. Miller, 31 398 365, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Bath, Maine.

James M. Olson, 3E 645 163, First Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, 1) March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL COLLINS:

EDWIN RUSTBERG,  
Lt. Col., General Staff Corps,  
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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:

Thomas E. Holley, 38 631 518, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 3 April 1945, in Wurzburg Germany. When the advance of his platoon through Wurzburg was held up by intense sniper fire, Private Holley exposed himself to the direct fire to crawl forward in an attempt to locate the enemy positions. As he entered a building in which he observed two snipers, one of the enemy attempted to fire on him but he swiftly killed him with one shot from his rifle. The other enemy soldier surrendered immediately without firing a shot. Private Holley's courageous determination eliminated a serious threat to his platoon's advance. Entered military service from Roanoke, Texas.

George Jahosky, 42 177 788, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 17 April 1945, near Burgfarranbauch, Germany. When enemy machine gun fire held up the advance of our forces near Burgfarranbauch, Private Jahosky and another soldier placed their light machine gun in an exposed position from which they could fire on the enemy weapons. Although subjected to intense sniper and automatic weapons fire, he remained at his post directing a heavy volume of fire on the enemy until seriously wounded by a panzerfaust burst, forcing his evacuation. Private Jahosky's heroic and aggressive action relieved the attacking elements of a majority of the enemy fire and enabled them to advance into the town. Entered military service from Woodside, Long Island, New York.

Bernard J. Jakobe Jr., 37 537 281, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945 near Garbsheim, France. When advance rifle troops were pinned down by intense machine gun and mortar fire in the attack on Garbsheim, Sergeant Jakobe exposed himself to the enemy fire to direct and adjust the fire of his mortar section on the enemy positions. He continued to remain in an exposed position until he had silenced several of the enemy machine gun nests. Sergeant Jakobe's courageous action enabled the rifle troops to withdraw from the heavy fire with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

Ray Keyes, 39 532 605, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 March 1945, near Champagne, France. When his platoon was met by intense machine gun fire while on a combat patrol, Private Keyes advanced through the hail of bullets to a position from which he could observe the enemy positions. Spotting an enemy machine gun, he opened fire on it with his rifle, killing two of the enemy and neutralizing the installation. Withdrawing to the main body of the patrol, he gave information which made possible the neutralization of other enemy gun positions by friendly artillery and mortar fire. Private Keyes alertness and outstanding courage under fire enabled his patrol to accomplish its mission with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from White River, Arizona.

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Frank B. Kraft, 32 132 412, Sergeant, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 3 April 1945, at Zellingen, Germany. Noticing a severely wounded comrade during the attack on Zellingen, Sergeant Kraft voluntarily worked his way from door to door under all types of heavy enemy fire to a point opposite the soldier. Utterly disregarding his own safety, he then crossed 75 yards of open terrain to the wounded man. After administering first aid, though still under the deadly fire and direct enemy observation, he evacuated the injured man back over open terrain to safety. Sergeant Kraft's prompt, heroic actions saved the man's life. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.

Arthur A. Kuhlman, 36 671 864, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945 near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. While a member of a force establishing a bridgehead near Ludwigswinkel, Private Kuhlman risked his life by leaving the comparative safety of his position to give aid to a severely wounded comrade who was lying exposed to heavy mortar, artillery, and machine gun fire. After treating the wounded man, he assisted him into town and secured transportation to take him to the aid station. The heroic courage of Private Kuhlman undoubtedly saved the life of the injured infantryman. Entered military service from Maryville, Illinois.

William H. Lager, 38 278 451, Sergeant, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 January 1945 near Neuberg, France. When five enemy soldiers were reported to have occupied a nearby building, Sergeant Lager, taking one man as a prisoner, volunteered to attempt their capture. Approaching the building, two enemy soldiers were seen running from the rear door. He opened fire and one of the Germans fell, the other stopped and indicated that he wanted to surrender. Sergeant Lager shouted to the prisoner to return to the building for the remaining soldiers. When the Germans failed to come out of the building, he opened fire and 38 German soldiers filed out of the building along with one American captive. Through his outstanding courage and aggressiveness, Sergeant Lager captured a strong enemy outpost. Entered military service from Bellvue, Pennsylvania.

Gayle M. Leonhardt, 34 890 123, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945 near Haguenau, France. Despite infiltrating enemy troops and intense fire, Private Leonhardt crossed open terrain under a smoke screen to recover his anti-tank gun prime mover. While still under enemy artillery and mortar fire, he loaded a seriously wounded officer on his vehicle and evacuated the injured man to the aid station. Private Leonhardt's heroic actions prevented a valuable prime mover from being captured by the enemy and brought a wounded officer to a place of safety, thereby saving his life. Entered military service from Vale, North Carolina.

Charles Larreckovich, 39 212 725, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945 at Gambesheim, France. When orders were received directing his battalion to withdraw from the town, Sergeant Larreckovich and part of his heavy machine gun section remained behind as rear guard. An enemy artillery barrage knocked his gun from its position, ruining the tripod and burying the gun in the snow. At this juncture, well-aimed enemy sniper fire pinned down our withdrawing elements, jeopardizing the success of the operation. Sergeant Larreckovich quickly cleaned the gun barrel and, cradling the weapon in his arm, fired so effectively that the sniper was silenced, permitting the unit to withdraw without casualties. Entered military service from Roslyn, Washington.

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Felix F. Mankowski, 42 177 736, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 17 April 1945, near Burgfarranbauch, Germany. When enemy machine gun fire held up the advance of our forces near Burgfarranbauch, Private Mankowski and another soldier placed their light machine gun in an exposed position from which they could fire on the enemy weapons. Although subjected to intense sniper and automatic weapons fire, he remained at his post directing a heavy volume of fire on the enemy until seriously wounded by a panzerfaust burst, forcing his evacuation. Private Mankowski's heroic and aggressive action relieved the attacking elements of a majority of the enemy fire and enabled them to advance into the town. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Leonard W. McCulley, 33 815 624, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945 at Wurzburg, Germany. During the attack on Wurzburg, when his platoon was pinned down by intense machine gun and sniper fire., Private McCulley advanced across an open street to get into firing position. The enemy immediately opened fire on him with a machine gun from fifty yards, but he replied with several anti-tank grenades on the position, enabling his platoon to advance and capture the position. Private McCulley then advanced toward a church from which snipers had killed several of his comrades and threw a grenade among the enemy, killing one and forcing the others to surrender. Private McCulley's outstanding courage and aggressive action contributed materially to the capture of the city. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Wade C. McFadden, 38 666 580, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 near Rain, Germany. While transporting ammunition to his heavy machine gun squad over a heavily mined road, Private McFadden's jeep struck a mine and was almost completely demolished. Although suffering severe shock and internal injuries, he remained with his jeep guarding the equipment until it was recovered. Private McFadden's outstanding courage and selfless determination saved much valuable military equipment from possible capture or destruction by the enemy. Entered military service from Little Rock, Arkansas.

Walter K. Miller, 32 734 972, Private, Medical Department, Company B, 122d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, on 17 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. Noticing a man lying wounded in a heavily mined area, Private Miller and several litter bearers worked their way through the mines to the aid of the wounded man. Disregarding his personal safety, he helped administer first aid and then successfully evacuated the injured man to a position where he could be given medical attention. Private Miller's extreme courage and devotion to duty saved the wounded soldier from probable death. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.

William R. Nicholson, 36 469 107, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 5 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. While laying wire near Wurzburg under intense sniper fire, Private Nicholson saw a wireman seriously wounded by a sniper's bullet. He advanced across one hundred yards of open terrain under the heavy fire to summon aid men. He then led an aid man across the same area and assisted him in administering first aid and evacuating the casualty. Private Nicholson's outstanding courage under fire undoubtedly saved the injured soldier's life. Entered military service from Alpena, Michigan.

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Max A Nielsen, 19 010 450, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 5 January 1945, near Gamsheim, France. After a strong enemy counterattack had forced our troops to withdraw from Gamsheim, Sergeant Nielsen learned that thirty-three men of his company had been left behind in the city. Without regard for his safety, he and his platoon leader moved out through intense artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire back into the town. He located the missing men and led them in a successful withdrawal from their precarious position. Sergeant Nielsen's outstanding courage and ability saved many of his fellow soldiers from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

Woodrow W. Nocker, 38 029 806, Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 18 January 1945, near Sessenheim, France. During the action near Sessenheim, Sergeant Nocker and his squad were engaged in a fierce small arms fight with an enemy force of superior numbers and firepower which soon forced them to withdraw. Sergeant Nocker then boldly exposed himself to the intense machine gun and rifle fire, covering the withdrawal of his squad with his rifle. His courageous action under fire enabled his men to withdraw safely without casualties. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

THOMAS E. NORMAN, 02 006 310, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company E, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 27-28 February 1945, near Wingen, France. While leading a night combat patrol, Lieutenant Norman displayed great courage and leadership when his patrol came under heavy machine gun cross-fire. Despite the intense and concentrated fire, he contacted each member of the patrol, issuing instructions and encouraging his men. During the withdrawal one man was badly wounded by a mortar burst. Lieutenant Norman immediately went to the aid of the wounded man and assisted him to a covered position. By his courageous action and unswerving devotion to duty, Lieutenant Norman was directly responsible for the successful completion of the patrol's mission. Entered military service from Lincolnton, Georgia.

John J. Olson, 36 825 290, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945 near Arnstein Germany. During the battle for a small hill outside of Arnstein, the rifle squad of which Private Olson was a member had almost exhausted its ammunition supply. Private Olson voluntarily exposed himself to direct enemy machine gun fire and went across an open field to the ammunition supply point. Upon securing a heavy load of ammunition, he fearlessly returned over the same route to his squad, enabling them to continue the battle to a successful conclusion. Private Olson's courageous action contributed materially to the capture of his company's objective. Entered military service from Kendall, Wisconsin.

Mike J. Pavlik, 35 605 367, Private, Medical Department, Medical Detachment 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 11 April 1945, near Schwebheim, Germany. When the company for which he was aid man was pinned down by intense enemy mortar, artillery, and anti-aircraft weapons fire and suffered numerous casualties, Private Pavlik fearlessly went from one wounded man to another giving medical aid. In addition to caring for the wounded lying on the battlefield, he personally aided in the evacuation of the more serious casualties and directed others to the aid station. Private Pavlik's indomitable courage and selfless determination under fire assisted in saving countless lives during the bitter engagement. Entered military service from Youngstown, Ohio.

Leonard M. Raner, 37 696 258, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company E, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 19 March 1945, at Ludwigswinkel, Germany. When his section lost contact with the remainder of the company, Private Raner volunteered to accompany another soldier to establish contact by wire. Encountering two lead scouts of a twenty man enemy patrol, he wounded one and captured the other, forcing the enemy patrol to withdraw. He and his comrade then crossed enemy territory under intermittent enemy machine gun fire, reestablishing contact between the two units. Private Raner's courageous action and outstanding initiative played a major role in restoring vital communications and enabling the engagement to be completed successfully. Entered military service from Des Moines, Iowa.

Francis P. Russell, 6 956 015, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 11 April 1945, near Gundersdorf, Germany. While a member of a detail handling prisoners of war near Gundersdorf, Private Russell noticed that sniper fire was harassing our advancing troops. Organizing a searching party with several other men, he attempted to locate the enemy position. Despite artillery and rifle fire, he advanced on the snipers and threw a grenade into their position, forcing an officer and five soldiers to surrender. Private Russell's outstanding courage and aggressiveness eliminated a dangerous hazard to the rear elements of our advancing forces. Entered military service from Gilmore City, Iowa.

Henry H. Santiago, 42 177 551, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945 near Bannstein, France. During an attack against an enemy held hill near Bannstein, Private Santiago was wounded by machine gun fire. Despite his wound, he remained in the battle, and, when the attack was halted for reorganization, he directed the formation of a defense, aided other wounded, and stood guard during the night. When relief arrived the following morning, he helped to evacuate the wounded, and only after all others had been treated and evacuated did he accept medical attention. Private Santiago's extreme courage and determination were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Military Service. Entered military service from the Bronx, New York.

William P. Sheehan, 35 840 616, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 3 April 1945, in Warzburg, Germany. During the bitter street fighting in Warzburg, Private Sheehan noticed an infantryman lying wounded in a street riddled by intense machine gun and rifle fire. He then made a dash into the street through the deadly fire and fearlessly dragged the wounded soldier to a covered position where he administered first aid and blood plasma, later evacuating him to the aid station. Private Sheehan's courageous and self-sacrificing action undoubtedly saved the injured man from further injury or death. Entered military service from Fulton, Kentucky.

Thomas J. Tewell, 35 339 955, Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 22 April 1945, at Gunzenhausen, Germany. When the combat patrol of which he was a member had secured a strategically important bridge, Private Tewell volunteered to aid the platoon leader in cutting demolition wires running to charges placed on the bridge. He then led his six man squad back to his battalion, fighting all the way and accounting for several of the enemy himself. Private Tewell's courageous and skillful leadership contributed materially to the successful continuous advance of his Regiment. Entered military service from Euclid, Ohio.

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Douglas R. Warrick, 34 663 742, Corporal, Infantry, Cannon Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 9 January 1945, at Ritterhofen, France. Despite intense enemy artillery and small arms fire, Corporal Warrick remained at his post recording data for the fire-direction center.

After communications were destroyed, he provided covering fire for the other personnel of the center in order that they might withdraw safely. Later Corporal Warrick voluntarily returned with a truck to the center of the area under enemy shelling to recover two cannon left behind because of a lack of prime movers. Corporal Warrick's heroic actions enabled his section to withdraw without casualties, and prevented two guns from being destroyed or captured by the enemy. Entered military service from Randle Rapids, North Carolina.

P. J. Watson, 38 047 248, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company B, 122d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, on 17 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. During an attack on a hill in the Hardt Mountains, an enemy mine field was encountered, resulting in several casualties. Noticing a seriously wounded man about thirty yards out in the center of the mine field, Private Watson advanced fearlessly across the unmarked field to the side of his fallen comrade. He skillfully removed the wounded man from an unexploded mine upon which he had fallen, treated his wounds, and then evacuated him to the aid station. Private Watson's prompt and courageous action undoubtedly saved the life of the injured infantryman. Entered military service from Holland, Texas.

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.

Kenneth A. Aldrich, 20 753 915, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Neuberg, France. When a patrol was pinned down by heavy enemy small arms and machine gun fire, Sergeant Aldrich voluntarily went to the aid of the wounded members of the patrol. While under intense mortar, artillery and small arms fire, he crossed the Moder River on a foot bridge, crawled a distance of 75 yards, and returned across the bridge with a seriously wounded man. While crossing the bridge a second time he suffered a knee injury but refused medical aid until the wounded were evacuated and the patrol was in a defiladed position. Through his outstanding courage and devotion to duty, Sergeant Aldrich saved the lives of two wounded comrades. Entered military service from Moorhead, Minnesota.

Alfred D. James, 18 003 904, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. During the attack on Hill 301 near Reipertswiller, the First Battalion was suffering heavy casualties from artillery, mortar machine gun, and rifle fire. Sergeant James personally led each litter squad up the hill in the face of the intense fire, reconnoitering safe routes through mine fields to the casualties. Later, when all seriously wounded had been evacuated, he contacted Engineers and led them in clearing routes of withdrawal through the mines. Sergeant James' exceptional heroism and courageous leadership saved the lives of many of his comrades during the engagement. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.



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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:

Edwin Crosby, 34 059 783, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F", 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 3 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. During a strong enemy counterattack on the city of Wurzburg, the Germans moved a tank to within 100 yards of Private Crosby's automatic rifle position and opened fire at point-blank range. Private Crosby was knocked down twice by concussion from the bursting shells, but, with the building falling apart all around him, he refused to give ground and continued his effective fire. He tenaciously held his position in the face of the deadly fire until a comrade armed with a rocket launcher opened fire on the enemy tank and caused withdrawal of the enemy troops. By his indomitable courage in facing the enemy tank, Private Crosby was an inspiration to the men of his company and, as a result, the tank was repulsed and the attacking enemy unit annihilated. Entered military service from Camp Blanding, Florida.

Harold E. Higgenbotham, 34 792 110, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. During the attack on Hill 301, Sergeant Higgenbotham, although wounded in both legs by mortar fragments, crawled through a mine field under heavy machine gun and rifle fire to a wounded medical aid man, secured his medical bag, and returned to administer first aid to one of the members of his squad who was severely wounded by an enemy mine. Working under intense enemy fire, he applied a tourniquet to the wounded man's leg and then refused to be evacuated until his comrade had been removed from the battlefield. Sergeant Higgenbotham's prompt and gallant, self-sacrificing action undoubtedly saved the soldier's life. Entered military service from Bunnell, Florida.

Leonard P. Karlson, 37 311 926, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company "F", 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 4 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. While clearing snipers from the ruins of Wurzburg, Sergeant Karlson voluntarily led a patrol into an underground passageway from which the enemy had inflicted heavy casualties upon his company. Entering the dark tunnels, he killed two and wounded an equal number of enemy soldiers, and drove the remainder of the German force further into the underground fortress. He then returned to the street and again volunteered to lead a platoon in destroying the enemy elements remaining in the passageway. Through Sergeant Karlson's indomitable courage and aggressive leadership, an enemy force of 40 Germans was liquidated and his company was enabled to continue their attack. Entered military service from Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

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Emil W. Larson, 38 024 238, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G", 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 April 1945, at Furth, Germany. After three attempts to cross the Regnitz River at Furth were beaten back by heavy enemy machine gun and panzerfaust fire, Sergeant Larson finally led his squad across the ruins of a blown bridge and engaged the enemy in a bitter fire fight on the opposite bank. Locating an enemy machine gun, he fearlessly made his way forward through the hail of fire to within 25 yards of the enemy gun and threw two hand grenades into the machine gun nest, killing one of the enemy and forcing two others to expose themselves. He then stormed the enemy position and killed the remainder of the crew. At this moment he was seriously wounded and had to be carried back to receive medical aid. Through his indomitable courage and aggressive leadership, Sergeant Larson made a material contribution to the capitulation of Furth and the surrender of 3,000 enemy troops. Entered military service from Hinton, Oklahoma.

John A. Maederer, 36 809 779, Sergeant (then Private First Class) Infantry, Company "E", 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 3 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. During the fighting in Wurzburg an enemy tank moved up a street and opened fire on the lead platoon of Company "E". Realizing the danger confronting his platoon, Private Maederer unhesitatingly took a loaded rocket launcher from a man nearby and headed for the tank. He dashed through the hail of enemy fire to a vantage point and opened fire on the enemy tank, putting it out of action with his first round. By his gallant actions, Private Maederer prevented heavy casualties to his platoon. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

James W. Marrs, 37 537 361, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private) Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9-11 January 1945 and 27 April 1945 in France and Germany. During the early phases of the enemy attack on Hatten, France, extremely heavy artillery concentrations inflicted many casualties on our forces. Although slightly wounded himself, Private Marrs drove through the intense fire to secure an ambulance for the wounded, taking three of the men to the aid station on his communications vehicle. Pausing only to have his own wound treated, he then guided the ambulance back to the battalion under direct enemy artillery fire. On 11 January, while laying wire to the Third Battalion, Private Marrs operated with great determination and gallantry in the impact area of an enemy artillery barrage. Although the line was cut several times by shrapnel, he remained exposed to the intense fire and worked with such grim determination that the line was maintained throughout the action. Again, on 27 April at Berg, Germany, while laying wire to the First Battalion, Private Marrs came upon a mine field covered by enemy small arms fire from six prepared positions. Realizing that he could not proceed, he took cover and advanced toward the enemy guns after dark, by-passing the mine field and completing his mission without being detected. Private Marrs' exceptional skill, courage, and unswerving devotion to duty ensured the successful operation of vital communications by his regiment during its most critical combat operations. Entered military service from Falls City, Nebraska.

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Robert D. Sonnefeld, 35 755 723, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "F", 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. During the attack on the West Wall, Private Sonnefeld and his squad of four men were receiving intense fire from an enemy pillbox fifty yards to their front. He crawled forward across forty yards of open terrain exposed to the fire until he was within approximately ten yards of the pillbox. He then charged toward the door, firing his automatic rifle as he went, forcing four enemy machine gunners to surrender. Private Sonnefeld then braved continued heavy fire to bring one of his wounded men to the safety of the pillbox where he administered first aid. Private Sonnefeld's gallant and aggressive action silenced a strong enemy gun position which was holding up the advance of our forces. Entered military service from Wheeling, West Virginia.

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:

Raymond L. Banks, 36 861 994, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. When his section lost contact with the remainder of the company, Sergeant Banks volunteered to accompany another soldier to establish wire communications. Encountering two land scouts of an enemy twenty man patrol, he captured one and his comrade wounded the other, forcing the patrol to withdraw. He then crossed enemy territory under intermittent enemy machine gun fire, reestablishing contact between the two units. Sergeant Banks' courageous action and outstanding initiative played a major role in restoring vital communications and enabling the engagement to be completed successfully. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Richard H. Banks, 36 920 044, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 April 1945, near Weigenheim, Germany. In the action around Weigenheim, Private Banks' mortar section exhausted its supply of ammunition. He voluntarily exposed himself to the intense enemy fire and crossed six hundred yards of open terrain in order to reach the ammunition supply point. Upon securing a three man load of ammunition, he returned over the same dangerous terrain to his mortar section. By Private Banks' courageous action his section was able to place a heavy volume of accurate fire on the enemy positions, silencing their guns and inflicting many casualties. Entered military service from Elgin, Illinois.

Newt E. Bates, 34 922 154, Corporal, Infantry, Company "M", 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 April 1945, near Mundlin, Germany. While making a motor reconnaissance far forward of the company with two other men, Private Bates noticed a line of enemy riflemen in defensive positions. Stopping the jeep, he opened fire on the enemy with a machine gun while the other two men took cover. Despite his exposed position he continued firing, killing three enemy, wounding several more and forcing the rest to

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withdraw. Private Bates' heroic action cleared the way for his unit to advance into the area unimpeded. Entered military service from Centerville, Tennessee.

Clifton F. Beauvais, 38 483,652, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company "B", 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 21 March 1945 at Ludwigswinkel, Germany. During the battle for Ludwigswinkel, Private Beauvais proceeded under intense enemy artillery and mortar fire to lay a communications line to his platoon supporting the infantry. Fired upon by an enemy machine gun, he advanced fearlessly on the position and eliminated it with a hand grenade, completing his mission. Throughout the succeeding night he continued to maintain communications, laying new wire and repairing breaks in the old. Private Beauvais' heroic actions in the face of heavy enemy fire enabled his platoon to provide strong, well-directed support for the attack the following day. Entered military service from Morganza, Louisiana.

ROBERT E. BJELLAND, O 555 222, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company "E", 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 5 January 1945, near Gambshelm, France. After a strong enemy counterattack had forced our troops to withdraw from Gambshelm, Lieutenant Bjelland learned that thirty-three men of his company had been left behind in the city. Without regard for his safety, he and his platoon sergeant moved out through intense artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire back into the town. He located the missing men and led them in a successful withdrawal from their precarious position. Lieutenant Bjelland's outstanding courage and ability saved many of his fellow soldiers from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Millbrook, Illinois.

Robert E. Campbell, 39 023 130, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, near Hergolhausen, Germany. While a member of a patrol sent out to reconnoiter a village, Sergeant Campbell and another man took up a position on high ground near the objective. Although exposed to enemy fire, Sergeant Campbell killed one German, wounded another and captured a third when the patrol was ordered to withdraw. Since they were under extremely dangerous crossfire, he was forced to leave the prisoner behind. However, realizing that valuable information could be obtained from the prisoner, Sergeant Campbell returned 300 yards under fire and recaptured him, thus securing the desired intelligence for his unit. Entered military service from Maywood, California.

Edwin R. Caswell, 31 374 258, Technician Fifth Grade, Cavalry, 12d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in action on 7 April 1945, near Walkack, Germany. While engaged in a mission of capturing a bridge, the leading armored car driven by Corporal Caswell, was hit and set afire by a Panzerfaust. After the crew had abandoned the vehicle and taken cover, Corporal Caswell noticed that the gunner had been knocked unconscious and was still in the burning vehicle. He immediately rushed back to the vehicle and carried the injured man to safety. Corporal Caswell's heroic action saved his comrades life. Entered military service from Manchester, New Hampshire.

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Will N. Clark, 34 613 034, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945 near Sessenheim, France. During the enemy attack on Sessenheim, Private Clark voluntarily drove over roads exposed to intense enemy artillery and mortar fire to obtain ammunition for his 81 mm mortar platoon. Upon returning with a load of ammunition, he received a shrapnel wound in the leg, but he did not falter in the performance of his mission. He delivered the vitally needed ammunition to the mortar positions. Private Clark's heroic action despite his wound made possible the continued firing of his platoon, thus inflicting many casualties upon the fanatically attacking enemy forces. Entered military service from Waynesboro, Wisconsin.

Meric A. Curlis, 35 238 515, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 April 1945 near Arnstein, Germany. During the attack on Arnstein, several riflemen were seriously wounded by sniper fire while crossing an open field into the city. Private Curlis unhesitatingly ran out under the intense small arms fire, carried one of the wounded men, and aided another to safety and medical attention. Private Curlis' courageous action under fire undoubtedly saved the two men from further injury or death. Entered military service from Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

William E. Donahue, 32 740 991, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 392d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, on 18 April 1945, near Furth, Germany. During the attack on the city of Furth, Germany, Private Donahue, a driver for a forward artillery observer section, volunteered to lay a wire line from a vehicular radio to a remote control unit at a forward observation post in order to establish communication with the artillery fire direction center. Making his way through areas covered by heavy artillery, mortar and sniper fire and passing down a street that was covered by enemy small arms fire, he succeeded in laying the wire and assisted in observation of the target area from the observation post. Through his outstanding courage and skill, Private Donahue contributed materially to the successful attack. Entered military service from Albany, New York.

James H. Duke, 38 405 908, Private First Class (then Private), Infantry, Company "E", 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 18 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, France. While his platoon was clearing several houses of enemy soldiers, Private Duke was sent with an important message to the Company Commander when the radio was disabled. He crossed three hundred yards of open field networked with barbed wire and under heavy mortar and machine gun fire and returned over the same dangerous route with orders for the platoon to withdraw. Private Duke's fearless and courageous action in the face of intense fire was a major factor in enabling his platoon to withdraw safely to more secure positions. Entered military service from Ardmore, Oklahoma.

Harry B. Eichkoff, 36 874 251, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Company "B", 122d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 23 April 1945, at Arnheim, Germany. When an infantry unit suffered nine casualties from enemy artillery and mortar

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fire, Corporal Eichkoff, though warned of the danger by battalion staff officers, drove his ambulance into Arnheim and evacuated the wounded men. Later, when the battalion motor convoy was under heavy shelling, he remained on the road near Arnheim until all the vehicles had withdrawn to safety, in case medical aid was required. Corporal Eichkoff's heroic actions brought nine wounded men to needed medical attention and showed his great sense of responsibility to his fellow soldiers. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

G. W. Ford, 44 031 015, Private, Infantry, Company "B", 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. Private Ford was a member of a force assigned to protect the flanks of a group of friendly tank destroyers posted in Ludwigswinkel. At a time when they were subjected to mortar and artillery fire, one of their number was wounded by shell fragments at a time when all aid men and litter bearers were busy. Private Ford and another soldier volunteered to carry the wounded man to the aid station 500 yards up the main street, through fire from enemy machine guns only 300 yards away. Although exposed to the deadly fire, the two men disregarded their own safety and got the wounded man to the aid station, thereby saving his life. Entered military service from Florence, Alabama.

Bruno B. Grandziel, 36 753 316, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15-16 March 1945 near Althorn, Germany. During the entire day of 15 March, Private Grandziel led his litter squad on numerous occasions in evacuating wounded men from enemy anti-personnel mine fields while under artillery, mortar, automatic weapons and small arms fire. In the early morning of 16 March, he led a litter squad in evacuating a seriously wounded man and five walking casualties under enemy fire to the aid station. Despite the necessity of walking over four miles of rugged mountainous terrain, the journey was completed in four hours. Private Grandziel's heroic actions saved several lives and relieved the pain and suffering of numerous other casualties. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Paul Graves, 33 160 707, Private First Class, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery "C", 431st Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), for heroic achievement in action on 24 April 1945, near Wending, Germany. When he discovered a German soldier in a rear area, Private Graves, with another soldier, effected the capture and disarmament of the German and two comrades. Leaving the other man to guard the prisoners, Private Graves made a search of the area and found a small tent containing nine more enemy soldiers, including a captain and a lieutenant. Calling upon the enemy group to surrender he discovered three men of an outpost escaping and opened fire. By his great daring and aggressive action, Private Graves captured a German air borne patrol and prevented an attack on our artillery installations. Entered military service from Reading, Pennsylvania.

Daniel J. Haggarty, 31 288 647, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 March 1945 near Wissembau, France. While working with a ration detail at the Company Command Post, Private Haggarty learned that a sound leader had been injured by a heavy artillery concentration and

was caught in open terrain. Taking a one quarter-ton truck, he unhesitatingly went alone to the assistance of the wounded man and administered first aid to him despite the continuous artillery fire. Then, although himself wounded by shell fragments, he succeeded in evacuating the man to safety. Private Haggerty's courageous action saved his comrade's life at great risk to his own. Entered military service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

MARK G. HAMPTON, O 546 863, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "G", 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945, near Wyersheim, France. When his platoon was fired upon by artillery, mortars, and machine guns, Lieutenant Hampton fearlessly exposed himself to intense enemy fire in seeking and obtaining four tanks to support his platoon. Despite his continued exposure to the enemy, he deployed his men into better defensive positions. By his courage and skillful leadership, Lieutenant Hampton made an effective contribution to halting a determined enemy drive. Entered military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

James F. Haydon, 35 907 484, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 11 April 1945, at Arnstein, Germany. As Company "E" was moving across an open field into the town of Arnstein, two men fell seriously wounded and exposed to the enemy fire. Private Haydon voluntarily ran across the open terrain, raked by enemy mortar, machine gun and rifle fire, to the wounded men's position. He then summoned litter bearers to the position and aided them in the successful evacuation and treatment of the two men. Private Haydon's courageous action undoubtedly saved the men from further injury or death. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

Morris H. Hendrix, 34 608 686, Private First Class (then Private) Infantry, Company "K", 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 20 April 1945, near Stein, Germany. During the battle for Stein, Private Hendrix was at the point of his rifle platoon with his platoon leader when he spotted two enemy soldiers. Before the enemy could open fire, he directed a steady volume of rifle fire on the enemy positions until his platoon leader could work his way back to bring up reinforcements. Private Hendrix's courageous action and alertness undoubtedly saved the life of his platoon leader, and resulted in killing one of the enemy and wounding the other. Entered military service from Salisbury, North Carolina.

Glen R. Higley, 35 839 640, Private First Class (then Private), Infantry, Company "E", 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 25 January 1945, at Kaltenhaus, France. When his machine gun exhausted its supply of ammunition during a strong enemy attack near Kaltenhaus, France, Private Higley made his way across 100 yards of exposed terrain under intense enemy machine gun and artillery fire to replenish the supply. Upon his return, although under direct fire from the enemy and stunned by a close hit of an 88 mm round, he remained at his position and kept his gun in operation. Private Higley's outstanding courage and selfless determination played an important role in repulsing the enemy attack. Entered military service from Findlay, Ohio.

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

Robert J. Thompson, 39 096 316, Private, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 9 May 1945 near Trostberg, Germany. Standing with another soldier on the bank of the Alz River, Private Thompson saw a girl fall into the stream. When the girl appeared further downstream, calling for help, Private Thompson unhesitatingly dove into the water. He succeeded in reaching the girl, who in her fear of drowning, pulled his head under the water. He began towing her to the shore, but in the struggle beneath the water he became so weakened that he was unable to make headway against the strong current. Both Private Thompson and the girl he had vainly attempted to rescue were then carried away downstream where they drowned. His supreme sacrifice in striving to save the life of another is in keeping with the highest traditions of the service. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Hazel Thompson, (Wife), 285 East 40th Street, San Diego, California. Entered military service from Goldsboro, California.

II. 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:

PERCY H. CARTER, O 363 517, Major, Field Artillery, Headquarters 402d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 13 May 1945 near Mitterbach, Austria. When an ammunition truck and caisson were set on fire by an explosion in the caisson, Major Carter immediately returned to the scene of the accident from the head of the convoy. After ascertaining whether or not anyone had been injured, he established road blocks and had the area cleared of soldiers and civilians. When cartridges were needed for his own safety, he then boldly assisted in unloading the caisson in the face of continuous explosions from land mines and other ammunition in order that the truck could be removed and the blazing ammunition boxes jettisoned. Major Carter's courageous courage and determination and his intelligent leadership saved both truck and cargo and averted a major catastrophe. Entered military service from Denmark, South Carolina.

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ROBERT F. WALL, OI 287 973, Captain, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 15 April 1945 near Neustadt, Germany. When a member of his company called for help while fording a river near Neustadt, Germany, Captain Wall returned to the stream and rescued the soldier struggling in deep water. As the man was being dragged to the bottom of the river by his heavy equipment, Captain Wall dived into the water, towed him to the bank, and administered the necessary first aid. He then ordered the man to be evacuated for medical aid and resumed control of his company. Captain Wall's heroic actions in saving the life of a member of his company exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Menominee, Michigan.

III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:... 2. 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:

FREDERICK D. FILLION, OI 317 506, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 January 1945 near Kaltenhaus, France. Establishing an outpost Lieutenant Fillion provided protective cover for a bridge until it was destroyed by our forces when enemy infantry and tanks approached. Then he and three other men advanced to within ten yards of the leading tank and opened fire on the enemy, causing several casualties, noting the number and disposition of the enemy. After directing the withdrawal of his men under intense fire of all types, both friendly and hostile, Lieutenant Fillion called down artillery fire that destroyed the tank. His heroic actions enabled an enemy attack to be repulsed and valuable information gained with no casualties to his unit. Entered military service from Escanaba, Michigan.

Beverly E. Hoops, 37 471 223, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, Company C, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Reipertsweller, France. When enemy artillery and mortar fire forced his mine-clearing party to fall back with numerous casualties, Sergeant Hoops noticed one man lying wounded in an exposed area. Utterly disregarding his own safety in the face of the shelling and additional small arms fire, he went to the aid of the wounded man. After carrying him until he became exhausted, Sergeant Hoops dragged the wounded man the remaining distance to safety where he received immediate medical aid. His courageous action thus saved a comrade from possible death. Entered military service from Grand Island, Nebraska.

RALPH L. HOPKINS, OI 080 789, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945 at Kittershafen, France. Despite direct fire from four enemy tanks, on the building which the fire direction center was located, Lieutenant Hopkins, acting as range officer, remained at his post computing and relaying fire data, until forward communication was lost. He conducted sweeping fire over enemy territory and on orders to move back withdrew his party, providing covering fire for the withdrawal. Loading his vehicle with valuable equipment Lieutenant Hopkins drove to each gun position to make sure that all men had withdrawn safely. After regrouping his forces, he returned to the area under heavy enemy shelling and recovered two cannons left behind due to a lack of vehicles. Lieutenant Hopkins' heroic action

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enabled his unit to withdraw safely and preserved two vital weapons from destruction or capture by the enemy. Entered military service from Taunton, Massachusetts.

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 achievement in action:

Arthur W. Farris, 36 373 438, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, 15-16 March 1945 in France. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

OPHAL FLETCHER, 02 010 774, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, 25-26 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from Sandyville, West Virginia.

c. 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 an enemy of the United States:

Roy C. Barclay, 39 567 339, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

CLYDE G. POTKIN, O 475 699, Captain, Medical Corps, 42d Infantry Division, from 9 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

ERNEST CLINTON, O1 178 103, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Guss L. Elloy, 33 133 824, Master Sergeant, Medical Department, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 2 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Washington, D.C.

Howard H. Ellis, 6 965 665, First Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Charleston, West Virginia.

RUSSEL C. FELDING, O 549 950, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 16 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Streator, Illinois.

GLENN H. GREEN JR, O1 165 503, Captain, Field Artillery, Battery B, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

JOHN P. IGOE, W2 126 673, Chief Warrant Officer, Service Battery, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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Louis E. Ippolito, 7 070 287, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 1 January 1945 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Eufaula, Oklahoma.

Stanford Jacobson, 42 035 569, Technician Third Grade (then Technician Fourth Grade), Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Forten Lakes, New Jersey.

REN F. BECHLING, 0 410 040, Captain, Field Artillery, Battery C, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Collins, Colorado.

Robert L. Moorhouse, 33 698 011, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Division Artillery, from 16 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from How Castle, Pennsylvania.

John D. Pilacelli, 39 095 142, Staff Sergeant, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Rafael, California.

JUNIUS L. PLUNKETT, 01 165 934, Captain, Field Artillery, Battery A, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wagoner, Oklahoma.

ALVIN L. REESE, 01 165 550, 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 Clarkdale, Arizona.

Walter H. Rice, 20 126 402, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from West Haven, Connecticut.

George J. Ruppenstein, 32 996 766, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ridgewood, New York.

Norman E. Schorschel, 20 232 385, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from North Tonawanda, New York.

ROBERT A. STACEY JR., 01 546 523, Captain, Medical Administrative Corps, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, from 9 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

William Yogus, 33 017 113, 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 Altoona, Pennsylvania.

Jerome Zietlein, 16 000 360, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

IV. 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 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

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is awarded to:

Vernon J. Christy, 39 390 418, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 near Donauebrunn, Germany. When heavy casualties were sustained in fighting near Donauebrunn, Corporal Christy drove his jeep through mine fields to administer first aid and evacuate the wounded in his vehicle. Though exposed to direct hostile fire at short ranges, he made several trips until all the wounded men were removed from the area. Corporal Christy's extreme courage and unswerving devotion to duty saved many fellow soldiers from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Oakland, California.

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:

JOHN PATTERSON, O 466 492, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 21 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Seattle, Washington.

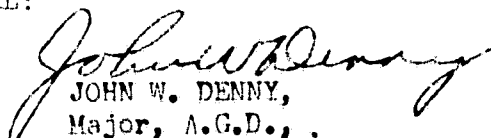
V. AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:...By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

Kenneth J. Oliver, 16 020 160, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wausau, Wisconsin.

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I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:---By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600445, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

James W. Art, 39 213 950, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Third Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Seattle, Washington.

Virgil W. Ault, 20 733 072, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery A, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, 31 March 1945 to 29 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Jewell, Kansas.

Herschel D. Austin, 36 684 871, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery B, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, 6 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Greenville, Illinois.

Henry O. Baldwin, 38 465 362, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Robert O. Bennett, 18 148 127, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Infantry, Headquarters Third Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Holdenville, Oklahoma.

Henry H. Boersma, 36 966 676, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, 19 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Alton Burns, 35 088 164, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Manchester, Kentucky.

Edwin O. Calvert, 6 917 718, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Springfield, Illinois.

Jenah N. Clance, 34 947 612, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Milledgeville, Georgia.

Edward J. Dallman, 36 979 403, Staff Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Oconomowoc, Wisconsin.

George M. Davis, 35 873 905, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

Joseph H. Digiovanni, 20 435 634, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

Louis S. Diguseppi, 31 413 276, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, 20 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from New Haven, Connecticut.

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George I. Duncan, 29 620 097, Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Billings, Montana.

Eugene J. Ecker, 32 817 008, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

John Falato, 33 215 402, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Robert J. Forchay, 42 123 279, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, 18 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Milbrook, New York.

Charles T. Fox, 34 211 468, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, 24 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Inman, South Carolina.

Douglas H. Fox, 39 337 650, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company A, 122d Medical Battalion, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

Omer T. Garvin, 38 588 717, Field Artillery, Corporal, Headquarters Battery 402d Field Artillery Battalion, 15-16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Stigler, Oklahoma.

Aniseto R. Gonzales, 38 074 199, Private, Medical Department, Company A, 122d Medical Battalion, 27 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Odessa, Texas.

Hugh G. Hammond, 39 337 644, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

Paul T. Jackson, 37 350 895, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion 232d Infantry Regiment, 19 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Pueblo, Colorado.

Bernard F. Kneuper, 37 091 826, Technician, Third Grade, Interrogator Prisoner of War, 242d Infantry Regiment, 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

Robert S. Kroeckel, 35 140 365, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Fortville, Indiana.

Robert L. Kurtz, 39 707 803, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Third Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, 16 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Rosemead, California.

Claude J. La Fleur, 36 877 405, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, 17-21 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Loris L. Le Fever, 35 334 764, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

Russell D. Lillie, 36 160 304, Sergeant (then Corporal), Cavalry, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, 19 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Ottawa County, Michigan.

Walter E. Luick, 36 860 29, Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Owosso, Michigan.



Donald H. Main, 39 919 000, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, 23 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

Joseph M. Mc Crone, 35 321 627, Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, 17 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

Clark A. Meyers, 36 450 735, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, 19 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Lansing, Michigan.

Alex Misyanko, 33 415 636, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

Melvin F. Miller, 31 398 365, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Bath Maine.

Richard L. Miller, 35 038 056, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Dayton, Ohio.

Keith R. Merrill, 37 585 643, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company A, 122d Medical Battalion, 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Waseca, Minnesota.

Edward Nemeth, 32 916 745, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company A, 122d Medical Battalion, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Carteret, New Jersey.

Marshall C. Mix, 38 397 503, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Company C, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

James C. O'Toole, 33 564 505, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

John P. Paczkowski, 42 100 291, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Layman, New Jersey.

Ray G. Pearson, 16 175 054, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Ellis A. Petit, 39 375 129, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, 19 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Tacoma, Washington.

Alan D. Price, 15 017 980, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, 17 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Charleston, West Virginia.

Anthony L. Frytaloski, 33 433 522, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Cumberland, Pennsylvania.

Furton F. Reabe, 36 299 445, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company A, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Juneau, Wisconsin.

Donald G. Richmond, 35 721 039, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery B, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, 19 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Sullivan, Indiana.

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Francis D. Ringlein, 36 410 884, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, 19 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Flint, Michigan.

Jesus G. Rivera, 34 442 147, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company 1, 122d Medical Battalion, 16 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from El Paso, Texas.

Antonia R. Roberts, 31 202 715, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 15-16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from New Bedford, Massachusetts.

John P. Shamus, 37 312 145, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, 7 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

John C. Simpson, 31 289 751, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, 12 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Tulsa, North Carolina.

John B. Smith, 31 457 279, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company 1, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Merton P. Snow, 31 370 372, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Cannon Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, 9 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Detroit, Massachusetts.

Dennie V. Sparks, 35 089 061, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Janss, Kentucky.

Levarne E. Stall, 37 748 214, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Clifton, Kansas.

Hilbert B. Troeger, 36 760 151, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 242d Infantry Regiment, 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Sycamore, Illinois.

James M. Tyrrell, 31 127 292, Sergeant, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, 29 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Webster, Massachusetts.

Benjamin Vinikour, 35 905 487, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 242d Infantry Regiment, 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Valerice, Indiana.

Joe E. Watts, 20 446 379, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Winfield, Indiana.

Jack W. Wiley, 32 544 591, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 4th Field Artillery Battalion, 15-16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Furratt, Texas.

George B. Williams, 6 543 638, First Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, 9 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Colton, California.

Malcolm Zimmerman, 36 832 486, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company 1, 122d Medical Battalion, 18 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Two Rivers, Wisconsin.

Kenneth E. Zutavern, 36 289 421, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Company 1, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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Carl H. Bowers, 20 528 132, Private, Infantry, Company C, 22nd Infantry Regiment, 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sutton, West Virginia.

WILLIAM B. CANTRELL, O 616 796, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

THOMAS F. JOHNSON, O1 013 468, Captain, Forward Force, Company D, 43rd Tank Battalion, 23 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn New York.

John J. Juncic, 16 114 976, Corporal, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 22nd Infantry Regiment, 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Hamtramck, Michigan.

Howard F. McLaughlin, 31 224 425, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Dorchester, Massachusetts.

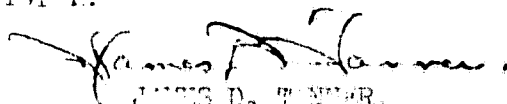
ROSCY L. H. WATLER, O 553 412, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, 9 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Fort Arthur, Texas.

Henry Wendell, 35 542 203, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, 17-21 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Van Wert, Ohio.

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 for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

Ralph C. Anschutz, 17 002 583, First Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wilson, Kansas.

Willis L. Baer, 33 299 850, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery E, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Oil City, Pennsylvania.

Kenneth F. Behlke, 17 016 997, Master Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fargo, North Dakota.

James J. Callahan, 33 793 599, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Div. Arty, from 16 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Arnold R. Essie, 36 873 285, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery A, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

David P. Gavulic, 36 872 672, Technician Fifth Grade (then Technician Fourth Grade), Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 8 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Clairton, Pennsylvania.

Loren A. Grantham Jr, 18 125 153, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Third Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Phoenix, Arizona.

Samuel Gudis, 12 161 055, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

JACK G. HANSEN, O 540 510, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bloomington, Indiana.

Joseph H. Hazel Jr, 33 883 595, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 8 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Portsmouth, Virginia.

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Kenneth J. Ingalls, 37 516 903, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Taberville, Missouri.

Caleb U. Jackson, 6 285 962, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ponca City, Oklahoma.

Linn E. Jay, 31 398 261, Technician Fourth Grade, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lewiston, Maine.

Lawrence J. Kavanagh, 32 017 171, First Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Afton Koenig, 37 357 398, Staff Sergeant, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 8 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Linde, Wyoming.

Edward J. Mah, 39 418 410, Technician Fourth Grade, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 8 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Monterey, California.

Thomas B. Mosley, 6 359 766, Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Whitwell, Tennessee.

Jeremiah J. Murphy, 32 960 663, Technician Third Grade (then Technician Fourth Grade), Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

John J. Neater, 37 262 141, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery A, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Columbus, Nebraska.

KENNETH A. KING, O 551 013, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company M, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from College Station, Texas.

CLARENCE J. SMITH, O1 322 095, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 2 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

JOSEPH W. SHYDER, O 449 247, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, from 28 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Norman, Oklahoma.

Curt W. Southard, 31 450 052, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), Field Artillery, Battery C, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Caribou, Maine.

William J. Spillane, 31 228 226, Technician Third Grade (then Technician Fourth Grade), Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

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Charles F. Stewart, 39 045 086, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, Headquarters Detachment, 122d Medical Battalion, from 6 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Otis J. Taylor, 6 973 127, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kissimmee, Florida.

Charles A. Thomas, 35 119 821, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 1 April 1945 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Oxford, Ohio.

James R. Thomas, 36 739 073, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rockford, Illinois.

Charles C. Womack, 38 323 120, Technical Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bixby, Oklahoma.

Koith H. Whitney, 37 151 734, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Agra, Kansas.

Robert G. Whitney, 35 843 479, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery A, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Allentown, Pennsylvania.

JOHN S. WILBUR, 01 166 210, Captain, Field Artillery, Battery A, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 28 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Palm Beach, Florida.

Robert V. Wilkins, 13 002 230, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

James R. Wood, 38 512 699, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery B, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 25 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Parkin, Arkansas.

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 service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

Arnold R. Pinski, 36 290 039, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from La Crosse, Wisconsin.

William C. Yandel, 36 966 718, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL COLLINS:

EDWIN RUSTENBERG,  
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AGRS-DC-S 201 Turner, James C., Jr.  
31 380 313 (4 Jan 52)

24 March 1952

SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Amendment of General Orders

TO: Mr. James C. Turner  
8 Crescent Street  
East Hampton, Connecticut

So much of General Orders 213, Headquarters 42nd Infantry Division, dated 17 December 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to First Sergeant James C. Turner, Jr., 31 380 313, which reads, "Turner, James C.", is amended to read, "Turner, James C., Jr."

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

*E. C. Hoge*  
Adjutant General

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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:

JAMES R. LINDSEY, O2 006 318, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 January 1945 near Hatten, France. While Sergeant Lindsey was engaged in moving the two anti-tank gun squads under his command into position to repel a threatened tank attack, twelve enemy tanks followed by armored vehicles and infantry emerged from a woods. Utterly disregarding his own safety, Sergeant Lindsey exposed himself to heavy enemy artillery, automatic weapons and small arms fire to adjust his guns on the enemy. When a gunner was killed, Sergeant Lindsey immediately manned the gun and destroyed a tank. When his accurate fire forced the tanks to retreat, he directed the fire of high explosive shells at the infantry. Sergeant Lindsey's gallant actions eliminated four Mark IV tanks and two personnel carriers and inflicted more than sixty casualties on the enemy. Entered military service from Centerville, 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:

Ronald W. Brison, 39 217 030, Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 April 1945 near Kronungen, Germany. During the attack on Kronungen, Sergeant Brison and his rifle squad were pinned down by intense machine gun and rifle fire from enemy dug-in positions. Sergeant Brison led half his squad in an assault on a machine gun, knocking it out with grenades and small arms fire. His fearless and bold action and courageous leadership was a contributing factor to the successful attack of his platoon. Entered military service from Tacoma, Washington.

Leon H. Burlingame, 33 616 123, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945 at Wurzburg, Germany. During the advance into Wurzburg, the light machine gun section attached to Private Burlingame's rifle platoon exhausted its supply of ammunition. After seeing one man start after ammunition and fall dead from a sniper's bullet, he voluntarily set out under the heavy machine gun and sniper fire. He secured a double load of ammunition and returned over the same route under the continued intense hostile fire. Private Burlingame's courageous action enabled the machine gun section to continue to support the rifle troops with a heavy volume of accurate and effective fire. Entered military service from Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

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Arthur J. Campbell, 42 022 056, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 March 1945 near Lichtenburg, France. When informed that a man had been wounded, Corporal Campbell advanced over three hundred yards under heavy enemy artillery fire to administer first aid to the man. Without regard for his own safety he enlisted the aid of two other men to carry the man to the aid station. Corporal Campbell's courage and devotion to duty saved the injured man from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

Deck H. Cox, 34 948 233, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 January 1945 near Neuberg, France. After an intense artillery and mortar concentration had cut the communication wires and enemy groups had succeeded in infiltrating under cover of the fire, Private Cox was sent on the mission of establishing contact with troops on the main line of resistance. Leaving a mortar position about 250 yards behind the lines, he made his way forward and succeeded in contacting the units on the front line, thereby re-establishing communication within the battalion. He later, under heavy fire, delivered a message that the area would be held at all costs. Through his disregard for his own safety and devotion to duty Private Cox was responsible for maintaining invaluable contact during a major enemy attack. Entered military service from Americus, Georgia.

John De Vries, 36 932 674, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945 near Karlstadt, Germany. While advancing toward Karlstadt, Private De Vries' company was ambushed by enemy troops armed with panzerfausts and small arms. Despite the intense fire, he manned a machine gun mounted on a jeep and returned the enemy fire enabling his comrades to take cover. After his comrades in a safe position began to engage the enemy, Private De Vries took over the vehicle and moved it to a place of safety. His heroic actions permitted his company to obtain cover without casualty and prevented a valuable vehicle from being destroyed or captured by the enemy. Entered military service from Fox Lake, Wisconsin.

William R. Finnegan, 32 658 959, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. During the attack on Hill 301 near Reipertswiller, Company B was encountering intense enemy machine gun, rifle, and mortar fire from concealed enemy positions. Without regard for his personal safety, Private Finnegan advanced alone to within thirty yards of the enemy positions and, while exposed to the intense fire, directed the fire on his platoon on the enemy installations. Private Finnegan's courageous action enabled his platoon to rout the enemy and inflict many casualties. Entered military service from Woodside, New York.

Rene J. Gosselin, 31 326 420, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Company E, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945 near Obbach, Germany. When the security section he commanded was attacked by a superior enemy force, Sergeant Gosselin led his men in throwing back two determined enemy assaults. Noticing that the ammunition was almost expended, he directed his men to employ rifle grenades with such success that the third attack was driven off, the enemy retreating into the neighboring woods. Sergeant Gosselin's exceptional leadership and courage contributed materially to defeating the determined enemy effort to retake Obbach. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

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Warren D. Harter, 37 743 367, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Reipartsweiler, France. When his squad leader was seriously wounded during the attack on Hill 305 near Reipartsweiler, Private Harter crawled forward, exposed to the intense machine gun and rifle fire, and dragged his wounded comrade to a covered position. He then organized and led his squad in a daring assault which routed the enemy from their positions. Private Harter's fearless and courageous action played a major role in his company's successful capture of the hill. Entered military service from Cassville, Missouri.

Howard E. Henderson, 44 040 162, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945 near Wurzburg, Germany. During the attack on Wurzburg, an enemy sniper was harassing Company I's supply route and the route over which the wounded were being evacuated. Private Henderson exposed himself to the sniper fire and maneuvered into a position from which he was able to kill the enemy sniper. His courageous and skillful action enabled ammunition and litter bearers to resume their operations with comparative safety. Entered military service from Knoxville, Tennessee.

John H. Hyams, 39 013 605, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 January 1945 near Leutenheim, France. While delivering food to the forward elements of his company, Corporal Hyams' vehicle was hit by an enemy artillery shell, and he was knocked unconscious and wounded in the forehead by shrapnel. Upon regaining consciousness, though in a weakened condition, he proceeded on his mission with his crippled vehicle. After completing his mission, he evacuated a casualty to the aid station and had his own wounds dressed, but refused to be evacuated to the hospital, returning to his company to continue his duties as driver. Corporal Hyams' extreme courage and determination were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Rainbow. Entered military service from Oakland, California.

Fred H. Hilliron, 38 696 153, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945 near Carlsheim, France. When his combat patrol withdrew from under a concentration of enemy mortar fire near Carlsheim, Private Hilliron noticed that one of the men had been left behind. He left his position of cover and ran across fifty yards of open terrain under the heavy fire to lead the man to safety. Private Hilliron's courageous action undoubtedly saved this soldier from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Joseph P. Oliver, 39 251 972, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 April 1945 near Kronmuhen, Germany. During the attack on Kronmuhen, the rifle platoon of which Private Oliver was an automatic rifleman, was stopped and pinned down by intense machine gun and rifle fire from dug-in enemy positions. Without hesitation Private Oliver stood up in an exposed position in the face of the intense enemy fire and directed such a heavy volume of fire from his weapon that the enemy troops were pinned down, enabling his platoon to advance. Later, when his weapon failed to fire, he crawled two-hundred yards to a better position, obtained his weapon and continued the attack with his squad. Private Oliver's extremely courageous action under fire was directly responsible for the successful accomplishment of his platoon's mission. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

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Bernard C. Schoepflin, 39 456 780, Corporal, Medical Department, Company B, 122d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945 near Wurzburg, Germany. When Corporal Schoepflin, an aid man, saw three men fall under a withering hail of enemy machine gun fire, he unhesitatingly attempted to make his way to help the men but was turned back by the intense fire. A tank crew, seeing the situation, laid down counter fire on the enemy emplacements, and, under the protection of the fire, Corporal Schoepflin made his way to the wounded men. He administered first aid, and supervised their evacuation to a position of safety. Through his outstanding courage, professional skill, and unwavering devotion to duty, Corporal Schoepflin saved the lives of three of his comrades. Entered military service from Endicott, Washington.

Clement D. Snyder, 33 908 642, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27-28 February 1945 near Wincen, France. While serving as lead scout on a night combat patrol, Private Snyder discovered enemy troops armed with automatic weapons lying in ambush. Directly notifying his platoon leader of the enemy's disposition, he opened fire on the enemy from a forward position, enabling the patrol to deploy under his covering fire. Private Snyder's alertness and heroic actions saved the patrol from being surprised and suffering severe losses. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

Johnnie W. Stone Sr, 34 947 490, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 22 April 1945 near Gunzenhausen, Germany. When the battalion motor convoy was held up by sniper fire and an artillery concentration, Private Stone and another man courageously exposed themselves to the fire in order to obtain a heavy machine gun from their vehicle. Obtaining the weapon, they returned to the cover of a house and eliminated the sniper whose fire was holding up the movement. Due to Private Stone's heroic action the convoy entered the town without casualties upon the cessation of the artillery fire. Entered military service from Hiramsville, Georgia.

George E. Thompson, 36 979 248, Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945 at Wurzburg, Germany. When an enemy strong point seventy five yards from his position was holding up the British advance in Wurzburg, Sergeant Thompson advanced through the debris-filled streets to a position from which he delivered a heavy volume of fire on the installation with his rifle, completely silencing the enemy fire. He then directed his fire at enemy snipers, killing one and silencing the fire of several others. Sergeant Thompson's courage and fearless action played a major role in the successful attack on the city. Entered military service from Holt, Michigan.

Frank Tripoli, 37 411 362, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945 in Wurzburg, Germany. During the advance through Wurzburg, Private Tripoli noticed three members of his rifle squad trapped by the fire of an enemy sniper, who was in an advantageous position high in a nearby building. He unhesitatingly exposed himself to the sniper's fire to maneuver into a position from which he could direct fire on the enemy position. He succeeded in placing accurate fire on the sniper's position enabling his comrades to escape out of harm and thereafter was successful in killing the enemy rifleman. Private Tripoli's courageous and skillful action undoubtedly saved the lives of the three soldiers. Entered military service from San Diego, California.

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James C. Turner, 31 380 313, First Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945 near Scheldt, Germany. Upon receiving word that the advance elements of his company were badly in need of ammunition, Sergeant Turner took command of the company's ammunition vehicles and led them forward. Upon reaching a designated road junction, he learned that the enemy forces had not yet reached this point. Firing by snipers, he led his two truck drivers to reach their position and engaged two of the enemy. When it became clear that his men, Sergeant Turner gained much information of enemy positions which was invaluable to the company in determining its further successful advance through this sector. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

III. AWARD OF THE FIRST CLASS LEAF SERVICE TO THE NIOUZE S&A MEDAL:—...by direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 28 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Edward E. Crowley, 6 544 794, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Stratton, France. When the ammunition had been left behind during a withdrawal from Stratton, France, Sergeant Crowley volunteered to accompany a party organized to find the missing men. Learning from a rifleman the location of the aversion, he crossed an open field under heavy sniper fire in order to locate their exact position. Sergeant Crowley then returned to friendly lines where he secured a jeep and a medical aid man, who assisted him in the treatment and evacuation of the two wounded men. By his extreme courage and devotion to duty, Sergeant Crowley was directly responsible for saving the two men from possible death or capture. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Thelma Lurch, 38 108 876, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 February 1945 near Willenuth, France. On 24 February 1945, near Willenuth, France, Private Lurch was a private in an automatic rifle platoon in a patrol which made a surprise attack on the enemy machine guns. When one of the members of the patrol was wounded and fell across another man's automatic rifle putting it momentarily out of action, Private Lurch immediately opened effective fire from his own automatic rifle, covering the wounded man and killing one of the enemy. Under cover of his fire, which was generally aimed at the enemy machine gun fire, the wounded man was evacuated. When the man returned to the platoon he put his gun back into action. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Alvin M. Gillispie, 16 300 430, Hospital Steward, Medical Department, 1st Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Division, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945 near Lichterbach, Germany. Upon learning that a wounded man lay for days on the ground, Corporal Gillispie obtained a first aid kit from the spot, which was heavily mined. With utter disregard for his personal safety, he advanced alone about one hundred and fifty yards through the mined area, administered first aid to the wounded man and carried him to safety. Corporal

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Gillispie's courageous devotion to duty saved the injured men from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Fraziers Bottoms, West Virginia.

Harold E. Julian, 25 694 265, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Central Postal Directory, was killed in action on 5 January 1945 near Grudshain, France. While Private Julian was advancing across an open field with his light machine gun squad, they were suddenly met by an intense hail of enemy machine gun fire. One of the riflemen was seriously wounded, and, due to the heavy fire, it was impossible for aid men to reach his assistance. Private Julian then immediately took his squad into an exposed position, and placed accurate fire on the enemy, completely silencing their fire. Private Julian's courageous and selfless determination enabled aid men to reach the wounded man in time to save his life. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL COLLINS:

EDWIN RUSTENBERG,  
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NUMBER 212)

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:

William P. Fitzgerald, 33 632 157, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945 at Neuberg, France. During the period of combat in France, Private Fitzgerald performed his duties as ammunition bearer in a heavy machine gun squad in a superior manner. He was in action against the enemy at Strassburg, Keffenoch, and Neuberg, France. At Neuberg, France, he held his position when other elements of the line were forced to withdraw and continued to fire his machine gun after the other members of the squad had been wounded. When the machine gun which he was operating failed to fire, he was mortally wounded by advancing enemy troops. Private Fitzgerald's conduct under fire was admirable and deserving of awarding. His service was a credit to his company and the men with whom he served. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Ethie Fitzgerald, (Mother), 1704 A Street, Portsmouth, Virginia. Entered military service from Portsmouth, Virginia.

Anthony Injayan, 32 641 5-5, Private, Infantry, Company C, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 March 1945 near Wildenguth, France. When the combat patrol in which he was a rifleman came under heavy machine gun and mortar fire, Private Injayan volunteered to cover the withdrawal of the patrol. He opened fire, inflicted many casualties and successfully pinned down the enemy. While he was exposing himself in order to place fire on the enemy emplacements, he was mortally wounded. Through his outstanding courage and aggressiveness, Private Injayan made it possible for the patrol to withdraw with a minimum of casualties. Nearest relative: Mrs. Rose Injayan, 730 E. 178th St., Bronx 57, New York. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

Otis G. Milam Jr., 12 068 875, Corporal, Infantry, Anti-tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 9 January 1945, near Hatten, France. When he was temporarily blinded by the flash of a nearby enemy shell burst while serving as gunner of a 57mm anti-tank gun, Corporal Milam realized he could not fire the gun accurately. He turned the firing of the gun over to his platoon sergeant and left the shelter of the gun pit to pass ammunition to the gun. A shell from an enemy tank then mortally wounded Corporal Milam. His heroic action, though temporarily incapacitated, was a major factor in repulsing the enemy attack. Nearest Relative: Mrs. Emily C. Milam (Mother), 812 West North Street, Kilgore, Texas. Entered military service from Kilgore, 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 the following:

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James W. Aschenbrenner, 37 772,004, Private First Class, Infantry, Hq Company, Third Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement on 18 March 1945, at Schonau, Germany. When an enemy shell made a direct hit on a Recon Platoon command post, wounding five men, Private Aschenbrenner, disregarding the continuous hostile shelling, made his way into the wreckage to aid the wounded men. With the help of two comrades, he brought out the casualties and evacuated them to the battalion aid station while continually under heavy artillery fire. Through his outstanding courage and unswerving devotion to duty, Private Aschenbrenner saved the lives of five wounded comrades. Entered military service from Louis. Minnesota.

Ferneth B. Clark, 36 969 499, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945 near Sessenheim, France. During the fierce enemy attack near Sessenheim, Private Clark volunteered to drive his vehicle through an intense artillery and mortar barrage to secure ammunition for his mortar platoon. He made repeated trips through the deadly fire, never faltering in his task throughout the entire action. By his courageous action and initiative, Private Clark enabled his platoon to continue firing, inflicting many casualties on the attacking enemy forces. Entered military service from Medora, Illinois.

Max H. Collins, 36 982 045, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 17 January 1945, near Sessenheim, France. During the enemy attack on Sessenheim, Private Collins' squad was running critically low on ammunition. With utter disregard for his personal safety, he left his position of cover in the face of intense machine gun and sniper fire and crept and crawled several hundred yards to the ammunition supply point. He then returned over the same hazardous route, dodging enemy patrols, with a heavy load of ammunition. Private Collins' outstanding courage under fire played a major role in the successful defense of the sector against fanatical enemy counterattacks. Entered military service from Flint, Michigan.

Alex Dorame, 39 360 775, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 3 April 1945, at Luderbach, Germany. When the rifle company to which he was attached was engaged in taking the town, it sustained numerous casualties from heavy enemy mortar, automatic weapons and panzerfaust fire. Private Dorame was the only medic aid man who was uninjured. Despite the enemy fire, he exposed himself throughout the action to move wounded to safety and administer first aid. Private Dorame's heroic actions saved the lives of at least ten men. Entered military service from Globe, Arizona.

Jack T. Douglas, 39 567 830, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 April 1945 at Dockingen, Germany. Private Douglas' company was leading the left flank in the attack on Dockingen when they were surprised and momentarily halted by enemy machine gun fire from three directions. With complete disregard for his own safety, Private Douglas charged forward, knocking out one of the gun emplacements with his automatic rifle and hand grenades. His courageous action and selfless determination not only helped to quickly disperse the enemy, but also served to urge his squad forward until they had secured positions on the far side of town. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

Herald Dunn, 38 696 194, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 9 January 1945, at Fatten, France. Although a guard informed him that the enemy was in Fatten, and the road under intense machine gun fire, Private Dunn ordered the driver to proceed with a load of needed ammunition. Because of poor visibility, he dismounted and guided the vehicle on foot, thereby becoming a



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treat for sniper and machine gun fire himself. Private Dunn halted the truck at the edge of the town and proceeded under artillery fire to locate the ammunition supply point. He returned through the enemy fire and brought the truck to the point where enemy ammunition bearers could obtain the ammunition. Private Dunn's heroic act enabled the unit to repulse enemy assaults and set up a stronger defense. Entered military service from Spiro, Oklahoma.

Elmer F. Ile, 38 890 139, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 11 April 1945, near Dittelsbrun, Germany. Attacking an enemy position in the face of heavy small arms and automatic fire, Private Ile, automatic rifleman, exposed himself to provide accurate covering fire for the maneuvering elements of his squad. When the weapon of the other automatic rifleman failed to fire, he boldly covered him until the gun was put in action again. By his courage and accurate and aggressive fire, Private Ile contributed materially to the success of his squad. Entered military service from Hovell Station, Maryland.

Willard Keys, 38 833 343, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Neustadt, France. During the advance into Neustadt, Private Keys went alone to the right flank of his platoon to investigate what he thought was the movement of enemy traps. He encountered four enemy SS armed with machine pistols and rifles. Before the enemy could fire, he opened fire with his automatic rifle, killing all of the hostile troops. Private Keys' alertness and courage undoubtedly saved his platoon from suffering many casualties from the infiltrating force. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

Charles Landry Jr., 38 856 427, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 March 1945 near Fischback, Germany. When his platoon came under machine gun fire while crossing a bridge near Fischback, Germany, Private Landry boldly advanced in the direction of the fire. Firing from the assault position, he attacked the hostile position to find that the enemy had hastily abandoned the emplacement. Through his daring and aggressive action, Private Landry helped to eliminate a serious obstacle in the route of the battalion advance. Entered military service from Franklin, Louisiana.

George A. LaPlante, 31 190 715, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 12 April 1945, near Dannewerth, Germany. When the company to which he was assigned was immobilized by enemy mortar and automatic weapons fire, Private LaPlante noticed that one man was wounded. Utterly disregarding his own safety he voluntarily exposed himself to enemy fire and observation, crossing 500 yards of open terrain to reach the injured man. After administering first aid, Private LaPlante evacuated him to safety. His heroic action saved the life of the wounded soldier. Entered military service from Waterbury, Connecticut.

Earl A. Loverkamp, 30 765 883, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945 at Gamsheim, France. During a determined enemy attack on Gamsheim, Sergeant Loverkamp, while under intense artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire, directed close-range mortar fire on the oncoming enemy forces. When the enemy had completely overrun our forces in the town, he led his men in a successful withdrawal across three hundred yards of open terrain without a casualty. Sergeant Loverkamp's outstanding courage and exceptional leadership contributed materially to eventually successful defense of the sector. Entered military service from Metropolis, Illinois.

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Donald G. McCracken, 16 177 499, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry, Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 15 March 1945, near Reipertswiller, France. During the attack on Hill 301 near Reipertswiller, the rifle platoon to which Private McCracken was attached as aid man was receiving intense mortar, machine gun, and rifle fire that caused numerous casualties. Private McCracken ran out under the increasingly intense fire and began to render first aid to the more seriously wounded. While giving first aid, he was wounded himself in the thigh by mortar fragments, but he continued to work despite his pain. He refused evacuation until all other casualties had been removed from the battle field. Private McCracken's outstanding courage and selfless determination undoubtedly saved the lives of many of his wounded comrades. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Chester L. McGuire, 37 254 250, Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 26 February 1945, near Wingen, France. While on a scout patrol which encountered fierce enemy resistance, Sergeant McGuire noticed that a machine gun in his squad had been disabled by enemy fire. Realizing the need for its fire power, he exposed himself to intense enemy fire in dashing across open terrain to repair the gun. After it was repaired Sergeant McGuire cradled it in his arms and stood up and sprayed the enemy positions. He covered the patrol's withdrawal and then safely withdrew himself without protective fire. Sergeant McGuire's heroic actions saved his squad from serious casualties or capture by the enemy. Entered military service from Garden City, Kansas.

Edmund J. Maquin, 38 428 167, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5-6 January 1945 at Kilstett France. During the fierce fighting to halt a determined enemy attack on Kilstett Sergeant Maquin assumed command of a heavy machine gun platoon when his platoon leader and platoon sergeant had become casualties. Upon learning that a rifle company of reinforcements was heading into the enemy lines, he left his position of cover, and fearlessly moved across 1,000 yards of open terrain under intense fire to contact the rifle company and guide them back to our lines. Sergeant Maquin's indomitable courage and initiative saved vital reinforcements from almost certain annihilation. Entered military service from Alexandria, Louisiana.

Walter E. Neal, 35 839 390, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 11 April 1945, near Dittelbrun, Germany. As Squad Leader of a squad attacking an enemy machine gun position Private Neal displayed outstanding courage and leadership. By his deployment of his squad and personal supervision in the face of heavy fire, the enemy position was overrun. Private Neal's skillful leadership made an effective contribution to the combat success of his squad. Entered military service from New Castle, Indiana.

John C. Polke, 33 687 356, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company L, 22d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945, at Schenau, Germany. When an enemy shell severely wounded one of his comrades, Private Polke, disregarding the intense artillery concentration, made a litter from a blanket, and with the aid of another man, carried the casualty to medical aid station. Returning from the aid station, he learned that a Ranger Platoon Command Post had suffered a direct hit from the enemy shelling, wounding 12 men. As there were no medical aid men available, he obtained a stretcher, and with the help of two comrades, evacuated the casualties to the battalion aid station while continually under heavy enemy artillery fire. Through his outstanding courage and unswerving devotion to duty, Private Polke saved the lives of six wounded comrades. Entered military service from Fort Arthur, Texas.

Frank E. Reed, 35 079 908, Corporal, (then Private First Class), Cavalry, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945 near Schwehenreid, Germany. When a patrol Private Reed was covering with his machine gun was fired upon while entering Schwehenreid, he moved his jeep to a position from which effective fire could be brought to bear upon the enemy. Although partially dazed by exploding panzerfausts, he continued to lay down accurate fire, killing and wounding a number of the enemy. Private Reed's extreme courage and skill under fire enabled the patrol to withdraw without serious casualties. Entered military service from Delaware, Ohio.

Luis V. Saucedo, 38 411 622, Private, Medical Department, Medical Detachment 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 21 March 1945, at Schonau, Germany. As Company A was moving through Schonau, they were suddenly subjected to intense enemy artillery fire that left one man seriously wounded in an open area. Private Saucedo unhesitatingly ran to his aid, gave him medical attention, and returned litter bearers. Seeing another man struck by the enemy fire, he fearlessly crept the intense fire to treat this soldier also. He shielded the wounded man with his own body until the litter bearers returned to carry him to safety. Private Saucedo's outstanding courage and devotion to his comrades undoubtedly saved the two men's lives. Entered military service from Campo, Texas.

James W. Solan, 33 793 766, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9-10 January 1945, at Hatten, France. As a member of the battalion command post guard, Private Solan remained on duty throughout the day of 9 January and played a major part in repulsing several enemy attempts to capture the building. When the building adjacent to the command post was set afire that night, Private Solan, on his own initiative made a reconnaissance and found a new location. After notifying the battalion staff of this location, he assisted in posting sentries at all exposed exits. The next day, when portions of the building were destroyed by direct fire from enemy self-propelled guns, Private Solan remained at an exposed post to prevent enemy infiltration. His heroic actions and initiative were a great aid in maintaining the defense of the area. Entered military service from Brexel Hill, Pennsylvania.

Harold R. Steadman, 38 404 405, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945 near Kilstett, France. During the action at Kilstett, Sergeant Steadman voluntarily went forward to act as observer for his mortar section. While laying wire to his observation post, he was suddenly exposed to a concentration of artillery and mortar fire, but he continued forward alone and established his observation post. Many times his communications were severed by enemy fire, but he unhesitatingly went out each time to repair the wire. Sergeant Steadman's courageous actions throughout the entire engagement enabled his mortar section to place vitally needed fire on the attacking enemy forces. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Poloh E. Tomich, 35 587 992, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 17 April 1945, near Schweinfurt, Germany. When his company was immobilized by intense enemy automatic weapons during a reorganization, Private Tomich noticed an enemy soldier preparing to fire a panzerfaust at friendly tanks that were approaching. Not wanting to disclose our positions by firing his rifle, Private Tomich crawled to the enemy and quietly killed him with a trench knife. His heroic action undoubtedly saved the tanks and their crews from destruction. Entered military service from Portberton, Ohio.

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Edward J. Tomney, 33 699 293, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945 near Berbach, Germany. When the Intelligence and Reconnaissance platoon on patrol was ambushed from three sides, Private Tomney, disregarding his own safety turned his jeep around and drove back 400 yards, picking up members of the platoon on the way. He then took up a defensive position on the unit's vulnerable left flank and laid down covering fire that permitted the other members of the platoon, immobilized by the enemy fire, to withdraw. Private Tomney held his position until reinforcements arrived. By his heroic action he saved the lives of many of his comrades. Entered military service from Brentwood, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

ANTHONY V. TUCCILLO, O 529 341, Second Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, Company B, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945 near Buchhagen, Germany. While on an engineer reconnaissance with three enlisted men, Lieutenant Tuccillo encountered a strong enemy defensive position. Although the area was covered by intense small arms and artillery fire, he moved forward aggressively, reached the position, and called upon the enemy soldiers to surrender. Taken by complete surprise, the Germans dropped their weapons and capitulated. He then directed the collection of 45 additional prisoners and supervised their evacuation to the rear. By his great daring and aggressiveness, Lieutenant Tuccillo played a major role in the capture of numerous prisoners and in the elimination of a strong enemy position. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

GEORGE T. VAN ALLEN, O1 118 302, Second Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, Company I, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 May 1945 in Dachau, Germany. Lieutenant Van Allen was given the mission of constructing a bridge across the river running through Dachau. Time was short and the situation required a bridge that could carry heavy tanks, but work had scarcely begun when enemy artillery started to fall in the vicinity. When his men became disorganized and scattered for cover, Lieutenant Van Allen, without regard for his personal safety, walked boldly out upon the bridge and rallied his men to their task. His courageous action so inspired the men, that they remained on the job throughout the entire barrage and completed the bridge in record time. Entered military service from New Market, New Jersey.

Charles A. Wiley, 18 106 777, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945 near Schweinfurt, Germany. During the attack on the high ground north of Schweinfurt, Sergeant Wiley constantly exposed himself to direct enemy machine gun and rifle fire to lead his mortar section into positions from which they could adjust close supporting mortar fire. When enemy machine guns opened fire on his observation post, he unhesitatingly crawled under the heavy fire to another position, from which he continued to direct and adjust the fire of his mortars. Sergeant Wiley's aggressive action and accurate firing instructions enabled his company to continue their advance toward the city with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Walsh, Colorado.

Prince S. Woodmansee, 31 458 457, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 22 April 1945 near Gunsenhausen, Germany. While on a combat patrol which successfully accomplished its mission of capturing a strategically important bridge, Private Woodmansee assumed responsibility for guarding the bridge. When an enemy patrol approached the bridge in attempt to destroy it, Private Woodmansee placed his men under cover, went forward alone, killed an enemy soldier and caused the rest to withdraw. Several other enemy attempts against the bridge were also frustrated by

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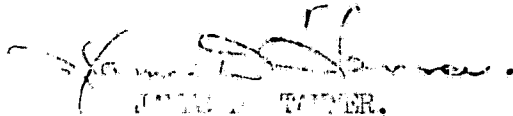
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the alertness of Private Woodmansee. His initiative and courageous leadership preserved the bridge intact, facilitating the Regiment's advance. Entered military service from Calcutt, Maine.

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7. 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:

Graydon E. Waters, 3d 27 237, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 January 1945 at Hatten, France. When his battalion's main line of resistance had been overrun by tank throwing tanks supported by artillery, Sergeant Waters held his squad in position and directed a gallant defense in the face of violent tank fire from the enemy tanks. Climbing up to a dangerously exposed position in the tower of a millbox, Sergeant Waters adjusted friendly artillery fire which put four enemy tanks out of action and, as the crews attempted to escape, he coolly picked them off with his sniper's rifle. Sergeant Waters remained in this exposed position encouraging the defenders by his splendid example until he was mortally wounded by an artillery burst. His outstanding courage, initiative and self-sacrifice played a major role in the successful defense of Hatten for which his battalion received a Presidential Citation. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Carl Waters (Mother), Black River, New York. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

11. 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:

WILLIAM G. MUELLER, O 439 842, Captain, Infantry, Company "B", 22d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 3 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. After crossing the Main River in assault boats, Captain Mueller was leading his company as the point of the battalion advance through the streets of Wurzburg when the enemy launched a heavy counter attack to regain the bridgehead. Although wounded by the intense German fire, he repeatedly exposed himself to direct the defense of our foothold on the east bank until the counter attack was contained. He then crawled fifty yards leading his men to silence a machine gun that was strutting the street and killed seven of its crew. By his cool head and personal gallantry under heavy fire, Captain Mueller was responsible for successfully maintaining the bridgehead during the critical period of the attack. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

Felix H. Rosser, 3d 479 202, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 22d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 25 April 1945 near Donauworth, Germany. Although seriously wounded by machine fire during the battle for Donauworth, Private Rosser refused medical attention and insisted on evacuating two wounded men in his jeep. Suffering intense pain and having the use of only one arm, he drove his vehicle 20 miles over rough terrain, delivering the wounded men to the hospital. Through his unswerving devotion to duty, Private

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Rosser was responsible for saving the lives of two wounded comrades. Entered military service from Mineral Wells, Texas.

Edmund C. Sheppard, 39 707 093, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "K", 222d Infantry Regiment for gallantry in action on 23 January 1945 near Schwilighausen, France. When a patrol on the outpost line of resistance was forced to withdraw from its position, one of the squad leaders was severely wounded. When his absence was discovered in checking for casualties, the missing man was seen lying in the snow about 300 yards from our lines and in full observation of the enemy. Calling for covering fire, Private Sheppard made his way to the wounded man, approaching within 150 yards of enemy positions. He administered first aid and brought the man to cover, disregarding intense heavy machine gun and small arms fire from the enemy. By his outstanding courage and devotion to duty Private Sheppard saved the life of a wounded comrade. Entered military service from Beverly Hills, California.

AWARDED 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:

Jules W. Bishney, 33 600 173, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 March 1945, near Althorn, France. When his combat patrol approached a suspected mine field, Sergeant Bishney dispersed his platoon and moved forward to reconnoiter the area. While trying to find a path through the mine field, he stepped on a concealed Schu mine and was severely wounded. The enemy immediately covered the area with a hail of fire, and although several members of the patrol ran forward to aid him, Sergeant Bishney ordered them to return to the patrol. He then managed to return to his men, and, although painfully wounded, led them in a successful withdrawal to our lines. Through his indomitable courage and selfless determination, Sergeant Bishney enabled the patrol to make a successful withdrawal with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Allentown, Pennsylvania.

WILFRED H. KENDALL, 02 206 203, 2d Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry Cannon Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945 at Bittershofen, France. When several of his men were under fire from enemy tanks and small arms, Sergeant Kendall led them safely to cover. Discovering that a vehicle containing valuable records was still under fire, he returned to the area and recovered it. He then drove to a small knoll and picked up two men and brought them to safety despite the continued enemy artillery and small arms fire and a strafing attack from an enemy plane. Sergeant Kendall's heroic action preserved vital documents from destruction or capture by the enemy and saved the men from possible death or injury. Entered military service from Washington, District of Columbia.

Herbert J. Madden, 32 725 604, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Company "C", 672d Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 27 February 1945 near Sindorf, Germany. When two infantrymen advancing with his platoon were seriously wounded in a mine field, Sergeant Madden dismounted from his tank destroyer and went unhesitatingly to their aid. Although the field was covered by machine gun and small arms fire and strewn with anti-personnel mines, he removed the men from danger and administered first aid. Sergeant Madden's extreme courage and unselfish devotion to duty undoubtedly saved the lives of the two men. Entered military service from Queens Village, New York.

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Richard L. Rider, 19 139 284, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 January 1945, near Hubers, France. Due to the rapid advance of the enemy, our engineers were unable to complete a defensive minefield in front of our positions along the Feder River. As contact with the enemy was imminent, volunteers were called for to assist in laying the field. Private Rider unhesitatingly volunteered for the task and moved out in front of our lines into open terrain. Before he could complete his mission, he was observed by the enemy and subjected to an intense concentration of small arms and mortar fire. Despite the deadly enemy fire, he remained at his post until the mine field was completed. Through his technical skill and selfless determination, Private Rider made an effective contribution to the defeat of a frontal attack in an attempt to recapture the town. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

Ernest C. Stoner, 34 525 263, Private First Class, Corps of Military Police, 4th Infantry Division, Military Police Platoon, for heroic achievement in action on 2 April 1945 at Vaitshachin, Germany. Learning that the enemy garrison of this town was apparently willing to capitulate, Private Stoner volunteered to accompany an officer and three other men to effect the surrender of the town. Ordered to remain as get-away men on the near bank of the Main River in a town as yet unoccupied by our forces, he disarmed and captured two large groups of enemy soldiers advancing across the river from the North. Private Stoner's courageous utter disregard for his personal safety contributed materially to the successful capture of the town together with its garrison of 129 fully armed Germans without a shot being fired. Entered military service from Statesville, Tennessee.

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

MONUMENT C. EVERTT, 01 138 511, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery 1, 4th Field Artillery Battalion, 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Sherman, Texas.

WILLIAM W. FROST JR., 02 226 224, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, 19 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

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

DAVID P. WESTON, 0 391 033, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters 232d Infantry Regiment, from 14 January 1945 to 2 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Stillwater, Oklahoma.

BY THE ORDER OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, of 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:

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FURNS RECALL, OI2 598, Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters 242d Infantry Regiment, from 29 April 1945 to 9 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Richmond, Virginia.

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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 the following:

✓ Robert J. Erdman, 39 855 418, Corporal, Field Artillery, Company B, 69th Tank Destroyer Battalion for gallantry in action on 19 April 1945 at Stein, Germany. As a platoon of tank destroyers was leading the infantry advance upon Stein, stiff resistance from enemy fire was encountered. Disregarding his own safety, Corporal Erdman voluntarily entered the town in his leading tank destroyer without support from the infantry or other armor. The sudden entry of this vehicle disrupted the enemy defenses, but the vehicle was hit by an enemy panzerfaust and Corporal Erdman was mortally wounded. His gallant action enabled the troops following him to penetrate the defenses of Stein with a minimum of casualties. Name and address of nearest relative: Mr. William T. Erdman, Box 6, Parker, Arizona. Entered military service from Yuma, Arizona.

✓ LOUIS F. NICHOLS, 01 69 491, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Company B, 492d Tank Destroyer Battalion for gallantry in action on 19 April 1945 at Stein, Germany. As a platoon of tank destroyers was leading the infantry advance upon Stein, stiff enemy resistance was encountered. Disregarding his own safety, Lieutenant Nichols voluntarily entered the town in his leading tank destroyer without support from infantry or other armor. The sudden entry of this vehicle disrupted the enemy defenses, but the vehicle was hit by an enemy panzerfaust and Lieutenant Nichols was mortally wounded. His gallant action enabled the troops following him to penetrate the defenses of Stein with a minimum of casualties. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Janet M. Nichols, 196 Spring Hill, Portage, Pennsylvania. Entered military service from Johnston, Pennsylvania.

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:

✓ Joseph P. Marychek, 31 125 413, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department Medical Detachment, 23d Infantry Regiment for gallantry in action on 8 April 1945 near Buchold, Germany. Leaving the wounded men lying unattended in an open field under heavy enemy fire, Sergeant Marychek left his squad in a covered position and advanced through the line of fire, alone administering first aid to the wounded in the face of the extremely heavy fire he returned and led his squad into the field and supervised the evacuation of his wounded comrades. Sergeant Marychek's extreme courage and gallant heroic fire saved the lives of the seriously injured men. Entered military service from Fort Devens, Massachusetts.

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113. 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:

✓ Charles E. Allen, 33 013 108, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery B, 402d Field Artillery Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945 near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. As forward artillery observer, Sergeant Allen performed his duties with extreme courage and resourcefulness during an attack on Luderswinkel. Without regard for his personal safety, he advanced to an exposed position and courageously directed artillery fire on the enemy, silencing heavy machine gun and mortar fire. Sergeant Allen's skill and courage enabled the infantry to successfully advance and overrun the enemy positions. Entered military service from Livingston, New Mexico.

✓ Earl Ansel, 35 087 064, Private, Infantry, Company I, 22d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action, on 21 March 1945, near Fischbach, Germany. When his platoon came under machine gun fire on a bridge near Fischbach, Germany, Private Ansel boldly advanced in the direction of the fire. Firing his automatic rifle as he advanced, he drove the enemy from the position. Through his daring and aggressive action, Private Ansel helped to eliminate a serious obstacle in the route of the battalion advance. Entered military service from Xenoville, Ohio.

✓ Louis Parsley, 42 035 457, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Third Battalion, 13d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 19-20 April 1945 near Frittelbach, Germany. During the attack on a hill near Krettenbach, Sergeant Parsley's group of Rainbow Rangers were forced to take cover when about twenty of the enemy attacked them with intense machine gun and rifle fire. When they reassembled to determine a plan of resistance, four men were missing. While searching the woods for the missing men, the enemy fire became more intense and one man was wounded. Sergeant Parsley and another soldier volunteered to go forward and carry the wounded man to safety and medical attention. After accomplishing this under increasing enemy fire, he went to the rear to secure help from tank destroyers. Sergeant Parsley's courageous action saved the wounded man's life and enabled the Tank Destroyers to quickly neutralize the enemy positions. Entered military service from Jackson Heights, New York.

✓ Everett L. Beerline, 35 839 113, Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company K, 742d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 January 1945 near Haguenau, France. When the communications line between the command post and observation post was broken during an enemy attack, Private Beerline and another soldier volunteered to repair it. Despite intense artillery and mortar fire and infiltrating enemy troops and even though his comrade was wounded, Private Beerline accomplished his mission. He then assisted the injured man to the command post for medical aid and, still under heavy fire, returned to his platoon in a forward position. Private Beerline's heroic actions restored vital communications at a critical time and obtained prompt medical aid for a severely wounded soldier. Entered military service from Lima, Ohio.

✓ Francis E. Fraw Jr., 35 757 708, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 24d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945 at Schreinfurt, Germany. During the attack on Schreinfurt a wire line was needed between the Battalion Command Post and the Battalion Company Commander who was at a forward position. Private Fraw and two other men volunteered for the mission though it required laying the wire across flat, open terrain under intense artillery, automatic weapons, and small arms fire. At one

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When laying the wire the men were caught in a crossfire from two enemy machine guns but they returned the fire, silenced the hostile weapons and completed the mission. Entered military service from Wilmington, Delaware.

✓ Richard F. Ciapl, 36 825 899, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945 near Schweinfurt, Germany. When a radio communication was impossible due to mechanical failures Private Ciapl carried messages to and from the company command post and forward position over fifty yards of open terrain under heavy machine gun and mortar fire. In complete disregard for his own safety, he continued to maintain communications for three hours, until enemy resistance was reduced. Private Ciapl's courageous actions were directly responsible for the efficient communication and sustained position of the troops and Company Commander. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

✓ Warren W. Clark, 35 170 252, Staff Sergeant, (then Corporal), Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 24 January 1945 near Neuhof, France. Seeing a wounded man lying sixty yards forward of the main line of resistance, Corporal Clark, disregarding the fire of an enemy attack, made his way to the wounded man and carried him to the cover of the nearest foxhole. While waiting for medical aid to arrive, he administered first aid and improvised a litter from blankets to expedite the evacuation. Through his outstanding courage, Corporal Clark saved the life of a wounded comrade. Entered military service from La Porte, Indiana.

✓ Richard E. Conley, 36 253 128, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 11 April 1945, at Schweinfurt, Germany. During the attack on Schweinfurt, a wire line was needed between the Battalion Command Post and the Battalion Commander who was at a forward position. Private Conley and two other men volunteered for the mission, though it required laying the wire across flat, open terrain under intense artillery, automatic weapons, and small arms fire. At one point in laying the wire the men were caught in a crossfire from two enemy machine guns, but they returned the fire, silenced the hostile weapons and completed the mission. Entered military service from Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

✓ Harold Conway, 35 742 265, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery B, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, on 26 April 1945, at Neuhof, Germany. When the infantry advance was held up by stiff opposition necessitating artillery support, Corporal Conway, disregarding his own safety, carried his heavy radio across six hundred yards of open field to the forward observation vantage point. When another member of the party was wounded, Corporal Conway made the same trip for medical aid and returned to find his radio damaged by enemy shell fire. Once again he crossed and recrossed the field in obtaining another radio to complete the mission. Corporal Conway's heroic actions greatly facilitated the unit's advance. Entered military service from Clarksburg, West Virginia.

✓ Frank L. Daniels, 39 913 413, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 25 February 1945 near Reinartswiller, France. While on a reconnaissance patrol with two other men, Private Daniels and the other men were wounded by exploding mines. Despite his wounds, he assisted in administering first aid to the third man whose foot had been blown off. Then, with the patrol leader, Private Daniels returned to our lines and gave directions to the location of the seriously wounded man. By his extreme courage and disregard for himself, Private Daniels saved the injured man from possible death. Entered military service from Toole, Utah.

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✓ Elmer W Dozier, 36 230 122, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 March 1945 near Wildengrath, France. When the patrol in which he was squad leader came under heavy small-arms and machine gun fire, Sergeant Dozier, disregarding the enemy fire, deployed his men and directed their fire on the enemy. Seeing a wounded man lying a short distance away, he attempted to make his way to him, but grazing fire from machine guns and snipers drove him back. He made a second attempt, but the intensity of the fire again forced him to seek cover. The patrol was then ordered to withdraw, and he covered his squad's return to friendly lines. Sergeant Dozier's outstanding courage and cool conduct in the face of the enemy was an example to his men. Through his leadership and control his squad was able to make a successful withdrawal with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Sheridan, Illinois.

✓ Robert W. Drake, 38 060 258, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 April 1945 near Trendle, Germany. On the way from regimental headquarters to battalion with an important message, Private Drake and another soldier had to use unfamiliar roads through territory not entirely cleared of enemy. Noticing suspicious movement near a large house, they decided to investigate it. While going so they were fired on, but returned the fire so effectively that one enemy was killed, two were wounded and four surrendered, only one man escaping. Private Drake and his comrade then completed their mission delivering the message. Entered military service from Pecos, Texas.

✓ Allen J. Duncan, 32 275 950, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company 3d Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 February 1945 near Reipartswiller, France. While on a reconnaissance patrol with two other men, Sergeant Duncan and the other men were wounded by exploding mines. Despite his wounds, he assisted in administering first aid to the third man whose foot had been blown off. Then, with the patrol leader, Sergeant Duncan returned to our lines and gave directions to the location of the seriously wounded man. By his extreme courage and disregard for himself, Sergeant Duncan saved the injured man from possible death. Entered military service from Paterson, New Jersey.

✓ Dean D. Duncan, 37 208 920, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 April 1945 near Trendle, Germany. On the way from regimental headquarters to battalion with an important message, Private Duncan and another soldier had to use unfamiliar roads through territory not entirely cleared of enemy. Noticing suspicious movement near a large house they decided to investigate it. While going so they were fired on but returned the fire so effectively that one enemy was killed, two were wounded and four surrendered. Only one man escaped. Private Duncan and his partner then completed their mission. Entered military service from Clivet, Kansas.

✓ Orval D. Erady, 39 620 873, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 January 1945 near Sessenheim, France. As squad leader of a light machine gun squad, Private Erady performed his duty under fire with exceptional bravery and leadership. Directing his gunner to fire the final protective line, he exposed himself to intense artillery, mortar and machine gun fire to cover a gap in our lines. With

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hand grenades and rifle fire, Private Freedy wounded and killed seven of the enemy and covered the withdrawal of his men until all had reached cover. By his aggressiveness and courage, Private Freedy, although wounded, retained control of his squad and enabled it to make a safe withdrawal. Entered military service from Butte, Montana.

✓ Charles E. Furbush, 31 208 615, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945 near Kalltenhaus, France. When vital wires were cut by enemy shells, Private Furbush and another man volunteered to repair the break. As they were going through the woods toward Kalltenhaus under heavy artillery, mortar and sniper fire, his comrade was severely wounded by a shell fragment. Private Furbush continued on alone and repaired the break. Returning to aid the wounded man he discovered he had been killed by an enemy sniper. Private Furbush's heroic action had reestablished important communications despite extreme obstacles and enemy fire. Entered military service from Beverly, Massachusetts.

✓ Oliver P. Gantt, 34 917 369, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 near Furth, Germany. When the platoon which he was supporting with heavy machine gun fire was held up, Private Gantt, disregarding intense machine gun and mortar fire went into action from an exposed position in order to bring effective fire on the enemy placements. His fire was so heavy and accurate that the enemy guns were neutralized and the platoon was enabled to continue its advance. Through his outstanding courage and skill, Private Gantt knocked out a machine gun, killed three enemy and wounded two others. Entered military service from Andalusia, Alabama.

✓ Donald Gargano, 42 030 124, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945 near Kiltett, France. Although suffering from serious wounds from shell fragments, Private Gargano remained at his mortar and continued to fire for four hours without medical treatment during a determined enemy attack. By his heroic actions under fire, Private Gargano made possible the laying of essential supporting fire on the enemy positions, and assisted materially in halting the enemy attack. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

✓ Edward G. Gravelin, 31 380 009, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 March 1945, near Fischbach, Germany. When the wire line from the observation post to the fire direction center was severed by enemy artillery fire, Sergeant Gravelin voluntarily left the protection of his foxhole and moved out under intense enemy artillery and mortar fire to make the necessary repairs. After repairing the wire he remained exposed to the heavy fire to maintain the line throughout the entire engagement. Sergeant Gravelin's courageous and aggressive action enabled vital mortar and artillery fire to be placed on the enemy positions. Entered military service from V Luntown, Connecticut.

✓ Warren E. Kuehn, 36 979 449, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 April 1945 near Gaeback, Germany. When the company in which he was squad leader encountered intense machine gun and small arms fire during the attack on Gaeback, Private Kuehn volunteered to lead a patrol to destroy the enemy outpost. Locating the fire as

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coming from a tower, he led the patrol to the position, and after killing two guards planted an explosive charge in the enemy installation. Through his outstanding courage and skill, Private Koehn played a major role in the destruction of an enemy observation post. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

✓ Joseph A. LaRombardi, 32 267 523, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945 near Sessenheim, France. Private LaRombardi, a platoon runner, successfully delivered messages to his platoon while under heavy mortar and artillery fire. Noticing that the enemy had infiltrated to the rear of his platoon, he advanced through the enemy lines and relayed his platoon to the newly-established enemy main line of resistance. Private LaRombardi's prompt action and aggressiveness saved his platoon from encirclement. Entered military service from Mount Vernon, New York.

✓ ROBERT F. MACNALLY, Second Lieutenant, (then Corporal), Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945 at Hatten, France. As a squad leader of a mine platoon, Corporal MacNally, under intense enemy mortar and sniper fire, directed the laying of a mine field to prevent further penetration by enemy armor and tank charges of covering fire over the field to prevent enemy removal of the obstacle. When two friendly tank destroyers approached the mine field Corporal MacNally voluntarily cleared a path for them and as he was replacing the mines he was fired on by an enemy tank. Dazed but uninjured, he directed fire on the hostile tanks. Corporal MacNally's courageous action halted enemy armored thrusts at our positions and his fire direction destroyed numerous enemy attempting to breach the mine field. Entered military service from Duluth, Minnesota.

✓ James R. Pettus, Jr, 37 617 936, Staff Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945 at Wurzburg, Germany. Private Pettus, an automatic rifleman, constantly exposed himself to enemy fire in order to destroy enemy sniper positions in Wurzburg. Entering a basement where three snipers were hiding, he courageously advanced and killed all of them before they could fire. Private Pettus' extreme courage and disregard for his safety were important factors in the successful completion of the day's engagement. Entered military service from Bonne Terre, Missouri.

✓ Howard R. Prest, 42 096 610, Private First Class, Infantry Headquarters First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 21 March 1945 near Fischbach, Germany. When the wire line from the observation post to the fire direction center was severed by enemy artillery fire, Private Prest voluntarily left the protection of his platoon and moved out under intense enemy artillery and mortar fire to make the necessary repairs. After repairing the wire he remained exposed to the heavy fire to maintain the line through out the entire engagement. Private Prest's courageous and aggressive action enabled vital mortar and artillery fire to be placed on the enemy positions. Entered military service from Albin, New York.

✓ Leonard Sandman, 31 452 734, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 24 January 1945, near Aubery, France. When information was received that one of the men of the company was lying wounded in a corn field under heavy fire from enemy artillery, Private Sandman volunteered to go to the man's aid. Leaving a mortar section, he drove his jeep to where the man lay and evacuated him to the aid station for medical care. During the following sixteen hours of fighting, he made two trips.

under intense artillery fire to the aid station with wounded men and administered first aid to many others. Through his actions, his courage and devotion to duty, Private Sandman was an example to the men of his company and saved the lives of many of his wounded comrades. Entered military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

✓Gilbert E. Schable, 35 640 014, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 April 1945 at Ouzonvieux, France. While entering Ouzonvieux to capture a strategically important bridge the combat patrol of which Private Schable was a member noticed an enemy soldier several hundred yards ahead. To preserve secrecy Private Schable and other soldiers advanced and silently captured him. When a force of six German men with several enemy dogs was observed, Private Schable went forward and captured a German machine gun but the gun crew escaped with the weapon. After seizing the bridge, Private Schable guarded it and twice during the night discouraged enemy attempts to retake it, killing two Germans. Entered military service from Lafayette, Indiana.

✓Robert W. Simon, 36 674 838, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters 3d Battalion, 237d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 5 January 1945, near Kilsbatt, France. While following a defile mine wire line, Private Simon and three wiremen were held up by sniper and mortar fire. Private Simon deliberately exposed himself to enemy fire, allowing the other men to escape and continue their mission. Private Simon's courage was directly responsible for the safe withdrawal of his comrades and the completion of his mission. Entered military service from Summit, Illinois.

✓Matthew G. Skisni, 35 114 116, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945 near Eueroditz, Germany. During a heavy enemy artillery bombardment, Corporal Skisni's ammunition truck was exposed to intense fire. Without regard for personal safety, he left his covered position and urged the vehicle to safety, despite shell fragments which riddled the truck in many places. His act of courage and devotion to duty saved the originally loaded ammunition and vehicle from destruction. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

✓Thomas W. Stafford, 38 672 479, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945 near Kilsbatt, France. As a member of a counterattacking element engaging a far superior German force, Private Stafford, ignoring heavy enemy small arms and automatic weapons fire, kept his submachine rifle in operation continuously, covered the other men of his unit and finally stopped the enemy fifty yards from his position. When his weapon was disabled, Private Stafford went to assist a seriously wounded comrade. Although under terrible machine gun and mortar fire, he administered first aid and encouraged the man, saving his life. Private Stafford's outstanding courage contributed materially to the capture of forty five of the enemy and the capturing of their machine gun. Entered military service from Abilene, Texas.

✓Donald L. Sudnik, 35 288 206, Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 2 April 1945 near Eueroditz, Germany. While committing the attack on the outskirts of Avenstain, Private Sudnik's patrol was fired upon by enemy in the town. He returned to the rear with his heavy machine gun and was successful in holding the enemy at bay. When fired upon from an enemy position on the rear, Private Sudnik's machine gun was disabled and accurate fire in the enemy direction was not possible. He kept up his fire until he was killed and a large number captured. By his courageous action and skill, Private Sudnik eliminated a dangerous threat to the advance of our forces. Entered military service from Freeport, Ohio.

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✓ **FREY D. WALTER**, 39 476 182, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 11 April 1945, near Frankenthal, Germany. Observing two SS troopers on guard outside a barn in Frankenthal, Private Walter captured and disarmed them. Upon interrogation they revealed that twenty more SS troops were in the area. Without hesitation, Private Walter led a patrol in an attack on the enemy, achieving his men so successfully that a large number were killed and the remainder captured. By his aggressive and courageous action Private Walter saved his company from a dangerous ambush. Entered military service from Pease, Washington.

✓ **David E. Wilson**, 37 707 484, Corporal, 1st Tank Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 4 April 1945 near Altonburg, France. When his jeep driver was hit by shell fragments during an artillery barrage, Corporal Wilson took the wheel and guided the vehicle off the road. He then carried the wounded man to safety and administered first aid, remaining with the wounded man throughout the concentration of artillery until he was evacuated. Corporal Wilson's courage and devotion to duty was responsible for saving the life of his fellow soldier. Entered military service from Lexington, Kentucky.

(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 achievement in action:

✓ **ERIC C. CUSTER**, O 247 445, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 7-12 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Monroe, Michigan.

IV. 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:

✓ **ARNOLD B. ALPERT**, O 401 905, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 March 1945 near Ocherslettenbach, Germany. Directed to go forward and establish a command post in the town of Ocherslettenbach, Captain Alpert discovered that the town had not yet been entered by our forward elements. Bluffing his way through the long lines of wounded left behind by the retreating enemy, he entered the town. Leading his two men, he succeeded in capturing 57 enemy soldiers and completely clearing the town before our attacking elements moved in. Captain Alpert's courage and courageous action played a major role in the rapid advance of his Battalion through this area. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

✓ **Ernest C. Hayward**, 37 750 242, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 6 April 1945, near Würzburg, Germany. During the attack of our forces on Würzburg, Private Hayward, driver for a heavy machine gun squad, received word that his platoon was engaged in a fire fight and was running low on ammunition. Without hesitation, he drove his vehicle loaded with ammunition across 100 yards of open terrain under intense machine gun and 88mm cannon fire. Private Hayward's courage and determination enabled his platoon to successfully cover the advance of the rifle troops. Entered military service from Corning, Iowa.

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George E. Heiner, 35 775 615, Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945 near Wurzburg, Germany. During the attack on Wurzburg, Sergeant Heiner was leading a heavy machine gun squad in support of an attacking rifle company when enemy 20 mm cannon and machine gun fire threatened to halt our advance. He moved his gun to an exposed position to bring fire on the enemy, and although he had no cover he effectively directed the fire of his gun while under enemy fire. Sergeant Heiner's courage and leadership contributed materially to the destruction of many enemy weapons and the enemy retreat in this sector. Entered military service from Huntington, West Virginia.

Ettilieb Kufeldt, 36 979 456, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 February 1945 near Wildenruth, France. On 24 February 1945, near Wildenruth, France, Private Kufeldt was member of a combat patrol which was advancing through enemy territory when a German soldier was captured. Through his excellent knowledge of the German language, Private Kufeldt was able to ascertain from the captured soldier the location of the enemy machine guns. This invaluable information enabled his patrol to effect complete surprise and knock out both guns, kill seven Germans, and capture two prisoners. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Francis J. Mitchell, 33 585 932, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 24 February 1945, near Wilsen, France. While leading a combat patrol against an enemy position, Sergeant Mitchell successfully moved his patrol into enemy territory, killing an undetermined number of Germans and capturing several others. On the withdrawal of the patrol, several men were far to the rear because of the difficult terrain. Realizing the danger to them, Sergeant Mitchell returned through a heavily mined area under enemy machine gun and small arms fire and took a position to protect the rear elements of the patrol until they had reached safety. His heroic actions were directly responsible for the safe withdrawal of the successful patrol. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Elmer L. Schwindt, 38 504 239, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery 4, 42d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945 near Geldersheim, Germany. When the platoon to which Private Schwindt was attached as an artillery forward observer entered a woods east of Geldersheim they were fired on by a force of about 50 enemy. After a sharp engagement, causing the enemy numerous casualties, one German was taken prisoner. Private Schwindt, who speaks German, voluntarily took the prisoner forward and called upon the other enemy to surrender. Though constantly exposing himself to the enemy fire, he continued his efforts and induced ten more Germans to capitulate. Private Schwindt's actions prevented further casualties to the unit and facilitated the advance. Entered military service from Okemune, Oklahoma.

Gene C. Simonsen, 39 293 611, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 4 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. When a rifleman was wounded seriously in the stomach, Corporal Simonsen led his litter bearers through intense sniper fire to carry the man to safety. It was essential that the wounded man be evacuated immediately, so he helped carry the injured man through the sniper-infested streets to the aid station on the opposite edge of town. Corporal Simonsen's courageous devotion to duty was instrumental in saving the man's life. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

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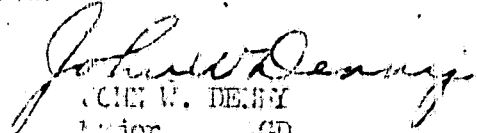
(b) By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

✓ PRICE C. W. CUSTER, O 247 445, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, 21 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Monroe, Michigan.

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By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 29 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

Wirt T. Glover, 6 951 126, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945 at Gunzenhausen Germany. After capturing an important bridge, the platoon led by Sergeant Glover encountered enemy fire from the rear. Realizing the importance of the bridge and posting guards to prevent an expected enemy attempt to demolish it, Sergeant Glover alone attacked the enemy in the rear, killing two and capturing one. While returning to the platoon he was attacked by several enemy with automatic weapons, but forced them to retreat and got back with the prisoner. As a result of Sergeant Glover's courageous action, the bridge was secured from enemy attack and the enemy threat to the rear was removed. Entered military service from Paris, Texas.

Carl A. Green, 38 563 601, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945 near Sessenheim, France. During an attack on Sessenheim, Private Green drove his jeep constantly under direct enemy observation and intense small arms and artillery fire to assist the evacuation of numerous casualties. Although wounded, he unhesitatingly advanced and assisted in the evacuation of two injured men exposed to a heavy concentration of artillery. Private Green's courage and devotion to duty contributed materially to saving many lives during the engagement. Entered military service from Norman, Oklahoma.

James O. Groesbeck, 36 222 157, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action near Lichtenberg, France, on 12 March 1945. Sergeant Groesbeck was a squad leader on a combat patrol to Hill 415 near Lichtenberg, France. Upon contact with the enemy one of his men was seriously wounded by an enemy mine. Sergeant Groesbeck ran through intense mortar, machine gun, and rifle fire to the aid of the injured man. After rendering first aid, he directed two men to evacuate the casualty, then returning to his squad to lead its successful withdrawal from the area. Sergeant Groesbeck's courageous action under fire played a major role in the successful completion of the patrol's mission and withdrawal with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Racine, Wisconsin.

James O. Henshaw, 38 235 049, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 February 1945, near Wildenguth, France. When the combat patrol of which Sergeant Henshaw was a squad leader made a surprise attack on two enemy machine guns he was sent with four men to encircle the enemy's flank. Contacting the enemy, Sergeant Henshaw joined the fierce fighting around the machine gun position, killing one German. He then ascertained the location of enemy mortars which had opened fire on the patrol, thus enabling his patrol leader to call for artillery fire on the enemy positions quickly neutralizing them. Sergeant Henshaw's courageous action played a major role in the successful completion of the patrol's mission. Entered military service from Haskell, Texas.

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Anthony Jannuccilli, 31 385 873, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 February 1945, near Hildersuth, France. On 24 February 1945, near Hildersuth, France, Sergeant Jannuccilli was in command of the rear squad of a combat patrol which was attacking an enemy machine gun position. Under his aggressive leadership, his squad covered the approach to the objective and delivered effective fire upon the German positions. When the patrol was ordered to withdraw, Sergeant Jannuccilli assumed command of the patrol and supervised the withdrawal while the patrol leader was reporting the details of the fight to his command post. Sergeant Jannuccilli materially assisted in the knocking out of two enemy machine guns, the killing of seven Germans, and the capture of two prisoners. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

John A. Kunkel, 35 235 321, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 7 April 1945, near Reipertswiller, Germany. As his company advanced to attack Reipertswiller it crossed through an armored artillery unit which was under heavy enemy shelling. Corporal Kunkel, an aid man, noticed a seriously wounded man lying under a burning tank. Disregarding his own safety and in the face of the heavy enemy fire and the danger of the tank exploding, Corporal Kunkel went to the man and extricated him from his perilous position. After administering first aid, he assisted in getting the wounded man evacuated to the aid station. Corporal Kunkel's heroic action was directly responsible for saving the wounded man's life. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

Harold C. Lloyd, 33 908 426, Private First Class (then Private), Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. When Private Lloyd's combat patrol engaged the enemy in a fierce fire fight near Lichtenberg, the enemy systematically directed fire on the patrol with mortars. When the patrol started to withdraw, he remained behind to assist in evacuating the wounded. He exposed himself to enemy fire to extricate an unconscious wounded man who was entangled in a mesh of barbed wire. He then helped to carry the soldier 100 yards out of the range of enemy fire. Private Lloyd's courageous action was directly responsible in the successful evacuation of a wounded comrade. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

Colvin E. Mahler, 37 511 209, Sergeant, Armored Force, 774th Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945 near Lindach, Germany. When his tank came under fire while entering the town of Lindach, Germany, Sergeant Mahler, disregarding intense machine gun fire, left the safety of his tank turret and went into action with the anti-aircraft machine gun against the enemy. Although the hostile fire was hitting one side of his tank, he remained at his gun until the enemy positions were destroyed. Through his outstanding courage and aggressive action, Sergeant Mahler succeeded in destroying two hostile machine guns and in killing twelve of the enemy. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

Raymond Mc Grath, 34 422 011, Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 April 1945 near Reipertswiller, Germany. On a patrol which approached a hill occupied by an artillery unit under heavy shelling, Sergeant McGrath and another man noticed three wounded men lying in the open. Under enemy observation and fire the two men immediately volunteered to rescue the three wounded artillerymen. They succeeded in reaching the men and took them back to a place of safety where the casualties received necessary medical treatment. Sergeant McGrath's courageous action saved the lives of three men. Entered military service from Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

James I. Miller, 33 726 596, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 6 January 1945, at Gombshain, France. When the clamping belt on his mortar was shattered by an enemy artillery shell burst, rendering the weapon useless, Private Miller disassembled the mortar despite small arms and artillery fire and mounted the bare tube in the ground in an exposed position. He then opened fire on an enemy machine gun that was holding up his company. Despite the adverse firing conditions, Private Miller's accurate fire destroyed the machine gun and its crew and he continued firing until superior forces forced his company's withdrawal. Private Miller's heroic actions kept the number of casualties down to a minimum. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Olen F. Morgan, 20 527 918, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 25 January 1945, near Haguenau, France. When informed that his squad leader had been killed during an enemy attack Private Morgan assumed command of the squad. His covering that in the darkness enemy troops had infiltrated through the lines and occupied a foxhole to the rear of his squad, Private Morgan shifted his men to new positions to prevent any further infiltration and then advanced toward the enemy occupied foxhole. As he neared the position, he noticed a German signaling to other troops to come forward. Private Morgan promptly killed this man and then directed the fire of the squad in repulse of the advancing enemy with numerous casualties. His heroic actions and aggressive leadership enabled the unit to maintain its position and eliminated a serious threat to its security. Entered military service from Radnor, West Virginia.

Wyman Mosholder, 36 822 262, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 April 1945 near Durbach, Germany. In the attack on Durbach, two men were seriously wounded by machine gun fire and were lying in an exposed area. Private Mosholder unhesitatingly went to their aid, took the injured man back to a defiladed position where he administered first aid. This courageous act undoubtedly saved the two men from possible death or capture. Entered military service from Westby, Wisconsin.

Edward P. Mulohy, 11 071 160, Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry, for heroic achievement in action, on 24-25 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. When his mortar section was subjected to intense mortar and automatic weapons fire, Sergeant Mulohy withdrew his men to a position where they could set up their mortars and return the fire. He then crawled forward and established an observation post from which he directed fire upon the enemy. Heavy grazing fire from enemy machine guns swept the area, and tree burst from German mortars exploded all around him as he continued to adjust the fire of his section on the attacking enemy. When the order for a withdrawal came he remained behind and continued to direct fire until the withdrawal had been completed. Through his outstanding courage and aggressive skill, Sergeant Mulohy enabled friendly troops to withdraw with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

John L. Nyquist, 39 412 636, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 22 April 1945 near Gunzenhausen, Germany. When the battalion motor convoy was held up by sniper fire and an artillery concentration, Private Nyquist and another man courageously exposed themselves to the fire in order to obtain a heavy machine gun from their vehicle which had been abandoned under the artillery fire. Obtaining the weapon, they returned to the cover of a house and eliminated the sniper whose fire was holding up the movement. Due to Private Nyquist's heroic action, the convoy entered the town without casualties upon the cessation of the artillery fire. Entered military service from Turlock, California.

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Warren W. Parsley, 37 734 888, Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 4 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. Advancing alone in the face of heavy enemy fire, Sergeant Parsley laid down a hail of fire which pinned down the enemy and enabled his squad to overrun their positions with only one casualty. Disregarding his personal safety, he advanced twice more, exposing himself, to cover the maneuvering elements of his squad. Sergeant Parsley's courage and devotion to duty made an effective contribution to the successful attack of his squad. Entered military service from Castana, Iowa.

Vickar O. Peterson Jr., 37 705 351, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action; on 17 January 1945 near Sureshain, France. When a call was made for men to accompany the Regimental Aid Station to aid crews fighting without medical care, Private Peterson volunteered. Proceeding four kilometers over flat, open terrain, under artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire, he assisted the Surgeon in the care and evacuation of twelve wounded men. Private Peterson's courage and devotion to duty saved the lives of many wounded men. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

Douglas J. Flummer, 36 979 646, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945 at Wurzburg, Germany. When a rifleman was wounded seriously in the attack, Private Flummer led his litter bearers through intense sniper fire to carry the man to safety. It was essential that the wounded man be evacuated immediately, so he helped carry the injured man through the sniper-infested streets to the aid station on the opposite edge of town. Private Flummer's courageous devotion to duty was instrumental in saving the man's life. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Charles E. Purdy, 33 450 740, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 near Furth, Germany. When the company surrendered to whom he was explaining the tactical situation was mortally wounded by an initial burst from an enemy machine gun, Private Purdy took up a firing position in an exposed position on a nearby bridge. He returned the fire of the enemy gunner until he was wounded on the shoulder. Through his outstanding courage and alertness in returning the enemy fire, Private Purdy disrupted the aim of the enemy gunner and prevented his inflicting further casualties on the personnel near the bridge. Entered military service from Washington, District of Columbia.

Robert N. Reader, 35 835 430, Private, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 March 1945 near Lichtenberg, France. When the right flank of the combat patrol attacking Hill 415 near Lichtenberg was pinned down by intense enemy machine gun fire, Private Reader ran across thirty yards of bullet swept terrain to the position of the right flank automatic rifleman and replenished his exhausted supply of ammunition. Although hit and seriously wounded in the eye and shoulder by the machine gun fire, he continued back to his own position and continued to fire his own automatic rifle. Private Reader's courageous action enabled the other automatic rifleman to silence an enemy machine gun nest so that the patrol could successfully withdraw from the area. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

Edward J. Sucher, 35 827 583, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945 at Wurzburg, Germany. Observing a group of enemy armed with rifles and machine guns advancing toward his position, Private Sucher opened fire with his rocket launcher and drew heavy enemy fire. He continued laying down effective fire until he had exhausted

his supply of ammunition. Taking up his rifle, he directed accurate fire on the attacking formation. Through his outstanding courage and aggressiveness, Private Tucker repulsed a counter-attack and the enemy withdrew in a disorganized state. Entered military service from Bedford, Ohio.

George D. Thompson, 37 673 838, Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 near Furth, Germany. When the platoon he was supporting with heavy machine gun fire was held up, Sergeant Thompson, disregarding intense machine gun and mortar fire, went into action from an exposed position in order to bring effective fire on the enemy emplacements. His fire was so heavy and accurate that the enemy guns were neutralized and the platoon was enabled to continue its advance. Through his outstanding courage and skill, Sergeant Thompson destroyed a machine gun, killed three enemy and wounded two others. Entered military service from Webster City, Iowa.

Lloyd G. Thygeson, 37 176 650, Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 16 April 1945, near Gutenstetten, Germany. While under enemy sniper and machine gun fire, Sergeant Thygeson placed his heavy machine gun in action in a position in full observation of the enemy in order to bring effective fire on an entrenched opposition. In a machine gun duel that followed he destroyed by accurate and heavy fire two German guns, caused their position to surrender, and enabled a Ranger platoon to take its objective. Through his outstanding courage and skill, Sergeant Thygeson played a major role in the successful attack. Entered military service from Proctor, Minnesota.

George H. Urbaniak, 36 202 588, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 April 1945 near Beinertswiller, Germany. While in a patrol which approached a hill occupied by an artillery unit under heavy shelling, Private Urbaniak and another man noticed three wounded men lying in the open. Under enemy observation and fire the two men immediately volunteered to rescue the three wounded artillerymen. They succeeded in reaching the men and took them back to a place of safety where the casualties received necessary medical treatment. Private Urbaniak's courageous action saved the lives of three men. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

John H. Vilga Jr., 33 761 122, Private First Class, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 March 1945 near Althorn, France. Private Vilga was a member of a three man patrol sent into enemy lines to capture a prisoner. When a German non-commissioned officer noted the patrol's approach and cried out, Private Vilga lay down covering fire while the other two men stormed the position. While he continued to fire, boldly taking all the German positions in the vicinity under the fire of his single weapon, his two companions captured and disarmed the non-commissioned officer. All three then withdrew with the prisoner. Through his outstanding courage and skill, Private Vilga contributed effectively to the accomplishment of the Patrol's mission. Entered military service from Somerset County, Pennsylvania.

Harold Zebrowski, 36 982 321, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 4 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. Leading his squad in an attack on enemy positions at Wurzburg, Sergeant Zebrowski constantly exposed himself to heavy enemy fire. Firing as he advanced, he personally captured one machine gun position and aided in the capture of two 20mm cannons. Sergeant Zebrowski's leadership and aggressiveness contributed materially to the capture of a large number of the enemy and the destruction of many pieces of equipment. Entered military service from Hamtramck, Michigan.

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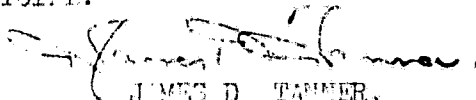
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I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS):-... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States:

Valter L. Votie, 39 337 694, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery E, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 25 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

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:

John F. Blodgett, 14 139 271, First Sergeant, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action at Althene, France, on 24 February 1945. While leading a combat patrol deep into enemy territory, Sergeant Blodgett observed an enemy machine gun position directly to his front. Taking five men, he started to encircle the enemy, although his maneuver drew an unexpected concentration of small arms fire. Despite the enemy fire, Sergeant Blodgett led his men in an assault on the position, killing three German infantrymen who were manning the machine gun. By his prompt and courageous action, Sergeant Blodgett eliminated a serious threat to our advance and gained much valuable information of the enemy's strength and dispositions. Entered military service from Gainesville, Georgia.

(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 achievement in action:

Elwood E. Archery, 30 468 237, Electrician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Spokane, Washington.

Ralph W. Anderson, 39 726 034, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, 13 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Ephraim, Utah.

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Walter E. Brahan, 33 711 653, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, 11 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

William C. Carn, 6 153 633, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 242d Infantry Regiment, 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Portland, Maine.

Edmund A. Christie, 36 966 565, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, 9 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Allen P. Cocchetti, 33 939 790, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 222d Infantry Regiment, 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Eyrone, Pennsylvania.

George W. Collins, 39 476 144, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Spokane, Washington.

John E. Cronin, 31 430 430, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 242d Infantry Regiment, 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Holyoke, Massachusetts.

Francis J. Darringer, 33 656 957, Staff Sergeant, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Hazelton, Pennsylvania.

Floyd H. Dennis, 34 779 830, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, 17 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Ludlow, South Carolina.

Michael L. Duff, 36 592 640, Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Dearborn, Michigan.

William C. Early, 42 622 217, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

Robert T. Fenne, 39 467 791, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Third Battalion, 22d Infantry Regiment, 13 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Fort Detrick, Washington.

John W. Flint, 33 345 217, Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Wheeler, Texas.

Fred C. Grantley, 33 794 023, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Yeadon, Pennsylvania.

Robert J. Ground, 36 624 376, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, 12 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Springfield, Illinois.

Thomas F. Hinchey, 33 830 050, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from St. Clair, Pennsylvania.

Edgar E. Hurd, 31 432 171, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 242d Infantry, 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Fall River, Massachusetts.

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Ronald E. Jackson, 35 205 953, Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 242d Infantry Regiment, 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Petroleum, West Virginia.

Harvey J. Jameson, 34 827 357, Sergeant, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, 24 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Dunwoody, Georgia.

Walter H. Johns, 33 939 971, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

Alfred Klinger, 37 591 527, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, 19 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Turtle Lake, North Dakota.

Paul H. Knott, 35 809 876, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, 19 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Utica, Kentucky.

Elmer A. Kohrt, 36 612 620, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 242d Infantry Regiment, 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Normal, Illinois.

George J. Lawson, 34 924 151, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Kingsport, Tennessee.

John H. Leathen, 33 685 624, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, 12 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Arthur E. Lowe, 37 743 993, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Joplin, Missouri.

Doyle D. Lucas, 6 950 574, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, 11 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Mexia, Texas.

Francis V. McConnell, 33 803 820, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Richard K. McLeod, 35 844 847, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Crawfordsville, Indiana.

Raymond S. Nedar, 39 598 227, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 232d Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

Elmer L. Norris, 37 519 870, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company A, 122d Medical Battalion, 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Wichita, Kansas.

William T. O'Toole, 6 909 224, Corporal, Infantry, Cannon Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, 9 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Harry K. Plunk, 37 742 610, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, 15 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from St. Joseph, Missouri.

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James L. Flawick, 12 097 907, Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, 7 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Tonawanda, New York.

Auston K. Fowl Jr, 26 983 918, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company A, 122d Medical Detachment, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Elgin, Illinois.

Earl C. Ketchish, 12 052 722, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 242d Infantry Regiment, 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Jacksonville, Florida.

James A. Kase, 25 529 055, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

Edward G. Schmitt, 26 946 717, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Julius C. Schmidt, 12 022 122, Technician Fifth Grade, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, 13 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

Frank W. Sheldon, 13 189 204, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, 23 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Haverhill, Pennsylvania.

Virgil T. Short, 22 172 731, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Dumas, Louisiana.

Jack Soloff, 13 221 373, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company B, 122d Medical Detachment, 3 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

James A. Stephens, 21 165 915, Private, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Alabama City, Alabama.

Louis J. Sutter, 12 001 596, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

Stanley R. Sussman, 22 295 917, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Earl C. Taylor, 26 918 744, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters First Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Santa Barbara, California.

Everett J. Tusch, 27 574 095, Technician Fourth Grade, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, 14 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Hector, Minnesota.

John F. Thompson, 35 089 454, Private, Medical Department, Company A, 122d Medical Detachment, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Martinsburg, West Virginia.

William W. Varrault, 22 435 805, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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Robert T. Vrehta, 36 682 008, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Albert E. Wink, 34 973 869, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, 16 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Dunwoody, Georgia.

Donald L. Wynn, 7 015 163, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, 3-5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

James C. Yeater, 19 042 562, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 242d Infantry Regiment, 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Hazelton, North Dakota.

Donald E. Zimmerman, 33 930 945, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Camp Hill, Pennsylvania.

(c) 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 an enemy of the United States:

JOHN J. ATKINSON, 02 006 326, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Fred D. Avery, 32 895 922, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery B, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

Harold A. Bickell, 34 010 475, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Spartanburg, South Carolina.

George M. Bushaw, 38 437 940, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

Harmon Plattell, 39 308 431, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 21 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

Donald S. Fawc, 32 768 011, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Division Artillery, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Long Branch, New Jersey.

MARGEN H. GAMBREX, 01 049 129, First Lieutenant, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

George F. Chrapotian, 39 161 738, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery B, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

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Theodore J. Constantakes, 12 CG5 825, Technician Third Grade, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Greenburgh, New York.

Alfonso F. DeBate, 32 197 7-1, First Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Port Dix, New Jersey.

Arthur W. Brackson, 12 CIA 143, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

William W. Frederick, 33 132 104, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Deposit, Maryland.

Charles L. Grubbs, 4E 335 027, Technician Third Grade, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

Robert L. Grubbs, 3E 533 020, Technician Third Grade (then Technician Fourth Grade), Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 8 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

HERBERT E. HUGHES, 01 312 156, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from East Orange, New Jersey.

Harry G. Johnson, 3E 224 439, Corporal, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Keota, Minnesota.

Edward I. Jaccovic, 36 746 804, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Robert T. Kennedy, 31 338 372, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery B, 222d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New Haven, Connecticut.

John Fuller, 12 389 013, Staff Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Battery, 43rd Antiaircraft Artillery Antisubmarine Battalion, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

John W. Larson, 33 413 541, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 18 March 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

William C. Leach, 70 410 521, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery B, 222d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

Rufus G. Lilly, 3E 204 845, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hinton, West Virginia.

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George H. Mellinger, 33 690 412, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 8 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Clairton, Pennsylvania.

Leo E. Gwinski, 33 836 370, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery A, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Walter L. Reirce, 20 122 892, Master Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

William E. Rippe, 39 213 394, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Seattle, Washington.

George A. Pitzer, 39 418 345, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Quartermaster Corps, 42d Division Quartermaster, from 25 December 1944 to 3 February 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Redwood, California.

Cletus L. Roberts, 37 103 491, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 15 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Breseley, Missouri.

Donald R. Szumlanski, 36 852 198, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery E, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Antigo, Wisconsin.

Richard G. Spurlock, 20 527 227, Sergeant, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Charleston, West Virginia.

Wilbert J. Straub, 33 147 887, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, Battery E, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Etna, Pennsylvania.

Ray L. Stamer, 13 027 347, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

John T. Sullivan, 39 138 001, Technician Fifth Grade, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 8 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

JAMES H. SHELLEY, C 423 141, Captain, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Howard E. Williams, 38 410 574, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 774th Tank Battalion (formerly of 756th Tank Battalion), from 17 September 1943 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Italy, France and Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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BY: LIST OF THE FIRST COK IEFY CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:---. By  
direction of the First COK, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22  
October 1943, as amended, the First COK IEFY Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal  
is hereby the following for meritorious achievement in action:

Martin I. Evans, 10 011 073, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters  
First Infantry, 242d Infantry Regiment, 18 March 1945, in Germany. Entered  
military service from San Francisco, California.

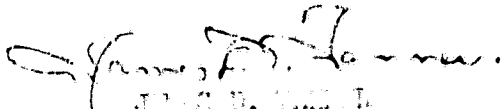
Joseph J. Folsom, 27 037 024, Private First Class, Medical Department,  
1st Medical Battalion, 1100th Infantry Regiment, 14 January 1945, in France. Entered  
military service from Columbus, Illinois.

James H. J. Brown, 12 001 010, Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 242d Infantry  
Regiment, 21 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from New York,  
New York.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL COLLIER:

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I. 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:

Walter I. Hitchcock, 34 948 265, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 8-15 January 1945, near Hatten, France. On at least five occasions during this period, Private Hitchcock voluntarily led patrols through heavy snow drift into enemy territory to obtain information concerning enemy strength and disposition. When the enemy was located on each occasion he deployed his men in concealment and went forward alone to obtain the vital information which was instrumental in disrupting and repulsing a strong enemy drive. Private Hitchcock's leadership and disregard for his own safety earned the admiration and respect of all with whom he worked. Entered military service from Milledgeville, Georgia.

(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 full wing for meritorious achievement in action:

Kenneth H. Webster, 37 574 967, Sergeant, Corp of Military Police, 42d Infantry Division Military Police Platoon, 9-10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

(c) 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 full wing for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States:

Milton W. Branchford, 36 832 494, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from West Ellis, Wisconsin.

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 service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States:

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Robert H. Morrell, 31 369 693, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery A, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Weymouth, Massachusetts.

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:

George W. Atkins, 36 955 040, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Elmhurst, Illinois.

Arthur R. Garmichael, 33 595 518, Private First Class, Cavalry, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, 3 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

GEORGE W. HETZELMAN, 02 049 268, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, 12 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Middlesville, Indiana.

Walter F. Hinchey, 33 830 030, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Henry D. Johnson, 37 575 587, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

Robert L. Kearney, 42 176 003, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 23d Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

Waris I. Livan, 33 471 493, Technician Third Grade (then Technician Fourth Grade), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Norman T. Short, 38 172 760, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Third Grade), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, 10 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Dubberly, Louisiana.

Walter I. Taylor, 33 645 233, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Anti-tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, 13 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Portsmouth City, Virginia.

IV. 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:

Thomas C. Crowley, 33 699 624, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

V. AWARD OF THE MEDICAL BADGE:-- Pursuant to the authority contained in Section II, War Department Circular 65, dated 1 March 1945 and Section IV, Circular 148, Headquarters United States Forces, European Theater, dated 1 November 1945, the Medical Badge is awarded to the following Officer, from Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, 242d Infantry, 10 377, US Army.

Captain WELDON L. BOICASTED 10 502 242

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VI. REVOCATIONS:--... So much of paragraph 1 General Orders 203, this headquarters  
cs, as pertains to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to Walter L. Hitchcock,  
34 948 265 Private First Class, Company I, 242<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Regiment, is revoked:

So much of paragraph III, General Orders 202, this headquarters, cs, as per-  
tains to the awarding of the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal to  
JAMES M. KULL O 325 483, Maj 542<sup>nd</sup> Field Artillery Battalion is revoked.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL COLLINS:

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I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE SILVER 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 Silver Star is awarded to:

GEORGE A. JACKSON, JR., O 551 750, First Lieutenant, (then Second Lieutenant) Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action on 27 February 1945, near Wildenruth, France. Leading a combat patrol into enemy lines, Lieutenant Jackson gained and maintained contact with the enemy throughout the night, inflicting heavy losses, destroying hostile installations, and gaining invaluable information of enemy strength, locations, and dispositions. Personally accounting for more than fifteen of the enemy and three machine guns, he was largely responsible for the achievements of the patrol which wounded or killed over twenty and captured two of the enemy. His courageous leadership and daring initiative reflect distinct credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Aztec, New Mexico.

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 achievement in action:

- Nicholas J. Bachmeier, 37 575 709, Corporal, Medical Department, Company C, 122d Medical Battalion, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Aberdeen, South Dakota.
- Raymond C. Reseman, 20 229 839, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.
- Guy J. Battaglia, 36 301 016, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, 2 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.
- Jacob Barwick, 31 368 963, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Department, Company C, 122d Medical Battalion, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.
- Carl A. Rayer, 38 666 426, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company 3rd Battalion 242d Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Griffithville, Arkansas.
- EDGAR S. CAMPBELL, 01 331 706, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, 1 to 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.
- Dan Chuculate, 6 264 676, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sallisaw, Oklahoma.

War 103, C. Vincent, 12 007 213, Technician Fifth Grade, World A Battery, Company C, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma, Oklahoma.

Joseph A. Blumson, 42 430 975, Private (then Private First Class), Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, 9 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Robert J. Egan, 36 672 218, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 242d Infantry Regiment, 22 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Rockford, Illinois.

Walter B. PISTONIK, 042 280, Major, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, 18 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Schenectady, New York.

Frank M. Coffey, 34 265 030, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, 1 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Hedges South Carolina.

Harmon Green, 36 253 972, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Department, Company C, 122d Medical Battalion, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Nervin Green, 32 002 272, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment 232d Field Artillery Battalion, 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Johnie Heckler, 33 214 005, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 242d Infantry Regiment, 10 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Independence, Virginia.

James W. Henotkin, 13 110 603, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company C, 692d Tank Destroyer Battalion, 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Washington, District of Columbia.

Frank E. Hassell, 15 344 917, Corporal, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

Henry J. Malwies, 33 547 289, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company C, 122d Medical Battalion, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

Arthur W. Hill, 32 246 286, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Department, Company C, 122d Medical Battalion, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Searcy, Virginia.

~~Walter L. Hitchcock, 34 043 245, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, 8-11 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Millersville, Georgia.~~ REV. BY 00#204 - 21 Nov 45

John E. Huls, 31 350 677, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

John G. Harlan, 37 066 446, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 26 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Little Rock, Arkansas.

Willie D. Hunter, 38 178 093, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, 17 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Little Rock, Arkansas.

Harry W. Jackson, 36 225 774, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 242d Infantry Regiment, 13 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Racine, Wisconsin.



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Elmer L. Thillins, 20 311 833, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Bradford, Pennsylvania.

Orville E. Postlewaite, 35 287 103, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 242d Infantry Regiment, 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Fairmont, West Virginia.

Edmond T. Tetter, 36 571 451, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, 9 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Jack G. Haffins, 16 153 004, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, 7 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Menominee, Michigan.

Jules Keith Iz, 32 961 865, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Department, Company C, 122d Medical Battalion, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Thomas L. Sherman, 34 968 854, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company C, 122d Medical Battalion, 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Fayetteville, North Carolina.

Robert E. Shipper, 33 207 661, Corporal, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

Robert H. Smith, 34 882 548, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Elizabethton, Tennessee.

Thomas F. Smith, 34 021 771, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 2 February 1945 to 2 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Myers, Florida.

OLEY C. SWYDER, 02 286 293, 2d Lieutenant, Infantry, Company L, 242d Infantry Regiment, 19 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

Wilfred G. Snyder, 42 006 173, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Company B, 242d Infantry Regiment, 10 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Pauline, New Jersey.

Michael J. Sullivan, 33 311 035, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery C, 23d Field Artillery Battalion, 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

James T. Swanson, 34 943 317, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Centerville, Georgia.

William T. Teter, 36 873 759, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Walter W. Tuckey, 35 606 577, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 242d Infantry Regiment, 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

Ray L. Webb, 34 914 838, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 242d Infantry Regiment, 17 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Raleigh, Mississippi.

John L. Wright, 33 115 570, Private First Class, Medical Department, 122d Medical Battalion, 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Bakersburg, Pennsylvania.

Julie E. Wright, 36 978 434, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company E, 242d Infantry Regiment, 17 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Mount Pleasant, Illinois.

Francis J. Wunsch, 35 287 012, Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Guillicette, Ohio.



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Stanley J. Yalinek, 36 579 551, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

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:

Lem yne Anderson, 37 600 959, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the Harst Mountains, France. While exposed to enemy machine gun and artillery fire, Private Anderson went to the assistance of a comrade who had been wounded by a shell fragment. Guiding the wounded man to the safety of a bunker, Private Anderson administered first aid and assisted the man in reaching the battalion aid station. A wounded comrade was thus saved from death or serious injury by Private Anderson's courageous action and skillful treatment. Entered military service from Desmet, South Dakota.

(b) By direction of the President, under the provisions of AR 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:

Island F. Gruenhagen, 37 089 178, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Elate, Minnesota.

IV. REVOCATIONS: So much of Paragraph III, General Orders 182, this headquarters dated 5 October 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal to Lem yne Anderson, 37 600 959, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL COLLINS:

EDWIN RUSTBERG,  
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GENERAL ORDER

16 November 1945.

Award of the Bronze Star Medal..... I  
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Award of the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal. III

I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-... (a) By direction of the President under the provisions of Army regulations 300-42, 23 September 1941, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

Lemoyne Anderson, 37 300 919, Private, Infantry, Company B, 333d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 24 February 1945, near Wildenguth, France. Private Anderson was automatic rifleman on a combat patrol which made a surprise attack on two enemy machine guns near Wildenguth. When another member of the patrol was wounded by small arms fire, Private Anderson assisted the aid man in getting the wounded man to the rear. He then returned to the attack, firing his automatic rifle as he advanced. His effective fire and outstanding courage contributed materially to knocking out the German positions, killing seven of the enemy, and capturing two. Entered military service from Lesmet, South Dakota.

James P. Broome, 39 050 360, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 333d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 3 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. During the attack of our forces on the high ground around Wurzburg, Private Broome, driver for a heavy machine gun squad, learned that his platoon was in need of ammunition. Without hesitation, he drove his truck loaded with ammunition across 1000 yards of open terrain under intense enemy 80mm and machine gun fire to the forward positions of his platoon. Private Broome's courage and determination made possible continuous firing of his platoon in their support of the advance rifle troops. Entered military service from Marysville, Washington.

Joseph B. Capraro, 32 854 737, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 333d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, near Furth, Germany. During the attack against Furth, Sergeant Capraro's machine gun section set up to fire down a street toward several buildings. To ascertain that no friendly troops were in the area, he walked these hundred yards down the street under enemy sniper fire. Upon his return, he directed such accurate fire upon the area that numerous Germans were killed and over thirty captured. Then sergeant Capraro supervised a rapid displacement of the guns to a location further forward which gave needed support to the attacking rifle platoons. His actions enabled the riflemen to continue the attack unimpeded by hostile fire from the flank and aided by strong supporting fire. Entered military service from Utica, New York.

Frank L. Donoghue, 35 174 347, Staff sergeant, Infantry, Company L, 333d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, near Buchold, Germany. When his platoon was held

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up by sniper and machine gun fire, sergeant Doneghue maneuvered his platoon so that it could bring fire on the enemy. He deliberately exposed himself to heavy enemy fire while cutting a path through a wire barrier so that a small group could have a covered route of approach. The courageous action of sergeant Doneghue aided in the rapid elimination of the enemy opposition. Entered military service from Carlini, Illinois.

James V. Estes, Sr., 44 040 068, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. As ammunition bearer for a light machine gun section during the fighting for Wurzburg, Private Estes disregarded his personal safety to make many trips for ammunition through enemy automatic rifle, machine gun, and mortar fire. As a direct result of Private Estes' courageous action, the machine gunners were able to maintain a steady volume of fire, aiding materially in repelling a counterattacking force of more than 100 heavily armed enemy. Entered military service from Jackson, Tennessee.

Richard Fagan, 56 890 325, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, 5 April 1945, near Furtz, Germany. When his platoon was held up by intense machine gun fire, Private Fagan volunteered to attempt an attack from the rear on the enemy position. Disregarding his own safety, he made his way to a location behind the hostile gun and opened fire. As a result of his outstanding courage and skill, Private Fagan captured three of the enemy, neutralized a German machine gun, and enabled his platoon to resume its advance. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Calvin L. Ford, Jr., 56 887 830, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 233d Infantry, for heroic achievement in action on 22 March 1945, near Babin, Germany. When his squad was halted by intense enemy sniper fire, Private Ford maneuvered his automatic rifle quickly and personally eliminated the major portion of the enemy fire, killing two, wounding two, and forcing others to surrender. Private Ford's prompt and decisive action prevented any delay to the Battalion's advance, and contributed materially to the seizure of the Battalion objective on schedule. Entered military service from San Augustine, Texas.

Merlin J. Frommeyer, 28 953 308, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 6 April 1945, near Furtz, Germany. During the attack of our forces on the high ground south of Wurzburg, Private Frommeyer, driver for a heavy machine gun squad, reported that his platoon was in need of ammunition. Without hesitation, he drove his truck loaded with ammunition across 1000 yards of open terrain under intense enemy 20mm and machine gun fire to the front positions of his platoon. Private Frommeyer's courage and determination made possible the continuous firing of his platoon in their support of the advancing rifle troops. Entered military service from Jacksonville, Wisconsin.

William C. Hoch, 27 070 078, Staff sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 5 January 1945, at Gambesheim, France. During the enemy attack on Gambesheim, sergeant Hoch volunteered as the rear guard for the withdrawal of his 4.2 inch mortar squad from the town. Although exposed to intense enemy mortar, machine gun, and rifle fire, sergeant Hoch courageously

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fired his rifle at the rapidly advancing enemy forces, delaying them sufficiently to allow his section to withdraw successfully and without casualties. Entered military service from Duluth, Minnesota.

Thomas P. Hueneke, 31 271 780, Private, Medical Department, 122d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 31 March 1945, near Schonau, Germany. When an infantryman was wounded seriously while advancing through Schonau, Private Hueneke helped carry the man to cover from intense enemy artillery fire. Then, hearing a cry from another wounded soldier, he went into the exposed area again, gave the wounded man first aid and blood plasma, and carried him to safety. Private Hueneke's courage and devotion to his comrades saved the lives of two wounded men. Entered military service from North Quincy, Massachusetts.

Ralph S. Jacobson, 63 470 806, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 33d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 4 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. During the advance through Wurzburg, Private Jacobson's rifle platoon was halted by intense enemy sniper fire. Determining the location of the snipers, he ran into the street, fully exposed to the fire, and directed a heavy volume of rifle fire into the sniper's position. This act brought the location of the enemy to the attention of machine gunners who quickly silenced the snipers. Private Jacobson's courage and determination enabled his platoon to continue their advance through the city. Entered military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Joseph Kochetta, 63 308 451, Private First Class (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company K, 23d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 18 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. When Company K's advance into Ludwigswinkel was held up by an enemy machine gun nest three hundred yards to its front, Sergeant Kochetta advanced with three men under the intense fire to destroy the gun. Flanking the enemy position, he and another man killed three of the enemy and captured the fourth. Sergeant Kochetta's courageous leadership silenced the machine gun and enabled his company to advance. Entered military service from Yonkers, New York.

John S. Lubinski, 53 217 331, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company S, 133d Medical Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945 near Lichtenberg, France. When an infantryman was seriously wounded by a mine, Private Lubinski led a three-man search squad through the mine field to the side of the wounded soldier. Despite the hazards of working in a heavily mined area, he treated the man's wounds and helped carry him to the battalion hospital. By the courageous action of Private Lubinski, the life of the wounded man was saved. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

William J. Morrow, 37 237 394, Staff Sergeant, (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company I, 32d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 January 1945, near Neuberg, France. When a platoon was ordered to withdraw from an outpost near Neuberg because of heavy enemy fire, Sergeant Morrow's squad was sent out with the mission of supporting the platoon. Although wounded while deploying his squad, he continued on his task and expertly directed covering fire thus enabling the platoon to withdraw. By his outstanding courage and devotion to duty, Sergeant Morrow made it possible for the platoon to withdraw with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Goodland, Kansas.

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✓ Thomas A. Lott, 37 349 970 Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945 near Wurzburg, Germany. Seeing a wounded man lying in an area that was exposed to heavy enemy fire, Sergeant Lott drove a jeep to the man and administered first aid. He then placed him in the jeep and rushed him to the aid station. During a fire fight that followed, he returned to the area twice bringing up needed ammunition. He evacuated two other wounded men to the rear for medical care. Through his outstanding courage and devotion to duty, Sergeant Lott saved the lives of three wounded comrades and helped stop any enemy counter-attack. Entered military service from Fargo, North Dakota.

✓ Edward A. Murphy, 31 307 331, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company G, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945, at Ludwigsinkel, Germany. An infantry rifleman, Corporal Murphy volunteered to go to the aid of a wounded man a mile in enemy territory. With three others he exposed himself to enemy machine gun, mortar, and sniper fire, and evacuated the wounded man on an improvised stretcher across ground constantly under fire. Corporal Murphy's heroic action was instrumental in saving the wounded man's life. Entered military service from Haverhill, Massachusetts.

✓ Glenn H. Nielsen, 19 122 313, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, at Rittershoffen, France. During a heavy enemy artillery concentration, a shell hit the building Private Nielsen was in, causing damage and inflicting casualties. Another shell destroyed three times on his jeep. Realizing the danger but knowing the vital need for transportation, Private Nielsen under the heavy shelling obtained spare tires from other vehicles and replaced the useless ones on his jeep. At times the enemy fire was so heavy that Private Nielsen had to take cover but after an hour he completed the job. Private Nielsen's courage and determination enabled valuable equipment and personnel to be transported to a safer location. Entered military service from Riverdale, California.

✓ Howard W. Parks, 37 333 329, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 3 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. During the attack on the high ground around Wurzburg, Private Parks, transportation corporal for a heavy machine gun platoon, received word that his platoon was in need of ammunition. Without hesitation, he carried a heavy load of ammunition across 1000 yards of open terrain under intense machine gun and 30mm. cannon fire to the guns of his platoon. Private Parks' courage and determination aided his platoon to give effective support to advancing rifle troops. Entered military service from Cloquet, Minnesota.

✓ Warren C. Peters, 54 498 403, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 3 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. During the attack on Wurzburg, Private Peters was a driver for a heavy machine gun squad when he learned that his platoon was in need of ammunition. He unhesitatingly drove a truck and trailer load of ammunition across 1000 yards of open terrain under intense 30mm. machine gun, and rifle fire. Private Peters' outstanding courage and determination enabled his platoon to continue firing and complete their assigned mission. Entered military service from Krottsville, Georgia.

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✓ Frank P. Pizzica, SS 817 121, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 233d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945 near Ludwigsbrunn, Germany. A member of a machine gun section, Private Pizzica volunteered to go to the aid of a wounded man a mile in enemy territory. With three others, he exposed himself to enemy machine gun, mortar, and sniper fire and evacuated the wounded man on an improvised stretcher across ground constantly under fire. Private Pizzica's heroic action was instrumental in saving the wounded man's life. Entered military service from New Cumberland Pennsylvania.

✓ Robert Roy, SS 980 774, Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company I, 202d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945 near Kronsteden, Germany. While leading his rifle squad in an attack on Kronsteden, Private Roy was knocked unconscious by the explosion of an enemy pillbox. Regaining consciousness, he continued to lead his men in his assault on the enemy positions despite his dazed condition and intense machine gun and rifle fire. By his outstanding courage, determination, and leadership, Private Roy's squad was able to capture its objective, killing eight of the enemy and capturing twenty-three. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

✓ Donald L. Russell, SS 174 726, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 343d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945 near Schweinfurt, Germany. When his company sustained numerous casualties from enemy artillery and mortar fire and was forced to withdraw, Private Russell discovered a severely wounded comrade who had received medical aid but had not been evacuated. Exposing himself to the enemy fire, he collected two other men and with them carried the injured man to the aid station. Private Russell's heroic action and coolness under fire enabled the wounded man to receive further medical treatment that saved his life. Entered military service from Coeur D'Alene, Idaho.

✓ Louis A. Thiodeau, SS 427 319, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 343d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945 near Alzou, France. When his platoon was immobilized by fire from an enemy machine gun nest, Private Thiodeau voluntarily left his comparatively safe position and charged toward the hostile emplacement. This action drew the attention and the heavy fire of the enemy to him, permitting other members of the platoon to approach the position from a flank and destroy it by grenades and small arms fire. Private Thiodeau was seriously wounded in this heroic action that enabled his unit to take its objective with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Lynn, Massachusetts.

✓ JOHN K. TROTT, OS 010 343, 3d Lieutenant, (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Company I, 202d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 January 1945 near Chateau Robertsau, France. When the enemy was attempting a crossing of the Rhine River near Chateau Robertsau, Sergeant Trott set up his platoon in positions along the river bank in the face of intense mortar, artillery, machine gun, and rifle fire. While directing his platoon's fire, he suffered serious leg wounds and was knocked unconscious by an artillery shell. Regaining consciousness he went back over five hundred

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yards of open terrain to secure medical aid for two wounded men. Not until after he had successfully directed his platoon in repelling the enemy river crossing, did sergeant Trout permit himself to be evacuated. Entered military service from Forest City, North Carolina.

Glenn E. Wieburg, SS 738 043, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 333d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945, near Hursberg, Germany. Noticing two enemy officers trying to infiltrate our lines, Sergeant Wieburg killed one and captured the other single handed. He then alerted his heavy machine gun section and succeeded in capturing a large number of the enemy attempting to infiltrate our defenses. By his alertness and courage, Sergeant Wieburg averted a strong enemy thrust to penetrate our lines. Entered military service from Pekin, Illinois.

Francis Williams, S 887 897, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 333d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945, near Furth, Germany. When the platoon in which he was assistant squad leader was held up by sniper fire, Private Williams went his way forward, drawing fire in order to locate the sniper. On the sniper's next burst of fire, he located his position and returned the fire with his automatic rifle, knocking the sniper out of a tree, and enabling the platoon to continue the attack. Through his outstanding courage and aggressiveness, Private Williams made an effective contribution to the successful attack of his platoon. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

(b) By direction of the President under the provisions of Army Regulations 800-40, 33 September 1941, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States:

Dendall H. Bode, 17 182 086, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 343d Infantry Regiment, from 13 March to 8 May 1945 inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Alton, Illinois.

Russell R. Busacker, 20 755 433, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 2-3d Field Artillery Battalion, from 18 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Long Prairie, Minnesota.

Cecil L. Cole, 39 185 897, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 333d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Seattle, Washington.

Leonara B. Cooper, 20 338 700, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 333d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Frank Diaz, 34 087 891, Technical Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company E, 333d Infantry Regiment, from 1 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jacksonville, Florida.

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✓ Olimbio J. DiSalvo, 32 203 884, First Sergeant, Quartermaster Corps, 43d Quartermaster Company, from 20 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Harristown, New Jersey.

✓ Byge T. Farmer, Jr., 6 398 381, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 233d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Simpsonville, South Carolina.

✓ William J. Harris, 36 874 385, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 233d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France, Germany and Austria. Entered military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

✓ Harold Howe, 31 198 073, Master Sergeant, Infantry Photo Interpretation Team 131, G-2 Section 43d Infantry Division, from 12 February to 20 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sterling, Connecticut.

✓ James J. Lambros, 32 765 457, Sergeant, Signal Corps, 133d Signal Company, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

✓ James T. Landoli, 31 070 006, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 233d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

✓ RICHARD A. LAYTON, 01 167 949, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery B, 403d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 to 22 March 1945, inclusive in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wilmington, North Carolina.

✓ ALTON D. MAY, 01 017 109, First Lieutenant, Armored Force, Headquarters Company, 756th Tank Battalion, from 30 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Mendenhall, Mississippi.

✓ Lawrence O. Olson, 37 537 032, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 43d Division Artillery, from 16 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hutchinson, Kansas.

✓ Zennis L. Reed, 35 131 851, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 233d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive in France and Germany. Entered military service from Silver Lake, Indiana.

✓ James A. Ritter, 33 075 982, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery B, 543d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

✓ Harold Schneider, 17 083 017, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery C, 403d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kansas City, Kansas.

✓ John F. Scofield, 20 730 175, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 233d Infantry Regiment, from 9 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kansas City, Kansas.

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✓ WILSON F. SLOVER, O1 015 005, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters 2d Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 20 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Evansville, Indiana.

✓ Aaron Steinman, 35 138 300, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery C, 402a Field Artillery Battalion, from 18 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

✓ William K. Vachon, 38 212 319, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 243d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Akron, Ohio.

✓ Harold E. Whitten, 36 738 792, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery C, 222d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Coffey, Illinois.

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

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-42, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following individual for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States:

✓ William H. Morris, 20 749 045, Technical sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 223d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Faribault, Minnesota.

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

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-42, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following individual for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States:

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~~✓ JAMES L. KULL, O 325 183, Major, Field Artillery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 22 March to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Roanoke, Virginia.~~

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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:

FRED L. BLACKHURST, O2 010 784, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company G, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 19 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. While holding a bridgehead with his platoon, Lieutenant Blackhurst constantly exposed himself to intense enemy mortar, artillery, machine gun and rifle fire in order to keep control and direct the fire of his platoon. He personally assaulted a hostile machine gun position and destroyed it with rifle fire and hand grenades. When ordered to withdraw, he set up a route of escape and successfully led his platoon from the area. Lieutenant Blackhurst's outstanding leadership and courage contributed immeasurably to the successful completion of his platoon's mission. Entered military service from New Cumberland, Pennsylvania.

RUSSELL E. CHAPPELL, O1 332 467, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 23 April 1945, near Dockingen, Germany. While Lieutenant Chappell was leading his rifle platoon in an attack on the enemy's right flank at Dockingen, he encountered intense machine gun and rifle fire which pinned the unit down. Upon seeing his men hit the ground in exposed positions, he charged toward the enemy positions, shouting and encouraging his men to follow him. Inspired by Lieutenant Chappell's outstanding courage and aggressiveness, his men got up and followed him in a successful assault on the enemy positions. Entered military service from Evansville, Indiana.

George C. Marsh, 36 832 213, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment 2, 2d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 April 1945 near Schwinfurt, Germany. While the company in which he was aid-man was engaged in a bitter fire fight, Private Marsh, seeing a wounded man lying in an area covered by heavy small arms and flak fire, moved forward to the side of the fallen man, administering first aid and supervising his evacuation. A short time later, he again went out into the area under intense machine gun, flak, and sniper fire to aid another wounded man. In neither case had our forces yet achieved fire-superiority, but Private Marsh's devotion to duty was such that his only thought was to aid his comrades. His gallant action was an example of courage to the men fighting around him. Entered military service from Richland Center, Wisconsin.

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:

Allen A. Holroyd, 39 121 907, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 March 1945 near Althorn, France. As a member of a three man patrol which had the mission of recommitting the enemy main line of resistance and capturing prisoners, Private Holroyd maneuvered his way through wire entanglements and a booby trapped area toward the enemy

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conditions. A German non-commissioned officer observed the patrol and gave the alarm causing our men to come under heavy small arms fire at close range. While one of his companions opened fire with an automatic weapon, Private Holroyd together with the third member of the patrol, rushed the fox hole, disarmed the German non-commissioned officer, and withdrew with their prisoner to our lines. Through his outstanding courage and aggressiveness, Private Holroyd gained invaluable information concerning the enemy defensive positions in the area. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Wylie J. Pitcher, 36 966 274, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 April 1945 near Auerheim, Germany. While engaged in clearing out the town of Auerheim, Germany, Private Pitcher encountered five fully armed enemy. Accepting their surrender, he moved them out into the street and then only a heavy artillery concentration. Though wounded by shell fragments, Private Pitcher retained control of the five men until they could be properly evacuated. By his courageous devotion to duty, Private Pitcher eliminated a potentially dangerous sniper nest in the path of our forces. Entered military service from Belleville, Michigan.

Verl W. Reed, 39 908 038, Private, Infantry, Company L, 21st Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 21 March 1945, near Fischbach, Germany. While the enemy opened fire on the point of the platoon to which he was assigned, Private Reed advanced in the direction of the enemy, returning the fire as he progressed. The enemy suddenly ceased firing, and a reconnaissance of the area disclosed that their position had been abandoned. Through his outstanding courage and aggressiveness, Private Reed thus eliminated a serious obstacle in the route of the battalion advance. Entered military service from Idaho Falls, Idaho.

William Rosenberg, 32 846 499, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company L, 21st Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 March 1945 near Althorn, France. As a member of a three man patrol which had the mission of reconnoitering the enemy main line of resistance and capturing prisoners, Sergeant Rosenberg maneuvered his way through wire entanglements and a booby trapped area toward the enemy positions. A German non-commissioned officer observed the patrol and gave the alarm, causing our men to come under heavy small arms fire at close range. While one of his companions opened fire with an automatic weapon, Sergeant Rosenberg together with the third member of the patrol, rushed the fox hole, disarmed the German non-commissioned officer, and withdrew with their prisoner to our lines. Through his outstanding courage and aggressiveness, Sergeant Rosenberg gained invaluable information concerning the enemy defensive positions in the area. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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

Walter C. Ackerman, 36 613 541, Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, 2 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Paul T. Castle, 34 826 986, Medical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company F, 21st Infantry Regiment, 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

ORVAL D. ROSSON, 02 028 304, Second Lieutenant (then First Sergeant) Infantry, Cannon Company, 21st Infantry Regiment, 9 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Charles England, 34 742 274, Sergeant, (then Private First Class) Infantry, 31 Battalion Rangers, 232d Infantry Regiment from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Miami, Florida.

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Daniel P. Gillespie, 37 546 236, Staff Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, 2 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa Falls, Iowa.

Jimmie T. Harvett, 34 368 123, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Illinois, Illinois.

Edgar L. Hill, 32 951 474, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, 19 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Wilmington, Delaware.

Emene F. Nassour, 12 005 123, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, 19 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Niagara Falls, New York.

Eufus M. Thomson, 36 932 869, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, 7 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

(c) 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 an enemy of the United States:

Y Donovan Bolas, 37 077 004, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 12 January 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Des Moines, Iowa.

David A. Meier, 6 954 336, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pueblo, Colorado.

III. 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:

George J. Gahr, 37 201 949, Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 February 1945 near Bieldenguth, France. As assistant squad leader, Sergeant Gahr was advancing with a combat patrol when the group was held up by heavy cross fire from two enemy machine guns. While the leader maneuvered one section of the patrol to flank the hostile position, Sergeant Gahr directed effective fire against the enemy and then, at the direction of the platoon leader, led his men in a frontal attack through the enemy line toward the guns. Confused by a dense fire, some of the members of the patrol withdrew, leaving Sergeant Gahr and five of his men inside the enemy lines. Establishing a defensive position, the six men remained in place until dawn, when Sergeant Gahr, by his courage and devotion to duty, he saved his own men and contributed effectively to the success of the patrol which killed eight of the enemy, wounded twelve and captured two. Entered military service from Trinidad, Colorado.

(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 achievement in action:

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Paul J. Pwerscheck, 33 027 922, General, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 22d Infantry Regiment, from 15 to 23 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio, U.S.A.

Alvin M. Weiner, 14 126 435, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 1st Battalion, 22d Infantry Regiment, 25 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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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:

William D. Brown, 33 994 058, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Logan Illinois.

Donald A. Dahmalik, 37 672 331, Private, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

William B. Groves, 35 243 267, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 232d Infantry Regiment, 19 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Malaga, Ohio.

Elmer R. Hanson, 37 554 778, Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry Company D, 242d Infantry Regiment, 11 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Astoria, South Dakota.

Louis P. Johnson, 12 061 510, Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry Company B, 242d Infantry Regiment, 11 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Long Island City, New York.

C. P. Kirkpatrick, 18 108 218, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company G, 232d Infantry Regiment, 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

William H. Marsh, 34 737 069, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chattanooga, Tennessee.

William G. McKee, 36 780 875, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, 16 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Mattoon, Illinois.

Joseph H. Miller, 34 678 712, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, 10 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Lexington, North Carolina.

TOM OWEN, 0 555 588, 2d Lieutenant, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

Vernon P. Queen, 34 678 849, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company 1st Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, 9 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Kannapolis, North Carolina.

Leon G. Schneider, 12 111 146, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 242d Infantry Regiment, 11 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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Norman J. Smith, 31 448 789, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 242d Infantry Regiment, 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

Carl J. Stevens, 33 557 432, Private, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, 10 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Silver Springs, Maryland.

Richard O. Stone, 3 251 220, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Egan, Texas.

Leon T. Sullivan, 31 254 578, Sergeant, Infantry, Company J, 252d Infantry Regiment, 22 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Shoreham, Vermont.

Sverett C. Thomson, 35 190 745, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment 222d Infantry Regiment, 15-18 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Paducah, Kentucky.

Edward A. Wolf, 36 981 286, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, 19-22 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Edwin J. Zygadlo, 31 433 895, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 242d Infantry Regiment, 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Lowell Massachusetts.

(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 an enemy of the United States:

LARRY C. GONSOLINI, 01 283 063, Captain, (then 1st Lieutenant), Infantry, Headquarters 3rd Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jeanerette, Louisiana.

LEROY J. HOLMES, 01 316 902, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company 1st Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

JOHN E. LANGRISH, 0 461 402, Major, (then Captain), Medical Corps, Unit II, 11th Field Hospital, from 15 February 1945 to 20 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

II. 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:

ARTHUR W. ALLEN, 01 755 583, Captain, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

NORMAN S. STRANGE, 0 550 364, 1st Lieutenant, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Dallas Texas.

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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 an enemy of the United States.

JAMES V. RUTLEDGE, O 537 531, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery A, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lansing, Michigan.

III. AWARD OF THE SECOND 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 Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following individual for meritorious achievement in action:

Robert L. King, 38 669 011, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Edinburg, Arkansas.

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

GILES R. CARPENTER, O 014 915, Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 42d Division Artillery, from 20 April 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Watertown, New York.

IV. REVOCATIONS:-.... So much of Paragraph 1, General Orders 193, dated 27 Oct 45, this headquarters, as pertains to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to Corporal DVORSHOCK, Paul J. 38 827 922, 222d Infantry, is revoked.

So much of Paragraph 4, General Orders 189, this headquarters, dated 26 October 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal to Staff Sergeant Robert L. King, 38 669 011, Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

So much of Paragraph 1, General Orders 190, this headquarters, dated 26 October 1945, as pertains to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to Private First Class Alvin M. Weiner, 16 286 705, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

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 Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

TEW E. GORDINIER, OR 323 921, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "D", 222d Infantry Regiment for gallantry in action on 24 January 1945, near Neberg, France. When a platoon which had the mission of establishing an outpost line of resistance withdrew because of a strong enemy attack, Lieutenant Gordinier met the withdrawing platoon and, disregarding heavy artillery and mortar fire, reorganized it, setting up a defense that was able to hold off a subsequent major enemy attack. When the fire abated somewhat, he established a command post in a nearby building and contacted supporting artillery, directing effective fire on the enemy. Later, when the enemy infiltrated and attacked his position from the rear, he manned a machine gun from a doorway, inflicting heavy casualties and causing the enemy to withdraw in a confused state. By his aggressive leadership and professional skill, Lieutenant Gordinier prevented the enemy from taking the town of Neberg, France, one of their major objectives in their last attempt to regain Alsace. Entered military service from Des Moines, Iowa.

Francis V. McDonnell, OR 803 820, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 4 April 1945, at Würzburg, Germany. When his squad was under intense fire from enemy positions located in a nearby building, Private McDonnell volunteered to attack the enemy. Dashing through a hail of enemy fire, he made his way to the rear of the enemy held building and entered, firing and throwing hand grenades as he advanced. By his great daring and aggressiveness, Private McDonnell attacked and killed a large number of the enemy, all of whom he killed, thus eliminating a strong enemy outpost located in his company's route of advance. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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:

Edmund H. Anderson, OR 691 036, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 22d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 9 January 1945, at Hatten, France. In spite of heavy enemy artillery fire, Private Anderson voluntarily accompanied an ammunition truck from Rittershofen into the town of Hatten which was partly held by the enemy. Realizing how desperately

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his unit needed the ammunition, he aided in loading of the vehicle and then personally reconnoitered a safe route to the battalion command post in Hatten where the ammunition was needed. Private Anderson then remained in the town to aid in repulsing a strong enemy attack. His heroic action enabled the defenders to prolong their opposition to the determined enemy assaults. Entered military service from Mannford, Oklahoma.

Thom Bowie, 6 951 842, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945 near Gambenheim, France. While remaining behind to help cover his battalion's withdrawal, Sergeant Bowie was subjected to heavy machine gun and sniper fire. He fired continually on hostile machine gun positions, keeping their crews pinned down with rifle fire until our last elements had withdrawn. He then fell back to the new positions, aiding and evacuating a wounded comrade enroute. Sergeant Bowie's courageous actions assisted materially in enabling the battalion to withdraw with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from San Juan, Texas.

Robert K Choate, 12 226 783, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 February 1945 near Wildenguth, France. Serving as first scout in a combat patrol, Private Choate guided a part of the patrol across a draw under heavy enemy fire without casualties. When the patrol was ordered to withdraw, he covered the withdrawal with effective fire, being the last man to return to friendly lines. When the patrol returned to the command post, a count revealed that five men were missing. Disregarding the heavy machine gun and mortar fire falling in the area, he returned to enemy territory and brought four of the lost men to safety. Through his outstanding courage and aggressiveness, Private Choate played a major role in the successful accomplishment of the patrol's mission. Entered military service from Pleasantville, New Jersey.

Dominick A DiCesare, 12 231 800, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945 at Schweinfurt, Germany. As a member of a detail handling prisoners of war Private DiCesare noticed that an attacking company was under intense fire from an enemy machine gun nest on a flank. Observing the location of this position, he crawled to within twenty five yards of it and hurled a hand grenade that landed directly in the position, wounding several enemy and causing the rest to surrender. Returning with the prisoners to the collecting point, Private DiCesare assisted his comrades in collecting other prisoners from the attacking company. His heroic action prevented numerous casualties in the attacking company and enabled the assault to continue unimpeded. Entered military service from Woodhaven Long Island, New York.

William C. Douglas, 33 090 390, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945 at Hatten, France. When a message to Regimental Headquarters requesting vitally needed supplies could not be sent due to the fact that all

telephone and radio communications were cut, Corporal Douglas and another man volunteered to deliver it in a jeep. Intense shelling forced them to abort their first attempt. But on the second try they succeeded in getting in and driving off under heavy fire from enemy artillery, mortars and attacking tanks. After delivering the message they returned with the necessary supplies, forcing their way through the same hail of fire. Corporal Douglas' heroic action was a splendid example to his comrades. Entered military service from Big Island, Virginia.

Ray M. Dutmers, 36 874 306, Sergeant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 24th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 January 1945 at Ribersroeder, France. While attempting to contact an Anti-Tank platoon whose positions had been overrun by the enemy, Sergeant Dutmers entered Ribersroeder at night under heavy artillery fire and made his way to the location of one of the squads. Finding that the squad had safely withdrawn, he engaged it in close range of an enemy machine gun but could not contact the other two squads. Later that night in the midst of another enemy attack, Sergeant Dutmers contacted these squads and in placing them in better positions, exposed himself to mortar fire to reconnoiter the new locations. His heroic actions enabled the unit to repulse the attack. Entered military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

John A. Hadley, 12 121 183, Private, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 near Furth, Germany. When the platoon in which he was serving as aid man was held up by intense machine gun fire, Private Hadley, seeing two men lying wounded, made his way forward to the first man, administering aid and guiding him to cover. He then crawled forward to the other man, disregarding the accurate and intense enemy fire. Within close range of the enemy gun, he administered first aid and brought the wounded man to partial cover from which he was soon evacuated. Through his outstanding courage and devotion to duty, Private Hadley saved the lives of two wounded men and was an example to the men fighting near him. Entered military service from Richmond, Virginia.

Herbert P. Harings, 36 227 062, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 February 1945 near Wildenguth, France. A assistant squad leader, Private Harings was advancing with a combat patrol when the group was held up by cross fire from two enemy machine guns. He assisted in leading the squad in a flank attack as a result of which one of the guns was surrounded and two Germans killed and a like number captured. Taking the prisoners to a covered position, he questioned them and learned the locations of several other enemy positions in the area. While he was guarding the prisoners from a short distance two other enemy soldiers approached and began talking to the prisoners. Private Harings killed one of them and the other fled. After taking the prisoners to the company covered post, he returned to the patrol with a supply of ammunition, by his courage and skill. Private Harings contributed effectively to the success of the patrol which killed eight enemy, wounded over twelve and captured two. Entered military service from Bloomer, Wisconsin.

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Walter J. Haymann, 32 998 138, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 April 1945 near Unter-Durrbach, Germany. As the platoon to which Private Haymann was attached advanced across an open field, they were suddenly fired upon by enemy 20 mm weapons and heavy machine guns, which inflicted several casualties. Noticing a wounded man who was helpless, Private Haymann unhesitatingly left his position and under increasing enemy fire, crawled to the man and administered first aid. A short time later, under the cover of partial darkness, he successfully evacuated the wounded man. Private Haymann's extreme courage and devotion to his comrades saved the wounded man from possible death. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

Eugene W. Huskey, 34 739 731, Corporal, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 near Rain, Germany. When two engineers were seriously wounded by an infiltrating enemy machine gunner, Corporal Huskey ran unhesitatingly under the intense fire, dragged the wounded men one at a time, to the safety of a defilade position where he rendered immediate first aid. His courageous and prompt action undoubtedly saved the two injured men from further wounds or death. Entered military service from Sevierville, Tennessee.

Joseph F. Johnson, 35 707 610, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 March 1945 near Champagne, France. Noticing a rifleman seriously injured from an enemy mine, Sergeant Johnson ran alone across the mined area to the man's assistance. He applied a tourniquet to the wounded man's arm, gave him blood plasma, and then evacuated the casualty across the mine field to the aid station. Sergeant Johnson's courageous action undoubtedly saved the man's life and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from Lexington, Kentucky.

Alfred J. Kelley, 36 453 308, Private First Class, (then Private), Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945 near Geldersheim, Germany. When his platoon's communications were severed, Private Kelley volunteered to cross an open field under heavy enemy fire to reach the company commander and inform him of the location of hostile machine guns which had held up the advance. By Private Kelley's heroic action, artillery was promptly brought on the enemy positions, enabling the company to continue its advance. Entered military service from Cassopolis, Michigan.

Walter Kerleyza, 31 345 884, Corporal, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945 near Arnstein, Germany. During the attack on the city of Arnstein, Corporal Kerleyza unhesitatingly went to the rear for ammunition for his squad's heavy machine gun. Disregarding his own safety, he advanced across an open field under heavy sniper, small arms, and mortar fire, and secured the badly needed ammunition, returning over the same hazardous route. By his courage and devotion to duty, Corporal Kerleyza enabled his squad to give continuous supporting fire to the advancing rifle troops. Entered military service from New Britain, Connecticut.

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Willes M. Leavitt, 35 213 184, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 March 1945 near Wingen, France. When a German combat patrol approached his position, Private Leavitt gave the alarm and the squad opened fire. Realizing the necessity for prompt action when a supporting machine gun became disabled, Private Leavitt left his foxhole and advanced to the gun through direct enemy automatic weapons and small arms fire. He put the gun back into action thus playing a major part in repulsing the enemy infiltration. Private Leavitt's heroic action and alertness drove off the enemy and denied him the intelligence he was seeking. Entered military service from Sharon, West Virginia.

Ben J. Mays, 39 698 987, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945 near Sarcodism, France. While his battalion was withdrawing under intense artillery, mortar, machine gun, and small arms fire, Private Mays, without regard for his own safety, remained behind until the last, covering the withdrawal. Although facing intense enemy fire, he delivered a heavy volume of rifle fire in return, keeping the enemy pinned down. When the battalion had formed new defensive positions, he then withdrew, carrying a wounded comrade to safety. Private Mays' courageous action contributed materially to the successful withdrawal of his Battalion. Entered military service from Torterville, California.

John W. McDonald, 16 081 679, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945 at Hatten, France. When a message requesting vitally needed supplies had to be taken to Regimental Headquarters and all other communications were cut, Private McDonald and another man volunteered to drive out with it. Intense shelling forced them back on their first attempt, but on the second try they succeeded although under the fire of enemy artillery, mortars and attacking tanks. After delivering the message they returned with the necessary supplies, fording through the same band of fire. Private McDonald's heroic action restored communications and relieved a sorely pressed unit. Entered military service from Rockford, Illinois.

Thomas R. Meyers, 32 689 987, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945 at Arnstein, Germany. During the attack on Arnstein, when his mortar section exhausted its ammunition supply, Private Meyers voluntarily went under heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire to the ammunition supply point for more ammunition. He returned over the same route with a double load of ammunition in time for his mortar section to successfully break up an impending enemy counter attack. Private Meyers' courageous action under fire contributed materially to the successful capture of the town. Entered military service from Saltsburg, Pennsylvania.

William J. Myers, 11 141 816, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters 3d Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 22 April 1945 near Kalbensternberg, Germany. When the column in which his jeep was the lead vehicle encountered enemy panzerfaust fire, Sergeant Myers leaped from the jeep and remained in the open to warn our oncoming tank destroyers. Although wounded by

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fragments from exploding panzerfausts, he continued to expose himself while pointing out the enemy to the tank destroyers and firing at them with his carbine. Sergeant Myers' prompt and courageous action thus saved the leading tank destroyer from an ambush which undoubtedly would have destroyed the vehicle and inflicted casualties among the crew. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

John C. Powers, 33 832 308, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945 near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. In order to maintain contact with the enemy while preparing to assault the Siegfried Line fortifications, Private Powers voluntarily went on three combat patrols. On each occasion, the patrol crossed flat terrain 150 yards from enemy emplacements under intense automatic weapons fire. From the enemy fire, Private Powers was able to locate enemy positions which were then neutralized by friendly artillery. Private Powers' heroic action greatly aided in a prompt breakthrough of the enemy fortifications at that point. Entered military service from Palmerton, Pennsylvania.

John L. Ritto, 33 772 060, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 near Furth, Germany. When his platoon was assigned the mission of establishing a bridgehead across the Regnitz River at Furth, Germany, Private Ritto led a reconnaissance patrol to determine the route of approach, condition of the bridge, and degree of enemy observation at the proposed crossing. Accomplishing his mission, he returned and led his entire squad across the river without casualties, boldly exposing himself to enemy fire to cover the crossing by his men. Through his aggressive leadership and skill, Private Ritto played a major role in the successful crossing. Entered military service from Cumberland, Pennsylvania.

Mario Sanchez, 38 555 759, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945 near Rain, Germany. When two riflemen were seriously wounded by enemy fire during the advance on Rain, Corporal Sanchez crawled and ran across an open field under intense enemy mortar fire to treat the wounded. After administering first aid, he then carried them, one at a time, to a safe position until they could be evacuated to the aid station. Corporal Sanchez' outstanding courage and unswerving devotion to duty undoubtedly saved the wounded men from death or capture. Entered military service from Lerado, Texas.

Raymond A. Savage, 31 319 345, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Haguenau, France. During the height of an enemy attack accompanied by heavy artillery and mortar fire, Private Savage noticed one of our machine guns which was not firing at the enemy. Several times he tried to cross the 400 yards of deep snow to reach the gun, but was continually forced back by intense machine gun and small arms fire. After one of these attempts he noticed that a comrade had been seriously wounded by enemy mortar fire and aided in evacuating the wounded man to the rear, afterward's returning to his post. On all these trips he was subjected to enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Private Savage's courageous action

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undoubtedly saved the man's life. Entered military service from Lewiston, Maine.

ALVAN E. SQUIRES, O1 326 347, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company B, 22nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 April 1945 near Dackingen, Germany. While Companies B and C were attacking the town of Dackingen, intense small arms and automatic fire disorganized the attacking elements. Lieutenant Squires refused to take cover, but braved alone the front rallying and encouraging his men. He then personally led them in the attack, completely overthrew the enemy positions. Lieutenant Squires' courage and outstanding leadership under fire contributed materially to the successful completion of the operation. Entered military service from West Plains, Missouri.

Richard W. Vornbrock, 37 605 456, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9-10 January 1945 at Hatten, France. When an extremely heavy enemy attack supported by artillery; self propelled guns and flame throwing tanks broke through the main line of resistance and approached the battalion command post, Corporal Vornbrock, battalion clerk, unhesitatingly picked up his weapon and joined the other headquarters personnel in the defense of the command post. Despite heavy enemy tank fire, he held his post and returned effective fire on the enemy, assisting in repulsing the attack. Although wounded and temporarily deafened by a nearby shell burst, Corporal Vornbrock returned to his post and continued the fighting until the withdrawal from the town. His heroic action was a fine example to his comrades whose efforts were a major factor in the defense of the area. Entered military service from Richmond Heights, Missouri.

Charles H. Waddell, 34 688 667, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 February 1945 near Wildenruth, France. When the combat patrol in which he was squad leader was held up by heavy cross fire, Sergeant Waddell led his squad in a flanking attack and delivered accurate fire against the enemy positions. He then led his men in an attack against the emplacements causing the enemy to withdraw. The fight continued for approximately six hours, following which Sergeant Waddell's squad assisted in repulsing two counterattacks. By his outstanding courage and aggressive leadership, Sergeant Waddell contributed effectively to the success of the patrol, which killed eight enemy, wounded twelve and captured two. Entered military service from Edison, 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 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

CALVIN G. DIETRICH, O 441 241, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, Interrogator of Prisoners of War, Seventh Army, (attached to 242d Infantry), for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 at Furth, Germany. When a part of the German garrison at Furth indicated their desire to surrender, Lieutenant Dietrich and another

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officer questioned the two enemy envoys and returned with them to the outskirts of the enemy positions. After a short wait, Lieutenant Dietrich, having no further word from the enemy, walked boldly into the large barracks and ordered all of the enemy to disarm, which they promptly did. This bold maneuver, accomplished in the face of an unknown number of armed enemy, enabled his regiment to advance rapidly, and contributed materially to the surrender of the city. Entered military service from Oxford, Mississippi.

CARL A. THORSTAD JR, O2 OLO 771, Second Lieutenant, Infantry Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945 at Wurzburg, Germany. When the company which his heavy machine gun platoon was supporting in a river crossing came under fire in mid-stream, Lieutenant Thorstad directed effective fire on the enemy positions, silencing the guns. As one assault boat was returning with a wounded man, the Germans opened fire on the boat from a new position. Disregarding the enemy fire, Lieutenant Thorstad made his way along the river bank to an exposed position from which he brought effective fire to bear on the enemy emplacement, enabling the assault boat to bring the wounded man back to safety. By his aggressiveness and professional skill, Lieutenant Thorstad made an effective contribution to the successful river crossing. Entered military service from Minnewaukan, North Dakota.


Romenick Venezia, 33 699 256, Technician Fifth Grade, Cavalry, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 near Amendorf, Germany. During the attack on Amendorf, Corporal Venezia drove his Commanding Officer through the enemy lines into the German-held town to negotiate its surrender. While the officer was conferring with the enemy, Corporal Venezia remained alone in his vehicle in total blackout on the edge of town and surrounded by the enemy forces. At the conclusion of the conference, he made contact with his Commanding Officer and drove him back to our lines. Corporal Venezia's coolness and courage under these perilous circumstances are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Bennie B Whittington, 34 871 062, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 March 1945 near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. During the fierce fighting near Ludwigswinkel, heavy casualties were being inflicted on our troops by intense enemy mortar concentrations. Private Whittington advanced fifty yards to the side of an injured man, shielded the wounded man with his own body and evacuated him when the mortar fire had lifted slightly. This heroic and self-sacrificing action saved the injured man from certain death. Entered military service from Crystal Springs, Mississippi.

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