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service from Vermillion, South Dakota.

John M. D. Thompson, 35 446 429, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Huntington, West Virginia.

X III. REVOCATIONS:-... So much of General Orders 19, as, as pertains to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to James H. Farber, 34 675 142, First Sergeant, 222d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

RICHARD R. STETTER, Jr.  
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Actg. Chief of Staff.

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4 May 1953

SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Amendment of General Orders

TO: Mr. Louis A. Rondinaro  
Salt Point Road  
Watkins Glen, New York

So much of General Orders 68, Headquarters 42nd Infantry Division, dated 13 March 1946, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Louis A. Rondinaro, service number 32 939 493, which reads "on 4 May 1945, in Germany" is amended to read "on 30 April 1945, in Germany".

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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GENERAL ORDERS)

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ORIGINAL ORDER

AFO 411, U.S. ARMY,

13 March 1946.

Award of the Soldier's Medal ..... I  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal ..... II

I. 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:

James E. Jacobs, 33 080 933, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy on 5 September 1945, at Krimml, Austria. When a kitchen stove exploded and covered a nearby soldier with flaming gasoline, Sergeant Jacobs, with complete disregard for his personal safety, immediately covered his comrade with mattress covers and extinguished the flames. Then putting out the fire raging about the burning stove, he rushed the burned man to the medical aid station for medical treatment. By his prompt and heroic action, Sergeant Jacobs saved a fellow soldier from serious injury or possible death. Entered military service from West Brownsville, Pennsylvania.

Carl O. Kurfees, 42 907 002, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy on 20 August 1945, in Krimml, Austria. Corporal Kurfees displayed exceptional courage and ability on this date in recovering a drowning child from a nearby swimming pool and reviving the small boy by artificial respiration. Summoned to the pool by a civilian, he unhesitatingly plunged into the water, pulled the child to safety, and promptly began artificial respiration. Laboring for forty minutes without rest, he succeeded in restoring consciousness to the almost lifeless body. By his courageous action and unwavering determination, Corporal Kurfees saved the child's life. Entered military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

Giltner R. LaMaster, 38 346 351, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy on 13 May 1945, near Mittersill, Austria. When ammunition being carried in the caisson attached to one of the trucks of a battalion motor column exploded, Corporal LaMaster immediately proceeded to the furiously blazing vehicle and assisted in unhitching the trailer and moving it from the high explosives in the truck. Despite the danger from exploding hand grenades and small arms ammunition, he climbed into the truck and threw the blazing boxes of ammunition to the ground where they were extinguished by his comrades. Corporal LaMaster's prompt and courageous action contributed materially to saving the truck and ammunition, and undoubtedly prevented a more serious explosion which would have endangered the lives of the men in the convoy. Entered military service from Lubbock, Texas.

Thomas N. Lambros, 36 733 337, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy on 13 May 1945, near Mittersill, Austria. When ammunition being carried in the caisson attached to one of the trucks of a battalion motor column exploded, Private Lambros immediately

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proceeded to the furiously blazing truck and assisted in unhitching the trailer and moving it from the vicinity of the high explosives on the vehicle. Despite the danger from exploding hand grenades and small arms ammunition, he climbed into the truck and threw several blazing boxes of ammunition to the ground where they were extinguished by his efforts. Private Lambros' prompt and courageous action contributed materially to saving the truck, and undoubtedly prevented a more serious explosion which would have endangered the lives of the men in the convoy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

WILLIAM F. RYAN, 019 142, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroism not involving conflict with an enemy on 13 May 1945, near Wittersill, Austria. When part of a load of ammunition exploded in a caisson behind one of the vehicles in Colonel Ryan's motor column, he promptly dismounted from his jeep and proceeded at once to the burning truck. Despite exploding grenades and small arms ammunition, he assisted to unhitch the blazing trailer and to move it from the ammunition truck. Then seizing an axe, Colonel Ryan fearlessly approached the burning boxes and proceeded to chop the flaming cases from the howitzer ammunition in order to prevent the fire from reaching the high explosives. Colonel Ryan's prompt and highly courageous action aided materially in saving the truck and ammunition, and prevented a serious explosion which would have endangered the lives of many of his men. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Eugene F. Townsend, 42 166 872, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 1 October 1945, near Altenau, Austria. While Private Townsend and his assistant driver were on a road near Altenau, Austria, the quarter-ton truck he was driving struck a soft spot, overturned, and rolled down an embankment into a stream, throwing the assistant driver into the swift current in an unconscious condition. Despite the severe injuries he had received, Private Townsend leapt into the water and, after a seventy-yard struggle against its strong flow, succeeded in pulling his comrade onto the surface of a large rock in midstream, where he immediately proceeded to give artificial respiration until aid arrived. Private Townsend's heroic action was in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Clinton, New York.

David Weyland, 42 004 205, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy on 30 September 1945, near Vaglau, Austria. While passing a lumber mill near Vaglau, Austria, Sergeant Weyland and a comrade observed that the building was on fire. Calling to the civilian workers to assist, he and the other soldier removed the fire extinguisher from their truck and took nearby civilian fire fighting equipment to fight the fire. Then, at the risk of his life, Sergeant Weyland climbed to the roof of the building and worked in the midst of smoke and flames until the fire was extinguished. During the fire, when one of the civilians assisting him slipped on the wet roof his prompt action saved the man from certain death. Sergeant Weyland's prompt and courageous action saved valuable property from destruction and reflects great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

Samuel N. Willner, 42 007 043, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy on 30 September 1945, near Vaglau, Austria. While passing a lumber mill near Vaglau, Austria, Sergeant Willner and a comrade observed that the building was on fire. Calling to the civilian workers to assist, he and the other soldier took the fire extinguisher from their truck and other civilian fire fighting equipment and unhesitatingly set to work to extinguish the rapidly spreading blaze.

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Then, at the risk of his life, Sergeant Willner mounted to the roof of the building and worked amidst the smoke and flames until the fire was extinguished. During the fire, when one of the civilians assisting him slipped on the wet roof, his prompt action saved the man from certain death. Sergeant Willner's prompt and courageous action saved valuable property from destruction and reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Roselle, New Jersey.

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

RALPH M. ALLEN, 02 010 766, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 8 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Waco, Texas.

George A. Bercin, 12 144 147, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Ralph E. Biedewig, 36 981 002, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 26 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Aurora, Illinois.

Donald L. Carlan, 33 694 177, Corporal (then Private First Class), Infantry Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Robert P. Cotton, 39 598 465, Private First Class, Infantry, Antitank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 24 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from South Gate, California.

Cecil L. Countryman, 37 446 757, Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 29 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Des Moines, Iowa.

Orie H. Daniel, 33 627 246, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Richmond, Virginia.

Richard F. Dunbar, 12 141 057, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 9 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Robert E. Ervin, 37 341 688, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

Basil Floriani, 33 835 150, Corporal (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 24 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Reading, Pennsylvania.

Ernest G. Frye, 39 219 476, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 11 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Kent, Washington.

Hubert H. Game, 39 115 871, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 7 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Ralph N. Grimm, 32 554 135, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 29 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

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Earl E. Huyett, 33 939 634, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Cumberland, Pennsylvania.

Henry D. Johnson, 34 990 657, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Smithville, Tennessee.

Jacob I. Koon, 44 025 166, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Irmo, South Carolina.

Richard J. Mackey, 35 931 243, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

Robert M. Marsden, 36 114 113, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Antitank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Algonac, Michigan.

William H. Mullen, 33 130 170, First Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25-26 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Louis A. Rondinaro, 32 939 493, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 4 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Watkins Glen, New York.

By Command of Major General COLLINS:

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

Walter E. Adkins, 35 086 617, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 22 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Urbana, Ohio.

Ralph S. Bailey, 17 156 998, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 16 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Owatonna, Minnesota.

Egidio F. Bettesti, 32 493 947, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 24 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from St. Johnsville, New York.

Loyd D. Blodgett, 36 966 567, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

James B. Cassidy, 33 773 323, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade), Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Vermillion, South Dakota.

Harold E. Cross, 35 086 663, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 1 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from St. Clairsville, Ohio.

Thomas P. Devine, 32 908 372, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Scarsdale, Westchester, New York.

William F. Devitt, 32 938 146, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 16 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.

Willard R. Eakin, 36 398 651, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Akron, Ohio.

Morris Eisenstein, 36 709 953, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25-26 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Warren E. Finn, 37 476 937, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Infantry, Antitank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 8 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Omaha, Nebraska.

Larry C. Fitzpatrick, 35 526 611, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Ashland, Ohio.

Oliver K. Fleischer, 35 088 816, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

Charles R. Gifford, 39 701 304, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from San Diego, California.

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J. E. Gerber, 38 344 644, Private First Class, Infantry, Antitank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Lubbock, Texas.

Harold E. Glayzer, 37 744 183, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

Elvin C. Glenn, 39 429 323, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Alpine, Texas.

John F. Wefer, 13 114 507, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Robert W. Helm, 36 620 939, Corporal (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 24 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Charles J. Hughe, 39 337 642, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 13 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

John W. Jones, 23 661 813, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Quarry, Virginia.

Robert V. Juvinall, 36 684 581, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 2 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Danville, Illinois.

Richard D. Key, Jr., 39 719 369, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

Frank P. King, Jr., 14 130 636, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 5-6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Decatur, Alabama.

David T. Larson, 32 317 249, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 24 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Edward A. Lethrop, 36 913 526, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 1 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Allenton, Michigan.

Chesler J. Nance, 35 569 522, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 24-25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Fairmont, Indiana.

Wilbur J. Nanta, 33 660 122, Private First Class, Infantry, Antitank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Lehighton, Pennsylvania.

Bert E. McGuire, 37 537 993, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 24 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Parsons, Kansas.

William C. Miller, 20 751 706, Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 20 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Hastings, Wisconsin.

Theodore M. Poyette, 36 832 945, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 24 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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William L. North, 36 641 775, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 5-17 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Elmhurst, Illinois.

Richard E. Risinger, 35 736 675, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Sullivan, Indiana.

Charles H. Ruddick, 35 839 946, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 24 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Franklin, Indiana.

Donald L. Samuelson, 37 696 063, Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Des Moines, Iowa.

Charles B. Sedorberg, 37 771 810, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 1 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

Clemens J. Seils, 36 806 861, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 11-23 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Lloyd E. Sherrod, 16 042 391, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 14 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Carter, Texas.

Raymond L. Shockey, 38 047 452, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Roanoke, Texas.

Edward H. Siritt, 38 509 361, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 5-17 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Bernard E. Thompson, 34 989 329, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kosciusko, Mississippi.

James P. Voigt, 33 551 426, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Highlandtown, Maryland.

Leonard D. Wachs, 36 254 879, Technician Fifth Grade, Medic 1 Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kenosha, Wisconsin.

William E. Williams, 35 708 298, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Artillery Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Evansville, Indiana.

Joseph J. Zorovich, 32 522 711, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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Lt. Col., General Staff Corps,  
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- Award of the Silver Star (Posthumous) ..... I  
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Award of the First Cluster to the Silver Star ..... III  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal ..... IV

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

John E. Vernon, 39 463 210, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945, near Althorn, France. When an enemy patrol infiltrated our lines near Althorn, France, through an unguarded opening, Private Vernon immediately tried to warn nearby riflemen of the threat. Unable to attract his comrades' attention because of the continuous mortar and small arms fire, he advanced toward the enemy group, firing his weapon and yelling loudly as possible. The enemy patrol immediately directed a heavy volume of fire in his direction, fatally wounding him. Private Vernon's courageous self-sacrifice enabled his fellow soldiers to organize and completely repulse the enemy forces. Name and address of nearest relative: Anthony R. Vernon (Father), Box 145, Brewster, Washington. Entered military service from Brewster, Washington.

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 the following:

Daniel F. Gillespie, 39 567 236, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 24 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. When the enemy penetrated our Moder River Line, Private Gillespie held his fire until the fanatically attacking force was within 50 yards of his machine gun emplacement. Opening fire with devastating accuracy, he forced the enemy to withdraw with a loss of many casualties. When the hostile force again attempted to attack his position by a flanking maneuver executed behind a river bank, Private Gillespie, unable to direct fire upon the advancing Germans, concentrated a terrific barrage upon the automatic weapons supporting the maneuver, silencing three of them. In the heat of the fire fight, his machine gun ceased firing because of a mechanical failure. Realizing the need for the tactical information he had gained, he then withdrew to his command post where he passed on to higher headquarters the extent of the German breakthrough. Through his gallant actions, Private Gillespie contributed immeasurably to the successful defense of Alsace. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

Edward W. Malan, 19 153 063, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 25 January 1945, at Schweighausen, France. During the enemy penetration of our main line of resistance at Schweighausen, France, Sergeant Malan volunteered to accompany his platoon leader in an attempt to lead one of his squads to safety through the

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encircling forces. After advancing 300 yards through intense artillery and mortar fire, he and the platoon leader were wounded by shell fragments. Although suffering from shock and badly wounded, Sergeant Malan proceeded to carry the officer to safety, engaging several of the enemy in a fire fight as he retreated to safety. Sergeant Malan's indomitable courage and aggressive determination saved the platoon leader's life and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Claremont, California.

III. 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 the following:

CARLYLE P. WOELFER, 025 350, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 24 January 1945, near Neuberg, France. When the enemy attacked our main line of resistance near Neuberg, France, Lieutenant Woelfer proceeded among his men in order to encourage them and determine the situation. Commandeering an armored car, he proceeded to the right flank where an enemy force had infiltrated in strength. Coming upon an enemy machine gun manned by seven Germans, Lieutenant Woelfer fearlessly exposed himself atop the armored car and killed five with his rifle, forcing the remainder to surrender. Dismounting, he then took a captured machine gun and attacked another position from the flank, killing the entire crew. Lieutenant Woelfer's exceptional courage and gallantry in the face of overwhelming odds reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Army. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

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

Garland N. Brown, 34 736 523, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945, near Ober, Germany. When the tank destroyer spearheading the attack into Ober, Germany, was knocked out by panzerfaust fire, Private Brown sprang from his jeep and unhesitatingly entered the house concealing the enemy gunner. Proceeding into the building and firing his carbine as he advanced, he killed the three enemy occupying the position. By his outstanding courage and unwavering determination, Private Brown made a material contribution to the rapid capitulation of the enemy-held town. Entered military service from Kingston, Tennessee.

Walter J. Gacek, 37 594 221, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 April 1945, at Donauwörth, Germany. When his squad was pinned down by intense enemy machine gun and small arms fire, Private Gacek unhesitatingly exposed himself to return the fire. Fearlessly braving the deadly hail of bullets striking all about, he rose to his feet and opened fire on the enemy positions. Although seriously wounded, he continued to fire until his comrades were able to organize for an attack on the enemy. By his indomitable courage and unflinching determination, Private Gacek played a major role in eliminating the threat to our continued advance. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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Martin C. Gondola, 39 131 493, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, near Barenthal, France. When Private Gondola noticed one of his comrades lying seriously wounded in an open field exposed to enemy artillery fire, he unhesitatingly proceeded to the man's side and administered first aid. He then picked the injured infantryman up in his arms and started back to our lines, fearlessly disregarding the intense rifle and automatic weapons fire directed at him until he had reached safety. By his prompt and courageous action, Private Gondola saved his injured comrade from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Santa Rosa, California.

Steve Monogudis, 33 680 132, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. While on a combat patrol near Wurzburg, Germany, Private Monogudis sighted a group of enemy attempting to move an antitank gun into position. Cautiously advancing to within fifty yards of the enemy, he opened fire with his automatic rifle, inflicting several casualties on them and scattering the remainder. In the ensuing fire fight, he fearlessly exposed himself while directing a deadly fire into the enemy gun crew, inflicting more casualties and forcing the two remaining members to surrender. Private Monogudis' courageous action enabled the patrol to complete its mission successfully without casualty. Entered military service from Sharon, Pennsylvania.

Joe Myers Jr., 38 486 645, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. While Private Myers was on guard in an office building in the city of Wurzburg, Germany, suspicious noises in the basement drew him in that direction to investigate. Cautiously descending into the cellar, he was suddenly confronted by three Germans armed with machine pistols. Guided only by the flashes of their guns as they fired at him, he killed two and seriously wounded the third with his carbine. Private Myers' courageous action and aggressive determination eliminated a serious threat to the security of the men in the building. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

Grant W. Nims, 42 114 329, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945, at Kittershoffen, France. When his company was held up during a withdrawal by a concealed enemy machine gun, Private Nims volunteered to locate the gun and drew its fire. Unhesitatingly running into the open, he observed the position as the enemy opened fire and immediately returned fire. Fearlessly he exposed himself to continue the fire fight until his company had withdrawn to positions of safety. By his courageous and aggressive determination, Private Nims enabled his comrades to complete their withdrawal without the loss of a single man. Entered military service from Woodbridge, New Jersey.

William J. Perry, 26 834 073, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 January 1945, near Scuffenheim, France. During the fighting around Scuffenheim, France, when eight members of his anti-tank gun squad were wounded by enemy artillery and mortar fire, Sergeant Perry distinguished himself by his outstanding devotion to his fellow soldiers. Exposing himself for eight consecutive hours to the intense concentrations, he remained on guard alone by his gun position until replacements could be sent up. By his indomitable courage and unwavering determination, Sergeant Perry played a major role in the successful defense of the sector. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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EUGENE T. ROBERTS, O 552 715, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 April 1945, near Wesser, Germany. During the attack against Wesser, Germany, Lieutenant Roberts was acting as mortar observer for his company. When his messenger and radio operator were seriously wounded by mortar fire, he took the radio himself and proceeded with the assault troops. Remaining with the forward elements for twenty-four hours, he directed and adjusted mortar fire with deadly accuracy, personally killing twelve of the enemy with his submachine gun. Lieutenant Roberts' exceptional courage and aggressive determination contributed materially to the successful conclusion of the attack. Entered military service from Amory, Mississippi.

William F. Sabo, 13 067 314, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 272d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. While using a house in Wurzburg, Germany as an observation post, Sergeant Sabo observed German soldiers entering the ground floor of his position. Moving from room to room on the first floor, he killed two, wounded two, and forced the surrender of the remaining enemy with deadly rifle fire and hand grenades. Through his outstanding aggressiveness and heroic courage, Sergeant Sabo singlehandedly eliminated an enemy threat to our rapid advance through Wurzburg. Entered military service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Robert S. Swanson, 16 153 293, Staff Sergeant Infantry, Antitank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, near Nordheim, Germany. When an enemy machine gun opened fire on our bridge site near Nordheim, Germany, Sergeant Swanson, with a comrade, moved forward in an attempt to silence the hostile gun. Crawling through the withering barrage to within grenade distance of the emplacement, Sergeant Swanson threw a hand grenade and then stormed the machine gun position, thus wounding and capturing three German gunners. Through his indomitable courage and selfless determination, Sergeant Swanson contributed immeasurably to our rapid advance on Schweinfurt. Entered military service from Superior, Wisconsin.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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APO 411, U. S. ARMY,

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

James C. Collins, 34 986 490, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945, near Hatten, France. While defending our main line of resistance near Hatten, France, Private Collins fearlessly exposed himself to intense artillery fire to determine the reason for the silence of the telephone wire connected with the listening post in front of our lines. Although wounded by artillery fragments, he continued on his mission until he had located a break in the line. Repairing the wire, he started to return to his post when he was mortally wounded by a sudden and intense concentration of enemy artillery fire. By his outstanding courage and heroism, Private Collins maintained vital communications during an extremely critical period of the campaign. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. E. Collins, Route 1, Stillmore, Georgia. Entered military service from Stillmore, Georgia.

Marion J. Cox, 35 129 912, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. During the bitter house-to-house fighting in Wurzburg, Germany, Private Cox was sent on a mission of laying communication lines to his company's forward positions in preparation for an attack on a German-held hill. Braving the deadly sniper fire covering the area, he accomplished his mission and was returning to his company with six prisoners of war when he was mortally wounded by an enemy sniper. Through his heroic self-sacrifice, Private Cox contributed immeasurably to the rapid capitulation of the key city of Wurzburg. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Margaret J. Cox (Mother), Ripley, Ohio. Entered military service from Ripley, Ohio.

Alex Goldstein, 36 983 751, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. When an enemy patrol attacked the left flank of his platoon, Private Goldstein unhesitatingly proceeded to the location to assist in repelling the enemy. Observing the Germans, he opened fire with his carbine, directing a steady stream of fire at them until his comrades could seek cover and better positions. Although wounded early in the fierce exchange of fire, he continued to expose himself until he was fatally wounded by the intense concentrations. Private Goldstein's exceptional courage and heroic self-sacrifice prevented his fellow soldiers from suffering additional casualties and enabled them to repulse the enemy patrol. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Rebecca Goldstein (Mother), 3411 1/2 13th Place, Chicago, Illinois. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Omer P. Olson, 17 OCL 724, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 272d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 April 1945, near Rain, Germany. Approaching the battalion objective which his

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platoon was to take and hold, Sergeant Olson fearlessly proceeded across an open field and into heavy woods in order to locate the enemy. Discovering the positions, he was returning to deploy his men when the enemy opened fire with machine guns. Although fatally wounded, he whirled and engaged the enemy with his submachine gun until his men could take cover and return the fire. Sergeant Olson's exceptional courage and unflinching determination saved the lives of many of his comrades and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Louise A. Olson (Mother), 140½ S. 7th Street, LaCrosse, Wisconsin. Retired military service from LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

BURNEY H. PARRISH, 15 047 045, Private First Class, Infantry, Antitank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action 25 January 1945, at Schweighausen, France. When his squad was surrounded by attacking enemy troops in Schweighausen, France, Private Parrish gallantly volunteered to lead his comrades through the ring of enemy forces. Fearlessly braving the intense hail of bullets, he moved against the hidden forces, firing as he moved. Though suddenly and mortally wounded by a burst of machine gun fire, he raised himself from the ground and continued to fire his submachine gun, covering the remainder of his squad as they broke through the enemy. Private Parrish's indomitable courage and selfless determination enabled his comrades to successfully escape from their precarious position. Name and address of nearest relative: Mr. Von F. Parrish (Father), 223 S. Main Street, Marysville, Kentucky. Retired military service from Marysville, Kentucky.

JOHN E. TAYLOR, 35 067 745, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. During the general offensive through the Hardt Mountains, Private Taylor was supporting the advance of rifle troops with fire from his heavy machine gun. Observing the positions of enemy troops who were inflicting heavy casualties on our forces, he fearlessly braved the deadly barrage to reach a spot from which he could direct fire on the emplacements. Completely exposing himself, he set up his gun and started firing, completely silencing the enemy positions. Shortly after, a sudden mortar concentration fell on his position, fatally wounding him. Private Taylor's heroic self-sacrifice and outstanding devotion to duty prevented many casualties and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Leona A. Taylor (Mother), 16512 Elsinore Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. Retired military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

GLENN J. TAYLOR, 37 747 824, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. During the general offensive through the Hardt Mountains, Private Taylor was supporting the advance of rifle troops with fire from his heavy machine gun. Observing the positions of enemy troops who were inflicting heavy casualties on our forces, he fearlessly braved the deadly barrage to reach a spot from which he could direct fire on the emplacements. Completely exposing himself, he set up his gun and started firing, completely silencing the enemy position. Shortly after, a sudden mortar concentration fell on his position, fatally wounding him. Private Taylor's heroic self-sacrifice and outstanding devotion to duty prevented many casualties and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Name and address of nearest relative: Mr. Benjamin D. Taylor (Brother), 717 S. Garfield, Chanute, Kansas. Retired military service from Chanute, Kansas.

RICHARD E. WIGGEL, 01 212 405, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 January 1945, near Mortier, France. During the frontal enemy attack during our positions along the Meuse River, Lieutenant Wiggle led his platoon forward to re-establish an outpost.

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line of resistance. Braving the withering barrage of the enemy onslaught, he was advancing toward his objective when he was mortally wounded by a hail of machine gun fire. Through his heroic self-sacrifice, Lieutenant Vensel contributed immeasurably to the successful defense of Alsace. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Richard E. Vensel (Wife), 1216 E. Bronson Street, South Bend, Indiana. Entered military service from South Bend, Indiana.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 61-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

George W. Burton, Jr., 39 128 461, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near Fay de Bretagne, France. While his unit was in the vicinity of Fay de Bretagne, France, Private Burton volunteered to destroy a vital railroad line deep within enemy territory. Carrying sixteen pounds of explosive, he advanced across a heavily mined field under enemy machine gun and rifle fire to the location previously designated. There, under direct enemy observation, he placed two charges of high explosive and set the fuses, completely destroying the important stretch of track. Private Burton's outstanding courage and unswerving determination eliminated a strategic enemy transportation line. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Frank R. Friedrich, 35 921 622, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 January 1945, at Schweighausen, France. During the fierce fighting for Schweighausen, France, Private Friedrich displayed great courage while evacuating a seriously wounded infantryman. Fearlessly exposing himself to intense machine gun and small arms fire, he advanced to the building in which the wounded man lay. Assisting a medical aid man to administer first aid, he then promptly evacuated the injured man to the rear for emergency treatment. Private Friedrich's courageous action and unswerving devotion to duty undoubtedly saved the life of his wounded comrade. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

William A. Johnson, Jr., 33 628 140, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, at Nureburg, Germany. When his platoon was pinned down by direct 88mm and small arms fire, Sergeant Johnson voluntarily crawled across 260 yards of open terrain to attempt to neutralize the enemy position. Advancing through the rubble filled streets, he fired two rifle grenades into the gun emplacement, silencing the weapon and killing five of the crew and surrounding riflemen. Then, although wounded in the leg, he assisted his comrades in taking numerous prisoners from other positions in the area. Sergeant Johnson's courageous and aggressive determination played an important role in the successful advance of our forces through Nureburg, Germany. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

Floyd D. McAbee, 34 813 214, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945, near Drusenheim, France. When an overwhelming enemy force launched an all-out attack against Drusenheim, France, Sergeant McAbee volunteered to take up a position in an open field in the face of the onslaught in order to direct mortar fire. With utter disregard for his own safety, he tenaciously held his post for six hours while exposed to deadly machine gun and small arms fire, personally killing four Germans who advanced to within twenty yards of his position. Through his heroic courage and accurate fire direction, Sergeant McAbee accounted for over fifty enemy killed, thus halting the

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attack against our positions. Entered military service from Gadsden, Alabama.

William S. Ramsey, 33 433 280, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945, near Fishbach, Germany. When the advance of our forces near Fishbach, Germany was halted by an enemy machine gun position, Sergeant Ramsey and two other men were assigned the mission of eliminating the gun emplacement. Creeping unobserved to within a few yards of the position, he fired a bazooka round and scored a direct hit upon the gun, killing two of the crew. He then charged the emplacement, killing three more of the enemy with hand grenades and forcing the remainder to surrender. By Sergeant Ramsey's exceptional courage and determination, the machine gun nest was completely neutralized with no casualties to our men. Entered military service from New Castle, Pennsylvania.

Paul Ray, 37 639 620, Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945, near Dachau, Germany. When his company was held up by stiff enemy resistance near Dachau, Germany, Sergeant Ray, with complete disregard for his personal safety, advanced to neutralize one of the enemy strongholds. Under covering fire from his squad, he fearlessly braved the intense hail of enemy fire, armed with only his rifle and hand grenades. Firing as he advanced, he dashed close to the enemy position and threw several hand grenades among the Germans, killing the enemy gunners. Sergeant Ray's prompt and courageous action in the face of superior odds played a major role in enabling his company to continue its advance. Entered military service from Broseley, Missouri.

Arnold A. Sanders, 42 063 245, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. During the fighting through the fire-swept streets of Wurzburg, Germany, Private Sanders voluntarily exposed himself to locate and repair breaks in the communication lines to his mortar section. Fearlessly braving intense artillery and sniper fire for over an hour, he checked and repaired the severed wires. By his exceptional courage and unwavering determination, Private Sanders enabled his section to continue to direct accurate and devastating fire upon the enemy positions in the city. Entered military service from New York, New York.

**III. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART:—...** By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 30-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

GEORGE L. HEAD JR., 02 025 551, Second Lieutenant, (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, 5 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. Entered military service from Culpeper, Virginia.

Robert G. Sides, Private First Class, 34 364 815, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 42nd Division, 9 January 1945, at Pitterhausen, France.

By command of Major General Collins:

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal ..... I  
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L. 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:

Robert R. Besser, 36 720 381, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945, near Donauwörth, Germany. During the bitter fighting around Donauwörth, Germany, a machine gun held up the advance of our troops. When tank and machine gun fire could not knock out the emplacement, Private Besser, with complete disregard for his own safety, crawled forward through the withering barrage and threw a hand grenade into position, killing the enemy gunners. By his indomitable courage and selfless determination, Private Besser aided materially in the advance of his company. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

John J. Cherpesh, 33 732 326, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. During the bitter fighting around Ludwigswinkel, Germany, Company G suffered heavy casualties from the murderous fire of the vaunted German West Wall. Private Cherpesh, a medical aid man, braved the withering barrage of machine gun, mortar, and small arms fire to administer first aid to the wounded and direct their evacuation to the rear for further medical treatment. Through his indomitable courage and heroic devotion to duty, Private Cherpesh saved his wounded comrades from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Melvin L. Corbett, 33 730 601, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 January 1945, at Runtzenheim, France. When heavy artillery fire at Runtzenheim, France, inflicted heavy casualties upon his company, Corporal Corbett, with utter disregard for his own safety, made his way forward through the withering barrage to administer first aid to the wounded. Despite constant artillery and mortar fire falling all around him, he never faltered in the performance of his duties until all the wounded soldiers had been evacuated to the rear for further medical treatment. Through his indomitable courage and heroic devotion to duty, Corporal Corbett saved his wounded comrades from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Hancock, Maryland.

Gene J. De La Gorgendiere, 31 467 550, Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 January 1945, at Runtzenheim, France. When his machine gun squad was isolated in its positions near Runtzenheim, France, Sergeant De La Gorgendiere unhesitatingly volunteered to attempt to establish contact with them from a rifle company in the town. Crossing a heavily mined field under intense artillery and mortar fire, he came upon two enemy mortar observers. Killing the enemy soldiers before they could fire a shot, he continued on his mission, re-establishing contact with his unit. By his outstanding skill and courageous aggressiveness, Sergeant De La Gorgendiere played a major role in the successful conclusion of the day's engagement. Entered military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

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WILFRED OSTERMANN, 02 019 772, Second Lieutenant (then Corporal), Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment (then 43d Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron), for heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945, near Mondorf, Germany. During the bitter fighting along the Saar River, Corporal Ostermann led a patrol forward to lay a wire line from his platoon command post to an outpost overlooking three German pillboxes on the opposite bank of the river. Working through the deep snow, the noise of the wire reel attracted the occupants of the foremost pillbox; and, when the members of the patrol were within 100 yards of their objective, they were subjected to murderous machine gun fire. Disregarding the withering barrage concentrated upon him, Corporal Ostermann continued to lay wire until he reached his platoon's outpost position. Through his indomitable courage and heroic devotion to duty, Corporal Ostermann contributed immeasurably to the successful defense of his squadron's positions. Entered military service from La Grange, Illinois.

MARTIN V. POE, 38 909 501, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 January 1945, at Uhldweiler, France. During the defense of Uhldweiler, France, Private Poe remained at his machine gun position for forty-eight hours without rest under intense enemy artillery, mortar, and rocket fire. Directing a heavy volume of fire at the attacking enemy forces, he repulsed three enemy attempts to break through his position killing eighteen and forcing seven to surrender. Private Poe's courageous aggressiveness played a major role in the successful defense of the sector. Entered military service from St. Georges Island, Maryland.

KEITH SCHOONOVER, 38 203 830, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, near Nordheim, Germany. When an enemy machine gun opened fire on our bridge site near Nordheim, Germany, Private Schoonover, with a comrade, moved forward in an attempt to silence the hostile gun. Crawling through the withering barrage to within grenade distance of the emplacement, Private Schoonover threw a hand grenade and then stormed the machine gun position, thus wounding and capturing three German gunners. Through his indomitable courage and selfless determination, Private Schoonover contributed immeasurably to our rapid advance on Schwabinfurt. Entered military service from Little Rock, Arkansas.

ORVILLE SHAW, 38 640 194, Sergeant (then Corporal), Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945, near Soufflenheim, France. When elements of Corporal Shaw's platoon became isolated in a forward pillbox by intense enemy artillery, mortar, and tank fire, he volunteered to carry ammunition and rations to their positions. Making several trips in complete darkness, across heavily mined fields, and under concentrations of enemy artillery and mortar fire, he maintained their supply of rations and other vital items. By his outstanding courage and aggressive determination, Corporal Shaw enabled his comrades to hold their position. Entered military service from Anawalt, West Virginia.

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George Sotak, 33 370 322, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945, near Sassenheim, France. During the fierce fighting around Sassenheim, France, Private Sotak was captured by the enemy and then lined up and shot with other American prisoners. Feigning death among his massacred comrades until darkness fell, he painfully crawled throughout most of the night, finally reaching friendly lines where he passed on invaluable information of enemy positions and strength. Private Sotak's heroic action reflects great credit upon himself and upholds the finest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Tomskua, Pennsylvania.

Lloyd F. Soule, 13 135 216, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. When a call was made for litter bearers during the fierce fighting through the fire-swept streets of Wurzburg, Germany, Private Soule, with utter disregard for his own safety, made his way forward to the wounded soldiers. Braving heavy machine gun and mortar fire, he administered first aid and then supervised the evacuation of the injured men to the rear for medical treatment. Through his indomitable courage and heroic devotion to duty, Private Soule saved two wounded comrades from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from New Cumberland, Pennsylvania.

Patrick V. Tuccillo, 42 013 535, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry, for heroic achievement in action on 16 January 1945, at Roeschwoog, France. When the enemy attacked his platoon's outpost line near Roeschwoog, France, with great force, Sergeant Tuccillo was severely wounded. Refusing medical aid, he left the fierce fighting until ordered to withdraw. Finding the main route of withdrawal blocked by the enemy, he guided his platoon over a previously reconnoitered auxiliary route, thus enabling his men to reach the safety of friendly lines. Through his aggressive leadership and selfless determination, Sergeant Tuccillo led his platoon in a successful retrograde movement with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Hoboken, New Jersey.

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:

James H. Benton, 34 675 148, First Sergeant (then staff sergeant) Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 March 1945, near Wingen, France. During an attack on the enemy main line of resistance near Wingen, France, Sergeant Benton's combat patrol was pinned down by deadly machine gun fire. With utter disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Benton stormed the hostile position and, with hand grenades and rifle fire, killed four enemy soldiers, thus enabling his men to continue their attack. Through his outstanding courage and aggressive leadership, Sergeant Benton played a major role in the successful patrol which was credited with killing twelve, wounding forty-six, and capturing six German soldiers. Entered military service from Goldsboro, North Carolina.

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Tommy D. Heelan, 37 482 408, Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945, near Sessenheim, France. During the counterattack by our forces on the town of Sessenheim, France, Sergeant Heelan volunteered to lead a small combat patrol in bypassing the enemy and setting up positions on the opposite side of the town. Upon reaching their objective, the members of the patrol were subjected to intense machine gun and small arms fire coming from a barn to their front. With complete disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Heelan single-handedly stormed the hostile position, killing four enemy soldiers with his submachine gun. Through his indomitable courage and selfless determination, Sergeant Heelan contributed immeasurably to the successful defense of Alsace. Entered military service from Valentine, Nebraska.

Jerome L. Vohn, 36 873 120, Sergeant (then Corporal), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. When a call was made for litter bearers, Corporal Vohn made his way forward to evacuate the casualties of a combat patrol. Crossing a heavily mined field, he made contact with the patrol and rendered first aid to the injured soldiers. Despite a constant hail of enemy mortar, machine gun, and small arms fire, he then carried six of the casualties to the comparative safety of friendly lines, from where they were evacuated to the rear for medical treatment. Through his indomitable courage and heroic devotion to duty, Corporal Vohn saved his wounded comrades from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

III. AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:  
By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

WILLIAM G. GASKINS, C 556 790, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 January 1945, at Birkenbach, France. When his patrol was suddenly fired upon by three enemy machine guns, Lieutenant Gaskins immediately dispersed his men, returned the fire, and proceeded to direct artillery and mortars fire on the enemy positions. Under cover of our barrage, he then organized a withdrawal, retiring behind with two other men to a position to adjust the supporting fire. Finally withdrawing when one of his men was hit, it was necessary to leave the radio behind. Later in the day Lieutenant Gaskins returned into the same dangerous area under enemy mortar fire to recover the valuable piece of equipment. By his outstanding courage and courageous leadership, Lieutenant Gaskins played a major role in the successful completion of the patrol's mission. Entered military service from Stillwater, Oklahoma.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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*James D. Lawrence.*

JAMES D. LAWRENCE,  
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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:

Paul N. Anderson, 37 772 198, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 12-15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

August Abaro, 36 653 712, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 7 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Daryle Batt., 37 772 452, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 9 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Fort, Iowa.

Earl H. Giles, 33 887 783, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

Grady F. Griffith, 44 050 951, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Camden, Alabama.

Donald W. Johnson, 36 449 050, Corporal (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Peoria, Illinois.

Harold K. Leopard, 35 688 670, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Urbana, Ohio.

Corless O. Miller, 36 520 540, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Robert P. Simon, 13 136 667, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery A, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Angelo G. Sust, 13 110 511, Corporal, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Bradford, Pennsylvania.

Charles E. Swanson, 36 979 503, Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 5 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Wheeler E. Wyata, 34 676 819, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery A, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Prattville, Alabama.

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

Donald H. Bivens, 16 120 511, Corporal (then Private First Class), Infantry, Cannon Company, 22nd Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Galesburg, Illinois.

ROGER W. CUTLER, JR., 51 275 346, Captain, General Staff Corps (Infantry), Headquarters, 42nd Infantry Division, from 2 January 1945 to 14 March 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

Max E. Donley, 38 372 491, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wichita Falls, Texas.

Louis M. Dorsey, 51 354 265, 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 Fort Fairfield, Maine.

Lynn W. Emerson, 37 574 512, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945 inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

Louis Frisk, 33 422 198, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

John E. Grone, 35 634 462, Sergeant (then Corporal), Field Artillery, Battery C, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Springfield, Illinois.

Edgar Harrington, 39 080 273, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 22nd Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lemoore, California.

Lee P. Hindenach, 12 050 942, Sergeant, 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 Phillipsburg, New Jersey.

LAWRENCE W. HELMKE, 0 411 097, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 102d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Evans, Kentucky.

Malvin J. Lester, 37 671 057, Corporal (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, Headquarters, 102d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dubuque, Iowa.

JAMES L. LEES, 01 519 341, Captain, Quartermaster Corps, 42d Quartermaster Company, from 20 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Flandreau, North Dakota.

Francis J. McAllister, 26 561 566, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

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Bradley W. Weinberg, 36 351 112, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

MATT WHISENHUNT, JR., O 555 579, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Idabel, Oklahoma.

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:

Fairfax E. Montague, 34 787 824, Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. During the fighting through the fire-swept streets of Wurzburg, Germany, Sergeant Montague led a patrol into enemy-held territory to gain information of strength and deployment. After observing activities around a German Command Post and the reorganization of an infantry company along a main line of resistance, he was leading his patrol to our lines when he encountered an enemy combat patrol. The German group fired one round at the Americans' positions, and then passed down the street without detecting their presence. Sergeant Montague then returned to his command with invaluable information for clearing the remaining resistance from the ruins of the city. Through his great daring and selfless leadership, Sergeant Montague contributed effectively to the rapid capitulation of the key city of Wurzburg. Entered military service from Coral Gables, Florida.

(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:

Frank Reis, 32 974 512, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 23 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

(c) 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:

William D. Doggs, 39 585 812, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 26 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Long Beach, California.

Ivan L. Ownby, 35 139 769, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery C, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Goodland, Indiana.

Robert H. Peary, 38 431 619, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery C, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kaufman, Texas.

JOHN S. PORCHER, O 294 910, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from El Paso, Texas.

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*(S)* III. REVOCATIONS:-.. So much of General Orders 31, 1945 series, as pertains to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to ROGER W. CUTLER, O1 295 346, Captain, Headquarters 42d Infantry Division, is revoked:

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL COLLENS:

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

James H. Anderson, 34 395 458, Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Florence, Alabama.

Lewis J. Armstrong, 38 602 805, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 6 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Little Rock, Arkansas.

Joseph S. Augeri, 20 129 752, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Middletown, Connecticut.

Robert B. Baird, 39 703 249, Sergeant, Infantry, Antitank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 11 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

Arnold S. Bates, 33 615 453, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 28 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Honesdale, Pennsylvania.

Thomas R. Bonham, 33 066 808, Private First Class, Infantry, Antitank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Hullock Creek, Pennsylvania.

Victor L. Bryant, 44 046 595, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pittsboro, Mississippi.

Wilton E. Carlson, 36 413 760, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Menominee, Michigan.

John L. Charion, 42 113 340, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Poughkeepsie, New York.

Alexander P. Chouinard, 35 14, 729, Private, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 26 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Gary, Indiana.

John S. Coale, 33 559 473, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 17 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

Carl R. Crowe, 39 309 768, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

M. A. Dean, 38 686 016, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Avery, Texas.

Calvin H. Ferrell, 33 137 511, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

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Clarence D. Franklin, 36 983 643, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 7 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Marion, Illinois.

Cloyd Grindstaff, 34 863 913, Private First Class, Infantry, Antitank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Pinehurst, North Carolina.

Ralph E. Grundy, 33 711 061, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 18 February 1945 to 7 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Volant, Pennsylvania.

Richard Hamel, 31 467 143, Private First Class; Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 7 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Berlin, New Hampshire.

John B. Hinshaw, 35 094 615, Private First Class, Infantry, Antitank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

Gregory Hodowanec, 12 203 471, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

Alfred A. Juliano, 42 190 383, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Hammonton, New Jersey.

Cornelius Keeton, 34 924 253, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oneida, Tennessee.

William J. Kluck, 36 562 739, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Infantry, Anti-tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Rudolph E. Koch, 38 555 833, Corporal, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 9-11 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from New Braunfels, Texas.

John L. Kramer, 31 413 376, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Haven, Connecticut.

Jessie Lemaster, 35 077 547, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Mine Fork, Kentucky.

Donald E. Longwill, 36 765 164, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Butler, Pennsylvania.

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

Raymond L. Major, 38 665 101, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Little Rock, Arkansas.

Richmond C. Medling, 37 398 580, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 29 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Doniphan, Missouri.

Leon Myssicrek, 32 620 741, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Franklin R. Nichols, 38 684 242, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

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Ralph L. Pinkham, 31 467 520, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Bangor, Maine.

1. ltor G. Rose Sr., 39 467 495, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Spokane, Washington.

Richard W. Rose, 38 523 848, Private First Class, Infantry, Antitank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Shreveport, Louisiana.

Frank T. Scholtis, 39 467 658, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 24-25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from The Dalles, Oregon.

Edward K. Schourek, 36 765 071, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Rockford, Illinois.

Andrew F. Senecal, 32 943 875, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Plattsburgh, New York.

Sidney Shafner, 13 112 075, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 19 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

John D. Speake, 38 687 477, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

Robert W. Thompson, 33 837 864, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pottsville, Pennsylvania.

José H. Torres, 38 359 279, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Lockhart, Texas.

Louis Werman, 34 976 093, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 1 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Eloria, Illinois.

Walter N. Wright, 34 376 692, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Memphis, Tennessee.

James M. Young, 33 698 690, Private First Class, Corps of Military Police, Headquarters 42nd Infantry Division, on 26-27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Cokeburg, Pennsylvania.

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:

Peter P. Onoko, 36 546 175, Technician Fourth Grade, (then Technician Fifth Grade), Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 212 Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 January 1945, near Chateauneuf, France. When our rifle force of many units had completely overrun our forces in 4th Battalion, France, Corporal Onoko attempted to contact higher headquarters with his radio for reinforcement. His attempts failing, he and another soldier took back-breaking and several rounds of ammunition and set out to attempt to raise the advancing tanks. Fearlessly approaching one tank under direct machine gun and small arms fire, he fired three rounds, knocking the tread off the vehicle. Corporal Onoko's indomitable courage in the face of overwhelming odds enabled one of our tank destroyers to flank the enemy tank and completely demolish it. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

William F. Pierce, 32 004 121, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, near Kronungen, Germany. When his rifle platoon was suddenly subject to heavy concentrations of machine gun, rifle and mortar fire during the advance upon Kronungen, Germany, Corporal Pierce, disregarding his own safety, immediately returned the fire with his automatic rifle. Tenaciously holding his precarious position under full enemy observation, he enabled the rest of his platoon to reach cover. In an indomitable perseverance, he continued to fire until he was seriously wounded in the left hand. Through his outstanding heroism and unflinching devotion to duty, Corporal Pierce played a major role in the successful attack. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

Frank Peis, 32 934 312, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Châlons-en-Champagne, France. When Private Peis learned that enemy patrols had encircled the last platoon of his platoon, he indomitably made his way through the withering artillery concentrations covering the area in an attempt to effect the escape of his comrades. Forching the beleaguered defenders, he guided them to friendly lines. He then covered their company's withdrawal to new positions with devastating mortar fire. Through his heroic courage and selfless determination, Private Peis contributed immensely to the successful defense of Alsace. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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Oscar A. Shansky, 36 223 194, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945, at Furth, Germany. Although painfully wounded while acting as a member of the lead platoon in a forced crossing of the Regnitz River at Furth, Germany, Sergeant Shansky refused medical treatment, and, upon reaching the opposite bank of the river, set up a temporary medical aid station to care for the wounded. Disregarding the heavy machine gun and panzerfaust fire covering the area of the bridgehead, he worked continually throughout the raging fire-fight, treating his wounded comrades until he was ordered to the rear for evacuation. Through his indomitable courage and heroic devotion to duty, Sergeant Shansky was an inspiration to the infantrymen fighting around him. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Raymond H. Smith, 44 011 469, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945, near Wimmenau, France. When his platoon was caught in a deadly concentration of mortar and artillery fire near Wimmenau, France, Private Smith, although severely shaken by concussion, assisted several of his wounded comrades in reaching the comparative safety of a ditch. Seeing that the majority of his platoon were casualties, he immediately made his way through the withering barrage in a search for medical aid. Although painfully wounded a short time later, he continued on his mission until medical treatment was secured for the injured men. Through his indomitable courage and heroic devotion to duty, Private Smith saved his wounded comrades from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Fairmont, North Carolina.

Richard Starkie, 31 076 952, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, at Schweinfurt, Germany. When one of our medical aid men was mortally wounded during the attack on Schweinfurt, Germany, Private Starkie, a litter bearer, made his way through the withering flak barrage covering the area to the side of the wounded soldier. Taking the soldier's medical kits, he continued to brave the intense concentration until all the wounded in the area had been treated and evacuated to the rear. Through his indomitable courage and heroic devotion to duty, Private Starkie saved his wounded comrades from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Pepperell, Massachusetts.

Reuben Turner, 35 448 629, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, near Kronungen, Germany. During the attack on Kronungen, Germany, Private Turner displayed outstanding courage and initiative under fire. When the lead scout was killed by a burst of enemy machine gun fire, Private Turner advanced to his position and with utter disregard for his own safety, continued to lead his company through the withering barrage until he was severely wounded himself. His unflinching devotion to duty was an inspiration to the men about him and contributed immeasurably to the successful attack. Entered military service from Talbert, Kentucky.

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:

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John P. Eisinger, 36 762 532, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. During a fierce fire fight in Wurzburg, Germany. Private Eisinger, upon seeing two wounded men lying in an area covered with deadly enemy machine gun fire, unhesitatingly made his way to the injured soldiers. After quickly dressing the wounds of the first man, who was able to make his own way to cover, Private Eisinger carried the other man to a position of comparative safety from where he was evacuated to the rear for medical treatment. Through his great daring and heroic actions, Private Eisinger saved two wounded comrades from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Daniel J. Haggerty, 31 288 647, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9-15 January 1945, at Hatten, France. During the fierce fighting at Hatten, France, Private Haggerty, though seriously wounded in the right arm, refused evacuation and remained to aid in defending the Company Command Post. Forced to abandon the position several days later in the face of superior enemy strength, he voluntarily returned unarmed through mortar, artillery, machine gun, and sniper fire in order to secure rations and ammunition for his hard-pressed comrades. Facing murderous enemy fire throughout the entire period, he fought tenaciously against the overwhelming attacking forces until ordered to withdraw to new defensive positions. By his indomitable courage and unflinching determination, Private Haggerty played a major role in repulsing the fanatical German attempt to retake Alsace. Entered military service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

Willis F. Jacques, 36 981 953, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945, near Nurnburg, Germany. During a drive to cut the escape route of the Germans from Nurnburg, Germany, Sergeant Jacques' company was held up by enemy automatic weapons and small arms fire from well-dug-in positions. In the ensuing fire fight Sergeant Jacques crawled within 20 yards of the hostile emplacements and threw two hand grenades into the nearest position killing the occupants. This so terrified the remaining enemy that they lay down their arms and immediately surrendered. By his unflinching courage and selfless determination Sergeant Jacques eliminated a strong obstacle from our route of advance. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

HOWELL W. KEEFIE, 02 007 186, First Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. When the enemy penetrated our main line of resistance near Schweighausen, France, Sergeant Keefie led a patrol in an attempt to re-establish our lines. Crawling through the deep snow, he made his way to within 50 yards of the German forces where he attempted to set up a machine gun. Finding the gun would not fire because of a mechanical failure and knowing that the enemy was closing in from the rear, he ordered his men to return to friendly lines and inform their company commander of the extent of the penetration. When he was completely surrounded and ordered to surrender by the Germans, he abandoned his project and fought his way through the enemy lines, returning to the newly established defensive positions of his company. Through his great daring and selfless determination, Sergeant Keefie played a major role in the successful defense of Alsace. Entered military service from Grand Forks, North Dakota.

George C. Marsh, 36 832 213, Technician Fifth Grade, (then Private First Class) Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945, near Schonleiten, Germany. When four men,

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including a company commander, were wounded by enemy panzerfaust and machine gun fire, Private Marsh immediately went forward to aid the injured soldiers. Disregarding the proximity of the Germans and the heavy fire falling all around him, he administered the necessary first aid and supervised the evacuation of the wounded men to the rear. He then returned under the withering barrage to search the area for other casualties. Through his indomitable courage and intrepid devotion to duty, Private Marsh saved four wounded comrades from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Richland Center, Wisconsin.

ALBERT K. MATHRE, O 551 150, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company E, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 February 1945, near Wingen, France. When the enemy suddenly subjected his patrol to intense automatic weapons fire, Lieutenant Mathre fearlessly exposed himself in order to direct his men into positions to return the fire, covering their deployment with fire from his carbine. Then, after the patrol had accomplished its mission, he disregarded the hail of bullets striking all about him to cover the withdrawal of his men. Lieutenant Mathre's exceptional courage and fearless leadership enabled the patrol to effect a successful retrograde movement with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Cambridge, Illinois.

Archie R. Monaghan, 39 476 211, Private First Class, Infantry, Antitank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 March 1945, near Dahn, Germany. Learning from a civilian that SS troopers were holding out in a nearby building, Private Monaghan organized a patrol and led the way to the enemy-held house. Approaching the stronghold, Private Monaghan was fired upon and immediately dispersed his men. Making his way to the rear of the position, he entered a doorway and opened fire, killing one SS officer and forcing the surrender of two enemy soldiers. Through his great daring and selfless determination, Private Monaghan eliminated a German threat to his Regimental Command Post. Entered military service from Billingham, Washington.

III. AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL ... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 6 C-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Ray A. Friend, 16 177 002, Technical Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Ohlungen, France. When his company was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire while attacking a wooded area near Ohlungen, France, Private Friend set up his mortar in an open field and concentrated devastating mortar fire upon the hostile emplacements, silencing two machine guns and neutralizing the fire of two others. When his ammunition supply was exhausted, he voluntarily acted as platoon runner and maintained contact between his platoon leader and the Company Command Post, braving the deadly artillery barrages covering the area to deliver vital tactical messages. Through his indomitable courage and heroic devotion to duty, Private Friend contributed effectively to the successful defense of Alsace. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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APO 411, U. S. ARMY,

NUMBER 60)

4 March 1946.

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

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:

Weldon C. Bruce, 34 448 695, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. During the forced crossing of the Main River at Wurzburg, Germany, Private Bruce set up a casualty collecting point on the west bank of the river, thus ensuring the rapid evacuation of the wounded. Although painfully wounded by enemy artillery fire, he refused to be evacuated to the rear and continued to provide medical treatment for his wounded comrades. Through his indomitable courage and determined devotion to duty, Private Bruce was an inspiration to the infantrymen fighting around him. Entered military service from Fort Valley, Georgia.

James W. Conde, Sr, 37 743 035, Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 January 1945, near Ohlungen, France. When the enemy penetrated our main line of resistance on the Moder River, Sergeant Conde ordered his squad to withdraw to new positions. Braving the withering artillery concentrations covering the attack, he then set up a machine gun and inflicted heavy casualties upon the advancing Germans. When his supply of ammunition was exhausted, he joined his comrades in their new positions and assisted in repelling the determined thrust through our lines. Through his indomitable courage and intrepid devotion to duty, Sergeant Conde contributed immeasurably to the successful defense of Alsace. Entered military service from Manhattan, Kansas.

John E. DeVoldre, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945, at Sessenheim, France. After leading his mortar squad across an open area under intense enemy machine gun, small arms, and artillery fire, Sergeant DeVoldre learned that one of his men had been hit and was lying wounded in an area covered by the withering barrage. Disregarding his own safety, he exposed himself to the deadly fire until he located the injured soldier. Immediately administering first aid, he then carried the wounded man to safety. By his outstanding courage and determined devotion to duty, Sergeant DeVoldre saved a wounded comrade from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.

Glen P. Dix, 37 338 047, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Antitank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, at Schweinfurt, Germany. When his antitank platoon was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire while moving into position at Schweinfurt, Germany, Corporal Dix, with utter disregard for his own safety, moved forward in an attack on the hostile emplacement. Crawling through the withering barrage to within grenade distance, he hurled two hand grenades into the position and then opened fire with his carbine, forcing the remaining gunners to surrender. Through his great daring and selfless determination, Corporal Dix singlehandedly eliminated an obstacle from our route of advance. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

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Ivan M. Jones, 17 078 851, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. When his platoon sergeant was wounded during an attack on an enemy stronghold in the Hardt Mountains, Sergeant Jones immediately assumed command of his platoon. Exposing himself to the withering fire covering the area, he personally directed the members of his platoon in overrunning the hostile emplacements, accounting for six enemy killed, four wounded, and fifteen captured. Through his aggressive leadership and tactical skill, sergeant Jones played a major role in the successful attack. Entered military service from Omaha, Nebraska.

John W. Kittrell, 39 118 578, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 April 1945, near Markt Graffin, Germany. While spearheading our advance on Munich, Sergeant Kittrell was informed by a civilian that heavy enemy resistance lay ahead of his patrol. Continuing forward, he led his patrol forward into the town of Markt Graffin, and, by making a show of force, captured a surprised enemy garrison of 250 soldiers. Through his great daring and heroic determination, Sergeant Kittrell made an effective contribution to our rapid advance across Southern Germany. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Sumner L. Malmquist, 37 772 C62, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 February 1945, near Wingen, France. When our combat patrol approached the enemy main line of resistance near Wingen, France, a member of the patrol, attempting to reach cover, was seriously wounded by a Shu-mine. Disregarding his own safety, Private Malmquist immediately made his way through the withering barrage to the injured man and carried him to a position of comparative safety from where he was evacuated to the rear for medical treatment. By his outstanding courage and heroic devotion to duty, Private Malmquist saved his wounded comrade from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Rushmore, Minnesota.

Anthony C. Marchegiano, 33 793 585, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945, near Gombsheim, France. When the enemy launched an intense attack upon the positions of the Second Battalion near Gombsheim, France, Private Marchegiano, with three other men, set up an antitank gun to defend the battalion's unprotected right flank. Under increasingly heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire, he tenaciously led his crew in holding the position until the attack was defeated. By his indomitable courage and unflinching determination, Private Marchegiano contributed immeasurably to the combat success of his battalion at Gombsheim. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

William F. Martin, 6 922 106, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. During the fighting through the fire-swept streets of Wurzburg, Germany, Private Martin noticed a wounded comrade lying in an exposed area. Disregarding the withering barrage covering the sector, he made his way to the injured man and carried him to cover. Realizing the need for prompt evacuation, he loaded the wounded soldier into his jeep and drove through a hail of small arms fire to the medical aid station. Through his indomitable courage and heroic devotion to duty, Private Martin saved a wounded comrade from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Robersonville, North Carolina.

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Edward P. Mathieson, 36 071 907, Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945, near Schweinfurt, Germany. When enemy artillery knocked out his machine gun position during the attack on Schweinfurt, Germany, Sergeant Mathieson remained steadfast and prepared to repel an enemy counterattack with his rifle. Holding his fire until the attacking Germans were within 25 yards of his emplacement, he killed the officer leading the assault and forced the remaining Germans to withdraw in a disorganized state. Through his courageous courage and unflinching devotion to duty, Sergeant Mathieson made an effective contribution to the rapid capitulation of Schweinfurt. Entered military service from Peoria, Illinois.

Edward Majchrowicz, 33 41 311, corporal, Infantry, Katitsak Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 April 1945, at Munich, Germany. During the occupation of Munich, Germany, a civilian approached Corporal Majchrowicz and informed him of the location of three SS troopers. After placing a soldier in front of the enemy-held building and another at the rear, Corporal Majchrowicz approached the house and was fired upon as he entered the doorway. Taking cover, he hurled a hand grenade into the enemy position, forcing all three SS troopers to lay down their arms and surrender. Through his heroic courage and selfless determination, Corporal Majchrowicz prevented a fanatic enemy group from inflicting casualties upon our attacking forces. Entered military service from West Hazleton, Pennsylvania.

Emil F. McCoy, 38 571 037, Private First Class (then Private), Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 March 1945, at Wingen, France. While on a reconnaissance patrol deep into enemy territory, Private McCoy observed that one of his men had been seriously wounded in the foot after stepping on an enemy Shu-mine. Completely disregarding his personal safety, he assisted two other soldiers to carry the man back to our lines as the enemy opened fire with machine guns and rifles. Braving the deadly fire, he continued across open terrain until the injured man had been safely evacuated to the rear for medical treatment. Private McCoy's courageous action and unswerving devotion to duty undoubtedly saved his wounded comrade from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

John H. McMahon, 38 509 498, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. While acting as a scout in the attack on Wurzburg, Germany, Private McMahon observed the location of an enemy machine gun which was firing on his company. Crawling through the withering barrage, he advanced to within 25 yards of the hostile position and ordered the Germans to surrender. When the enemy soldiers did not reply, he hurled a hand grenade into the machine gun nest, wounding one of the Germans and forcing the remaining two to surrender. Through his great daring and unflinching devotion to duty, Private McMahon contributed immeasurably to the rapid capitulation of the key city of Wurzburg. Entered military service from Conway, Arkansas.

Leigh A. Miner, 16 011 961, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, near Cleeburg, France. When a member of his combat patrol was wounded by enemy mortar fire, Sergeant Miner, with utter disregard for his own safety, made his way through the withering barrage to the side of the injured soldier. Administering first aid, he then remained behind to cover the evacuation of the wounded.

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men with deadly rifle fire, successfully neutralizing the fire of three hostile machine guns which were firing on the litter bearers. Through his indomitable courage and heroic devotion to duty, Sergeant Miner saved a wounded comrade from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

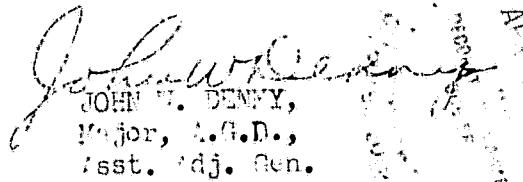
Guy E. Moon, 36 279 576, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. When the enemy concentrated heavy flak and automatic weapons fire upon his machine gun position during the forced crossing of the Main River at Wurzburg, Germany, Private Moon, with utter disregard for his own safety, took a rocket launcher from a nearby soldier and made his way through the withering barrage to a vantage point. Opening fire with deadly accuracy, he completely destroyed the hostile emplacements which were holding up our advance on the opposite bank of the river. He then returned to his machine gun and provided supporting fire for the attacking infantrymen. Through his heroic courage and selfless determination, Private Moon made an effective contribution to the rapid capitulation of the key city of Wurzburg. Entered military service from Park Falls, Wisconsin.

Fred Morga, 36 981 920, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 March 1945, near Wingen, France. When three men from Company F were seriously wounded by artillery fire while defending our main line of resistance near Wingen, France, Private Morga, with utter disregard for his own safety, drove his jeep to the injured soldiers' position. Loading the wounded men upon his vehicle, he quickly evacuated them through the withering barrage to the medical aid station. Through his indomitable courage and heroic devotion to duty, Private Morga saved three wounded comrades from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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Award of the Silver Star (Posthumous) .....  
Award of the Silver Star .....  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal (Posthumous) .....  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal .....

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

Charles E. Harlow, 11 021 155, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 3 January 1945, at Longjumeau, France. While leading a combat patrol into enemy territory, Sergeant Harlow observed a machine gun position located in the steeple of a church. Calling out to his men, he was pointing out the location of the machine gun to his comrades when the enemy concentrated deadly machine gun, mortar, and small arms fire upon him. Although mortally wounded, he ordered his men to withdraw from their precarious position and then covered their withdrawal with deadly automatic rifle fire. Through his gallant courage, Sergeant Harlow enabled his comrades to return to friendly lines without casualty. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Charles E. Harlow (wife), Byfield, Massachusetts. Entered military service from Byfield, Massachusetts.

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 the following:

Virgil S. Kingree, 33 662 974, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 April 1945, at Furth, Germany. When heavy enemy fire halted his company's advance through Furth, Germany, Private Kingree, with utter disregard for his own safety, leapt over a road block and engaged seven German soldiers in fierce close combat, killing two, wounding two, and capturing three. Disposing of his prisoners, he then stormed a hostile machine gun nest, killing two and wounding three members of its crew. Through his gallant courage and selfless heroism, Private Kingree contributed immensely to the rapid capitulation of the city of Furth. Entered military service from Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Charles Kuklisin, 35 300 616, Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 3 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. During the attack on Wurzburg, Germany, Sergeant Kuklisin was ordered to cross the Main River and prepare the way for the assault troops to be landed later. Braving the murderous flak and machine gun fire concentrated on the river, he and a comrade, upon reaching the opposite bank in a civilian boat, stormed an enemy-held building overlooking the crossing and forced the Germans to withdraw. When a German tank counterattacked their newly gained position, he forced its withdrawal with hand grenades. Tenaciously holding their precarious position until reinforcements were landed, he and his comrade then moved forward and knocked out an enemy machine gun nest, forcing the remaining Germans from the landing area with the captured

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gun. Through his gallant actions, Sergeant Kuklisin played a major role in the successful crossing of the Main River. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

✓ Edward G. Lindley, 38 542 872, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade), Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 January 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. When the enemy thrust a determined counter-attack against our bridgehead near Ludwigswinkel, Germany, Corporal Lindley, despite intense concentrations of machine gun, rifle and artillery fire, and with complete disregard for personal safety, rushed the oncoming forces. With several grenades into the hostile troops, he killed six and forced the remaining Germans to withdraw. He then led his men in a successful withdrawal from their precarious position. Through his outstanding leadership and gallant actions, Corporal Lindley caused his patrol to return to the main line of resistance without casualties. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

✓ GAIL L. MILLER, O 389 485, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion (formerly Company I), 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 22 January 1945, near Leutkirch, France. When an overwhelming enemy force attacked his valorous platoon's positions near Leutkirch, France, Lieutenant Miller, with utter disregard for his own safety, led a twelve-man patrol in a counterattack against the Germans. By skillful deployment and from aggressive action, he bewildered and surprised the enemy force, thus they were treated in a disorganized state. Pursuing the fleeing Germans, he led his men in inflicting terrific casualties upon the retreating enemy. By his gallant leadership, Lieutenant Miller repulsed a determined attack against our thinly held main line of resistance. Entered military service from Adelton, Wisconsin.

✓ J. Byron Munger, 37 772 349, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 13 April 1945, at Furth, Germany. While swimming across the Regnitz River through intense darkness after reconnoitering the city of Furth, Germany, Private Munger noticed that another member of the patrol was floundering badly in the current. Despite intense machine gun cross fire sweeping the river, he turned back and, grasping the drowning man, swam with him to the bank. He then assisted the weakened man across four hundred yards of open terrain through continuous sniper and machine gun fire to the safety of our lines. Private Munger's exceptional courage and selfless devotion to his comrades undoubtedly saved him from certain death. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

✓ Nicholas L. Palermo, 33 450 961, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company G, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 April 1945, at Furth, Germany. When enemy machine gun cross火ed held his company's advance at Furth, Germany, Private Palermo, with utter disregard for his own safety, exposed himself to locate the hostile emplacements. He then directed friendly tanks in destroying the machine gun nests. After crossing the Regnitz River, his company was again pinned down by heavy fire from a road block. Facing the withering barrage, Private Palermo leapt over the road block and engaged seven enemy soldiers in fierce close combat, killing two, wounding two, and capturing three. During his capture of his prisoners, he and another soldier thus captured another hostile machine gun, killing two and wounding three members of its crew. Through his gallant courage and selfless heroism, Private Palermo earned the immeasurable respect and admiration of the city of Furth. Entered military service from Washington, D.C.

✓ Edward F. Wojtowowski, 33 611 912, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 3 April 1945, at Korbburg, Germany. During the attack on Korbburg, Germany, Private Wojtowowski was ordered

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to cross the Mekong River and prepare the way for the assault troops to be landed later. Leaving the murderous flak and machine gun fire concentrated around him and a comrade, upon reaching the opposite bank in a civilian boat, he found an enemy NVA building overlooking the crossing and forced the GIs out. When a German tank counterattacked their newly gained position, he fought it off with hand grenades. Tenaciously holding their precarious position until reinforcements were landed, he and his comrade then moved forward and knocked out an enemy machine gun nest, forcing the remaining Germans from the landing area with the captured gun. Through his gallant actions, Private W. J. Ponosowski played a major role in the successful crossing of the Mekong River. Ent. rec'd. military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Charles R. Young, 36 981 409, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, fought gallantly in action on 9 April 1945, at Burbach, Germany. As the First Platoon of Company A's riding tank destroyers into the town of Burbach, Germany, the lead tank was hit by an enemy panzerfaust and immediately burst into flames. With utter disregard for his own safety, Private Young ran to the tank and pulled the trapped driver from the blazing inferno. He then faced the devastating artillery fire covering the area to treat ten casualties and carry them one at a time to the safety of a nearby building. Through his gallant actions and heroic courage, Private Young saved his wounded comrades from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Madison, Wisconsin.

III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS):--... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-46, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded Posthumously to the following:

Robert W. Cochrane, 33 939 ZIO, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945, at Hunspech, France. When heavy enemy artillery fire severed the communication line between his mortar position and the observation post, Private Cochrane faced the deadly fire of an enemy onslaught to move forward to repair the wire line. Calmly proceeding through the withering barrage, he located and reconnected the broken connection. He was mortally wounded while returning to his emplacement to assist his comrades in placing mortar fire upon the attacking enemy. Through his heroic self-sacrifice, Private Cochrane played a major role in the successful defense of our lines of resistance at Hunspech, France, in the final drive of nearest relative: Mrs. Jeff Cochrane (Mother), 617 Court Street, Scranton, Pennsylvania. Entered military service from Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Joe W. Hynie, 6 393 450, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. When his platoon was pinned down by heavy concentrations of enemy machine gun, mortar, and artillery fire during the fierce fighting around Lichtenberg, France, Private Hynie, with complete disregard for personal safety, moved forward under the barrage to neutralize the hostile emplacements with his automatic rifle. Tenaciously holding his advantageous position, he then provided covering fire for his platoon until he was fatally wounded by fragments from an artillery burst. By his heroic self-sacrifice, Private Hynie contributed immeasurably to the success of the attack. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Frances Hynie (Mother), Box 54, Braselton, Georgia. Entered military service from Braselton, Georgia.

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

Eugene J. Addeo, 32 997 429, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, at Hatten, France. During the fierce fighting in the fire-swept streets of Hatten, France, Private Addeo noticed two wounded but living men lying exposed to intense artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire. Fearlessly exposing himself to the deadly hail of bullets, he advanced to the side of the injured men, and with the aid of another soldier carried them to the safety of a nearby cellar. He then dressed their wounds and prepared them for evacuation to the medical aid station. Private Addeo's prompt and courageous action with utter disregard for his own safety undoubtedly saved his comrades from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

James H. Benton, 34 675 118, First Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 March 1945, near Wingen, France. During an attack on the enemy main line of resistance near Wingen, France, Sergeant Benton's combat patrol was pinned down by deadly machine gun fire. With utter disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Benton stormed the hostile position and, with hand grenades and rifle fire, killed four enemy soldiers, thus enabling his men to continue their attack. Through his outstanding courage and aggressive leadership, Sergeant Benton played a major role in the successful patrol which was credited with killing twelve, wounding forty-six, and capturing six German soldiers. Entered military service from Goldsboro, North Carolina.

Cornelius M. Benyak, 35 839 351, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 March 1945, near Wingen, France. When his combat patrol was ambushed by the enemy near Wingen, France, Sergeant Benyak, with utter disregard for his own safety, opened fire upon the German force, killing three and forcing the remaining members of the ambush to flee in a disorganized state. Recalling orders to withdraw from the area, Sergeant Benyak remained behind until his company had reached friendly lines, covering the withdrawal with deadly fire. Through his great daring and selfless determination, Sergeant Benyak gained invaluable information of enemy strength and deployment for future operations. Entered military service from Thompson, Ohio.

ROBERT S. BLANTON, CI 014 649, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. After leading an assault on enemy positions in Wurzburg, Germany, Lieutenant Blanton, upon withdrawing his platoon for reorganization, discovered that four of his men were missing. Organizing a rescue party, he exposed himself to a raging fire fight for over an hour, finally reaching the injured soldiers and supervising their evacuation. By his aggressive leadership and intrepid devotion to duty, Lieutenant Blanton saved four of his men from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Bound Brook, New Jersey.

By command of Major General COLLENS:

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25 February 1946.

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

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:

Elmer Kittelson, 37 271 531, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 22 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Strandquist, Minnesota.

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

Alvin T. Biniecki, 16 150 277, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Charlotte, North Carolina.

John A. Carmack, 34 817 709, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Vernon, Alabama.

Mike Colonie, 35 309 724, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pickliffe, Ohio.

Joseph G. McCrady, 33 929 620, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 1 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Lanesburg, Pennsylvania.

Charles V. Steen, 13 091 865, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Renovo, Pennsylvania.

Rubeun H. Thomas, 34 587 235, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Guntersville, Alabama.

Albert F. Trello, 36 446 367, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade), Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 4 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Springfield, Illinois.

(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:

EDWARD J. BECKETT, 01 183 237, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery C,  
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392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from East St. Louis, Illinois.

Robert A. Churchouse, 17 043 527, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hampton, Iowa.

Hillard Collins, 15 112 688, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pinetop, Kentucky.

Glen R. Dean, 31 314 000, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, Cannon Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Riverside, California.

Mason H. Gilliam Jr., 38 541 004, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery B, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 7 March 1945 to 26 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bravoria, Texas.

Aubrey L. Hanes, 38 356 407, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Colfax, Louisiana.

Reuben F. Hasson, 35 018 536, 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 Allen County, Ohio.

Fabius R. Hutchins, 38 541 93, Master Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Port Arthur, Texas.

FRANK V. HUTTON, 02 006 928, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Cannon Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ponca, Oklahoma.

RUSSELL H. JOHNSON, 01 320 948, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, Headquarters, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

LYNN V. JONES, 01 168 743, Captain, Field Artillery, Battery C, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

Herman J. Joy, 42 114 669, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery C, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Greenwich, New York.

George C. Kasy, 12 106 239, Sergeant (then Corporal), 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 Fordham, New York.

Les C. Kerley, 35 634 036, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery C, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Independence, Virginia.

Louis J. Pauk, 18 004 477, Sergeant, 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 Ponca City, Oklahoma.

Joe McCray, 35 111 444, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pendleton, Indiana.

Adolph G. Oesterle, Jr., 42 101 496, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon

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Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bergenfield, New Jersey.

Albert R. Fanizzi, 36 684 942, 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 Princeton, Illinois.

EMMA J. S. PERSONS, O 503 797, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Corps of Engineers, Headquarters, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, from 12 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Butler, Georgia.

Robert J. Pinchot, 35 914 146, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

Charles Pluss, 36 832 567, Master Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Field Artillery, Headquarters, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Jean L. Puckett, 38 541 819, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery C, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Conroe, Texas.

PAUL D. PUNCH, O 519 226, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

William R. Rezzo, 29 724 295, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Infantry Division Artillery, from 15 February 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

PAUL H. ROGERS, O 358 691, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

Henry C. Wilson, Jr., 6 927 032, 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 Knoxville, Tennessee,

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 for meritorious achievement in action:

Eugene Hucht, 39 706 707, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 22 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

Marvin L. Jones, 34 969 059, Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 27-28 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Fayetteville, North Carolina.

HENRY W. LYDICK, O 550 611, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Helena, Montana.

William J. Morrow, 37 227 694, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 6 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military

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service from Concordia, Kansas.

Douglas E. Rhoads, 36 417 526, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Kalamazoo, Michigan.

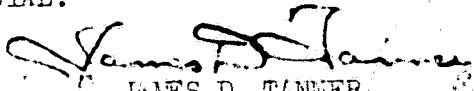
(b) By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States:

EDOLPH TELIN, O1 326 336, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

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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 for meritorious achievement in action:

Robert L. Peilman, 12 226 659, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company C, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 9 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Hollis, Long Island, New York.

George H. Bemo, 38 700 492, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 2 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Holdenville, Oklahoma.

Earl H. Blundell, 38 601 039, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Little Rock, Arkansas.

Walter Rorvlo, 12 076 975, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Hackensack, New Jersey.

Frank H. Boyles, 33 931 076, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Altoona, Pennsylvania.

Dale Brinton, 36 688 743, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 24 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Rushville, Illinois.

Harold I. Brown, 36 824 641, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Superior, Wisconsin.

James J. Cahill, 12 161 184, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 26 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

John W. Coudy, 42 116 061, Corporal (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

Albert Damron, 35 075 736, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

Stanley Fischer, 15 353 212, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 15 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

Raymond W. Golden, 33 340 139, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Frederick R. Grob, 36 981 495, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 24 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Madison, Wisconsin.

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Robert E. Hannum, 42 190 316, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 5 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Merchantville, New Jersey.

Melford L. Harris, 18 195 029, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Baldomero V. Hinojosa, 38 555 862, Technician Fifth Grade, (then Private First Class), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Weslaco, Texas.

Paul M. Hollonbach, 33 230 829, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 26 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Kenneth R. Ivey, 38 665 394, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 11-12 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Fayetteville, Arkansas.

Albert P. Johnson, 13 189 107, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Canonsburg, Pennsylvania.

HO ELL J. KADRIE, 02 007 186, First Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Grand Forks, North Dakota.

Joseph J. Klimek, 36 362 199, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 22 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

William R. Kofski, 37 771 635, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 10 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

Laverne L. Krambeck, 37 748 022, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 9 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Papillion, Nebraska.

Charles G. Lafferty, 35 551 453, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

Columbus L. Lambert, 36 982 080, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Luvern E. Larson, 37 771 990, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Brudette, Minnesota.

Frank J. Mangan, 37 531 097, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Lenawesworth, Kansas.

Clifton G. McMurry, 38 680 480, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kerrville, Texas.

George E. Merlock, 35 235 260, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 5 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Youngstown, Ohio.

John Mescal, 10 601 765, Private, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 12 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Wiltshire, England.

Dwight J. Michael, 36 473 057, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from

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Flint, Michigan.

Anthony F. Milavskas, 11 047 131, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Brockton, Massachusetts.

Curtis W. Mundell, 36 638 625, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Benton, Illinois.

Donald R. Myers, 35 071 368, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 27 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from West Union, Ohio.

Robert L. O'Brien, 37 751 199, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry, on 12 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Omaha, Nebraska.

Charles S. Osborn, 38 571 074, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 12 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Seminole, Oklahoma.

Simon S. Ozer, 31 070 532, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 16 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

Clifton P. Rogers, Jr., 32 712 942, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 22 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Thomas L. Smith, 34 821 031, Sergeant (then Corporal), Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 28 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

Joseph M. Springstead, 39 310 660, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Roseburg, Oregon.

John N. Watkins, 36 876 891, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

LaVerne Weiser, 33 937 908, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Merle C. Woodard, 31 450 107, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Gilford, Maine.

Carl W. Zimmer, 35 610 133, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Akron, 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 600-45, 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:

Louis E. Huard, 31 466 425, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

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- 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:--...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:

Leonard E. Creo, 12 123 727, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945, at Strasbourg, France. When the enemy made a determined attempt to cross the Rhine River at Strasbourg, France, Private Creo operated his light machine gun singlehandedly, constantly changing his position to escape the intense mortar and artillery fire. Alternately operating his machine gun and automatic rifle from completely exposed positions in the face of murderous machine gun and artillery fire, he repeatedly repelled enemy landings. As the enemy forces withdrew under cover of heavy artillery fire, he was seriously wounded by shell fragments. Private Creo's indomitable courage and aggressiveness played a major role in repulsing the attacking forces. Entered military service from Hollis, Long Island, New York.

James E. Kanost, 37 711 252, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 February 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. When one of his comrades was seriously wounded and lying in an open area exposed to intense enemy fire, Private Kanost made several attempts to rescue him, but was beaten back by hail of grenades and bullets. Later, when reinforcements were sent up to augment the firepower, he took command of the new men and proceeded to lead them to the patrol leader's position. Although wounded by an enemy mine, he tenaciously continued to advance until he made contact with his officer. Private Kanost's exceptional courage and unflinching determination played a major role in the successful completion of the patrol's mission. Entered military service from Wauneta, Nebraska.

Emery L. Minier, 35 587 738, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945, near Phillipsburg, France. During the general offensive through the Hardt Mountains, Private Minier was a member of a small combat patrol whose mission was to destroy enemy positions holding up the advance of Company I. As the patrol approached the enemy emplacements, they were met by an intense hail of machine gun and small arms fire which inflicted several casualties and pinned the group down. Private Minier fearlessly braved the murderous fire to aid a wounded comrade and carry him back to the safety of our lines. Once there, the information of the enemy which he transmitted enabled his company to neutralize the positions and continue its advance. Entered military service from Magadore, Ohio.

Arthur T. Redding, 37 744 189, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. When his antitank squad was subjected to the murderous fire of an enemy ambush while moving into position near

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Wurzburg, Germany; Private Redding, with utter disregard for his own safety, made his way to a nearby truck. Opening fire with the vehicle's exposed antiaircraft machine gun he pinned down the enemy force, thus enabling his squad to withdraw from the area. Through his great daring and unflinching devotion to duty, Private Redding turned a would-be disaster into an enemy rout. Entered military service from Grand Island, Nebraska.

• Joseph V. Vasiliuskas, 32 452 080, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 March 1945, at Winzen, France. While on a reconnaissance patrol deep into enemy territory, Sergeant Vasiliuskas observed that one of his men had been seriously wounded in the foot after stepping on an enemy Shu-mine. Completely disregarding his personal safety, he assisted two other soldiers to carry the man back to our lines as the enemy opened fire with machine guns and rifles. Braving the deadly fire, he continued across open terrain until the injured man had been safely evacuated to the rear for medical treatment. Sergeant Vasiliuskas' courageous action and unwavering devotion to duty undoubtedly saved his wounded comrade from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Hillside, New Jersey.

II. WARD 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:

• Raymond E. Bailey, 39 596 461, Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945, at Gombsheim, France. While Company E was advancing through the fire-swept streets of Gombsheim, France, they were halted by intense fire from an enemy machine gun. Disregarding the deadly fire, Sergeant Bailey fought his way from house to house until he was close enough to throw hand grenades into the enemy emplacement, killing the gunners. Entering the building, he captured a sniper on the upper floor and took an additional ten prisoners from the cellar. Sergeant Bailey's courageous action and aggressive determination in the face of superior odds played a major role in the rapid capitulation of the town. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

• WILBERT F. KLEIN, 02 006 907, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. During the general offensive through the Hardt Mountains, Lieutenant Klein was ordered to hold his newly gained objective at all costs. When the enemy launched a violent counterattack, supported by tank and artillery fire, against his positions, he was painfully wounded. Refusing medical aid, he remained with his men throughout the attack, encouraging them to hold their positions until the German thrust had been successfully repelled. Through his heroic action and intrepid devotion to duty, Lieutenant Klein was an inspiration to the men fighting with him. Entered military service from Sterling, Colorado.

• Olindo D. Marcantonio, 37 702 175, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, near Echendorf, Germany. While leading a motorized contact patrol near Echendorf, Germany, Private Marcantonio arrived at an outpost as the Germans launched an attack against the beleaguered defenders. Leading his men in a flanking maneuver, he opened fire on the enemy. When the firing ceased, he made a search of the area

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and captured the only remaining member of the patrol. Through his great daring and selfless determination, Private Marcantonio played a major role in the elimination of a threat to our defense of a vital bridge across the Main River. Entered military service from Frederick, Colorado.

Marvin M. Sanders, 38 682 294, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 April 1945, at Donauwörth, Germany. During the attack on Donauwörth, Germany, our armored column was subjected to heavy enemy machine gun and panzerfaust fire. Realizing the necessity for immediate action, Sergeant Sanders organized his squad for a flanking maneuver against the hostile positions. Although seriously wounded while moving forward, he led his squad in two hours of house-to-house fighting and finally succeeded in silencing the enemy opposition. Through his indomitable courage and aggressive leadership, Sergeant Sanders played a major role in the successful attack. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

DONALD E. SCHÄTZEL, O 549 511, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. While leading his company in an attack against enemy positions on the outskirts of Wurzburg, Germany, Lieutenant Schatzel braved deadly enemy machine gun fire covering the areas to make his way up and down the company line, personally encouraging each rifleman. When he saw a wounded soldier lying in an area covered by murderous enemy fire, he made his way to the side of the wounded man and interposed his body between the soldier and the beaten zone of the fire. Administering first aid, he then supervised the evacuation of the wounded man to the rear for medical treatment. Through his indomitable courage and heroic devotion to duty, Lieutenant Schatzel was an inspiration to the men fighting around him. Entered military service from Fargo, North Dakota.

JOHN C STECK, O1 295 450, Captain, Infantry, Company E, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, at Schweinfurt, Germany. During the attack of our forces against the well-defended city of Schweinfurt, Germany, the enemy subjected Captain Steck's company to an intense concentration of mortar, artillery, and automatic weapons fire, winning them down. Realizing the imperativeness of repelling the attack, Captain Steck fearlessly exposed himself to the murderous fire, encouraging his men and inspiring them to continue their advance. By his indomitable courage and heroic aggressiveness, Captain Steck played a major rôle in the successful capitulation of the city. Entered military service from Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Harmon Watts, 38 541 702, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945, at Schonau, Germany. When he heard a wounded soldier calling for help during a heavy enemy artillery shelling of Schonau, Germany, Corporal Watts, with utter disregard for his own safety, made his way through the barrage to the side of the wounded man. After administering first aid, he made three round trips through the murderous fire to evacuate the wounded to the medical aid station for treatment. Through his outstanding courage and selfless determination, Corporal Watts saved three wounded comrades from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

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

John J Joniec, 16 114 976, Corporal (then Private First Class), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25-26 January 1945, in Hageunau, France. During an intense artillery concentration on his company's positions at hageunau, France, Private Joniec noticed a wounded man lying exposed to the deadly barrage. Braving the intense fire, he crawled to the side of the injured soldier, carried him to a safe position, and administered first aid. While preparing to move the patient to the medical aid station, an artillery shell exploded nearby, wounding Private Joniec, and his platoon sergeant and killing the already wounded infantryman. Despite the wound, he then gave medical aid to the sergeant and evacuated him to the aid station. Private Joniec's outstanding courage and aggressive determination were an inspiration to his comrades and reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Army. Entered military service from Hamtramck, Michigan.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-.... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-47, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

Richard W. Albertson, 36 725 412, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. When his mortar squad was surrounded by the enemy during the attack against our Meier River Line, Private Albertson made his way through deadly mortar and artillery fire to report the critical situation to his Company Commander. Returning through the enemy infested territory with vitally-needed ammunition, he assisted in defending his precarious position until ordered to withdraw. While effecting the withdrawal, he was seriously wounded as he assisted the wounded men of his squad in making their way to friendly lines. Through his indomitable courage and heroic determination, Private Albertson contributed greatly to the successful defense of Alsace. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Marvin H. Aull, 34 842 240, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. While acting as night operator for a radio relay station located near his battalion's position in the Hardt Mountains, Sergeant Aull heard someone approaching his foxhole. Calling out a challenge, he hurled a grenade toward the area of the disturbance when he was not answered. Moving forward, he single-handedly captured a seven-man enemy patrol and returned with them to his relay station where he notified the Battalion Intelligence Officer of his activities. Upon questioning the captured soldiers, it was learned that they were members of a reconnaissance patrol which was reconnoitering our lines before launching a counter-attack the following morning. Through his great daring and unflinching devotion to duty, Sergeant Aull made an effective contribution to our successful campaign through the Hardt Mountains. Entered military service from Columbia, South Carolina.

John V. M. Barker, 14 131 024, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. During his company's attack on the hills surrounding Wurzburg, Germany, Sergeant Barker noticed one of his comrades lying wounded and exposed to intense flak and machine gun fire. With absolute disregard for his personal safety, he advanced through the murderous fire to the side of the injured man and carried him across seventy-five yards of open terrain to a position from which he could be evacuated to the rear. Sergeant Barker's exceptional courage and devotion to his comrades undoubtedly saved the wounded man from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from West Hartford, Connecticut.

William T. Bode, 33 882 434, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, at Echarthausen, Germany. Approaching the town of Echarthausen, Germany in an attempt to persuade the burgomeister to surrender the town, Private Bode was fired upon by a large group of enemy soldiers. Promptly returning the fire, he wounded five Germans and killed three, forcing the remainder to seek cover

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from his deadly fire. He then seized a German civilian who directed him to the burmeister's house, where he issued instructions for surrendering. Returning to the Company Command Post, he organized a patrol and led it into the town, capturing it without firing a shot. Private Bode's exceptional courage and aggressiveness in the face of overwhelming odds enabled his company to continue its successful advance without casualty. Entered military service from Mt. Lebanon, Pennsylvania.

John W. Boykin, 38 336 856, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 241st Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, at Hatten, France. When intense enemy fire severed wire communications between the Battalion Command Post and the line companies savagely resisting fanatical enemy attacks at Hatten, France, Private Boykin unhesitatingly volunteered to restore the vital wire lines. Completely exposing himself to murderous artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire, he remained in the open until all lines had been repaired. Finally, when all communications were destroyed, he took up a post as a rifleman and assisted to repel the enemy. Private Boykin's outstanding courage and unflinching determination contributed materially to the eventual repulse of the fiercely attacking enemy forces. Entered military service from Bastrop, Louisiana.

Virgil N. Christensen, 37 467 199, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. When the lead scout of his platoon was wounded during the bitter fighting in Wurzburg, Germany, Sergeant Christensen deployed the members of his squad and ordered them to lay down a base of fire. Moving through heavy machine gun fire, he made his way to the injured soldier and carried him to a position of comparative safety from where he was evacuated to the rear for medical treatment. Through his great daring and heroic action, Sergeant Christensen saved the life of a wounded comrade. Entered military service from Parker, South Dakota.

Gerald F. Christie, 37 198 076, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 March 1945, at Wingen, France. While on a reconnaissance patrol deep into enemy territory, Sergeant Christie observed that one of his men had been seriously wounded in the foot after stepping on an enemy mine. Completely disregarding his personal safety, he assisted two other soldiers to carry the man back to our lines as the enemy opened fire with machine guns and rifles. Braving the deadly fire, he continued across open terrain until the injured man had been safely evacuated to the rear for medical treatment. Sergeant Christie's courageous action and unwavering devotion to duty undoubtedly saved his wounded comrade from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Atlantic, Iowa.

Ewing Daily, 35 667 297, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 April 1945, near Unterbach, Germany. While leading his platoon in an attack on enemy positions near Unterbach, Germany, Sergeant Daily was severely wounded in the leg by mortar fragments. Despite his wound, he continued to advance through the intense artillery and mortar barrage, directing the fire of his men on groups of fleeing enemy soldiers. Upon learning that three of his comrades were wounded, he relinquished command of the platoon to a section sergeant. After securing aid for the wounded men, he finally consented to his own evacuation. Sergeant Daily's courageous actions and unwavering devotion to duty played a major role in the successful completion of the attack. Entered military service from Warren, Ohio.

Joseph J. Darby, 11 033 535, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry,

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Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 February 1945, near Wingen, France. When his combat patrol was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire while approaching the enemy main line of resistance near Wingen, France, Private Darby volunteered to attack the hostile emplacement. Moving forward under the covering fire of his comrades, he stormed the entrenched enemy, killing five Germans before he was forced to withdraw to friendly lines. Through his great daring and heroic determination, Private Darby enabled the patrol to successfully complete its mission. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

Frank R. Dearing, 33 663 963, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. When his squad was pinned down during the heavy fighting on the outskirts of Wurzburg, Germany, Private Dearing, with utter disregard for his own safety, moved forward in an attack on an enemy machine gun. Storming the hostile position, he knocked out the machine gun nest and killed four riflemen acting as security for the emplacement. Through his great daring and heroic action, Private Dearing enabled his squad to continue its attack. Entered military service from Roanoke, Virginia.

Nicholas J. Dragone, 31 140 680, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. During the fighting through the fire-swept streets of Wurzburg, Sergeant Dragone was sent to locate a platoon of tank destroyers and guide them to his battalion's positions. Making his way through the narrow streets, he was fired upon from the cellar of a nearby building. Crawling forward, he hurled two grenades through the cellar window, killing two enemy soldiers and wounding another. He then continued on his mission. Through his indomitable courage and aggressive determination, Sergeant Dragone eliminated a threat to our occupying forces. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

Leroy Evans, 18 047 118, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. When the enemy concentrated direct artillery fire upon his machine gun position, wounding three members of his squad, Private Evans continued his deadly fire and was successful in disabling a 75mm self-propelled gun. He then accompanied the attacking riflemen in their forced crossing of the Main River, inflicting heavy casualties upon the defending enemy with his accurate machine gun fire. Through his great daring and heroic determination, Private Evans contributed immeasurably to the rapid capitulation of the key city of Wurzburg. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

Arthur L. Hall, 19 067 679, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 March 1945, near Wildenguth, France. While occupying an observation post along our main line of resistance, Private Hall observed the approach of a strong enemy combat patrol and unhesitatingly set out to warn the remainder of his company. Despite intense fire directed at him by the enemy, he tenaciously continued to make his way to the Company Command Post with the vital information, returning shortly with his comrades to assist in repulsing the approaching enemy. Private Hall's alertness and courageous determination eliminated a serious threat to the security of our main line of resistance. Entered military service from Newport Beach, California.

Carl E. Hammack, 35 706 021, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, in Arnstein, Germany. During the fierce fighting for the town of Arnstein,

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Germany, Private Hammack took command of a litter squad and led his men through the fire-swept streets to evacuate several casualties. Fearlessly exposing himself to intense machine gun and small arms fire, he administered first aid to the wounded and then directed their evacuation to the rear for more extensive medical treatment. By Private Hammack's outstanding courage and unswerving devotion to duty many injured infantrymen were saved from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

ARTHUR M. INNES JR., 02 025 550, Second Lieutenant; (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945, near Dachau, Germany. During the attack on the infamous concentration camp at Dachau, Germany, heavy enemy machine gun fire from fanatical SS troopers forced our attacking column to halt and seek cover. Hearing a call for help, Sergeant Innes and another soldier fearlessly entered the impact area of the deadly fire, and, making three round trips, carried their wounded comrades to safety. Through his indomitable courage and heroic devotion to duty, Sergeant Innes assisted in saving the lives of six wounded comrades. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

Howard S. Insinger, 33 772 040, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9-10 January 1945, at Hatten, France. When communication between his company and the Battalion Command Post was lost during the fanatical German attack against Hatten, France, Private Insinger braved withering artillery and mortar fire to deliver vital instructions and information between the two headquarters, making numerous trips until his company's positions were completely overrun. He then joined forces with other soldiers to help repel attacks against the Battalion Headquarters. Despite direct fire on his position from tanks and artillery, he refused to leave until a superior enemy force infiltrated our lines. Private Insinger's outstanding courage and aggressive determination played a major role in the eventual repulse of the determinedly attacking enemy. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Garnett Jones, 36 684 390, Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945, near Gainsheim, France. During the attack against Gainsheim, France, Sergeant Jones continually exposed himself to intense enemy artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire while leading his heavy machine gun squad in support of rifle troops advancing against the town. Setting up his machine gun in a completely exposed position, he sent the remainder of the squad to cover and manned the gun alone. When the rifle troops were forced to withdraw in the face of overwhelming enemy strength and firepower, he provided covering fire until they were out of range of enemy action. Sergeant Jones' display of outstanding courage and leadership was an inspiration to his comrades and contributed immeasurably to the success of the operations in this sector. Entered military service from Springfield, Illinois.

Odell M. Lorts, 17 16C 212, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 March 1945, near Wingen, France. When his combat patrol was pinned down by deadly machine gun fire from the enemy's main line of resistance, Private Lorts, with utter disregard for his own safety, voluntarily moved forward. Crawling through the withering barrage, he made his way to a vantage point and opened fire with his rocket launcher, knocking out the German emplacements with two rounds. Through his great daring and selfless determination, Private Lorts enabled the patrol to successfully complete its mission. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

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Ray W. McDonald, 31 349 871, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945, near Dachau, Germany. During the attack on the infamous concentration camp at Dachau, Germany, heavy enemy machine gun fire from fanatical SS troopers forced our mechanized column to halt and seek cover. Hearing a call for help, Sergeant McDonald and another soldier fearlessly entered the impact area of the deadly fire, and, making three round trips, carried their wounded comrades to safety. Through his indomitable courage and heroic devotion to duty, Sergeant McDonald assisted in saving the lives of six wounded comrades. Entered military service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

Juan M. Medrano, 38 680 652, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. While advancing through the fire-swept streets of Wurzburg, Germany, Private Medrano and another soldier took up positions forward of their platoon to knock out an enemy tank reported in the vicinity. As the tank passed his position, the bazooka man fired on it, forcing the tank crew to abandon the vehicle. Private Medrano then concentrated rifle fire on them before they could escape. By his outstanding courage and prompt action, he eliminated a serious threat to the successful advance of our forces through the city. Entered military service from Brownsville, Texas.

Alden C. Moyer, 33 190 361, First Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, near Schweinfurt, Germany. While attempting to contact supporting tank units during the attack against Schweinfurt, Germany, Sergeant Moyer remained in an exposed position under intense artillery fire in order to insure the maximum in radio transmission. Unable to make contact by radio, he proceeded through the deadly fire and returned with the tanks to the position at which they were needed. He then assisted in the evacuation of wounded and organized a group to bring up water and rations from the rear. Sergeant Moyer's courageous actions and unwavering devotion to duty throughout the day contributed materially to the successful completion of his company's advance against the well-defended city. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

Joseph R. Nowacki, 6 915 114, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. When the combat patrol of which Private Nowacki was a member was approaching the heavily-defended positions on Hill 415 near Lichtenberg, France, it was met with devastating cross fire from enemy machine guns. Moving forward through the deadly fire, Private Nowacki made his way to the rear of one of the enemy positions and silenced it with a grenade, permitting the remainder of the patrol to outflank the other emplacements. By his outstanding courage and aggressive determination, Private Nowacki played a major role in the successful completion of the patrol's mission. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Edward L. O'Dette, 31 304 557, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. When his reconnaissance patrol was pinned down by an enemy machine gun near Schweighausen, France, Sergeant O'Dette, with utter disregard for his own safety, moved forward in an attempt to silence the hostile gun. Crawling and tunnelling through the deep snow, he advanced 75 yards through the deadly concentration of fire and stormed the German emplacement, killing the two crew members. He then led his patrol to friendly lines and reported to his Battalion Commander the vital information he had gained of enemy strength and deployment. Through his great daring and heroic determination Sergeant O'Dette contributed

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immeasurably to the defeat of a fanatical enemy attempt to recapture Alsace. Entered military service from Dorchester, Massachusetts.

George M. Orr, 33 465 626, Private, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. When Private Orr's combat patrol was fired upon by an enemy sniper near Lichtenberg, France, he and another man unhesitatingly advanced in the face of the deadly fire to eliminate the sniper. Wounded seriously in the leg by the accurate fire, he continued to move forward, firing steadily until the sniper was killed. Private Orr's outstanding courage and aggressiveness enabled the patrol to continue its advance and complete its mission. Entered military service from Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Peter A. Plepel, 36 323 213, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945, near Darnstein, France. During the advance of Company I near Darnstein, France, Private Plepel's rifle platoon was given the mission of neutralizing several enemy machine gun positions holding up the company advance. Crawling to the flank of one of the emplacements, he approached in the face of deadly machine gun fire and threw a hand grenade amid the crew, killing several and silencing the gun. As he attempted to eliminate the next position, he was seriously wounded in the legs before he could complete his mission. Private Plepel's outstanding courage and unswerving determination contributed materially to the successful advance of his company through this dangerous sector. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Arlan H. Sutton, 38 641 091, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. While advancing through the fire-swept streets of Wurzburg, Germany, Private Sutton, a bazooka man, and another soldier took up positions forward of their platoon to knock out an enemy tank reported in the vicinity. As the tank passed his position, he fired on it, forcing the tank crew to abandon the vehicle. While his comrade opened fire on enemy infantry following the tank, Private Sutton followed the tank crew and captured the entire group in a nearby building. By his outstanding courage and prompt action, he eliminated a serious threat to the successful advance of our forces through the city. Entered military service from Wills Point, Texas.

Charles W. Volkert Jr., 33 622 626, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, at Schweinfurt, Germany. During the advance of our forces into the heavily defended town of Schweinfurt, Germany, Private Volkert was caught in a vicious machine gun cross-fire from concealed enemy positions. Fearlessly braving the deadly fire, he continued to advance to a position from which he fired rifle grenades into one of the enemy emplacements, silencing it. He then crawled toward the second weapon and silenced it by throwing a hand grenade among the crew. Private Volkert's indomitable courage and aggressive determination played a major role in clearing a path for his company's advance into the city. Entered military service from Allentown, Pennsylvania.

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

Edward H. Edens, 38 532 108, Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 April 1945, near Schweinfurt, Germany. During an intense concentration of artillery and mortar fire as our forces were attacking near Schweinfurt, Germany, Sergeant Edens' heavy machine gun platoon was forced to seek cover in an area which afforded few positions of safety. Completely disregarding the deadly fire, Sergeant Edens checked his men and discovered one without any protection w. tcover. Unhesitatingly he left his own position of safety and ordered his comrade to occupy the now vacant location, exposing himself fearlessly to the murderous fire which shortly fatally wounded him. Sergeant Edens' heroic and gallant self-sacrifice saved the life of his fellow soldier and was an inspiration to the other men of his platoon. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. C. E. Kendall (Aunt), 5924 Hudson Street, Dallas, Texas. Entered military service from Ullies, Texas.

Donald F. Gage, 39 023 459, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 10 April 1945, at Kronungen, Germany. During Company I's attack against Kronungen, Germany, Private Gage was in the lead of the forward elements as first scout. Observing that the bridge on the approaches to the town was set with explosives, he ran through a deadly hail of machine gun and rifle fire in an attempt to reach the structure before the enemy could destroy it. Firing as he ran, he killed several of the riflemen guarding the bridge, only to step on it as the enemy set off their charges. Private Gage's heroic attempt to keep the bridge intact for our forces reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Nellie J. Gage (Mother), General Delivery, Pridge, Oregon. Entered military service from Gilroy, California.

Joseph A. Struba, 33 019 737, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 23 April 1945, near Rain, Germany. During Company I's attack in the vicinity of Rain, Germany, Private Struba led his litter squad up to the forward elements of the attacking force. Informed of the presence of a wounded man in an open field, he crawled 100 yards under intense machine gun and rifle fire to give the man emergency medical treatment. Then, as the intensity of the fire increased, he di-

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ected his litter bearers to remain in a covered position while he carried the wounded soldier to safety. As he approached the safety of our lines, he was struck and mortally wounded by a burst of machine gun fire. By his outstanding courage and heroic self-sacrifice, Private Struba undoubtedly saved his comrades from serious injury or death. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Joseph A. Struba (Wife), 549 Edith Avenue, Johnstown, Pennsylvania. Entered military service from Johnstown, 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:

Raymond T. Fuchs, 36 846 244, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 10 April 1945, near Schweinfurt, Germany. During the all-out attack of our forces against Schweinfurt, Germany, Private Fuchs distinguished himself by his outstanding courage and devotion to his comrades. Although seriously wounded while advancing through a deadly hail of machine gun and rifle fire, he lay in an exposed position and directed the fire of his entire platoon on the well-concealed enemy positions until they were neutralized. Private Fuchs' gallant and heroic action enabled his comrades to eliminate two machine gun emplacements and to continue their successful assault against the heavily defended city. Entered military service from West Allis, Wisconsin.

Joseph F Garger, 33 266 720, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. While laying a wire line behind the Battalion Command Group during a night offensive through the Hardt Mountains, Private Garger and his wire team were subjected to the murderous fire of an enemy ambush. After returning the fire, Private Garger searched the area for his comrades, finding one dead and the other wounded. When the Germans again opened fire, he interposed his body between his wounded comrade and the impact area and both feigned death. The enemy soldiers then came forward and stripped all three Americans of their weapons and equipment. As the patrol moved away, satisfied that their victims were dead, Private Garger seized an undetected hand grenade and hurled it into the enemy group, killing one, wounding two, and forcing the remainder to flee into the darkness. He then carried his wounded comrade to a position of comparative safety from where he was evacuated for medical treatment. Private Garger's gallant actions reflect the highest credit on himself and uphold the finest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Frank H. Hofman, 42 190 301, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 April 1945, in Furth, Germany. During the violent house to house fighting in Furth, Germany, Private Hofman's platoon was pinned down by deadly enemy machine gun and small arms fire coming from a nearby church building. Realizing the church had to be cleared immediately to prevent further casualties, Private Hofman fired a rocket into the doorway of the building, and then entered the enemy position through a hail of machine gun fire. Hurling a grenade through a doorway, he

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singlehandedly stormed the hostile fortress, killing four riflemen and taking six machine gunners prisoner. Through his selfless courage and gallant devotion to duty, Private Hofman made an effective contribution to the rapid capitulation of the city of Furth. Entered military service from Runnemede, New Jersey.

Charles E. Hunt, 35 449 321, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry, for gallantry in action on 24 January 1945, near Ohlungen, France. During the fanatical enemy attack against our positions on the Moder River, Sergeant Hunt set up his machine gun on a vantage point overlooking the route of approach of the attacking Germans. Braving the devastating artillery fire covering the area, he remained at his post and cut down wave after wave of attacking enemy soldiers until he was forced to withdraw because of the numerically superior force directed at his emplacement. As he withdrew, he continued to inflict heavy casualties upon the advancing enemy. Through his selfless courage and gallant devotion to duty, Sergeant Hunt played a major role in the defeat of a determined German attempt to retake Alsace. Entered military service from Huntington, West Virginia.

Henry E. Park, 18 108, 677, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 3 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. During the bitter fighting through the fire-swept streets of Wurzburg, Germany, Private Park observed an enemy tank moving toward his observation post. Braving the concentration of fire from the tank and supporting infantrymen, he made his way to a vantage point within 50 yards of the counterattacking enemy. Opening fire with his rocket launcher, he made a direct hit on the armored vehicle, turning it into a blazing inferno. Running back to his observation post, he took up a position with an automatic rifle and inflicted heavy casualties upon the Germans, thus halting the fanatical attack. Through his indomitable courage and gallant actions, Private Park played a major role in repelling a determined enemy counterattack. Entered military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

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

John D. Fredericks III, 19 132 453, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945, near Koenigheim, France. While Private Fredericks was on outpost guard near Koenigheim, France, two enemy soldiers disguised as civilians approached his post. Observing his position, the enemy opened fire on him with rifles, which he returned immediately. Fearlessly exposing himself to the heavy fire, he succeeded in killing the two enemy, receiving a fatal wound shortly before the last German fell. Private Fredericks' alertness and courageous action undoubtedly saved his comrade from suffering casualties at the hands of the infiltrating enemy. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Elizabeth W. Fredericks (Mother), Box 189, Portola Road, Woodside, California. Entered military service from Woodside, Calif.

W. B. Hensley, 34 924 775, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. When the lead scout of his combat patrol was cut down by intense machine gun fire on Hill 415 near Lichtenberg, France, Private Hensley unhesitatingly advanced through the murderous fire to the side of his seriously wounded comrade. As he was rendering first aid, a mortar round landed next to him

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wounding him fatally before he could finish treating the injured soldier. Private Hensley's heroic self-sacrifice was an inspiration to his fellow soldiers and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Lilla G. Hensley (Mother), Route 1, Lake, Mississippi. Entered military service from Lake, Mississippi.

Styron P. James, 44 010 554, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. During the fierce fighting around Lichtenberg, France, Private James was lead scout for a combat patrol attacking well fortified positions on Hill 415. When the patrol was suddenly subjected to intense concentrations of artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire, he fearlessly advanced into the face of the deadly hail of bullets, firing as he walked. As he approached the first machine gun nest, he was mortally wounded by a burst of fire. Private James' courageous and heroic self-sacrifice enabled his comrades to flank and overrun the enemy positions. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. May Meeks James (Mother), Route 1, Stokes, North Carolina. Entered military service from Stokes, North Carolina.

Norman A Kemp, 36 473 530, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945, near Kronungen, Germany. During the attack in Kronungen, Germany, intense enemy machine gun fire pinned down Company I. With complete disregard for his personal safety, Private Kemp moved into an exposed position with his bazooka to fire on the machine gun position. The first round was a dud, and as he was in the process of firing a second round, he was observed and mortally wounded by the machine gunner. Private Kemp's heroic self-sacrifice was an inspiration to his comrades and reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Name and address of nearest relative: Mr. Michael Kemp (Father), 11430 Cheyenne Avenue, Detroit, Michigan. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Charles Myrick, 34 915 299, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, near Kronungen, Germany. As Private Myrick's platoon was proceeding across open, level terrain on the approaches to Kronungen, Germany, it was suddenly met by an intense hail of machine gun and rifle fire. Private Myrick continued to advance in the face of the murderous fire, and from an exposed position directed bazooka fire onto one of the enemy positions. When the bazooka round failed to explode, the enemy turned their machine guns on him, fatally wounding him with a withering hail of fire. Private Myrick's exceptional courage and unflinching determination reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Daisy Cox Myrick (Mother), Route 5, Florence, Alabama. Entered military service from Florence, Alabama.

Willey J. Swafford, 38 666 060, Private, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945, near Strasbourg, France. During the fierce fighting around Strasbourg, France, when the enemy attempted to recross the Rhine River, Company I's ammunition supply became critically low. Private Swafford unhesitatingly set out through intense concentrations of enemy artillery fire to obtain the vitally needed supplies. Returning with a full load of ammunition, he fearlessly braved the increasingly intense fire until he was mortally wounded by shell fragments. Private Swafford's indomitable courage and unwavering devotion to duty were an inspiration to his comrades and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Flossie Swafford (Mother), Route 3, Alma, Arkansas. Entered military service from Alma, Arkansas.

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

John F. Rourke, 31 388 799, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, 18 January 1945, at Kefendorf, France. Entered military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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? d of the Bronze Star Medal ..... I

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:

Raymond R. Cox, 39 957 735, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 1 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pasadena, California.

Sigmund S. Dyro, 31 399 864, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Portland, Maine.

HILMAN H. EASTON, 02 010 639, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Mabel, Minnesota.

Leo Farstenberg, 12 071 524, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Jerold B. Fleming, 37 009 440, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Butler, Missouri.

Edward R. Hampton Jr., 31 043 943, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Peters Point, Connecticut.

Loyd H. Matson, 31 372 675, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry, on 26 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Malden, Massachusetts.

James T. Montague, 34 376 134, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Sommerville, Tennessee.

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

Laurence A. Bailey, 38 087 178, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Nedford, Oklahoma.

Leonard H. Benson Jr., 35 067 266, 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 Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

PERCY H. CARTER, O 363 517, Major, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Denmark, South Carolina.

William J. Graham, 32 586 989, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Head-

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ourters Battery, 42d Infantry Division Artillery, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.

Murphy L. Guidry, 38 1,88 136, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bleauw Bridge, Louisiana.

Homer F. Hill 6 821 298, Corporal, 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 Des Moines, Iowa.

Adron T. Lobban, 6 287 032, Master Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Temple, Oklahoma.

Elijah L. Sparks, 14 134 135, 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 Jillico, Tennessee.

John W. Woody, 12 133 063, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Infantry Division Artillery, from 15 February 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

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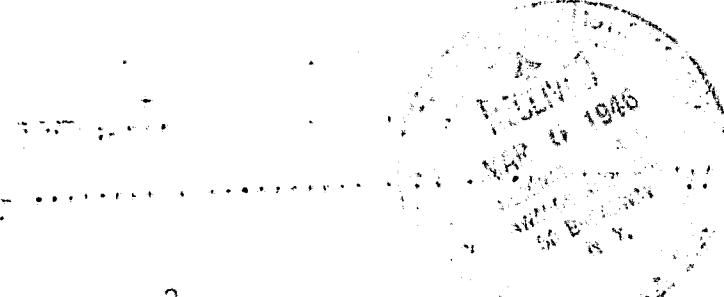
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Award of the Silver Star ..... I  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal (Posthumous) ..... II  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal ..... III

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 the following:

Floyd W. Gilson, 36 109 373, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 5 January 1945, near Kilstett, France. While leading his platoon against several enemy machine gun positions near Kilstett, France, Sergeant Gilson was severely wounded in the face during an intense concentration of mortar and artillery fire. Disregarding his wound, he continued to brave the murderous fire in order to reorganize his platoon for withdrawal and to assist the medical aid man in caring for the other wounded. By his outstanding courage and selfless determination, Sergeant Gilson enabled his men to withdraw to safety with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Arthur E. Kessler, 35 140 332, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 10 January 1945, near Leautenheim, France. When a ten man enemy patrol attacked the positions of Private Kessler's machine gun squad, he immediately went to his gun through the bitter cold although only partially clothed. Picking it up, he stood in a completely exposed position and directed a deadly stream of fire at the onrushing enemy forces. Completely disregarding the murderous fire striking all about him, he continued to fire the gun from the hip, single-handedly repulsing the attack and killing or wounding the entire enemy patrol. Private Kessler's exceptional courage and aggressiveness completely frustrated the enemy attack without casualty to our forces. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

II. 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:

Charles G. Beckwith Jr., 36 680 972, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. As Sergeant Beckwith's light machine gun squad was digging defensive positions along the Siegfried Line near Ludwigswinkel, Germany, they were observed by the enemy and subjected to an intense concentration of enemy artillery fire. Immediately moving his men to new and safe positions, he returned alone to pick up the machine gun. As he returned through the deadly fire with the weapon, he was mortally wounded by shell fragments. Sergeant Beckwith's outstanding courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Army. Name and address of nearest relative: Mr. Charles G. Beckwith (Father), 127 W. North Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

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Andrew A. Jaquay, 13 000 912, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Reipertswiller, France. When his squad was pinned down by intense machine gun fire in their attack on Hill 301 near Reipertswiller, France, Sergeant Jaquay advanced alone to neutralize the enemy position. Braving the deadly fire, he routed the enemy with grenades and fire from his rifle, but as he turned to signal his squad to advance he was fatally wounded by an enemy sniper. By his exceptional courage and aggressive determination in the face of superior odds, Sergeant Jaquay enabled his platoon to continue their attack on the strongly held enemy positions. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Anna Jaquay, 58 Mount Wood Road, Wheeling, West Virginia. Entered military service from Wheeling West Virginia.

Kenneth C. Schulz, 39 476 183, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 February 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. When the combat patrol of which Private Schulz was a member met strong enemy resistance near Lichtenberg, France, it was forced to withdraw with numerous casualties. As the patrol withdrew across a mine field, the enemy subjected the group to an intense concentration of mortar fire, seriously wounding Private Schulz in the chest. Despite the intense pain and severity of the wound, he remained quiet in order not to disclose the patrol's location, and, because of the large number of wounded already in the patrol, he refused to be carried or assisted. After walking and crawling over seven hundred yards to our lines, he succumbed to his wounds. Private Schulz's indomitable courage and determination reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Julia Marie Schulz (Mother), 4503 S. D. St. Tacoma, Washington. Entered military service from Tacoma, Washington.

Charles M. Weed, 32 843 061, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945, near Sessenheim, France. While Private Weed was on outpost guard in a pillbox near Sessenheim, France, the enemy subjected the area to an intense concentration of mortar and artillery fire, followed by a strong attacking force. Observing through an embrasure, he adjusted and directed friendly artillery fire on the crushing troops, completely disregarding the intense hail of small arms and machine gun fire directed at the opening. As he observed the enemy forces scattering and retreating, an artillery shell hit near his face, mortally wounding him. Private Weed's outstanding courage and selfless determination were an inspiration to his comrades and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Jessie Weed (Mother), 1024 North Union Street Olean, New York. Entered military service from Olean, New York.

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

William D. Craig, 37 474 422, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1st April 1945, near Furth, Germany. While Company E was attacking Furth, Germany across the Regnitz River, telephone communications with the Battalion Command Post weakened due to faulty batteries. Private Craig, unhesitatingly set out to secure new batteries, crossing the river on a partially destroyed bridge which was under a vicious machine gun cross-fire. Upon delivering the batteries to the company and learning that there was a shortage of small arms and bazooka ammunition, he again returned to the command post and led a group of enemy

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prisoners back with the required ammunition." Private Craig's outstanding courage and aggressive determination played a major role in the successful capitulation of the city of Furth. Entered military service from Omaha, Nebraska.

James A. Ferrell, 37 636 974, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945, near Schweinfurt, Germany. While bringing rations forward to his company which was located near Schweinfurt, Sergeant Ferrell observed a four-man enemy patrol on a hill overlooking our positions. Boldly making his way toward the enemy group, he approached undetected to within a few yards of the German position and opened fire with his rifle, killing all four members of the patrol. Through his great daring and aggressive actions, Sergeant Ferrell singlehandedly eliminated an enemy patrol sent into our lines to observe our preparations for the attack against Schweinfurt. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

Erwin F. Friedman, 32 835 178, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry Company C, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 January 1945, near Kaltenhaus, France. While defending our main line of resistance near Kaltenhaus, France, Private Friedman noticed a wounded man lying exposed to intense artillery and mortar fire. Leaving his position of cover, he crawled through the deep snow and administered first aid, remaining at the wounded man's side until the arrival of litter bearers in order to cover the evacuation with his rifle fire. Private Friedman's prompt and courageous action under the deadly artillery fire undoubtedly saved the life of the seriously injured soldier. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.

Louis F. Mulkins, 36 785 861, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Schweichausen, France. When his mortar position in the Moder River Line was overrun by the fiercely attacking enemy, Private Mulkins was seriously wounded in the chest by machine gun fire. Refusing medical aid, he made his way through the withering fire concentrated upon him to his company command post and reported the position of the attacking forces to his Company Commander. Upon completing his mission, he collapsed from loss of blood. Through his great daring and selfless determination, Private Mulkins contributed immeasurably to the successful defense of our positions in Alsace. Entered military service from Dixon, Illinois.

Edward J. Otradovec, 36 823 870, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. When the combat patrol of which Private Otradovec was a member had penetrated deep into enemy territory near Lichtenberg, France, it made contact with a superior enemy force. Although seriously wounded in the thigh during the exchange of fire, he left a covered position and crawled through an intense hail of artillery, machine gun, and small arms fire until he reached friendly positions. The information which he then gave enabled our mortars to fire on the enemy, laying down a smoke screen until the patrol could withdraw safely from its precarious position. Private Otradovec's courageous determination and aggressiveness undoubtedly saved his comrades from certain death. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Earl F. Patterson, 39 458 613, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. While Private Patterson's squad was advancing through the Hardt Mountains, a force of twelve enemy armed with automatic weapons attacked them from the rear. Unhesitatingly, he moved to one flank, and seeking a covered position, he opened fire on the enemy with his automatic rifle. As they scattered to a nearby patch of woods, Private Patterson left his position and

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followed them, firing as he advanced and killing ten as they fled. By his prompt and courageous action, Private Patterson contributed materially to the successful conclusion of the day's engagement. Entered military service from Spokane, Washington.

Marvin M. Sanders, 38 632 294, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 March 1945, near Miltenburg, Germany. When his squad was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire near Miltenburg, Germany, Sergeant Sanders ordered the members of his squad to lay down covering fire while he singlehandedly attacked the hostile position. Crawling to within 25 yards of the machine gun nest, he hurled a hand grenade into the enemy group, killing two of the gunners. He then killed the remaining German with his rifle. Through his great daring and selfless determination, Sergeant Sanders enabled his squad to continue its attack. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

Edward T. Zadylak, 32 914 341, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, near Puttenrond, Germany. When our forces were suffering numerous casualties from intense artillery fire near Puttenrond, Germany, Private Zadylak fearlessly exposed himself to go to the aid of the wounded men. Moving each one individually from the exposed area to a position of safety, he administered first aid and then directed their evacuation to the battalion medical aid station. Private Zadylak's complete disregard for his personal safety and devotion to his comrades brought immediate comfort to the injured and removed them from the dangerous impact area. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

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MARGINAL ORDER *b. 144*

16 February 1946.

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

George C. Baker, 34 931 394, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dillon, South Carolina.

Darwin E. Bevan, 36 765 839, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Robert L. Black, 39 918 996, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 18 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

William F. Brasket, 36 694 586, Corporal (then 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 Centralia, Illinois.

Lee R. Coffman, 33 645 054, Corporal, 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 Alexandria, Virginia.

Harold E. Dahlinger, 36 837 718, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Joseph W. Davis, 36 684 795, Corporal, 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 Chicago, Illinois.

Joe H. Davis, 34 190 036, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Livingston, Tennessee.

Thomas E. Garrett, 39 337 606, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

Frank M. Greco, 42 102 369, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

Clen E. Kilpatrick, 39 464 578, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Boise, Idaho.

Harold L. Legg, 35 772 038, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery B,

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392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Victor, West Virginia.

Robert K. MacGillivray, 37 550 283, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

ELIARD F. MILLER, W2 128 096, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Kenneth A. Neuman, 35 759 533, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wheeling, West Virginia.

Charles A. Rhault Jr., 11 099 857, Corporal, 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 Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Robert R. Rice, 39 121 865, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 24 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Donald J. Schafer, 37 484 83, Corporal, 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 Hebron, Nebraska.

Robert F. Scott, 32 759 297, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Collingswood, New Jersey.

ROBERT A. SHEFIELD, O1 765 711, Captain, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Council Bluffs, Iowa.

JOHN R. SMITH, O 551 740, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Clovis, New Mexico.

Richard E. Smith, 35 892 748, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

Charles H. Swanson, 37 574 625, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery C, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

Jesse L. Thompson, 6 945 815, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Trilce, West Virginia.

Fred N. Tuten, 34 867 854, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery B, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Vornville, South Carolina.

John J. Votta, 33 384 062, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

Kenneth G. Walsh, 37 704 180, 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 Denver, Colorado.

II. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PROFILE 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

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is awarded to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States:

JAY D. CARPENTER, O1 031 393, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 26 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Urbana, Illinois.

GEORGE A. CARVER, O19 122, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 23 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Rome, Georgia.

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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 Third Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal ..... III

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

Eugene H. Bacon, 33 556 259, Corporal (then Private First Class), Infantry Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 15 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

Norman W. Beck, 36 463 483, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 18 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Carl G. Benson, 37 704 150, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 9-10 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Boulder, Colorado.

Mike A. Bohorfoush, 34 811 606, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

Edward B. Brescol, 35 330 825, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

Angelo A. Cassella, 32 402 313, Private, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Nap A. Chinick, 36 154 607, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 24 January 1945, in Neuberg, France. Entered military service from Muskegon, Michigan.

Robert L. Daisey, 42 190 556, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Camden, New Jersey.

Charles A. Doyle, 6 781 215, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

William L. Duttrarer, 36 477 973, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 6 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Peoria, Illinois.

George G. Ebwbank, 39 467 683, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25-26 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from The Dalles, Oregon.

Odell H. Feick, 35 657 283, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

Luther M. Hamilton, 34 926 003, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Albany, Mississippi.

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Martinus Helmus, 36 980 812, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 16 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

by H. Hilson, 32 493 697, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Utica, New York.

Alvin V. Kostecki, 36 832 579, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 24-25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

William E. Koch, 34 864 947, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 9-10 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Ridgeland, South Carolina.

Harry W. Levi, 13 002 595, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

George C. Marsh, 36 832 213, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25-26 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Viroqua, Wisconsin.

James H. Mauney, 34 961 050, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 2 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Shelby, North Carolina.

William W. Mocherman, 35 830 607, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

Robert J. Morrill, 36 983 234, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Saginaw, Michigan.

Wallace R. Morzfeld, 20 656 613, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Cannon Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kenosha, Wisconsin.

George W. Reid, 36 429 886, Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 19-24 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Alton, Illinois.

Frank E. Reynolds Jr., 32 445 596, Technical Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 22-23 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Ogdensburg, New York.

WILLIAM J. FOCHELLE JR., 01 283 492, Captain, Infantry, Company D, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 22 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Washington, D.C.

John F. Rourke, 31 388 779, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 24 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

Lynn H. Scott, 44 040 580, Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Louis A. Scotti, 31 301 613, Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, or 11 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Plymouth, Massachusetts.

Irving S. Silverman, 35 048 743, Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

Eugene O. Skinner, 33 732 672, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Riverdale, Maryland.

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James I. Taylor, 13 186 304, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Edward W. Wallace, 34 452 512, Private, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

John F. Talar, 32 450 812, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Albany, New York.

Bernard J. Koch, 32 450 143, Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 21 February 1945, in Wingen, France. Entered military service from Rochester, 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 achievement in action.

ATHEI BANGERET, 025 202. Major, Infantry, Headquarters, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 12-26 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Columbia, Missouri.

MICHAEL J. DOLAN, 01 264 839, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 12-26 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

III. AWARD OF THE THIRD 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 Third Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action.

Henry Wendel Jr., 35 542 203, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 28 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Van Wert, Ohio.

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

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 the following:

DONALD L. SHANEYFELT, O 549 484, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 April 1945, at Perbach, Germany. When his motorized patrol was ambushed by a superior enemy force deep in enemy territory near Perbach, Germany, Lieutenant Shaneyfelt exposed himself to the deadly enemy fire while manning a machine gun mounted on his vehicle. Realizing that his men were badly outnumbered, he sent a jeep for reinforcements and moved forward with two enlisted men to rescue five of his men who were pinned down. After tanks arrived to support him, he so skillfully directed their fire by placing himself in a completely exposed position that two machine guns were knocked out and an undetermined number of enemy were killed. By his fearless actions and courageous aggressiveness, Lieutenant Shaneyfelt enabled his men to accomplish the mission with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Long Pine, Nebraska.

II. 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:

Arthur D. Kessler, 35 140 332, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. While on an outpost guarding his light machine gun section in positions near Lichtenberg, France, Private Kessler heard suspicious noises nearby, and advanced to investigate. Although armed only with a pistol and a grenade, he proceeded through the darkness until he discovered an enemy patrol attempting to infiltrate the company area. As he shouted the alarm, he was mortally wounded by an enemy grenade. Private Kessler's heroic self-sacrifice enabled his company to prepare to repulse the enemy threat. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Josephine Kessler (Mother), 6833 E. 21st Street, Indianapolis, Indiana. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

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

James W. Bullard 36 462 329, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 May 1945, at Rittershoffen, France. During an intense concentration of enemy artillery, mortar, and tank fire on Rittershoffen, France, Private

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Bullard noticed a truck loaded with valuable supplies standing exposed to the heavy fire. With utter disregard for his personal safety, he left his covered position and fearlessly braved the deadly fire to move the vehicle to a safe position. By his prompt and courageous action, Private Bullard saved the truck and its important contents from destruction by the enemy. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

Winslow A. Chermack, 17 050 420, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 February, near Wingen, France. When Private Chermack's squad was attacking an enemy position near Wingen, France, enemy machine gun fire was inflicting heavy casualties on them. Crawling to the flank, he observed several machine gun positions and silenced two of them with his rifle. Despite the fact that the enemy was now concentrating their fire on him, seriously wounding him, he continued to fire until all the wounded were removed from the danger zone. Private Chermack's courageous action and unswerving determination undoubtedly saved his comrades from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Donald G. Crawford, 37 219 345, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. While Sergeant Crawford and three other men were on outpost guard in Wurzburg, Germany, the enemy launched a strong counterattack against our positions. Rapidly deploying his men, he led them in a fierce exchange of fire with the advancing enemy forces, holding them off until his company could prepare a defense line to the rear. Although wounded in the leg, he continued to fire at the enemy until they had overrun the position. Sergeant Crawford's courageous and aggressive leadership contributed materially to eventually repulsing the determined attack. Entered military service from Sedwick, Kansas.

Glenn L. Evenson, 37 020 141, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. While moving his anti-tank platoon into position during the fighting through the fire-swept streets of Wurzburg, Germany, Sergeant Evenson was seriously wounded by a machine gun burst fired from point-blank range. Refusing medical aid, he organized his men and led them in an attack upon the German position, personally killing one enemy soldier and wounding another. Through his courageous actions and aggressive leadership, Sergeant Evenson, although painfully wounded, enabled his platoon to successfully complete its mission. Entered military service from Climax, Minnesota.

Frank P. Feist, 35 239 387, Private, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. While his rifle squad was on a mission to obtain information of enemy positions near Lichtenberg, France, Private Feist was the first man to spot the enemy. After signalling the remainder of the squad to take cover, he advanced to an advantageous position from which he could more closely observe the enemy emplacements. While returning to his comrades with the vital information, he stepped on an enemy mine, but he tenaciously continued on his way until he had transmitted the information to his squad leader. Private Feist's outstanding and indomitable courage played a major role in the successful attack through the area several days later. Entered military service from Staubenville, Ohio.

Fletcher G. Huron, 34 121 357, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 February 1945, at Wingen, France. When his patrol leader was seriously wounded by artillery fire near Wingen, France, Private Huron left his covered position to go to his

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aid. Directing the other members of the patrol to provide covering fire, he proceeded to carry the officer to the nearest medical aid station. Wounded twice by mortar shell fragments, he continued indomitably on his way, delivering the wounded man safely at the aid station where he was given immediate treatment. Private Harmon's exceptional courage and unflinching determination undoubtedly saved the injured officer from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Columbia, South Carolina.

Glenn O. Herrly, 37 293 980, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, at Arnstein, Germany. When our rifle troops were halted by intense enemy machine gun and sniper fire coming from the heavily defended town of Arnstein, Germany, Private Herrly advanced across several hundred yards of open terrain to set his heavy machine gun in an advantageous position. Although exposed to direct enemy fire, he placed deadly fire on the enemy positions, silencing a great portion of the enemy weapons until he was seriously wounded by sniper fire. Private Herrly's courageous action and unwavering determination made an effective contribution to the successful capitulation of the town. Entered military service from Hector, Minnesota.

Jerome S. Kowalski, 36 919 791, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 April 1945, near Spaltz, Germany. Private Kowalski is a member of a combat patrol advancing into Spaltz, Germany to destroy a machine gun position holding up the advance of Company I. As the patrol approached the position, intense machine gun fire forced the group to scatter. Advancing through the deadly barrage, Private Kowalski gained a vantage point and directed such accurate fire at the enemy with his automatic rifle that several were killed and the machine gunners pinned down. As a result of his outstanding courage and aggressiveness, the patrol was able to successfully accomplish its mission without casualties. Entered military service from Hamtramck, Michigan.

Kenneth D. McCarty, 38 696 267, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. During the bitter fighting in the Hardt Mountains, Private McCarty encountered heavy enemy opposition while reconnoitering for an approach to his platoon's objective. Using his bazooka as an antipersonnel weapon, he boldly advanced into the withering barrage of the Germans, firing as he advanced. His accurate rocket fire wounded several of the enemy, and the remainder, terrified by the use of such a weapon, made a disorganized withdrawal. Through his tactical skill and indomitable courage, Private McCarty enabled his platoon to take its objective with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Robert R. Milodragovich, 19 055 544, First Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant) Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. When he encountered a wooded area heavily infested with enemy snipers while leading his platoon in the attack through the Hardt Mountains, Sergeant Milodragovich, with utter disregard for his own safety, dispersed his platoon and moved forward to eliminate the German riflemen. Moving from tree to tree, he quickly annihilated the delaying party with his accurate fire. Through his courageous actions and intrepid devotion to duty, Sergeant Milodragovich played a major role in the successful attack. Entered military service from Butte, Montana.

Clarence J. Muszynski, 36 981 610, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I,

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232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945, near Neustadt, Germany. When the combat patrol of which Private Muszynski was a member advanced across an open area near Neustadt, Germany, the enemy opened fire with machine guns and small arms. Although wounded three times in the arm, he remained in the exposed position firing on the enemy until the entire patrol had taken cover from the murderous fire. He then continued to fire on the enemy positions, keeping them pinned down, until he himself could take cover. Private Muszynski's exceptional courage and unflinching determination undoubtedly saved many of his comrades from injury or possible death. Entered military service from River Rouge, Michigan.

George E. Rhodes Jr., 37 517 445, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 February 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. While Private Rhodes was laying wire for a combat patrol advancing on enemy positions near Lichtenberg, France, the enemy opened fire with machine guns, forcing our men to withdraw. He then voluntarily led the return of the patrol through mine fields along the route of his wire line. As he was proceeding across the dangerous area, he stepped on a mine and was severely wounded. With no exhibition of pain he warned the other men of the patrol to remain silent and then crawled back to our lines unassisted. Private Rhodes' heroism and unflinching determination enabled his comrades to effect the withdrawal with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Lee's Summit, Missouri.

Wayne H. Stinson, 37 562 398, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 March 1945, near Wingen, France. While on a patrol to plot enemy positions and emplacements, Sergeant Stinson observed a small enemy group approaching and opened fire on them. Advancing into the face of deadly enemy fire, he threw four hand grenades among the Germans, accounting for the majority of them and enabling his men to proceed on its mission. He then, by careful observation and alertness, located six enemy machine gun installations which were subsequently destroyed by other combat patrols. By his courageous action and unswerving determination, Sergeant Stinson contributed materially to the successful completion of the patrol's assignment. Entered military service from Bemidji, Mississippi.

John M. Taddia, 33 794 363, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, at Rittershoffen, France. While digging in his anti-tank gun in position at Rittershoffen, France, Private Taddia noticed a wounded man lying exposed to the strafing of enemy fighter aircraft. Leaving his covered position, he fearlessly exposed himself to the deadly fire to proceed to the side of the injured man. He then carried him through the heavy fire to a nearby ambulance for evacuation to the rear for medical treatment. Private Taddia's prompt and courageous action saved his wounded comrade from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

C. B. Thompson, 38 633 893, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, near Schweinfurt, Germany. When the enemy launched a determined counterattack against his machine gun position near Schweinfurt, Private Thompson held his fire until the Germans had advanced within 25 yards of his emplacement. Opening fire at point-blank range, he inflicted heavy casualties upon the enemy, thus halting the attack. Locating his machine gun, the Germans adjusted a direct mortar hit upon his position, seriously wounding Private Thompson. Refusing medical aid, he displaced to an alternate position and continued to fire on the enemy troops

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until he was ordered to the rear for medical treatment. Through his heroic courage and selfless determination, Private Thompson played a major role in effecting the rapid capitulation of Schweinfurt. Entered military service from Glen Rose, Texas.

Edward L. Wegner Jr., 36 992 067, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. When the advance of Company I was halted on the outskirts of Wurzburg, Germany by intense small arms, machine gun, and anti-aircraft artillery fire, Private Wegner led his rifle squad to silence the enemy positions. Constantly exposing himself as he advanced, he located the well-concealed positions and opened fire on them. As he advanced he was seriously wounded, but, despite his wound, he pointed out the positions to his comrades, enabling the squad to continue their assault. Private Wegner's courageous determination contributed materially to the eventual capitulation of the heavily defended city. Entered military service from Linden, Michigan.

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

Albert J. Capela, 36 465 073, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 7 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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

William E. Baumester, 33 807 325, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Anthony J. Deptula, 33 236 256, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 22d Infantry Regiment, from 22 February 1945 to 13 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Shamokin, Pennsylvania.

James A. Dumire, 35 534 632, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 22d Infantry Regiment, on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Youngstown, Ohio.

Walter E. Elliott, 33 648 334, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery C, 402d Field Artillery, Battalion, on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Marion, Virginia.

Theodore R. Ermert, 37 743 410, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Plattsmouth, Nebraska.

Francis R. Evans Jr., 31 197 880, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

George Feder, 33 834 515, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Barryville, Pennsylvania.

Neal G. Grayson, 35 103 941, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 22d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Paintsville, Kentucky.

Charles F. Hawkins, 38 637 952, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ft. Worth, Texas.

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Victor Klein, 42 076 598, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 12 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

John W. Kramer, 37 169 434, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 19 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Towner, North Dakota.

George L. Miller, 33 948 355, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery C, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Carl Petersen Jr., 35 911 870, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 18 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

Llewellyn R. Phillips, 32 940 872, Corporal, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 19 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Lake Placid, New York.

Frederick G. Popke, 32 698 692, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 11 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Richmond Hill, New York.

William N. Wallace, 33 598 601, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 20 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chester, Pennsylvania.

Robert Zildjian, 31 299 304, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company 222d Infantry Regiment, on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Wallaston, 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:

Harold H. Ball, 20 216 253, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 1 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

James W. Bell, 33 794 306, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery A, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 13 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chester, Pennsylvania.

George D. Boulger, 37 573 865, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

GEORGE A. BURNS, O 398 852, Major (then Captain), Infantry, Headquarters, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sturgis, South Dakota.

Charles J. Causey, 35 168 906, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Evansville, Indiana.

LESTER F. DAVIS, O1 183 842, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

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ROBERT F. DUFFY, O1 283 390, Captain, Infantry, Company C, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Orange, New Jersey.

William M. Elmore, 2C 464 528, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 March 1945 to 26 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dunn, North Carolina.

Paul E. Fenlon, 11 091 660, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Haverhill, Massachusetts.

Casimir J. Filipkowski, 32 311 800, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Melvin H. Golden, 18 133 558, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Shreveport, Louisiana.

Charles M. Grabe, 6 805 472, Master Sergeant, 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 Alexandria, Louisiana.

Carl O. Kurfees, 42 007 002, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 27 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Washington, New Jersey.

James T. Murphy, 12 132 356, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery A, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 9 March 1945 to 24 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

Ellwood A. Wahl, 36 114 095, First Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Avoca, Michigan.

John P. Walsh, 35 094 348, Technician Fifth Grade, 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 Indianapolis, Indiana.

PETER WELTEVREY, O1 169 823, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 12 April 1945, inclusive in France and Germany. Entered military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

III. WARD 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:

Elmer H. Altizer, 33 655 778, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Randy, Virginia.

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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:

Norman S. Lang, 33 732 731, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery B, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

LIEUTENANT J. RANKIN, 024 455, Lieutenant Colonel (then Major), Field Artillery, Headquarters, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 22 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

William C. Richardson, 34 164 185, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 27 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Florence, Alabama.

IV. 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 an enemy of the United States:

JOHN D. HOYLE, 01 319 743, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

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

Alden R. Littlefield, 31 398 324, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 5 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. During a fanatical enemy counterattack against his mortar position in Wurzburg, Sergeant Littlefield observed German troops in a building across the street from his emplacement. Fearlessly exposing himself to withering small arms fire, he was wounded while making his way from man to man, checking his squad's deployment against the oncoming attack. Continuing to expose himself, he was mortally wounded when he moved forward to direct his comrade's fire against an enemy attack that threatened our positions in Wurzburg. His gallant actions reflect the highest credit on himself and uphold the finest traditions of the United States Army. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Ida Littlefield (Wife), 170 State Street, Hallowell, Maine. Entered military service from Hallowell, Maine.

II. 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:

Charles A. Baker, 38 656 582, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945, near Leautenheim, France. Observing an enemy motorized patrol approaching his sentry post on the outskirts of Leautenheim, France, Private Baker opened fire with his rifle. The enemy group immediately returned his fire, subjecting his position to an intense and murderous hail of machine gun and small arms fire. After heroically facing the fire for several minutes, he was fatally wounded by the increasingly heavy barrage. Private Baker's courageous and gallant sacrifice held the enemy advance until his platoon could set up defensive positions to repel the patrol. Name and address of nearest relative: Mr. Isaac C. Baker (Father), General Delivery, West Monroe, Louisiana. Entered military service from West Monroe, Louisiana.

Floyd L. Greene, 39 150 942, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. During the attack of our forces against the strongly fortified enemy positions near Lichtenberg, France, Sergeant Greene distinguished himself by his outstanding courage and leadership. In the early phases of the attack, he constantly exposed himself to intense artillery, mortar, machine gun, and rifle fire while leading his squad forward. As he was advancing at the point of the attack to survey the situation and search out enemy positions, he was fatally wounded by artillery fragments. By his aggressive determination and heroic leadership,

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Sergeant Greene contributed materially to the successful conclusion of the attack. Name and address of nearest relative: Arnold E. Greene (Father), Post Office, Cambridge, Idaho. Entered military service from Wilton, California.

Otha D. Hemby, 34 914 405, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945, near Phillipville, France. When the positions held up the advance of Company I into Phillipville, France, Private Hemby joined a combat patrol in an attempt to neutralize them. With complete disregard for his personal safety, he advanced across the open terrain in the face of intense machine gun and small arms fire, spraying the hill upon which the enemy was entrenched with fire from his automatic rifle. After his fire had successfully allowed the remainder of the patrol to flank the enemy, he was fatally wounded by an enemy rifleman. Private Hemby's heroic action reflects great credit upon himself and upholds the finest traditions of the United States Army. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Novella J. Hemby (Mother), Route 2, Ingomar, Mississippi. Entered military service from Ingomar, Mississippi.

Richard L. Hunsinger, 16 123 532, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 January 1945, near Lutzenheim, France. As a member of a patrol sent deep into enemy territory, Private Hunsinger displayed exceptional courage and determination near Lutzenheim, France. When the patrol had reached its objective and accomplished its mission he and another soldier started to return to our lines with information gained by the group. As he proceeded through the enemy territory, concealed enemy opened fire with machine guns and small arms. Unhesitatingly continuing despite the murderous fire, he was fatally wounded before he could reach a covered position. Private Hunsinger's heroic sacrifice reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Name and address of nearest relative: Mr. Clyde Hunsinger (Father), Grantsburg, Wisconsin. Entered military service from Grantsburg, Wisconsin.

James A. Kennedy, 39 423 416, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. As first scout for a combat patrol near Lichtenberg, France, Private Kennedy led the patrol successfully through several mine fields to the objective. Boldly exposing himself to deadly enemy fire in order to locate the enemy positions, he advanced toward the enemy as they opened fire with machine guns and mortars, firing as he ran. While still proceeding in the face of the deadly fire, he was mortally wounded by a burst from an enemy machine gun, but only after he had successfully enabled his comrades, by his heroic action, to advance on the emplacements. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Hazel B. Kennedy (Mother), Route 1, Box 291, San Jose, California. Entered military service from San Jose, California.

James D. Lynd, 37 750 733, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, near Kronungen, Germany. Private Lynd was point man for his platoon as they attacked the heavily fortified town of Kronungen, Germany, across an open field. Unhesitatingly exposing himself to intense machine gun and small arms fire, he directed the platoon's fire on the well-concealed enemy positions, enabling his comrades to destroy several machine gun emplacements holding up the assault. Upon advancing further across the open terrain at the point of the attack, he was hit and mortally wounded by a burst of machine gun fire. Private Lynd's exceptional courage and heroic action materially aided his platoon to continue their successful advance in the town. Name and address of nearest relative: Miles Mathew Lynd (Father),

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Rout. 2, Ogallala, Kansas, Entered military service from Ogallala, Kansas.

Gordon V. Peterson, 36 274 079, Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Rauptswiller, France. During the attack against Rauptswiller, France, all communications from Company I to the rear were severed by intense artillery and mortar concentrations. With complete disregard for his personal safety, Sergeant Peterson advanced into the murderous fire to locate the break and repair the lines. After completing his mission, he was fatally wounded while returning to a position of safety. By his courageous action and heroic self-sacrifice, Sergeant Peterson restored communications vital to the success of the attack. Name and address of nearest relative: Amo V. S. Peterson, 2021 N. 56th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Charles E. Sevier, 13 197 179, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. Private Sevier and two comrades were manning an outpost in Wurzburg, Germany when a strong enemy counterattack under cover of intense machine gun and small arms fire quickly overran the position. Seeing that his two fellow soldiers were severely wounded, he made a desperate attempt to escape from the enemy to warn his company of the presence of the attacking force. As he broke away from his captors, he was fatally wounded by enemy rifle fire. Private Sevier's courageous and gallant self-sacrifice reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Lillian Wellner (Mother), 330 S. Rolling Road, Springfield, Pennsylvania. Entered military service from Springfield, Pennsylvania.

Richard O. Shade, 35 088 993, Private, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, at Kilstett, France. During the fierce fighting at Kilstett, France, Private Shade was sent to deliver a vital message from the Battalion Command Post to the command post of Company I. Making his way through an intense hail of enemy artillery fire, he successfully delivered the message and returned, although wounded by shell fragments upon the return trip. Receiving treatment for the wound, he took up a guard post by the command post under an intense artillery concentration, remaining in position until he was mortally wounded by shrapnel. Private Shade's unswerving courage and determination reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Pauline E. Malt (Mother), 2012 Henry Street, Middletown, Ohio. Entered military service from Middletown, Ohio.

Paul J. Sharich, 37 303 019, Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action 5 January 1945, near Strasbourg, France. During the fierce fighting around Strasbourg, France, when the enemy attempted to cross the Rhine River, Company I's ammunition supply was running dangerously low. Volunteering to secure an additional supply, Sergeant Sharich made his way through a vicious hail of enemy machine gun and artillery fire to the ammunition supply point, returning with a full load. As he was crossing a small stream, the enemy opened their machine guns in on him, and he was fatally wounded. Sergeant Sharich's gallant and heroic attempt to bring the vitally needed ammunition to his comrades reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Name and address of nearest relative: Mr. George Sharich (Father), 3013 3rd Avenue, Hibbing, Minnesota. Entered military service from Hibbing, Minnesota.

Glenn W. Sjofren, 39 476 137, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 January 1945, near Leutwiller, France. As a member of a patrol sent deep into enemy territory,

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Private Sjogren displayed exceptional courage and determination near Lautzenheim, France. When the patrol had reached its objective and accomplished its mission, he and another soldier started to return to our lines with information gained by the group. As he proceeded through enemy territory, concealed enemy opened fire with machine guns and small arms. Unhesitatingly continuing despite the murderous fire, he was fatally wounded before he could reach a covered position. Private Sjogren's heroic sacrifice reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Name and address of nearest relative: Hazel Sjogren (Mother), 823 S. Prospect Street, Tacoma, Washington. Entered military service from Tacoma, Washington.

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

John Bobick, 33 111 075, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945, near Phillipsburg, France. During his company's attack on a heavily fortified hill near Phillipsburg, France, several men were seriously wounded in open areas completely exposed to the intense enemy small arms and machine gun fire. Braving the deadly hail of fire, Sergeant Bobick advanced to two of the more severely wounded, administered first aid, and carried them one at a time through the intense fire to the cover of a nearby house. By his outstanding courage and devotion to his comrades, Sergeant Bobick undoubtedly saved the lives of the injured men. Entered military service from Yatesboro, Pennsylvania.

Robert L. Burns, 33 768 411, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. When the combat patrol of which Private Burns was a member had penetrated deep into enemy territory, it made contact with a superior enemy force near Lichtenberg, France. After engaging the enemy for some time in a vicious exchange of machine gun and small arms fire, the patrol was ordered to withdraw. Private Burns voluntarily remained behind to cover the withdrawal, directing a heavy volume of rifle fire at the enemy positions until his comrades had retreated out of range. While attempting to rejoin the patrol, he was seriously wounded in the right arm and was captured by the enemy. Private Burns' outstanding courage and unswerving devotion to duty enabled his fellow soldiers to successfully effect the retrograde movement. Entered military service from Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

James O. Clanton, 14 203 726, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, near Brittenbrun, Germany. When his platoon was ambushed by a superior enemy force in Brittenbrun, Germany, Private Clanton was seriously wounded by the initial burst of enemy fire. Despite his wound, he remained in a position exposed to the intense small arms and machine gun fire in order to protect the platoon's left flank. When the order to withdraw was given, he remained behind until the last man had moved out covering the movement with his automatic rifle. Private Clanton's courageous action and aggressive determination contributed materially to his comrades' successful withdrawal from their precarious position. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

William T. J. Dempsey, 31 309 878, Corporal, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, in Hurzburg,

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Germany. When a superior enemy force infiltrated our lines and attacked our mortar positions, Corporal Dempsey, armed with only a .45 caliber pistol and a captured enemy rifle, moved into a position from which he could block the enemy's avenue of approach. Although exposed to intense enemy automatic weapons fire coming from the forces only twenty yards away, he tenaciously held his position and halted two attempts of the enemy charge across the street killing two and wounding several more with his deadly fire. Corporal Dempsey's prompt and courageous action eliminated a dangerous threat to the rear element of our advancing forces. Entered military service from Malden, Massachusetts.

Paul E. Eyer, 33 576 397, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. When Sergeant Eyer's combat patrol approached Hill 415 near Lichtenberg, France across a heavily mined field, the enemy opened fire with intense mortar concentrations and machine gun cross fire. Exposing himself to the murderous fire, Sergeant Eyer went among his men maintaining contact and control and directing their fire. When the enemy fire became too intense, he organized the patrol and led them to safety through the mined area without further casualties. By his outstanding courage and leadership, Sergeant Eyer enabled his men to effect a successful retrograde movement. Entered military service from McElhattan, Pennsylvania.

By Command of Major General COLLINS:

JOHN RUSTEMERG,  
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I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1942, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

Edward J. Fiedorczyk, 36 672 587, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 23rd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945, near Sessenheim, France. When the advance of rifle troops against Sessenheim, France was halted by intense enemy artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire, Private Fiedorczyk brought his machine gun into an exposed position from which he could direct fire onto the enemy emplacements. Fearlessly braving the murderous fire, he opened fire with his weapon and completely silenced several machine guns, enabling the rifle troops to continue their advance. Private Fiedorczyk's prompt and courageous action played a major role in the successful completion of the day's engagement. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Ervin L. Foreman, 35-018-129, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company I, 23rd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, near Cadolzburg, Germany. When his company's advance was halted by intense enemy small arms fire from dug-in positions near Cadolzburg, Germany, Sergeant Foreman led his squad in an attack on the enemy emplacements. For in advance of the remainder of the company he directed each member of his squad in their approach, firing his rifle as he charged the enemy. Disregarding the deadly hail of fire, he and his men overran the enemy positions, killing seven, wounding three, and capturing thirteen. By his heroic and aggressive leadership, Sergeant Foreman enabled his company to continue their advance without casualty. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

Alexander L. Kruse, 37 750 179, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. Private Kruse and two comrades were manning an outpost in Wurzburg, Germany, when a strong enemy force counterattacked under cover of intense machine gun and small arms fire and quickly overran their position. Disregarding the deadly barrage, Private Kruse opened fire on the enemy with his automatic rifle in a desperate attempt to halt the advance. After killing two of the enemy, he was seriously wounded and the outpost was captured by the superior force. As a result of his heroic and aggressive action, our troops to the rear were enabled to set up a successful defense and repulse the attacking enemy. Entered military service from Selden, Kansas.

Edward LeGrand, 31 168 597, Sergeant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 March 1945, at Wingen France. Receiving the report of antipersonnel mine fields which had been troubling former patrols, Sergeant LeGrand volunteered to lead a reconnaissance patrol through the dangerous areas. Advancing cautiously in advance of the patrol, he located a safe route through the mine fields, leading his men safely past an enemy machine gun position without discovery. Returning the same night in complete darkness, he successfully led the patrol once more through the mine fields.

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Sergeant LeGrand's courageous leadership and unwavering determination enabled the patrol to successfully complete its mission without casualty. Entered military service from New Haven, Connecticut.

Henry L. Maxey, 38 101 659, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. During the fierce fighting for Wurzburg, Germany, Private Maxey observed two men seriously wounded by enemy machine gun and rifle fire falling all about him. He left his covered position and advanced to the side of the injured men. Administering first aid, he then carried them, one by one, to a position from which they could be evacuated to the rear for further medical treatment. Private Maxey's prompt and courageous action undoubtedly saved his two comrades from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Fort Stockton, Texas.

Basil Manly IV 34 658 447, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, near Arnstein, Germany. During the fierce battle for Arnstein, Germany, Sergeant Manly led his heavy machine gun squad forward to knock out an enemy road block on the outskirts of the town. Exposing himself to intense machine gun and small arms fire, he directed the fire of his gun on the enemy emplacement, neutralizing it after a brief exchange of fire. By his courageous and aggressive leadership, Sergeant Manly eliminated the threat to our continued advance into the town. Entered military service from Greenville, South Carolina.

Robert J. Minniti, 35 840 030, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 April 1945, at Dachau, Germany. As Private Minniti was attempting to aid a seriously wounded soldier in Dachau, Germany, he was trapped by a heavy concentration of small arms fire. Carrying the casualty, he attempted to escape, but the enemy suddenly subjected the area to intense mortar fire in an attempt to frustrate his efforts. Placing the wounded man in a doorway, he protected him from the flying shell fragments and administered first aid, continuing to cover the injured man with his body until he was also wounded by the mortar fire. After the concentration lifted, despite his wound, Private Minniti carried his comrade to the nearest medical aid station for further treatment. By his courageous and heroic actions, he undoubtedly saved the injured soldier from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Gary, Indiana.

Ernest D. Oates, 33 067 036, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. When his combat patrol was halted by intense machine gun and rifle fire near Lichtenberg, France, Sergeant Oates unhesitatingly advanced into the face of the deadly fire to assault an enemy machine gun position. Exposing himself fearlessly to the murderous barrage, he fired a rifle grenade into the emplacement, killing the entire crew. Sergeant Oates' courageous action and unwavering determination enabled his comrades to continue their attack with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Alberton, Maryland.

Albert J. Peffer, 34 824 496, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15-16 March 1945, near Althorn, France. When intense enemy mortar and artillery fire inflicted numerous casualties on the company to which he was attached, Private Peffer voluntarily exposed himself to the deadly barrage in order to lead a litter squad to the men and to assist in evacuating them. Early the following morning, he again breved intense artillery and mortar fire to aid in evacuating several wounded from front line positions over extremely rugged terrain. Although enemy patrols and snipers had infiltrated the area, he did not falter in

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the completion of his mission. By Private Pfeffer's outstanding courage and unswerving devotion to duty, the lives of several of his comrades were undoubtedly saved. Entered military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

Kenneth Rasmussen, 17 114 348, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. While on a reconnaissance to locate a favorable gun position, Private Rasmussen observed a group of fifteen enemy attempting to cross the Main River back to their lines. Crawling to within ten yards of the group, he arose and boldly ordered the Germans to surrender. Twelve immediately surrendered, and, as the remaining three attempted to escape, Private Rasmussen shot and killed the running soldiers. By his courageous action and unswerving determination, he eliminated a serious threat to the successful completion of our operation against the enemy at Wurzburg, Germany. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Richard E. Riley, 35 602 427, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. Observing an enemy field piece across the Moder River laying direct fire on our positions, Sergeant Riley made his way to the rear to obtain a caliber .50 machine gun as his caliber .30 was ineffective at that range. Crossing several areas still held by the enemy, he secured the weapon and returned across the same hazardous route. Then, advancing into the open and disregarding the heavy fire directed at him, he knocked the enemy gun out of action. Sergeant Riley's courageous action and unswerving determination enabled his company to reorganize and proceed to advance through the town of Schweighausen. Entered military service from Alliance, Ohio.

Thomas T. Taylor, 34 807 686, Sergeant, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. During Company L's attempt to reinforce our main line of resistance near Schweighausen, France, Sergeant Taylor served as radio operator, maintaining contact with battalion headquarters. Disregarding the intense small arms, artillery, and mortar fire, he constantly changed position in the open area in order to insure the best radio reception possible under the circumstances. On the following morning, when his group was withdrawing, he placed a heavy machine gun in a completely exposed position and personally provided covering fire in the face of intense enemy fire directed at his position. Sergeant Taylor's outstanding courage and aggressive determination played a major role in the successful conclusion of the engagement. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

Conrad Ulrich, 33 076 420, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945, near Dachau, Germany. While searching buildings for concealed enemy on the approach march to Dachau, Germany, Sergeant Ulrich was suddenly confronted by an SS trooper. Boldly commanding him to surrender, he found himself faced with a large group of enemy, heavily armed. Hopelessly outnumbered, he easily covered the leader, lined them up against the wall, and ordered them to lay down their arms. By Sergeant Ulrich's unflinching courage and aggressiveness, he prevented thirty-six SS troopers from making a counterattack on the rear elements of our forces. Entered military service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

John A. Urbain, 36 161 492, Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945, near Darstein, France. When the advance of Company I, against well-defended enemy positions near Darstein, France was halted by intense machine gun fire, Sergeant Urbain and another man advanced into the face of the deadly fire to attempt to neutralize the

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positions. Approaching from the flank, he arose and threw several hand grenades into the enemy, killing and wounding several of them. At this time he was severely wounded in both legs by a sudden burst of fire from a nearby machine gun. Sergeant Urbain's courageous action and aggressiveness enabled his company to continue their advance into the town. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

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:

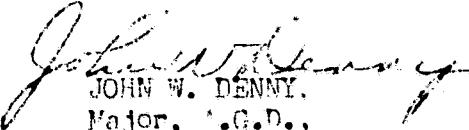
Theodore C. Dunham, 35 651 985, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Melch, France. When the enemy attacked our positions near Melch, France, under cover of intense artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire, Private Dunham noticed an infantryman lying wounded in terrain exposed to the deadly barrage. Braving the murderous fire, he advanced to the side of the injured man and succeeded in helping him to a covered position where he promptly administered first aid. By his courageous and unhesitating action, Private Dunham undoubtedly saved his wounded comrade from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Portsmouth, Ohio.

Vincent F. Lillis, 32 445 261, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. While guarding his gun position at a street junction in Wurzburg, Germany, Corporal Lillis observed a large group of men approaching his post, apparently enemy personnel guarded by our troops. On the alert, he suddenly noticed the lead man reach for a pistol. Corporal Lillis immediately opened fire and killed him, forcing the remainder of the group to seek cover. In the ensuing fire fight, he accounted for the major part of the patrol, killing one, wounding two, and capturing two. By his alertness and courage in the face of the superior odds, Corporal Lillis eliminated a serious threat to the rear elements of our forces. Entered military service fromoughkeepsie, New York.

By command of Major General G.L.D.W.

EDWIN RUSGERBERG,  
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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 achievement in action:

George R. Fredericks, 12 126 603, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 1 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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

Earl R. Harris, 35 298 305, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 17 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Cullerbus, Ohio.

Jesse O. Keller, 18 006 056, Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 5-6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Paris, Texas.

A. J. Kravitz, 30 411 492, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 15 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Joseph Ioncaric, 33 698 367, Staff Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 9 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Slovan, Pennsylvania.

Amato J. Marchetti, 35 681 452, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Middleboro, Ohio.

Louis S. Nysen, 39 229 082, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tacoma, Washington.

Donald C. Shedd, 11 128 876, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

CLIFFORD A. SHOWALTER, 0 392 216, Captain, Infantry, Company B, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 28 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Hornell, New York.

Wesley F. Spencer, 33 684 571, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 11-12 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Gainesville, Texas.

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Clifford R. Yeaman, 38 526 433, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 7 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Hillboro, Texas.

(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. Dinsmore, 32 158 795, Sergeant, (then Corporal), Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 9 January to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lodi, New Jersey.

Joseph E. Poloznicki, 36 113 624, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Cannon Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Delbert R. Grune, 39 212 438, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 242nd Infantry Regiment, from 7 January to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Seattle, Washington.

WILLIAM F. GUNTER, 02 016 359, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Field Artillery, Battery A, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sanford, North Carolina.

Walter T. Litwinczyk, 31 324 395, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bristol, Connecticut.

Raymond H. Loethen, 37 077 412, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 7 January to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Meta, Missouri.

JACK M. POLLIN, 026 520, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lake Forest, Illinois.

Eugene P. Powers, 35 105 306, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Frankfurt, Kentucky.

Albert F. Schaefer, 42 007 405, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rahway, New Jersey.

Murcl L. Silcox, 39 929 846, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 26 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

Frank F. Sterle, 37 286 222, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 18 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hibbing, Minnesota.

William H. Stewart, 37 473 919, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wymore, Nebraska.

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:

Richard L. Rider, 19 129 284, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters

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Company, Third Battalion, 222nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 March 1945, at Wingen, France. When volunteers were requested to accompany a reconnaissance patrol whose mission it was to locate enemy command posts and observation posts, Private Rider unhesitatingly volunteered. While guiding the patrol through enemy mine fields, concealed enemy forces opened fire with machine guns and Private Rider was seriously wounded in both legs. Realizing the devastating effect of the cross-fire he refused to permit anyone to come to his aid. Private Rider's exceptional courage in refusing help and forcing the patrol to withdraw without him undoubtedly saved many of his comrades from certain death. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

IV. 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:

Lloyd E. Cunningham, 33 358 196, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

V. 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 against the enemy:

HOWELL W. KIRKLE, 02 007 186, First Lieutenant, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Grand Forks, North Dakota.

VI. REVOCATION:--... So much of Section I, General Order 18, this headquarters, dated 16 January 1946 as pertains to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to Richard L. Rider, 19 129 284, Private First Class, 222nd Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS):-... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 60-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded post mortuouly to the following:

Walter D. St. Arnold, 11 130 529, Corporal, Infantry, Hawk Builders Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 April 1945, near Vockenrot, Germany. When his intelligence and reconnaissance section was subjected to an enemy attack near Vockenrot, Germany, Corporal St. Arnold leaped from his jeep and returned the fire. Fearlessly advancing into the murderous barrage, he inflicted heavy casualties upon the enemy forces until he was mortally wounded by a burst of machine gun fire. Through his great daring and gallant actions, Corporal St. Arnold saved his beleaguered company to reach positions of comparative safety. Name and Address of nearest relative: Mr. Kunkle St. Arnold, 1740 W. Elm Street, Salisbury, Massachusetts. Entered military service from New Haven, Connecticut.

II. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE SILVER STAR MEDAL:-... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 60-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star Medal is awarded to the following:

Morris Eisenstein, 10 709 953, Corporal, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 April 1945, at Furth, Germany. When his company patrol suddenly came under intense enemy small arms fire near Furth, Germany, Corporal Eisenstein braved the deadly fire to enter the rear of the enemy's building under cover of his comrades' last of fire. Once inside he forced the surrender of a German major and three other men. Leading the enemy officer into the street he directed him to command the surrender of his 150-man garrison. Effecting this, he then took the officer to a nearby hospital and captured the entire personnel and patient; confined them. Later in the day he returned again with the major and effected the surrender of 120 more men and officers. Corporal Eisenstein's outstanding resourcefulness and gallant determination played a major role in the successful capitulation of the city of Furth. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:-... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 60-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

Oliver C. Allen, 14 015 421, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 April 1945, near Burghausen, Germany. During the attack against Burghausen, Germany

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bazooka fire wounded the Company Commander and weapons platoon leader of the attacking Company. Private Allen and another litter bearer advanced across the open terrain in the face of intense sniper and machine gun fire to reach the casualties. Fearlessly braving the murderous fire, he made two trips to bring the wounded to a position of safety from which they could be evacuated to the rear. Private Allen's courageous action and unselfish devotion to duty saved the officers from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Springfield, Illinois.

Dogs W. Easterling, 34 671 290, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 January 1945, near Roschvog, France. When three companies of enemy troops launched a determined attack against Sergeant Easterling's outpost, he moved a heavy machine gun to an exposed position and ordered the remainder of his men to withdraw. Fearlessly disregarding the vicious enemy small arms and machine gun fire directed at him, he continued to fire his weapon at the onrushing forces until all of his men had successfully effected a withdrawal. By his indomitable courage and unwavering determination in the face of overwhelming odds, Sergeant Easterling enabled the men under his command to escape from their precarious position with only one casualty. Entered military service from Laurel, Mississippi.

John E. Fralay, 33 834 359, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 April 1945, near Spaltz, Germany. As the patrol of which Private Fralay was a member approached enemy positions near Spaltz, Germany, intense machine gun fire forced the group to seek cover. Private Fralay then advanced alone under the vicious fire until he was near the machine gun emplacement. Continuing to expose himself, he killed the enemy machine gunner, wounded two others, and captured two riflemen. Private Fralay's exceptional courage and aggressive determination undoubtedly aided the patrol to accomplish its mission without casualties. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

Russell J. Kubick, 36 981 537, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 April 1945, at Buchdorf, Germany. During the action around Buchdorf, Germany, Private Kubick voluntarily accompanied a quarter-ton truck and driver on a mission to rescue two men who were pinned down by enemy fire. Under his direction, the jeep was driven to an exposed position under machine gun and small arms fire. He then manned the machine gun mounted on the jeep, and bravely facing the intense fire, he soon silenced the enemy and freed the two men who were pinned down. Private Kubick's courageous action and unwavering determination undoubtedly saved the lives of his two comrades and eliminated a serious threat to the advance of our forces. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Eugene J. Le Beau, 31 097 517, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945, near Kronungen, Germany. When the first platoon of Company I was halted on the outskirts of Kronungen, Germany by intense enemy machine gun and rifle fire, Sergeant Le Beau crawled fearlessly through the deadly fire to an enemy machine gun emplacement, killing both gunners with his rifle. He then leaped into the position and wounded two more riflemen in a nearby foxhole. Sergeant Le Beau's outstanding courage and aggressive determination enabled his platoon to flank the enemy positions and continue their successful advance into the town. Entered military service from Acton, Massachusetts.

Vincent F. Lillis, 34 445 261, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19

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January 1945, at Hunspach, France. While Corporal Lillis was withdrawing his anti-tank gun squad from its position at Hunspach, France, the enemy suddenly directed an intense artillery concentration into the area, destroying the anti-tank truck and inflicting three casualties, one of which was extremely severe. After the fire had lifted, Corporal Lillis ordered the walking wounded to follow him as he carried his seriously injured comrade two miles through the deep snow to the Battalion Aid Station. By Corporal Lillis' courageous and aggressive determination, he saved the life of his fellow soldier. Entered military service from Poultney, New York.

Samuel A. Marshall Jr., 37 641 704, Private, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. Acting as lead scout of a combat patrol attacking Hill 415 near Lichtenberg, France, under intense machine gun and small arms fire, Private Marshall tripped an enemy booby trap which hurled him to the ground and wounded him severely in the leg. Despite the seriousness of his wound, he continued to fire on the enemy positions with his rifle, ignoring the murderous hail of bullets striking all around him. By his courageous perseverance and indomitable determination, Private Marshall aided materially in pinning the enemy down until the patrol could withdraw from its precarious position. Entered military service from Normandy, Missouri.

John Martocci, 12 223 578, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 April 1945, near Bergheim, Germany. During the attack against Bergheim, Germany, enemy bazooka fire wounded the Company Commander and weapons platoon leader of the attacking Company. Private Martocci and another litter bearer advanced across the open terrain in the face of intense sniper and machine gun fire to reach the casualties. Fearlessly braving the murderous fire, he made two trips to bring the wounded officers to a position of safety from which they could be evacuated to the rear. Private Martocci's courageous action and unselfish devotion to duty saved the officers from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from New York, New York.

PAUL T. PRICE, 02 016 230, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 March 1945, at Wimmenau, France. While leading his platoon on a combat patrol through heavily mined fields near Wimmenau, France, Lieutenant Price displayed exceptional leadership and initiative. Discovering that the enemy strength and firepower were overwhelming, he exposed himself fearlessly to murderous machine gun and small arms fire to reorganize his platoon for a withdrawal. With utter disregard for his personal safety, he made his way to each squad and personally led them to safety. Lieutenant Price's outstanding courage and aggressive determination undoubtedly saved his men from suffering severe casualties in this precarious situation. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

Richard D. Schmitz, 17 176 687, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 February 1945, near Reipertswiller, France. When the Ranger patrol of which Private Schmitz was a member met intense machine gun, machine pistol, and rifle fire on a large hill near Reipertswiller, France, he silenced several of the enemy with his automatic rifle. He then contacted our artillery with the patrol's radio and, while the patrol leader directed artillery fire on the enemy positions, he laid down an effective base of fire, knocking out an enemy machine gun and silencing much of the rifle fire. When the patrol was forced to withdraw, Private Schmitz remained behind under increasingly intense machine gun and rifle fire until every man had withdrawn. By his exceptional courage and unswerving determination, Private Schmitz was instrumental in the successful withdrawal of

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his patrol from its precarious position. Entered military service from Overland Park, Kansas.

Richard E. Willard, 37 594 665, Private, Infantry, Company I, 232nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. While acting as first scout for a combat patrol near Lichtenberg, France, Private Willard noticed an area he suspected as mined and he quickly halted his men to investigate. While probing an exposed area, he was observed and fired upon by the enemy with machine gun and small arms fire. Attempting to take cover, he stepped on a mine which wounded him severely, hurling him into the air. Although in agonizing pain, he非凡的勇气 to discourage further enemy fire while the remainder of the patrol advanced to engage the enemy from more favorable positions. By his courageous and heroic action, Private Willard enabled the patrol to complete its mission without further casualty. Entered military service from Chisholm, Minnesota.

IV. 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:

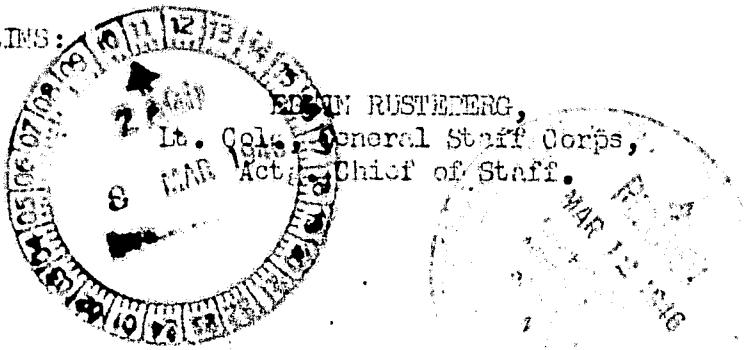
THOMAS B. GIBONEY, JR., O 556 795, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 March 1945, near Reipertviller, France. When his combat patrol was pinned down by heavy enemy mortar fire well inside enemy territory, Lieutenant Giboney recommitteed the patrol and organized a plan of withdrawal. He then exposed himself to intense small arms and mortar fire to take up a position in an open field and cover the withdrawal of each man of the patrol, killing numerous enemy troops who were advancing under cover of the fire. By his outstanding courage and fearless leadership, Lieutenant Giboney saved the entire patrol from probable annihilation. Entered military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Charles E. Myers, 38 273 447, First Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company D, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 March 1945, near Reipertviller, France. When the combat patrol of which Sergeant Myers was a member was pinned down by intense enemy mortar and machine gun fire, he unhesitatingly volunteered to remain behind to cover the withdrawal of the body of the patrol. Armed with a sub-machine gun, he fearlessly exposed himself to the murderous fire, holding the attacking forces back until the remainder of the patrol had successfully withdrawn. By his courageous action and unwavering determination, Sergeant Myers undoubtedly saved the patrol from complete annihilation. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal (Posthumous) ..... I  
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I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS)\*: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 300-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

John H. Williams Jr., 15 341 405, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 1 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Columbus, Indiana.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 300-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

John P. Barnes, 38 310 822, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

Eug A. Bartholomew, 36 060 510, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 5-20 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Decatur, Illinois.

John P. Bartol, 25 591 450, Private First Class, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Youngstown, Ohio.

JOHN G. BOIT, JR., O 552 692, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 13 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Gray Court, South Carolina.

William F. Clark, 35 022 630, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from St. Clairsville, Ohio.

Julian H. Corbett, 34 943 051, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Lakeland, Georgia.

Lester J. Eby, 36 966 702, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company 222d Infantry Regiment, on 14 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Jack S. Farrar, 38 417 863, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 21 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

Willis Fuller, 34 706 528, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Anniston, Alabama.

Frank D. Havens, 33 346 345, Private First Class, Corps of Military Police, 42d Infantry Division Military Police Platoon, on 24-27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Lubbock, Texas.

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Morris Kaplan, 32 885 758, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 22 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Lowell F. King, 37 609 769, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

Jacob Kizirian, 39 690 489, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Fresno, California.

Robert L. Mayles, 37 335 353, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 21 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Cortez, Colorado.

Donald E. Miller, 35 841 034, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Canton, Ohio.

Edward F. Mora, 33 693 869, Sergeant (then Corporal), Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 10 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Newcastle, Pennsylvania.

James D. Tynan, 39 225 143, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company J, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 10-20 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Riverside, California.

Kenneth D. Wilson, 35 235 215, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 19 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Akron, Ohio.

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Francis H. Johnson, 31 208 090, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery B, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 25 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Uxton, Massachusetts.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL ... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 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:

Anders L. Anderson, 31 227 511, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wincle, Massachusetts.

George W. Atkins, 36 955 040, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 1 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bloomington, Illinois.

Archie B. Baldwin, 46 154 404, First Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry Headquarters Company, 342d Infantry Regiment, from 4 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Society, West Virginia.

Carl H. Bergseng, 37 342 265, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 3 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Garland Brewster Jr., 38 665 141, First Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Service Company, 272d Infantry Regiment, from 26 December 1944 to 4 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Donald M. Coutis, 35 874 120, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 9 January 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

John F. Del Val, 39 203 990, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hollywood, California.

Merton C. Fort, 37 505 429, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wolfe, Indiana.

BERNARD L. GALT, 41 546 419, First Lieutenant, Medical Administration Corps, Medical Detachment, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Ill.

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SAMUEL G. HOLTZMAN, 0 497 381, Captain, Medical Corps, Headquarters, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from South Fallsburg, New York.

John F. Jordan, 36 982 996, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from West Bend, Wisconsin.

Albert J. Kent, 35 068 909, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 19 January 1945 to 25 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

William F. Levee, 16 105 919, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 22 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lockport, New York.

Abraham Malkin, 12 110 794, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

James W. Manning, 33 699 675, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 19 January 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

HOWARD E. MCKNIGHT, 0 541 324, Captain, Medical Corps, Headquarters, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 26 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Springfield, Ohio.

Eftnimiois J. Nicozisin, 37 613 395, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery B, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

Elwood S. Pinson, 20 409 412, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lenoir, North Carolina.

Donald W. Richardson, 17 082 503, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sioux City, Iowa.

Peter J. Serino, 33 145 292, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery B, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JAMES W. SHEA, 01 020 799, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Reid L. Staynor, 19 116 302, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

Donald E. Stidham, 38 711 893, Private, Field Artillery, Battery A, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Eufaula, Oklahoma.

James B. Swain, 16 104 324, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) Field Artillery, Battery B, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Peoria, Ill.

James L. Thompson, 38 511 531, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Little Rock, Arkansas.

Richard J. Tisch, 12 135 689, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery A, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

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LUTHER E. TOWERY, 01 168 952, Captain, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

Raymond R. Zolandz, 42 006 807, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery A, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from North Plainfield, 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 the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States:

Andrew M. Hall, 38 212 762, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cabot, Arkansas.

Sherwood W. McIntire, 48 342 737, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Claude, Texas.

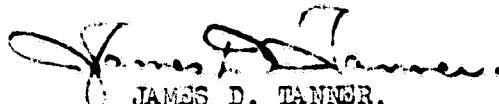
William D. Strickland, 34 970 538, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Louisburg, North Carolina.

Arthur C. Wynn, 6 266 951, Master Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Infantry Division Artillery, from 22 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Argyle, Texas.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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

Fred L. Dawson, 6 276 399, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 to 11 January 1945, at Hatten, France. During the three-day period in which fanatical enemy troops made a final desperate attempt to retake Alsace, Sergeant Dawson personally organized the entire Command Post guard. In the face of heavy enemy small arms, machine gun, mortar, and artillery fire, and direct fire from tanks, he made reconnaissances for new positions when the old ones became untenable. On the afternoon of 10 January, when a tank and personnel carrier approached the Command Post, Sergeant Dawson knocked out the tank with a bazooka round, and with a small patrol held off the troops. Throughout the entire fifty-two hours of savage fighting, he worked untiringly in maintaining the guard, treating wounded, and, when ordered to withdraw, personally checked each post to see that his men had returned to friendly lines. Sergeant Dawson's indomitable courage and unflinching determination played a major role in repulsing the vicious enemy attack. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

John J. Moynihan, 31 349 608, Sergeant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 24 April 1945, near Heidenheim, Germany. When an enemy plane strafed his company during the fighting near Heidenheim, Germany, Sergeant Moynihan, seeing a wounded soldier lying in the impact area of the attack, braved the deadly fire to carry the man to cover. He then ran to an antiaircraft machine gun and concentrated a terrific volume of fire upon the strafing fighter. One of the tracers from the plane struck his helmet, but he continued to follow the German aircraft with his withering fire until it crashed, killing the pilot. Through his great daring, aggressive skill, and gallant devotion to duty, Sergeant Moynihan saved a comrade from further injury and prevented a German attempt to create havoc among our attacking troops from succeeding. Entered military service from Holyoke, Massachusetts.

II. 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:

Robert W. Reindorf, 35 553 056; Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 January 1945, near Schweighausen, France. During the action around Schweighausen, France, Private Reindorf was with forward elements of his company when the enemy launched a strong counterattack on our positions. Despite intense mortar, machine gun, and small

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arms fire striking all about him, he remained in an exposed position in order to effectively direct and adjust mortar fire on the attacking enemy forces. He continued to expose himself until fatally wounded by mortar fragments. Private Reindorf's courageous self-sacrifice enabled his mortar section to play a major role in repelling the determined enemy attack. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs Cleora B. Reindorf (Mother), 709 Nicholas Street, Defiance, Ohio. Entered military service from Defiance, Ohio.

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

Wilson F. Baker, 35 215 142, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, at Schweighausen, France. When his platoon was surrounded by enemy paratroopers in Schweighausen, Private Baker volunteered to probe for an escape route through the German lines. Advancing forward while his comrades loaded their truck, he was suddenly fired upon. Taking cover, he returned the fire with his sub-machine gun causing the Germans to quit their position and flee into a wooded area. Hurriedly signalling to his platoon, he guided the beleaguered defenders to the safety of friendly lines. Through his great daring and aggressiveness, Private Baker saved his comrades from capture or death. Entered military service from Huntington, West Virginia.

Ralph F. Connell, 38 654 260, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945, near Gambesheim, France. During the fierce fighting around Gambesheim, France, Private Connell fearlessly braved intense concentrations of artillery, mortar, and sniper fire in order to carry ammunition to the gun positions of his mortar squad. Although pinned down five consecutive times, he never faltered but continued to distribute the vitally needed ammunition. By his indomitable courage and aggressive determination, Private Connell contributed immeasurably to the successful defense of the sector against fanatically attacking enemy forces. Entered military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dess C. Dabbs, 39 401 817, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for her achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the Hardt Mountains, France. Attached to a rifle company as a bazooka man, Private Dabbs volunteered to destroy an enemy machine gun nest threatening the entire spearhead force. Moving to the rear of the gun position, despite the intense hail of small arms fire, he advanced to within grenade distance of the emplacement. Hurling a hand-grenade, he stormed the position immediately after the explosion, killing the one German left alive with his rifle. Private Dabbs' outstanding courage and unflinching aggressiveness enabled the attack to continue unimpeded. Entered military service from Napa, California.

Orley J. Dennings, 35 835 262, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 January 1945, near Soultz, France. When the enemy opened fire on their positions near Soultz, France, Private Dennings and another soldier advanced to investigate the enemy positions from which the fire was originating. Crawling forward two hundred yards through the intense darkness, he came upon the emplacement which was manned by five enemy soldiers. Unhesitatingly opening fire with his rifle, Private Dennings killed the machine gunner and wounded another of the crew. As he was about to fire on the other members of the machine gun crew, he was wounded and his comrade quickly eliminated the remainder of the enemy. Private Dennings' outstanding courage and tenaciousness reflected great credit upon himself and the

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military service. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

Philip E. DiGiorgio, 33 785 655, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945, near Gamsheim, France. During the action around Gamsheim, France, when enemy machine guns opened up on his company's right flank, Private DiGiorgio immediately led his light machine gun squad into action. Ammunition was rapidly becoming expended, so he advanced across fifty yards of open terrain in the face of murderous machine gun fire to secure and deliver the critically needed ammunition to his gun crew. By his outstanding courage and aggressive determination, Private DiGiorgio's machine gun squad was able to pin the enemy gun crews down, relieving the pressure from his company's right flank. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Richard F. Dutro, 35 237 343, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. Private Dutro exposed himself to intense enemy artillery, mortar, machine gun, and small arms fire in order to provide covering fire for five comrades attempting to crawl to a covered position. As the enemy continued to attack their positions in overwhelming strength, he reconnoitered a path through an enemy minefield across which he and the five men withdrew. Fired upon by two riflemen and a machine gun, he dropped into a prone position and silenced the riflemen with his fire, then assisting his comrades to eliminate the machine gun. Private Dutro's courageous action and unflinching determination enabled his group to return to the safety of our lines without a casualty. Entered military service from Zanesville, Ohio.

Carl H. Gustafson, 38 253 752, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945, near Neustadt, Germany. While Sergeant Gustafson was leading a reconnaissance patrol into Neustadt, Germany, intense enemy machine gun and rifle fire seriously wounded two members of the patrol's right flank security. Sergeant Gustafson unhesitatingly set out to rescue the two men who were lying on the side of a hill exposed to the enemy fire. Fearlessly making his way over one hundred yards of exposed terrain, he reached the men, rendered first aid, and carried them one at a time back to a position of safety. By his courageous action and selfless determination, Sergeant Gustafson undoubtedly saved his two comrades from further injury or possible death. Entered military service from Elgin, Texas.

Birney T. Havey Jr., 17 075 652, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. When our forces were pinned down by intense machine gun and rifle fire while advancing through the Siegfried Line, Private Havey volunteered to advance on a reconnaissance for routes to bypass the position of resistance. As fire from one machine gun became so heavy that he could advance no farther, he crawled to the left flank of the emplacement and threw a hand grenade into the midst of the crew, killing two and forcing a third to flee. Private Havey's heroism and courage opened a path for our advancing forces to flank the other enemy positions unmolested. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

Howard J. Hughes, 17 148 545, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945, at Hirschel, Germany. Halted at the approach to the village of Hirschel, Germany, by an enemy road block, Private Hughes, a member of an intelligence and reconnaissance platoon, drove a jeep through the scattered mines, thus making a safe path

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for the remaining vehicles to follow. As he continued on into the town, his platoon which was operating far in advance of the regimental column, was subjected to a friendly artillery concentration laid down to harass the retreating enemy. Disregarding his personal safety, Private Hughes ran 700 yards through the deadly fire to a radio vehicle and called to the Fire Direction Center to cease fire. Through his great daring and heroic actions, he saved his comrades from possible injury or death! Entered military service from Lexington, Missouri.

Frank J. Orzechowski, 36 966 693, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 April 1945, at Buchdorf, Germany. During the action around Buchdorf, Germany, Private Orzechowski voluntarily drove his jeep on a mission to rescue two men pinned down by enemy fire. Driving his vehicle into a position exposed to intense small arms and machine gun fire, he advanced on foot through the deadly barrage to a house from which he could direct a comrade's fire with the machine gun mounted on the jeep, thus silencing the enemy and effecting the release of the two men. Then, when a tank destroyer was summoned to clear out the enemy positions, he covered the right flank of the tank while it moved forward against the emplacements. Private Orzechowski's courageous action and unswerving determination undoubtedly saved the lives of his two comrades. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Calvin B. Pearsol, 14 171 202, Corporal, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945, near Gamburg, France. While the rifle squad of which Corporal Pearsol was a member was guarding an important bridge near Gamburg, France, it was suddenly subjected to intense fire from enemy positions to the right flank. Immediately leaving the protection of his foxhole, Corporal Pearsol ran fearlessly to an exposed position from which he engaged the enemy with his rifle, completely disregarding the murderous fire directed at him. He succeeded in pinning the enemy down until his squad could advance and assist him in driving the enemy back with numerous casualties. Corporal Pearsol's exceptional courage and aggressive determination contributed materially to holding the vital bridge against the determined enemy attempt to regain it. Entered military service from Valparaiso, Florida.

Alvin L. Stamman, 38 119 348, Corporal, Infantry, Company G, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, near Drusdorf, Germany. When his Ranger squad on patrol near Drusdorf, Germany, encountered intense machine gun and small arms fire coming from well dug-in positions, Corporal Stamman worked his way forward in the face of the murderous fire to within several yards of the enemy positions. He threw several grenades into the machine pistol position, eliminating it, and killing the gunner with his rifle. When the Ranger squad was forced to withdraw, he remained behind to cover his comrades, braving accurate sniper fire until the withdrawal had been safely effected. Corporal Stamman's prompt and courageous action contributed materially to the successful completion of the patrol's mission. Entered military service from Marlin, Texas.

Russell L. Wolfe, 36 957 718, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 January 1945, near Soultz-sous-Foret, France. When the enemy opened fire on his position near Soultz-sous-Foret, France, Private Wolfe, with another soldier, advanced to investigate the enemy positions from which the fire was originating. Crawling forward two hundred yards through the intense darkness, he came upon the emplacement which was manned by five enemy soldiers. Unhesitatingly opening fire, he and his comrade quickly eliminated the hostile machine gun nest. Private Wolfe's indomitable courage and tenaciousness reflected great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Wausau, Wisconsin.

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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:

Stephen Tomaszewski, 36 979 616, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, in Arnstein, Germany. During the attack on Arnstein, Germany, the advance of Company E was halted as they attempted to cross an open field on the outskirts of the town. Given the mission of establishing an observation post in a house from which intense rifle fire was coming, Private Tomaszewski advanced through the deadly hail of bullets, firing his rifle at the enemy position. Upon reaching the house he routed the four riflemen inside, set up the observation post, and proceeded to direct the fire of his platoon on nearby enemy positions. By his outstanding courage and aggressive determination, Private Tomaszewski materially aided his company to escape from an extremely precarious position. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

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

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

*On action taken 1/18*  
V. REVOCATION.... Section III, General Orders 223, this headquarters, dated 28 December 1945, awarding the medical badge to Joseph M. Carrigg, 31 262 428, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 42d Infantry Division Special Troops, is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

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

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*James D. Turner*  
JAMES D. TURNER,  
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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:

George I. Pulleñe Jr., 37 539 671, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Wichita, Kansas.

Robert E. Churchill, 39 089 455, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 8-28 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Salinas, California.

Linwood C. Denton, 33 123 724, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 11-12 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Richmond, Virginia.

Robert G. Fleischer, 32 797 275, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Charles H. P. French, 11 040 105, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Manchester, New Hampshire.

James L. Hale, 38 536 179, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Corsicana, Texas.

Walter E. Hartley, 35 087 392, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 18 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Fairmont, West Virginia.

William H. Johnson, 39 138 176, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 9 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Alfred M. Liberatore, 33 632 536, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 5-20 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Erie, Pennsylvania.

Harold R. Morrell, 42 015 874, Corporal (then Private First Class), Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Roselle, New Jersey.

JOSEPH P. O'CONNELL, Jr., 0 926 479, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 212d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

Barrett F. Reddish, 36 672 692, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Manteno, Illinois.

Charles G. Ripp, 16 855 909, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 20 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

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Aubrey W. Sawyer, 33 888 180, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Portsmouth, Virginia.

Walter J. Scott, 29 707 019, Corporal, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Montrose, California.

Charles L. Shuler, 44 025 882, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Holly Hill, South Carolina.

Lewis E. Stone, 37 762 171, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 17 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

Frank J. Steigerville, 33 693 615, Corporal (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 20 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT M. WOODWARD, O 266 771, Lieutenant Colonel (then Major), Specialist Reserve, US, Detachment 513, 624th Headquarters and Headquarters Company, CA/A, Military Government, Land Salzburg, on 15 February 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Ralph R. Yohn, 13 084 168, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D 222d Infantry Regiment, on 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Allentown, Pennsylvania.

(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:

Gale H. Rogue, 35 893 180, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fairmount, Indiana.

Benjamin E. Broderick, 20 753 104, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 24 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Morris, Minnesota.

Harry J. Prodhead, 35 833 344, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kingston, Pennsylvania.

Frederick A. Bullard, 33 140 324, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

Clifford D. Clark, 37 532 278, Sergeant (then 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 Iola, Kansas.

Hugh H. Daniel, 6 967 281, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cumberland Furnace Tennessee.

Richard J. Fritz, 37 640 421, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Charles, Missouri.

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Leon O. Halin, 33 105 354, First Sergeant, 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 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Wilber L. Hammack, 38 466 549, Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Henryetta, Oklahoma.

Earnell Hedrick, 37 621 349, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

William R. Iglehart, 36 873 060, First Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

George A. Janda, 38 032 884, Master Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from La Grange, Texas.

Frank T. Jumper, 34 842 169, Corporal, Infantry, Cannon Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Miley, South Carolina.

David Krongard, 31 370 431, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brighton, Massachusetts.

Perry L. Langer, 12 126 476, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Albert C. Marine, Jr., 36 979 269, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Adrian, Michigan.

Lyle E. McNulty, 37 558 761, 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 Watertown, South Dakota.

JAMES W. PHILLIPS, 026 236, Captain (then First 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 United States Military Academy, West Point, New York.

Clement C. Piontkowski, 35 914 098, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 22 March 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

Benjamin Rosenbluth, 32 997 308, Private First Class, 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 New York, New York.

Willis E. Rosenlof, 20 925 401, Technician Fourth 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 Mt. Pleasant, Utah.

Charles W. Sangler, 33 680 523, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Erie, Pennsylvania.

Vincent W. Stemhagen, 32 269 563, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 27 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

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Frank A. Weirick, 37 575 231, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 232d Field Artillery Battalion, from 11 March 1945 to 26 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hennepin, Minnesota.

CHY WHITEHEAD, 0 425 311, First 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 Richmond, Kentucky.

William R. Wolff, 35 684 872, 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 Covington, Kentucky.

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:

STILMAN F. SAWYER, 0 547 156, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 9 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 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:

WINFREY BOYD, 0 394 103, Major, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 30 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Concord, Tennessee.

ALFERT D. SCHUTZ, 025 054, Major, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 12 April 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

ROBERT J. EILL, 01 166 861, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 12 April 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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:

Raymond E. Bailey, 39 586 461, Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Glendale, Arizona.

IV. REVOCATION:-.... So much of Section II, General Order 37, this headquarters, dated 2 February 1946 as pertains to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to Winfrey Boyd, 0 394 102, Major, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

OFFICER

JAMES D. TURNER,

Lt. Col., A.G.C.,

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:--...By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 60-45, 28 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

Harold Bauman, 32 343 856, Private First Class, Infantry, anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 March 1945, in the Harz Mountains, France. While reconnoitering an enemy road block during the bitter fighting in the Harz Mountains, Private Bauman found a critically wounded American soldier. He began to administer first aid to the wounded man when a German machine gun opened fire on him. With utter disregard for the withering fire concentrated upon him, he worked his way to within 20 yards of the machine gun nest where he hurled two hand grenades, killing the three crew members. He then returned and carried the wounded soldier to friendly lines. Through his indomitable courage and gallant actions, Private Bauman saved a comrade's life and eliminated a serious threat to our successful attack. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

David J. Bell, 14 192 130, Sergeant (then Corporal), Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 April 1945, near Vockenroth, Germany. Returning with reinforcements to aid members of his platoon who had been ambushed near Vockenroth, Germany, Corporal Bell, an assistant squad leader in an intelligence and reconnaissance platoon, advanced to within 200 yards of German positions, where he engaged them and inflicted heavy casualties. In the enemy return fire, Corporal Bell crawled to machine gunners to his rear and directed their fire. With utter disregard for the deadly fire concentrated upon him, he advanced toward the enemy, firing and designating machine gun targets, until the enemy retreated. Through his gallant actions, Corporal Bell assisted in the relief of his platoon of its fledged many casualties on the enemy. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

Charles Montalvo, 36 500 100, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 10 April 1945, near Rain, Germany. When his Ranger Battalion was pinned down by the murderous fire of an enemy ambush near Rain, Germany, Private Montalvo volunteered to go for reinforcements. Crawling through the withering machine gun barrage, he had almost reached cover when he was wounded in the leg. Continuing on his mission despite his painful injuries, he located a platoon of light tanks and guided them to the German positions. Directing a terrific volume of tank fire, he effected the rescue of the Rangers. Through his great daring and gallant actions, Private Montalvo, although severely wounded, turned what would be disaster into an enemy rout. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

James F. Nugent, 13 602 161, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 4 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. During the fierce fighting for Wurzburg, Germany, when his squad encountered intense enemy machine gun, machine pistol, and small arms fire, Sergeant Nugent

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led his men to within fifty yards of the house which was the central point of enemy resistance. Rather than subject his entire squad to the heavy fire, he crawled across open terrain exposed to the enemy fire to a point within ten yards of the house. He then threw two grenades through a window and fearlessly charged into the house, finding three of the enemy fatally wounded and five others so stunned that he succeeded in taking them prisoner. By his indomitable courage and gallant action, a serious threat to his squad's advance was eliminated without casualties. Entered military service from Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

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

Albert E. Alba, 33 433 448, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945, in the Hard Mountains, France. While engaged in a fire fight in the Hard Mountains, Private Alba was attracted by the cries of a seriously wounded American soldier. Locating the man in a draw on his flank, he crawled through the deadly fire to the side of the casualty. Administering first aid, he slowly worked his way up the mountainside and carried the wounded man to a position of cover from where he was evacuated to the rear. Through his great daring and heroic devotion to duty, Private Alba saved the life of a wounded comrade. Entered military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

WILLIAM C. BAHAN, C 549 943, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, at Ohlungen, France. When the enemy launched an all-out attack and penetrated our main line of resistance at Ohlungen, France, Lieutenant Bahan led the Battalion Command Staff Personnel and the remaining member of his company to the outskirts of the town and set up a defense to repel the German onslaught. Although seriously ill, he braved the bitter cold and intense fire of the enemy to reorganize our troops in an attempt to halt the determined drive. Throughout the night he led repeated counter-attacks through the deep snow and was instrumental in stopping the threat to our defensive positions. The next morning after the lines were reestablished, he was evacuated to the rear for medical treatment. Through his aggressive leadership and selfless determination, Lieutenant Bahan played a major role in defeating a fanatical German attempt to recapture Alsace. Entered military service from Ft. Worth, Texas.

Thomas A. Beard, 33 467 699, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 April 1945, at Marburg, Germany. When rifle troops were attacking enemy positions near Marburg, Germany, flak, machine gun, and small arms fire inflicted two casualties. Private Beard advanced fearlessly into the face of the deadly fire and after administering first aid to the first casualty, he carried him to a covered position. He then braved the intense fire once again to treat the second injured soldier and carry him to the same position as the first. Signalling a litter team forward, he supervised the evacuation to the rear, guiding the group safely through an enemy mine field. By his outstanding courage, daring, and devotion to his comrades, Private Beard saved the wounded infantrymen from further injury or death. Entered military service from Baker, Oregon.

GEORGE R. COPPENRATH, 1 44 449, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, at Marburg, Germany. When two mortars were fired into the Company Command Post wounding the Company Commander and another officer, Lieutenant Coppenrath

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immediately ordered the Command Post to be evacuated. In the face of intense grenade, machine gun, and small arms fire coming from the attacking enemy forces, he made repeated trips to secure ammunition stored in the building in order to distribute it to elements of the company. Although stunned by a grenade, he continued until the task was accomplished. Lieutenant Copperneth's outstanding courage and leadership was instrumental in repulsing the determined enemy attack. Entered military service from Clinton, Massachusetts.

**Ezell M. Hancock**, 34 864 644, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, near Dresden, Germany. Upon learning that a Ranger squad had been cut off and lost surrounded by enemy forces near Dresden, Germany, Private Hancock volunteered to accompany the other men in an attempt to aid the besieged group. While approaching the town under machine gun and sniper fire, Private Hancock observed a machine gun position and destroyed it with several bursts from his automatic rifle. Then, while leaving the route of withdrawal, he valiantly held his position in the face of intense machine gun and sniper fire until the imperiled group had withdrawn safely. By his outstanding courage and unflinching determination, Private Hancock played a major role in the rescue of the Rangers without a casualty. Entered military service from Newberry, South Carolina.

**HAROLD HOLEY**, C, CO 232, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, near Arnstein, Germany. While Lieutenant Holey was leading the members of his rifle platoon into the town of Arnstein, Germany, they were suddenly pinned down by intense enemy machine gun and small arms fire. Completely disregarding his personal safety, he advanced across an open field to secure medical aid men and litter bearers to care for the wounded. Then, braving the murderous fire once again, he returned to his platoon with critically needed ammunition and led a successful assault on the enemy positions. Lieutenant Holey's outstanding courage and unwavering determination contributed materially to the successful capture of the town. Entered military service from New Brighton, Pennsylvania.

**JOHN W. KILLOREN**, G1 356 043, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945, near Kilstett, France. During the enemy attack on Kilstett, France, Lieutenant Killoren, weapons platoon leader, exposed himself to intense artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire in order to lead a machine gun section forward to deliver supporting fire for elements of his company who were helplessly pinned down. He then advanced over two hundred yards of open terrain in the face of the withering fire, contacted his mortar section, and directed their fire on the enemy forces. As a result of his outstanding courage, initiative, and unwavering devotion to duty, the enemy attack on his company's positions was completely disorganized and repulsed. Entered military service from Appleton, Wisconsin.

**Albert A. Maine**, 31 389 172, 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 Company K's positions near Sessenheim, France, Private Maine made three trips across open terrain under an intense concentration of enemy artillery and mortar fire in order to keep his platoon supplied with ammunition. At times when all other men were under cover, he valiantly braved the vicious fire to obtain and distribute the ammunition to the foxholes. As a result of Private Maine's courageous action, his platoon was able to repulse the determined enemy attack. Entered military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

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Ogden J. Mykobust, 38 410 131, Corporal, Infantry, Company G, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, at Brusdorf, Germany. Upon learning that a Ranger squad had been cut off and almost surrounded by enemy forces near Brusdorf, Germany, Corporal Mykobust volunteered to accompany two other men in an attempt to aid the besieged group. Although exposed to intense machine gun, machine pistol, small arms, and grenade fire while guarding the route of withdrawal, he held his position in the face of the deadly fire until the squad had withdrawn successfully. While returning with his comrades several snipers, and firing promptly, he killed two and wounded another. By his skillful and courageous action, Corporal Mykobust made it materially to the safe withdrawal of the Ranger squad from their precarious position. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

James F. Nugent, 17 47 101, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 April 1945, in Gambescie, France. While leading his squad in an attack on Cambes-les-Bains, France, Sergeant Nugent came under intense machine gun and machine pistol fire. Taking an automatic rifle from one of his men, he crawled through the withering fire to a position from which he could successfully fire on the enemy positions. He lay in an exposed location and directed a heavy volume of fire at the enemy, killing two, which permitted his squad to withdraw. He then directed mortar fire on the enemy emplacements until they were completely neutralized. Sergeant Nugent's outstanding courage and unswerving determination enabled his squad to continue its successful attack. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

John R. Petitjean, 36 817 081, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. When the enemy opened fire on his anti-tank gun in Wurzburg, Private Petitjean fearlessly made his way toward the German position. Moving through the enemy-held building, he calmly approached the Germans from the rear and opened fire, wounding three and forcing the surrender of two others. Through his great daring and selfless determination, Private Petitjean single-handedly eliminated a strong enemy position. Entered military service from Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Daniel K. Sewell, 26 568 314, General (later Private First Class), Infantry, Headquarters Company, 223d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 April 1945, at Dachau, Germany. During an attack on the infamous Dachau Concentration Camp, Private Sewell, in company with his squad, crawled full in an area covered by deadly fire from frantic SS troops, ran 150 yards to the wounded man and brought him to his jeep. He then drove his vehicle down a road under a concentration of machine gun, machine pistol, and mortar fire to evacuate the wounded soldier to the medical aid station. Through his great daring and selfless determination of Private Sewell, a comrade's life was saved. 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 "wounds," the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

Orville G. Anderson, 35 839 521, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. During the advance of our forces through the fire-swept streets of Wurzburg, Germany, Sergeant Anderson and his squad were suddenly pinned down by machine pistol and small arms fire coming from enemy positions two hundred yards up the street. Unhesitatingly advancing alone behind several houses to a vantage

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point, Sergeant Anderson directed such a devastating volume of fire into the enemy that the fire was completely silenced and one of the enemy was killed and three captured. By his prompt and courageous action, Sergeant Anderson enabled his squad to make further advances against the determined enemy resistance. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL COLLINS:

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

Andrew Cizmarik, 36 000 056, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 12 March 1945, near Wimmenau, France. When the advance of Sergeant Cizmarik's combat patrol was threatened by an enemy machine gun nest and a group of riflemen, he promptly deployed his men and skillfully directed their fire, neutralizing the enemy forces. Advancing further he came upon a mine field and proceeded to cross it in an attempt to locate a safe path for his men. Half way across the dangerous area, three mines exploded and he was mortally wounded. With courageous determination Sergeant Cizmarik then outlined for his assistant patrol leader a probable safe route of advance and encouraged his men to continue on the mission. By his intrepid gallantry and devotion to his comrades, Sergeant Cizmarik undoubtedly prevented further loss of life among his men. Name and address of nearest relative: Margaret C. Cizmarik, 220 Talbot Street, Burlington, New Jersey. 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 the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States:

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~~1st Lt. John D. Brown, 000 000 106, Major, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 30 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Concord, Tennessee.~~

Paul Brown, 37 640 125, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jackson, Missouri.

Richard K. Campbell, 17 111 477, Corporal (then 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 Des Moines, Iowa.

Edward J. Carney, 39 337 620, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Cannon Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

Francis F. Conway, 36 805 441, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 26 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Angelo J. Ferrara, 32 401 632, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant) Infantry, Cannon Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Elmhurst, New York.

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Henry A. Franck, 20 624 729, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 432d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 March 1945 to 26 April 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Donald L. Frerick, 34 071 973, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Infantry Regiment, from 15 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Burlington, North Carolina.

Leather C. Geinay, 34 970 903, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 23d Infantry Regiment, from 26 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hartsville, South Carolina.

Frederick G. Geis, 01 511 247, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from McClelland, Iowa.

Verton T. Henry, 42 006 515, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 22d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newton, New Jersey.

Owens W. Holston, 32 484 973, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company 3, 122d Medical Battalion, from 13 February 1945 to 17 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Camden, New Jersey.

J. H. Howell, 37 743 993, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Joplin, Missouri.

Herman T. Pulse, 18 004 250, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Okla City, Oklahoma.

Liber G. Durin, 36 272 397, First Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Cannon Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Gilbert P. Feltz, 35 707 357, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 42d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

Charles J. Kraus, 33 151 117, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 26 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Edward S. Krawczyk, 36 273 677, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 24d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dearborn, Michigan.

Gilmer E. Lester, 33 245 351, Technician Fifth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Field Artillery, Headquarters Battalion, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Terrell, Texas.

George E. Lyons, 33 537 647, First Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, Company F, 141st Engineer Combat Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Laneses, Virginia.

Robert E. Lyter, 39 0-9 292, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

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Edward C. Vally, 36 117 771, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 January 1945 to 1 May 1945 inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Robert J. Martinson, 39 341 170, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 7 May 1945, inclusive in France and Germany. Entered military service from McGuire, Washington.

Don C. McLean, 39 326 217, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery E, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Prineville, Oregon.

Warren T. Merrill, 17 066 859, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Des Moines, Iowa.

Charles F. Miskus, 36 702 520, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Otis H. Meyer, 6 274 926, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Childress, Texas.

Leon W. Myers, 6 329 273, 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 Fort Monroe, Virginia.

Ira P. Miles, 37 575 293, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth 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 Aberdeen, South Dakota.

James W. Parks, 37 024 694, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery A, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from United States Military Academy, West Point, New York.

Truman R. Parks, 13 049 646, Staff 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 Poteau, Oklahoma.

Harry C. Peimer, 36 013 970, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Grant, Oklahoma.

Rudolphe J. Rybecki, 31 345 36, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Northampton, Massachusetts.

Frank G. J. Santini, 12 110 475, Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Cannon Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 27 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Henry E. Schiffman, 32 953 885, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery E, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Andrew T. Seibert, 32 407 306, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 26 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jamaica, Long Island, New York.

Cyril P. Snyder, 32 954 434, Technician Fourth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, from 30 December 1944 to 10 February 1945, inclusive, in France. Entered military service from Wilmington, Delaware.

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Thomas I. Steinberg, 37 473 901, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 27 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Mason City, Iowa.

Ernest P. Sult, 33 641 974, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company 2 2d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Alexandria, Virginia.

George A. Tazi, 31 134 416, Sergeant, Medical Department, Company E, 122d Medical Battalion, from 12 February 1945 to 17 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

George J. Trebough, 20 746 412, Technical Sergeant (then Staff 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 Pauls, Kansas.

Joseph A. Vandrak, 37 125 846, Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Omaha, Nebraska.

Alfred L. Ward Jr., O 517 217, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 302d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

Lasater F. Whitaker, O 555 578, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Mt. Pleasant, Texas.

Joyce C. Wilur, 39 743 846, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Infantry Division Artillery, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sulphur Springs, Texas.

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

Anthony F. Orevetsky, OI 312 964, First Lieutenant, 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 Union City, New Jersey.

Sab Jaffe, 12 110 604, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Robert Mirsky, 32 261 446, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

Philip E. Lee, 34 409 651, First Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

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By command of Major General COLLINS:

BY THE WITNESSING,  
Lt. Col., General Staff Corps,  
Adj'tg. Chief of Staff.

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*Davy Crockett, USA*  
APO 411, U. S. ARMY,

1 February 1946.

Award of the Bronze Star ..... 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. - In direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-15, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

Garfield J. Anderson, 36 903 775, Private First Class, Headquarters and Service Company, Corps of Engineers, 142d Engineers Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. While on a rear reconnaissance with a small group of soldiers, Private Anderson located several pill-boxes manned by enemy personnel who had been bypassed by the attacking elements. Ignoring the threat of machine guns covering him from the firing embrasures, he approached the first pill-box and climbed atop it. While in this position, an enemy soldier emerged and Private Anderson ordered him to call the remaining enemy from the fortification. He repeated the same procedure for two moreemplacements, each time moving directly in front of the enemy manned machine guns. By his courage and disregard for personal safety, Private Anderson eliminated a serious threat to the rear elements of our advancing forces. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Hort W. Andrew, 4 581 026, Technical Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, at Hatten, France. During the fanatical German attempt to recapture Alsenz, Private Andrew, wounded from Pfefferhofen to Hatten, fought in order to locate the various companies of his battalion and to determine their supply needs under heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire. Following several timely enemy attacks, he crawled in Lewis, the town through a deadly field of artillery, mortar, and small arms fire, returning to Pfefferhofen where he personally assisted in locating the necessary supplies and ammunition. As a direct result of Private Andrew's courageous action and unflinching valor and skill, the various units of the battalion were able to meet the attack and to inflict heavy casualties on the retreating enemy forces. Entered military service from Millville, N. J., January.

Carl S. Appel, 37 903 744, Technician Third Grade, (then Technician Fifth Grade), Medical Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Althorn, France. While serving as medical aid man to a platoon of engineers who were clearing enemy mine fields along road net near Althorn, France, Corporal Appel was continually called upon to administer first aid to injured personnel. Where possible he moved the patients out of the direct artillery fire covering the area, but often it was necessary for him to treat the casualties while subjected to the deadly barrage. His disregard of personal safety to attend the wounded was a constant inspiration to his comrades. Entered military service from South River, New Jersey.

Carl F. Arnold, 38 921 874, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineers Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, on 21 March 1945, near Lohrweinsdorf, Germany. While reconnoitering roads for

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enemy mines in the vicinity of Ludwigswinkel, Germany, Corporal Brandt and three other men located twenty-four well camouflaged anti-tank mines, each one containing an anti-personnel booby trap. Disregarding sniper fire and heavy artillery shelling in the area, he assisted in uncovering, neutralizing, and removing the mines, thus insuring a safe passage for the advancing troops soon to advance through the sector. Corporal Brandt's outstanding courage and expert ability were instrumental in eliminating a threat to the rapid advance of our forces. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

Robert H. Campbell, 35 249 134, Mechanic Fourth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Company E, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, on 16 April 1945, near Liedigswinkel, Germany, during the tank battalion to which Sergeant Campbell was attached, the advancing against the wounded German West Wall, the column was subjected to intense sniping and anti-tank fire and could not move from the road because of heavy mine fields on both sides. Disregarding his personal safety, Sergeant Campbell, with two other men, cleared the heavy fire to sweep the road side with mine detectors in an effort to locate a path for the tanks. Through his courageous action and devotion to duty, the tanks were moved through the cleared path in the mine field to a covered position and much valuable equipment was saved. Entered military service from Covington, Virginia.

Henry G. Constantine, 35 249 436, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 22nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 May 1945, at Alt-Hinselting, Germany. Learning where a number of German soldiers were hiding, Private Constantine, armed only with a sub-machine gun, set out to capture the enemy group. Locating their position, he started forward but was met with a deadly hail of fire. He immediately returned the fire and forced one of the soldiers to surrender. Using the German as an example, Private Constantine pursued the remainder of the enemy force who threw down their arms and quit their position. Through his great daring and aggressive actions, Private Constantine single-handedly captured 11 enemy soldiers. Entered military service from Calaisville, Maryland.

James J. Cottapie, 35 34 262, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945, in Fuhr, Germany. During the attack on Fuhr, Germany, an enemy artillery barrage was neutralized on the first occasion by Private Cottapie's platoon. When a small hit his truck loaded with explosives, setting it on fire, Private Cottapie, realizing that his vehicle was "dangerously close to a nearby corner post," immediately leaped from his truck and had driven it about 50 yards distance before the explosives, detonating, hurled him clear of the truck. Recovering from the concussion of the explosion, he returned to battle with the burning vehicle. His indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Manchester, New Hampshire.

Thaddeus G. Durkin, 35 641 495, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 22nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, near Schmidfurt, Germany. During an intense artillery concentration near Schmidfurt, Germany, Company I suffered numerous casualties. Private Durkin, a medical aid man with the company, left the safety of his foxhole many times throughout the day to treat the casualties and prepare them for evacuation. Bravely braving the murderous enemy fire, he administered first aid to ten of the twenty-one men wounded throughout the day. Private Durkin's courageous action and unflinching determination saved many lives during the day and were an inspiration to his comrades. Entered military service from Portsmouth, Ohio.

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Raymond G. Esplin, 37 600 125, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 5 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. Upon returning from delivering prisoners to the rear, Private Esplin found his squad pinned down by intense enemy machine gun and small arms fire. Moving to one flank, he advanced into the hail of fire, firing his automatic rifle from the hip, until he was twenty yards from the enemy position. With bullets striking all about him, he then threw two grenades into the emplacement, completely silencing the machine gun and killing the crew. Private Esplin's heroic action enabled his squad to continue to advance and successfully wipe out the remaining enemy positions. Entered military service from Easton, Minnesota.

Private M. Esplin, 39 902 846, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 5 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. While Private Esplin's platoon was advancing through the streets of Wurzburg, Germany, it was suddenly pinned down by intense enemy sniper fire. Private Esplin unhesitatingly crept into an exposed position in order to place fire on the snipers, pinning them down and allowing his platoon to seek cover. Remaining in the exposed position under deadly fire, he continued to fire on the snipers until elements of his platoon maneuvered around the building and eliminated the enemy. As a result of his courageous action, thirteen enemy snipers were killed without a casualty to his platoon. Entered military service from St. George, Utah.

Lewart C. Fehner, 32 549 928, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945, near Ettleben, Germany. When the platoon to which Private Fehner's machine gun section was attached was pinned down by intense enemy machine gun and small arms fire, he took a light machine gun and advanced through the heavy barrage to a position from which he could direct effective fire on the enemy. Fearlessly exposing his self, he remained at his weapon until the enemy positions had been eliminated. Private Fehner's courageous action enabled the platoon to continue its successful advance into the town of Ettleben, Germany. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

Harvie Gray, 17 410 410, Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 11 April 1945, near Helmittenbach, Germany. While Sergeant Gray was on guard for his heavy machine gun platoon near Helmittenbach, Germany, an enemy patrol armed with automatic weapons and hand grenades attempted to infiltrate our lines. Allowing the patrol to advance within fifteen yards of his position before opening fire, he directed such a heavy volume of fire on the enemy that three were killed, one wounded, and the remainder forced to flee in disorder. Sergeant Gray's alertness and courageous action completely repulsed an early attempt to penetrate our positions. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

Albert L. Hill Jr., 34 827 021, Technician Fourth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, on 21 March 1945, near Ludwigswinkel, Germany. While reconnoitering roads for enemy mines in the vicinity of Ludwigswinkel, Germany, Sergeant Hill and three other men located twenty-four well camouflaged anti-tank mines, each one containing an anti-personnel booby trap. Disregarding sniper fire and heavy artillery falling in the area, he assisted in uncovering, neutralizing, and removing the mines, thus insuring a safe passage for the infantry troops soon to advance through the sector. Sergeant Hill's outstanding courage and expert ability were instrumental in linking up with the rapid advance of our forces. Entered military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

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Carlton O. Johnson, 35 146 974, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, near Ditzelbrunn, Germany. During the fighting near Ditzelbrunn, Germany, an infiltrating enemy patrol attacked the positions of Private Johnson's platoon. Private Johnson, securing an automatic rifle from a nearby vehicle, he moved through the intense machine gun and small arms fire to a position of the flank of the platoon. He then directed such deadly fire on the approaching enemy that one was killed and the remainder forced to flee in disorder. Private Johnson's prompt and courageous action in the face of superior odds eliminated a serious threat to the members of his platoon and to our rear security. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

Harley J. Maloney, 34 331 387, Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, Company B, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945, near Luekenscheid, Germany. When the tank column to which Sergeant Maloney was attached was advancing against the Siegfried Line, the column was subjected to intense artillery and anti-tank fire and could not move from the road because of heavy mine fields on both sides. Disregarding his personal safety, Sergeant Maloney, with two other men, braved the heavy fire to sweep the road side with mine detectors in an effort to locate a path for the tanks. Through his courageous action and devotion to duty, the tanks were moved through the cleared path in the minefield to a covered position. Entered military service from East Hartford, Connecticut.

Robert Mizzi, 32 220 791, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945, near Kilstett, France. During the determined energy attempt to break through our lines at Kilstett, France, Private Mizzi proceeded 100 yards under an intense concentration of enemy artillery and mortar fire to attempt to repair one of his platoon's machine guns. Braving the murderous fire, he reached the gun emplacement and assisted the gunner in correcting the stoppage. Then, under increasingly intense fire, he remained at the gun position supplying ammunition to the gunner until the enemy force had been driven back. Private Mizzi's courageous action and selfless determination enabled his Company to withdraw successfully to new positions. Entered military service from N. Y., New York.

Gerald S. Otis, 32 937 670, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 21 March 1945, near Luekenscheid, Germany. While reconnoitering roads for enemy mines in the vicinity of Luekenscheid, Germany, Private Otis and three other men located twenty-four well concealed anti-tank mines, each one containing an antipersonnel battle trap. Disregarding the fire and heavy artillery falling in the area, he arrived in unceasing, neutralizing, and removing the mines, thus insuring a safe passage for the infantry troops soon to advance through the sector. Private Otis' outstanding courage and expert ability were instrumental in eliminating a threat to the rapid advance of our forces. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.

William J. Pabstek, 31 329 978, Corporal, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Althorn, France. During his company's attack on strongly defended positions in the Hardt Mountains, Corporal Pabstek, although suffering from a painful leg wound, was able to pick out one of the enemy positions. Under covering fire he advanced on the enemy emplacement, found still facing the withering fire, to force the surrender of three enemy soldiers who refused. Nine had seriously been invading the attack. Corporal Pabstek immediately, at the risk of his life while wounded, eliminated a serious threat to the continued advance of our forces through the Hardt Mountains.

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Entered military service from Winooski, Vermont.

Frank A. Peney, 39 934 638, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 7 March 1945, near Lachamp R., France. As first seen for a reconnoitering party, Private Peney observed an enemy machine gun position seventy-five yards to the front. The enemy suddenly opened fire, directing such an intense volume of fire at the patrol that it was forced to withdraw. Remaining behind to cover the withdrawal, Private Peney called on another member and partially silenced the fire of several others with his rifle. As a result of his courageous action he diverted the attention of the Germans so that he was able to kill nine successfully without a casualty. Entered military service from Winooski, Vermont.

Stanville J. Sprague, 38 616 156, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 121st Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945, at Furth, Germany. While working temporarily in Furth, Germany, to assist the removal of a mine field, Private Sprague's truck was hit by a direct hit from enemy artillery, setting it afire. Realizing the vehicle was loaded with high explosives, Private Sprague, although severely wounded, braved the continuous shelling to rescue a wounded man from the truck and carry him to safety. He then returned to assist in extinguishing the burning truck. Although he had suffered all assistance, possible in aid his own injuries treated and was evacuated to the rear. Through his indomitable courage and heroic devotion to duty, Private Sprague undoubtedly saved the life of a wounded comrade. Entered military service from Cleveland, South Carolina.

Thomas F. Tracy, 31 616 156, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 24 January 1945, near Lachamp, France. While carrying non-combatant to a position in front of our lines in line of resistance to the German field, Private Tracy's truck came under intense mortar and small arms fire. Although given the opportunity to withdraw, he remained in the truck to lead his vehicle with constituents to the center of the fighting, again in front of our lines, he executed courageously a counter attack under heavy enemy artillery concentration. In addition to this hazard, he also delivered valiantly needed assistance to a rifle company during the night, organized an emergency retreat to break through our lines. Private Tracy's great personal valor, tenacity and unflinching determination contributed greatly to the successful conclusion of the action in this sector. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

Daniel W. Williams, 37 616 156, Private First Class, Engineers, Company A, 121st Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945, at Furth, Germany. While working temporarily in Furth, Germany, assisting the removal of a mine field, Private Williams' truck received a direct hit from enemy artillery, setting it afire. Realizing the vehicle was loaded with high explosives, Private Williams, with utter disregard for his own safety, braved the continuous shelling to rescue a wounded man from the truck and carry him to safety. He then returned to assist in extinguishing the burning truck. Through his indomitable courage and heroic devotion to duty, Private Williams undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded comrade. Entered military service from Frankfort, Kentucky.

Robert E. Worren, 18 616 156, Private First Class, Infantry, Company B, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 April 1945, near Engelsdorf, Germany. During the Kuttert River operation for which Private Worren was a participant, he, under like fire, remained under fire and rifle fire while operating on point detail, advancing in the face of the fire to a position of cover in order

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to communicate with Battalion Headquarters. Finding that transmission was impossible from this position, he braved the heavy fire once more to reach high ground where the radio would function. He then reported the situation and maintained the radio in full working condition throughout the transmission of the via of a dozen or more messages, returning unscathed to his original position under intense fire. Private Horne's courageous action and untiring labor saved his entire platoon from possible death or injury. After a determination to end his military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.  
Michael J. Murphy, 304751, Army Service, Medical Department, Hospital  
Lieutenant, 2nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on the  
20th of July, near Soissons, France, while assaulting the ridge held by the  
enemy on a hilltop, he was exposed to intense fire and was severely wounded. He  
continued to expose himself to the fire, however, in order to render aid to his  
comrades and to capture the hilltop. After being hit four times, he continued to  
attack and was cutting the intense fire with his bayonet. Sergeant Murphy has one serious  
wound, and was cut down from the hilltop in the face of heavy fire and died. Wounded  
or disabled, with the inscription to the M. in his name. Entering  
military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

III. A MAN OF THE FIRST CAN LEAVE CLUSTER TO THE FRENCH STAR MEDAL.— By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 60-5, 22 September 1942, it is decided, the First Gold Star Cluster to the French Star Medal is awarded to the following:

III. WARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:— By direction of the President, under the revisions of Army Regulations 606-45, 22 September 1945, is directed, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

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casualty. Private McGhee's outstanding courage and resourcefulness contributed materially to the rapid accomplishment of the dangerous mission and the safe return of his men. Entered military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL COLLINS:

EDWARD RUSHTON, G.  
Lt. Col., General Staff Corps,  
Actg. Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

*James L. Turner*  
JAMES L. TURNER,  
Lt. Col., A.S.C.,  
Adjutant General.

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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 achievement in action:

OTTO H. YANKE, 01 081 588, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company N, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 28 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

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

Kenneth H. Carpenter, 33 732 622, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 30 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

William R. Curry, 36 695 879, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Robert O. Davis, 38 541 821, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Angleton, Texas.

John Dennis Jr., 14 123 922, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company A, 122d Medical Battalion, on 15 to 17 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from St. Petersburg, Florida.

Donald A. Dohnalek, 37 672 331, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

William E. Ferro, 21 466 353, Private First Class, (then Private), Infantry Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from New London, Connecticut.

Fasquelle W. Fragle, 33 836 617, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Norristown, Pennsylvania.

Joseph N. Hudson, 32 593 288, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey.

Aron Kaler, 33 714 607, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company C 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, on 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Paducah, Kentucky.

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Warren C. Miller, 36-332-470, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 144th Engineer Combat Battalion, on 28 April 1945, in Germany, left and military service from Middleton, Wisconsin.

AUGUST E. VLI, 02 304 213, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Paul Curiski, 3d 110 435, Technician Fifth Grade, (then Private First Class) Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 21st Infantry Regiment, on 24 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Edward J. Kozlowski, 33 722 415, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 22d Infantry Regiment, on 12 March 1945, in France. Outstanding military service from Rockford, Illinois.

JACK R. WESTRAK, O-550368, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 22d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Pule, Texas.

James E. Wilson, 17 L 4 397, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

Peter C. Welters, 36-44-344, Corporal, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 22nd Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Joliet, Illinois.

Norman J. Wombeush, 42 118-633, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 303 Infantry Regiment, on 14 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Edgewater, New Jersey.

**EVIL R. YORKLEY**, 02 006 216, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Spartanburg, South Carolina.

(b) By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 2-46, 12 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:

John F. Barber, 14-067385, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 2nd Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Discharged military service from Glens Falls, New York.

Cpl. E. Elizette, a 277 4/6, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters 4 1/2 Field Artillery Battalion, for 1<sup>st</sup> February 1945 to 2 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kerens, Tex.

WMP C. KNOW, O-152 #71, Captain, Chaplain Corps, Headquarters, First  
Battalion, 2nd Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive,  
in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sumner, Iowa.

Franck P. Guggis, 31 262 139, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 2nd Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in Europe and Germany. Entered military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

CECIL W. FORTIN, O-517744, Captain, Cavalry Corps, Headquarters, 42d Division Artillery, from 15 February 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Montclair, New Jersey.

James M. Evans, 3d S6. 156, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 5448 Field Artillery Battalion, from 1<sup>st</sup> February 1945 to 2 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Ent red military service from Phoenix, Arizona.

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Clyde H. Ferguson, 35 708 166, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, from 15 February 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rockford, Kentucky.

Loyd E. Folsom, 33 476 231, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 January 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Leavenworth, Kansas.

Philip Goldstein, 39 194 643, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 4th Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Burnett W. Hamond, 35 293 714, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery A, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 February 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

John E. Hatchko, 35 346 227, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 4th Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

LEONARD S. LANE, W2 129 419, Warrant Officer Junior Grade (then Master Sergeant), Adjutant General's Section, Headquarters, 4th Infantry Division, from 1 February 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Greeley, Colorado.

Thomas J. Limbras, 36 753 337, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 14 February 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cicero, Illinois.

JAMES R. LITTCOEY, O2 306 329, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Centerville, Alabama.

Daniel P. McCarthy, 39 139 108, Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Richard F. McGraw, 37 537 402, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kansas City, Kansas.

Michael J. McHale, 35 202 174, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company E, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

Edgar E. Newcomb, 37 704 222, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 541d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

Stanley A. Polc, 36 072 177, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company F, 272d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Virden, Illinois.

JOSEPH J. PFEIFFER, O4 49 612, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Des Moines, Iowa.

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ELMER G. RUSSELL, 7 013 065, First Sergeant (then Technical 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 Lubbock, Texas.

OTTO H. SCHULZ, '01 167 619, Captain, Field Artillery, Battery A, 342d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany; Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Victor K. Smith, 39 702 257, Technician Fifth 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 Los Angeles, California.

Vincent A. Setira, 32 197 255, Technician Fifth 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 Brooklyn, New York.

John F. Steeves, III, 12 190 522, Sergeant, 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 New York, New York.

Lawrence E. Turner, 36 516 146, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class), Corps of Military Police, Headquarters, 42d Infantry Division, from 14 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Saginaw, Michigan.

Cecil T. Wheeler, 34 327 311, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

III. WARD 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, 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:

Carl J. Appel, 32 928 733, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, on 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Ronald C. Bowman, 34 775 289, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 9 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Liberty, North Carolina.

Robert J. Fogarty, 31 396 048, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 14 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Lumbard, Maine.

Harold R. Harward, 17 089 696, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Richard B. McGraw, 37 537 402, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Kansas City, Kansas.

(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.

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CORNELIUS J. SULLIVAN, O 554 746, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters 2d Battalion, 142d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 4 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York City, New York.

*J.W.* IV. REVOCATION:--... So much of General Order number 16, this headquarters, as certifies the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to Cornelius J. Sullivan, First Lieutenant, O 554 746, 142d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

By command of Major General COLLINS:

*Henry Rutherford*  
HENRY RUTHERFORD,  
Lt. Col., General Staff Corps,  
Actg. Chief of Staff.

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS):--... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1942, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

Cecil F. Meyer, 37 263 940, Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 25 January 1945, near Hagenau, France. During the fierce fighting around Hagenau, France, a superior force of enemy SS troops attacked the positions of Sergeant Meyer's squad, requiring them to expend almost their entire supply of ammunition. Securing a last supply of ammunition, Sergeant Meyer braved the intense mortar, artillery, and small arms fire falling all around him to deliver the ammunition to each member of his squad. As he ran from foxhole to foxhole, a sudden burst of small arms fire caught him, and he was mortally wounded. Sergeant Meyer's heroic and gallant courage enabled his squad to withstand the determined enemy attack and were an inspiration to his men. Name and address of nearest relative: Eva E. Meyer (Mother), Tuthill, South Dakota. Entered military service from Tuthill, South Dakota.

Carl H. Zaum, 12 147 371, Sergeant, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 25 January 1945, at Hagenau, France. During an attack on his squad's positions by a superior force of enemy SS troops, Sergeant Zaum displayed extraordinary courage and devotion to duty. Infiltrating enemy troops approached through the darkness closest to his foxhole and threw a hand grenade into his position. Completely disregarding his personal safety, he aided his comrades to climb from the foxhole and leave the danger area before the grenade exploded. Before he could escape himself, the grenade exploded and he was mortally wounded. Sergeant Zaum's gallant and unselfish sacrifice saved the lives of his fellow soldiers. Name and address of nearest relative: Harry Zaum (Father) 1413 Beach Avenue, Flushing, Long Island, New York. Entered military service from Flushing, Long Island, New York.

II. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:--... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1942, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

Louis E. Gece, 39 445 927, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 April 1945, near Dachau, Germany. After leaving his platoon across an open field near Dachau, Germany, under sniper fire, Sergeant Gece investigated two caves dug in the side of a road bank. Throwing two fragmentation grenades in each cave, he entered and discovered 11 dead German SS troops. As he left the caves, an enemy machine pistol,

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several machine guns, and small arms opened fire upon him. Sergeant Gage borrowed a sub-machine gun and advanced to a position less than fifty yards from the enemy firing into their positions. He repeated this performance twice in the face of the heavy fire, killing fourteen, wounding twenty-three, and taking eight prisoners. By his indomitable courage and intrepid gallantry, Sergeant Gage reflected great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Delano, California.

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

Orville G. Anderson, 35 239 521, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company E, 22d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945, near Gimbheim, France. During the fierce fighting for Gimbheim, France, Private Anderson advanced across two hundred yards of open terrain to aid his platoon medical aid man, who was pinned down by machine gun fire while attempting to run first aid to a wounded enemy soldier. Exposing himself to the intense machine gun and small arms fire, he directed a heavy volume of fire at the enemy positions with his rifle, silencing the enemy and allowing the soldier to seek safety. Private Anderson's heroic action undoubtedly saved his comrade from certain death or injury. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

Eugene M. Ferrara, 32 994 947, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company I, 144th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945, at Nordheim, Germany. During the advance on Nordheim, the tanks which were supporting our infantry were held by a mine road block. Private Ferrara advanced with his mine detector and swept four mines from the path of our armor until he was held by enemy fire a few hundred yards from the town. After the tanks provided covering fire, he moved into the town, sweeping for mines in the face of the enemy. He captured four enemy soldiers from positions along the road, and then completed his mission. Private Ferrara's outstanding courage and devotion to duty cleared the path for the advance of our forces. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Phillip J. Prebeck, 36 909 998, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 22d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. During the fierce fighting for Wurzburg, Germany, Private Prebeck's rifle squad was held up by intense enemy machine gun fire coming from a building to their immediate front. With complete disregard for his personal safety, Private Prebeck fearlessly crawled through the intense barrage to within fifty yards of the enemy position. Then, exposing himself to the full view of the enemy, he stood up and fired an accurate bazooka round into the machine gun nest, silencing it and killing several of the crew. Private Prebeck's courageous action enabled his squad to continue their further successful advance through the city. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

James O. Reischke, 37 771 513, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 22d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945 at Ettleben, Germany. While Company E was advancing through the streets of Ettleben, Germany, two enemy machine guns concealed in a building suddenly opened fire and pinned down the advancing troops. Locating the machine gun position, Private Reischke fearlessly advanced through the fire into a burning building from which he directed accurate fire with his bazooka onto the enemy emplacement, silencing the two machine guns and killing the crews. Private Reischke's outstanding courage and unwavering determination enabled the rifle troops to continue their successful attack through the town. Entered military service from Winona, Minnesota.

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Max Schwartz, 33 262 079, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945, at Gembheim France. When his company was receiving an intense artillery, mortar, and machine gun concentration, Private Schwartz crossed an open field to direct tanks up to our positions for support fire. With utter disregard for his personal safety, he rode the lead tank through the murderous fire to the location of our forces, directing tank fire upon the well-concealed enemy emplacements. As a result of Private Schwartz' prompt and courageous action, our troops were able to enter Gembheim, France with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Gulf G. Zeisler, 36 326 025, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Ohlungen, France. When an enemy attack penetrated our main line of resistance near Ohlungen, France, and cut a rifle platoon off from friendly forces, Private Zeisler, runner in a mortar squad, braved direct tank fire to remain at his position and fire mortar concentrations in an attempt to relieve the pressure on the hard-pressed troops. Continuing his fire until the German drive was halted, he enabled the trapped riflemen to return to their company lines. Through his tactical skill and heroic devotion to duty, Private Zeisler played a major role in defeating a fanatical German attempt to retake Alsace. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

IV. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE FRONZE 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:

Giant Cuttermall, 39 226 742, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945, in Munich, Germany. Observing uniformed figures hiding in a doorway in Munich, Germany, Private Cuttermall was moving forward to investigate the situation when the enemy group opened fire upon him. Working his way to within grenade distance, he hurled two hand grenades into the building, forcing the Germans to run from their position with Private Cuttermall in close pursuit. Firing from the hip as he ran, he killed two of the enemy and forced the surrender of the remaining three. Through his great daring and fearless aggressiveness, Private Cuttermall prevented a fanatical German group from carrying out a mission of inflicting casualties upon our combat forces. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

WILLARD H. YOUNGER, 01 293 775, Captain, Infantry, Company B, 432d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 January 1945, near Sessenheim, France. During the determined fighting around Sessenheim, France, attacking enemy forces surrounded the Company B, Command Post where Captain Younger and seventeen men were stationed. Ordering the men to leave by a concealed route, Captain Younger remained behind alone and fought back the enemy forces who were rapidly closing in on the Command Post. He killed two with his rifle as they attempted to come through the door. Later when enemy tanks arrived and directed fire against the building, he successfully made his escape, located his men, and led them from their precarious position without casualty. Entered military service from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

V. 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:

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EDWARD T. LYNN, AF., O-524 134, Captain, Field Artillery, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, 22 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.  
Fred W. Smith, 35 767 504, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company E, 222d Infantry Battalion, 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Lewisville, Kentucky.

VI. ~~AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE~~. Under the provisions of Article I, Circular 345, War Department, August 1944, as amended, the Distinguished Service Unit Plaque is awarded by the Division Commander to the following unit:

~~THE SERVICE BATTALION, 222D INFANTRY REGIMENT, FOR SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE OF DUTY IN THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF EXCEPTIONALLY DIFFICULT TASKS FROM 25 JANUARY 1945 TO 25 MARCH 1945, INCLUSIVELY, IN FRANCE AND GERMANY.~~

VII. REINSTATEMENT:...  
Section I, General Orders 29, this headquarters, dated 22 January 1946, pertaining to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to  
Donald C. Brown, 34 775 289, Medical Detachment 222d Infantry Regiment; and,  
Robert J. Poirier, 31 398 042, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry  
Battalion, is revoked.

Section I, General Orders, 29, this headquarters, dated 22 January 1946, pertaining to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Byron J. Greenwood,  
37 475 191, Technical Sergeant, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, is revoked.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL GOOLING:

EDWARD T. LYNN, AF,  
Lt. Col., General Staff Corps,  
Asst. Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

*Edward T. Lynn*  
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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (Posthumous) ... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following:

LEESLIE H. SANDERS, O 551 446, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 27 April 1945, near Schenken, Germany. While Lieutenant Sanders was leading his weapons platoon along a road near Schenken, Germany, a concealed enemy force opened fire with machine guns, small arms and panzerfausts. Though hit by fragments of a panzerfaust he responded to a call from one of his men and, although mortally wounded, he crawled twenty yards under intense automatic weapons fire to render first aid. By his undaunted courage and gallant action Lieutenant Sanders saved a soldier's life and brought great credit upon himself and the military service. Name and address of nearest relative: Herman Sanders (Father), Ashton, Illinois. Entered military service from Ashton, Illinois.

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 the following:

Harold G. Lautzenheiser, 34 986 001, Private, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for gallantry in action on 3 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. As a member of an assault boat crew, Private Lautzenheiser, participated in numerous crossings of the Main River prior to the attack on Wurzburg, Germany, under intense artillery, machine gun, and sniper fire. Due to the increasing intensity of the enemy fire and the mounting casualties, operations were momentarily halted. Private Lautzenheiser unhesitatingly volunteered to transport a boatload of men and supplies across to the embattled forces on the opposite bank. Although several men were hit by the heavy concentrations of enemy fire on this journey, he continued to paddle, encouraging and inspiring the remaining men to greater efforts by his great courage. Private Lautzenheiser's gallantry and dogged determination played a major role in establishing the bridgehead and in the eventual capture of Wurzburg. Entered military service from Nashville, Tennessee.

Henry J. Wells, 39 271 227, Technician Third Grade, Infantry, Headquarters, 222d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 May 1945, at Munich, Germany. While on a forward reconnaissance patrol into the heart of enemy-held Munich, Sergeant Wells was subjected to intense sniper fire. As he moved forward armed only with a submachine gun, he observed a strong enemy force entrenched in the middle of a park. At this time friendly artillery began falling in the area, and Sergeant Wells called out for the Germans to surrender. Unable to lift the artillery because

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After lack of communications he opened fire upon the enemy group and calmly went about collecting 40 prisoners, marching them back to a Prisoner of War cage. Through his aggressive actions in single-handedly digging the enemy soldiers out of their fortified positions, Sergeant Wells eliminated a strong last-ditch defending action, thus bringing about the rapid capitulation of the city with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

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

Charles W. Bradley / 166 540, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 22d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945 at Schonau, Germany. During the action around Schonau, Germany, Private Bradley displayed outstanding courage and selfless determination in the performance of his duties as wireman. During an intense artillery concentration, wire communications were severed four times by the enemy fire. Private Bradley went each time to locate the breaks and repair the links. On the final occasion, after restoring the vital communications, he was mortally wounded by the direct fire. Name and address of nearest relative: Mrs. Sylvie Bradley, (Mother), 620 East 15th Street, Long Beach, California. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

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

Roy E. Baker, C2 010 797, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company H, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945, at Schweinfurt, Germany. During the Division's great offensive against Schweinfurt, Germany, Lieutenant Baker noticed a wounded man lying exposed to heavy enemy automatic weapons fire. Despite the intense fire, he unhesitatingly proceeded across 100 yards of open terrain to the soldier's side where he administered first aid and then evacuated him to a position of safety. Lieutenant Baker's courageous action and unwavering determination undoubtedly saved the injured man from further injury or death. Entered military service from Marietta, Ohio.

Verney L. Benton, 38 582 779, Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945 near Baden-Baden, Germany. During the final phase of the pursuit of the enemy across Germany, Sergeant Benton volunteered to accompany a Pioneer patrol in order to remove demolitions from an important bridge in our advance route. Having removed the detonating wires from the charges that had been placed on the bridge structure under fire from small arms he then advanced and made a reconnaissance of another bridge only fifty yards from the enemy positions. Returning to the safety of our lines, he assisted in evacuating two men wounded during the action. Sergeant Benton's outstanding courage and devotion to duty, materially expedited the advance of the Division. Entered military service from Okmulgee, Oklahoma.

W. E. Culver, 39 242 483, Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 near Pforzheim, Germany. While Sergeant Culver was accompanying an officer and another soldier on a reconnaissance patrol, enemy automatic weapons fire severely wounded the officer and slightly wounded the enlisted man. With utter disregard for his

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In personal safety, he crawled to the officer in the face of the intense fire and ministered first aid. He then returned fire upon the enemy until litter bearers arrived, at which time he assisted in moving the officer to safety across a broken bridge, still under enemy fire. Sergeant Culver's courageous action and coolness under fire undoubtedly saved the injured man from further injury or death. Entered military service from Perryville, Missouri.

Michael G. DiLorenzo, 31 385 773, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 731st Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 6 January 1945, near Gondsheim, France. Upon learning that there were numerous casualties on an open field near Gondsheim, Sergeant DiLorenzo voluntarily organized and led three litter squads across the open field under intense enemy machine gun fire. For several hours he remained exposed to continuous heavy artillery, machine gun, and sniper fire until all of the casualties had been successfully evacuated. By his outstanding courage and zealous determination, Sergeant DiLorenzo saved many of the wounded from death or further injury. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

Thomas F. Ford, 31 203 179, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 272d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945, near Ingolsheim, France. When a platoon of his company was encircled by a strong enemy force while defending an outpost position near Ingolsheim, France, Private Ford volunteered to deliver a resupply of rocket launcher ammunition to the hard-pressed troops. Boldly making his way through the German-infested area, he infiltrated the enemy lines and was successful in getting through with the vitally-needed ammunition. By his great devotion to duty and selfless determination, Private Ford enabled the beleaguered defenders to blast their way from the enemy trap. Entered military service from Lynn, Massachusetts.

Joseph P. French, 33 698 822, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 January 1945, near Sessenheim, France. During the action near Sessenheim, France, Sergeant French had an officer advanced forward of our lines to recover a damaged vehicle from a mine field. With complete disregard for his personal safety, he jumped from his vehicle, ran to the wrecked jeep, and attached a rope to it. He then returned through the intense fire, mounted his truck and drove it away, drawing the jeep to safety. Sergeant French's courageous action prevented a critically-needed vehicle from falling into the hands of the enemy. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

LUFET L. KELFELL, O2 006 901, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company M, 212d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 January 1945, near Neuberg, France. During a heavy enemy attack near Neuberg, France, intense artillery and mortar fire disrupted all communications between the Battalion Command Post and front line units. Realizing the importance of restoring communications, Sergeant Kellfell left his position of comparative safety and volunteered to contact front line elements. He advanced fearlessly through the intense concentration, contacted the units one by one, and returned with information which aided materially in planning the defense of the sector. Sergeant Kellfell's courageous aggressiveness played a major role in successfully repulsing the enemy attack. Entered military service from New York City, New York.

(b) By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 100-13, 22 October 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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V. LTES C. MARTIN, 02 010 792, Second Lieutenant, (then Corporal), Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Waukegan, Illinois.

V. NAME OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. -- By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 610-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

Private C. Steele, 35 079 512, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, near Furth, Germany. When his company was given the mission of establishing a bridgehead across the Regnitz River near Furth, Germany, Private Steele volunteered to lay and maintain the wire line directly to the platoon leader of the lead platoon. He exposed himself twice to enemy fire in order to enable the riflemen to spot the enemy positions, and upon approaching the river, the fire-fight became extremely intense. Armed with a sub-machine gun, he fought side by side with the riflemen, eliminating two snipers during the engagement. Private Steele's courageous action contributed materially to establishing the bridgehead and to the eventual capitulation of the city of Furth, Germany. Entered military service from Batavia, Ohio.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL COLLINS:

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Lt. Col., General Staff Corps,  
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ARMED FORCES MEDAL:--... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

Ira G. Hane, N. 307 186, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company B, 22d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945 at Lumburg, Germany. When an enemy tank fire severed the communication line between his former position to a forward observation post, Private Hane unhesitatingly made his way through the direct barrage to rejoin the fire. On his way through the deadly fire, he found the broken connection and repaired it, thus enabling his section to complete its mission. When the tank fire ended, he made his way to a nearby building and killed a sniper that had been firing on his company. Through his great daring and aggressiveness, Private Hane made an effective contribution to the successful attack on Lumburg. Entered military service from Lexington, Kentucky.

Andrew Koval, 30 381 545, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 22d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 March 1945 near Villon, France. During a reconnaissance in a heavily mined area, a member of Private Koval's squad entered an anti-personnel mine field. Realizing his comrades' dangerous position, Private Koval cautioned the men to remain there but waited until he could clear a path into the mine field and bring him to safety. While marking the cleared path, a mine exploded a few feet in front of him, and although painfully wounded, he remained at his task until his comrades came to assist him. Through his indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty, Private Koval saved a number of his squad from possible death or injury. Entered military service from Stamford, Connecticut.

Roderick McLeod, 30 381 518, Corporal, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 at Pueh, Germany. During the attack on Pueh, Germany, Corporal McLeod made a hazardous foray of the bridge site across a dangerous stream to make a reconnaissance for a suitable crossing site. Under heavy machine gun fire, bridge site on the opposite bank was found to be untenable and returned. He made a thorough and careful survey of the area and materials required and returned through the withering fire to his command post. Through the great daring and tenacity displayed, the bridge was quickly bridged and a main supply route to the front established. The bridge was established while the site was still under enemy fire. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

Beverly W. Litchfield, 35 373 155, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 22d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 April 1945 near Lumburg, Germany. During the fighting on the outskirts of Lumburg, Germany, Private Litchfield, although his platoon was pinned down by enemy machine gun fire, made his way through the terrain to the side of a wounded comrade. Upon arrival, he crawled through the barbed wire to the side of a wounded comrade. This was first aid, he called for an aid man, who then covered the wounded man with a blanket and laid him flat. Through his own heroic efforts, the platoon reached a rear supply line. Private Litchfield played a major role in saving and preserving a soldier to day. Private Litchfield played a major role in saving and preserving a soldier to day.

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wounded comrade's life. Entered military service from Long Acre, West Virginia.

John V. Haynard, 35 772 170, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 11-12 April 1945 at Fuchau, Germany. While hauling lumber to an important bridge being constructed by his company, Corporal Haynard's truck was caught in an intense concentration of artillery and flank fire. Although hauling T.T and mines in addition to the lumber, he ignored the shells falling all about him and gallantly continued to drive to his destination. Corporal Haynard's courageous performance and undying devotion to duty contributed to the rapid construction of the bridge and the eventual attack on Munich. Entered military service from Stone, Pennsylvania.

Herman A. Leiseux, 31 67 611, Corporal, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 47th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945 in Schonau, Germany. When a call came for litter bearers during an enemy shelling of Schonau, Germany, Corporal Leiseux, with utter disregard for his own safety, made his way to the wounded soldiers and administered first aid. He then supervised the evacuation of the men, returning through the continuous concentration of fire until his mission was completed. Through his indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty, Corporal Leiseux saved the lives of his wounded comrades. Entered military service from Fall River, Massachusetts.

LIEUTENANT P. O'NEILL, O-553-205, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company H, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945 near Reimertswiller, France. While elements of the second battalion were attacking near the town of Reimertswiller, France, a number of casualties resulted from heavy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. Lieutenant O'Neill noticed a soldier lying seriously wounded to the rear of the rapidly advancing troops. He returned through the intense fire to the side of the injured man, administered first aid, and carried him to a position of safety from which he could be evacuated to the medical aid station. Lieutenant O'Neill's courageous action undoubtedly saved the soldier from further injury or death. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

J. John E. Sullivan, 34-381365, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 January 1945 near Schonberg, France. While occupying a pillbox near Schonberg, France, Private Sullivan observed an enemy patrol attempting to infiltrate our lines. He immediately deployed the men of his displacement and made his way forward to challenge the German crew. When the patrol did not answer his challenge, he opened fire, and in the fire fight that followed, he wounded one German and captured the remainder of the enemy force. Through his courageous leadership and indomitable courage, Private Sullivan defeated an enemy attempt to penetrate our rear line of resistance. Entitled military art no. from Nashville, Tennessee.

CHARLES H. VIDOR, CZ CO., 217th, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company A, 454th Infantry Regiment, for heroic gallantry in action on 19 March 1945 near Heiligenwiller, France. During the attack on Hill 308 near Heiligenwiller, France, Lieutenant Vidor was at the point of his platoon, leading them through heavy machine gun fire, intense mortar, artillery, machine gun, and small-arms fire, and intense enemy grenade attacks. When intense fire rained down upon him, exposing him to several times to the intense fire, he continued to advance, encouraging them to follow him. Lieutenant Vidor's courageous action and fearless leadership contributed materially to the successful completion of the attack. End recd military's rule, Iron French, Minnesota.

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JOSEPH L. WARD, 02 006 327, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 April 1945 at Furth, Germany. This six-volley was pinned down by heavy enemy flank fire during the attack on Furth, Germany. Lieutenant Ward, disregarding his own safety, moved to the right flank where he set up a machine gun and directed the fire of a flanking platoon into the enemy positions. Returning to his platoon, he rode his jeep forward through the heavy fire to a vantage point and adjusted an effective mortar barrage, thus rendering the entrenched enemy. Through his courageous leadership, the local will, and selfless determination, Lieutenant Ward made an effective contribution to the rapid capitulation of Furth and the capture of 3,000 German soldiers. Entered military service from New York, New York.

JAMES C. Watson, 18 477 263, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945 near Suresnes, France. During the action around Suresnes, France, Sergeant Watson's mortar platoon was subjected to an intense artillery and mortar bombardment from a particularly superior force. A supply dump-in along the Marne River Canal. Despite the falling shell around him, Sergeant Watson remained in an exposed position for two hours directing his mortar fire in an effective counter barrage. By his courageous and aggressive devotion to duty, he contributed greatly to successfully containing the sector against a determined enemy attack. Entered military service from Texarkana, Texas.

WILLIAM L. Whitford, 36 241 029, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic valour in action on 12 January 1945 at Suresnes, France. Having become separated from his organization, Private Whitford voluntarily attached himself to another unit's command post guard to help repel an unexpected German assault. Noticing an unarmored light machine gun, he took it over and with four other men set up a strongpoint that succeeded in holding off the enemy assault. This post then came under mortar fire on the barn in which they were located, setting it afire. Private Whitford remained in the blazing building, covering the withdrawal of the other unit's new position to establish a new one. He fought valiantly protecting the movement. Private Whitford's heroic action enabled his troops to destroy a severe enemy attack and preserve the vital supply line against penetration. Entered military service from Mineral Point, Wisconsin.

HENRY E. Wissmann, 36 411 715, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company G, 237th Infantry Reg't, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945, near Blandain, France. During the attack of our forces near Blandain, France, Private Wissmann, a cook, volunteered to act as runner for one of the heavy machine gun sections of Company F. When Company F's advance was halted by intense enemy artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire, he unhesitatingly moved forward and took up his gun in an exposed position. Then while under heavy enemy fire, he laid down a heavy barrage of fire which enabled the fire and direct the retreat, or laid down a heavy barrage of fire which enabled the rifle troops to move forward and secure their objective. Private Wissmann's courageous action and selfless determination was responsible for saving many comrades which the enemy could have further inflicted upon our forces. Entered military service from Scranton, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT A. Williams, 36 141 028, Private First Class, Medical Department, 1st Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945 near Guise, France. Learning that there were numerous casualties on a field near Guise, France, Private Williams valiantly proceeded

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across the open terrain under heavy machine gun and sniper fire to aid in the evacuation of the casualties. Despite the hail of bullets falling all about him, he continued to work until the evacuation was completed. Private Williams' outstanding courage and devotion to duty saved the injured soldiers from further injury or death and was an inspiration to those working with him. Entered military service from Florence, Alabama.

military service from Florence, Alabama.  
James F. Willis, 39-277476, First Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade),  
Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 23rd Infantry Regiment, 10th  
Infantry Division, was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action on 8 January 1945 near Drusenheim, France. While  
transmitting a group of wounded from the Drusenheim area, Corporal Willis and his  
wounded personnel came under intense enemy mortar fire from enemy forces on their  
flank. After successfully gaining cover for the men, he waited for the enemy fire  
to subside. Then, realizing the need for immediate care for many of the wounded,  
he exposed himself constantly to the heavy fire to load the casualties onto the  
truck and were able to drive them safely through the shelling to the Battalion Aid  
Station. Corporal Willis' outstanding courage and zealous determination undoubtedly  
saved many of the injured soldiers from further injury or possible death.  
Entered military service from San Fran, California.

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal ..... I  
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J. R. F. OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 60-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

- John V. Barr, 42 123 246, Private First Class, Corps of Military Police, 42d Infantry Division Military Police Platoon, on 6-10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.
- William V. Bennett, 42 623 176, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 24 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.
- James H. Benton, 34 675 148, First Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Goldsboro, North Carolina.
- ~~BY 604 12 07-30 Jan, 34 715 289~~ Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 9 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Liberty, North Carolina.
- Clifton Brock, 34 741 561, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 21 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Tallahassee, Florida.
- Vertalo P. Carbarare, 35 520 279, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters, Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 29 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Lorain, Ohio.
- William A. Casali, 33 929 379, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company 3d Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 15-24 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.
- Claude F. Chauvet, 39 705 33, Staff Sergeant, (then Technician Fourth Grade) Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 2-7 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.
- Clyde T. Cooper, 34 779 376, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Charleston, South Carolina.
- Michael A. Corey, 37 675 725, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Sioux City, Iowa.
- Robert J. Cummins, 37 243 764, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Savannah, Missouri.
- John F. Dewar, 32 412 435, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company A, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

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William J. Dill, 37 516 042, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment on 12-25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Lawrence, Kansas.

Earl E. Fukita, 13 089 535, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, on 9 to 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Uniontown, Pennsylvania.

Clarence W. Fare, 7 C80 516, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Macon Georgia.

Walter F. Faust, 33 939 579, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kamberg, Pennsylvania.

~~Robert F. Faust~~, 31 398 048, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 14 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Bradford, Maine.

Armando J. Gasperi, 34 932 611, Private First Class, Corps of Military Police, 4th Infantry Division Military Police platoon, on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Columbia, South Carolina.

Louis R. Glaser, 31 141 164, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from New Britain, Connecticut.

James V. Hail, 33 246 957, Corporal, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

Harold P. Johnston, 36 414 535, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 14 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Mount Pleasant, Michigan.

Leslie F. Krueger, 16 093 399, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 7 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Hong G. Leong, 36 951 046, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, on 29 to 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

LEON P. LOLLER, 02 016 386, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, on 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Lufkin, Texas.

Godfrey J. Matthews, 32 656 650, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Waco, Texas.

Lawrence E. McAlpin, 33 692 986, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, on 29 to 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Elk City, Oklahoma.

Benjamin E. McKinley, 42 023 197, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company D, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 11 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.

Robert C. Nash, 39 141 532, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

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William L. Mason, 32 954 934, Corporal, Corps of Military Police, 44d Infantry Division, Military Police platoon, on 6-10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

Leland B. Paulson, 34 246 071, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, on 14 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Menomonie, Wisconsin.

Polish W. Collins, 34 947 079, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 24 January 1945, in Neuburg, France. Entered military service from Brookfield, Connecticut.

Edmon W. Gossard, 36 672 031, Corporal (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company G, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 18 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Ligonier, Illinois.

Oran W. Charles, 31 246 451, Sergeant (then Corporal), Corps of Military Police, 44d Infantry Division Military Police platoon, on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

Gordon T. Sheld, 16 115 446, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 14 January 1945, in Neuburg, Germany. Entered military service from Madison, Wisconsin.

Harold C. Slinker, 37 537 345, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Joliet, Illinois.

Henry F. Stanley, 3 555 523, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Midland, Texas.

Theodore J. Trocloski, 44 112 359, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 19 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ossining, New York.

Wayne J. Hall Jr., 34 774 519, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 122d Infantry Regiment, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Elkin, North Carolina.

Paul F. Welch, 31 949 211, Private First Class (then Private), Infantry, Company H, 132d Infantry Regiment, on 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Belmont, North Carolina.

Joseph J. Veloski, 33 642 653, Private, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, on 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Wilkes-Barre Townships, Pennsylvania.

Clifford F. Tickey, 31 646 571, First Lieutenant, Medical Corps, Medical Regiment, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Franklin, Wisconsin.

Robert V. Wilson, 33 646 549, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

~~...Award of the Distinguished Service Cross to the following:... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 10-43, 22 September 1943, it is ordered, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:~~

Wayne J. Murphy, 0 31 522, Major, Infantry, Headquarters, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 15 to 23 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

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Raymond C. Pescmer, 20 229 839, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 13 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Francis J. Hunt, 31 250 206, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25-26 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Danbury, Connecticut.

III. AWARD OF THE SECOND DAK LAK 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 Dak Lak Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

Kenneth J. Alrich, 20 753 915, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 9 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Neerhead, Minnesota.

Louis P. Johnson, 12 061 510, Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 9 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

IV. REVOCATION:-... So much of General Orders 23; this headquarters, dated 19 January 1946, as pertains to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to Garland T. Basco, 39 278 166, Private First Class, 69th Tank Destroyer Battalion, is revoked.

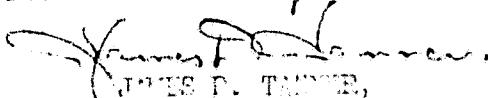
So much of General Orders 25, this headquarters, dated 21 January 1946, as pertains to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to Walter C. Martin, 02 310 72, Second Lieutenant, 242d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

So much of General Orders 26, this headquarters, dated 21 January 1946, as pertains to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to Lewis P. Johnson, 12 061 51, Sergeant, 242d Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL COLLINS:

EDWIN RUTHERFORD,  
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Actg. Chief of Staff.

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WARD 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 an enemy of the United States:

Paul E. Andrews, 36 563 734, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

David A. Arnsheim, 36 832 176, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 1 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Arlington Heights, Illinois.

Fred T. Powers, 36 510 672, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 26 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Batesville, Arkansas.

Joseph A. Purleigh, 36 661 456, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

John J. Purrian, 36 679 323, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dorrington, Pennsylvania.

Lynn V. Cochran, 36 966 820, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), Headquarters Battery, 52d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Irving Cohen, 12 194 821, 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 Brooklyn, New York.

Will L. Davidson, 14 071 457, Technician Fifth Grade, 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 Meridian, Mississippi.

James S. Dowling, 46 626, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company G, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Arlington, Virginia.

Francis T. Dunigan, 41 641 870, First Lieutenant, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

Philip E. Estes, 14 169 242, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

George H. Evans Miller, 13 630 051, Technical Sergeant, 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 LeVeyton, Pennsylvania.

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Durant W. Eklund, 32 996 541, Technician Fifth Grade, (then Private First Class), Corps of Military Police, 12d Infantry Division Military Police Platoon, from 15 March 1945 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York City, New York.

Edgar F. Ellsworth, 12 1291, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, from 28 December 1944 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from South Dakota. Terms.

George S. Farber, 37 73 814, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 12d Infantry Regiment, from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newark City, New Jersey.

Harold J. Feltz, 12 129 125, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, Company B, 14th Engineer Combat Battalion, from 18 February 1945 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania.

Harvin H. Fleischman, 4 166 072, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, B Battery, 541st Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Yulee, Florida.

~~• TONY BY GENE~~ Harry J. Fleischman, 4 166 072, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Field Artillery, Headquarters Battalion, 374th Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

Orville J. Grusby Jr., 34 524 511, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 2nd Infantry Regiment, from 5 June 1944 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rose, New York.

Frank J. Hall, Private, Headquarters Battalion, 2nd Field Artillery Battalion, from 26 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

Henry L. Hopkins, 12 129 125, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 541st Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Oklahome City, Oklahoma.

Thomas P. Hill, 34 524 511, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battalion, 2nd Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

Henry L. Hinton, 35 524 501, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 2nd Infantry Regiment, from 14 December 1944 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

Howard H. Hughes, 34 437 177, First Sergeant, Infantry, Company M, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 21 December 1944 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

Albert W. Kammeyer, 61 624 511, Second Lieutenant (then Master Sergeant), Infantry, Headquarters Battalion, 2nd Infantry Regiment, from 16 January 1945 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New Haven, Connecticut.

Isadore L. Kanner, 6 261 487, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, B Battery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

James McNamee, 34 524 511, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 541st Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

John M. McNeely, 34 524 511, Private, 1st Company, Headquarters, 12d Infantry Regiment, from 27 December 1944 to 16 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lakewood, Texas.

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HAROLD G. LEICHLIN, 12 126 577, Chief Warrant Officer, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 27 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Weston, Massachusetts.

Joseph A. Laskowski, 36 253 290, Corp id, Field Artillery, Artillery C, 242d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Geoffrey L. Leiter, 36 225 692, 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 Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

John Laskowski, 37 433 704, Technician Fourth Grade, Quartermaster Corps, 242d Quartermaster Company, from 20 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

George H. McElroy, 13 189 476, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newville, Pennsylvania.

Fred M. Miller, 37 524 659, Staff Sergeant, Signal Corps, 133d Signal Company, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

Joseph H. Miller, 33 221 222, Corporal, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 242d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bellvue, Pennsylvania.

Marvin W. Murray, 35 751 172, 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 Orwigsburg, West Virginia.

William D. O'Keeffe, 32 221 961, 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 Brooklyn, New York.

Donald A. Polenske, 31 349 573, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 242d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

Anthony N. Perreca, 42 608 913, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 242d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

James L. Price, 31 147 272, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company B, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 12 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Radford, Virginia.

Frederick H. Schindler, 31 140 311, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company D, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 12 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Lewis A. Stevenson, 31 147 411, Staff Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company D, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 12 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Melbourne, Florida.

Frederick Sherry, 33 834 161, Staff Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company D, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 12 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Roanoke, Virginia.

Clayton E. Sherrill, 34 117 267, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive,

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in France and Germany. Entered military service from Havre, Pennsylvania.

John R. Sleep, 34 144 129, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery A, 52d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Salisbury, North Carolina.

Levin V. Smith, 38 524 484, Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 15 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Piner Roane, Louisiana.

Alphonse Smith, 37 727 643, Technical Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery A, 52d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Marietta, Georgia.

Loyd J. Spurlock, 39 401 400, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 22d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Jose, California.

William H. Stiles, 38 305 303, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lynn, Massachusetts.

Richard L. Stiles, 18 430 366, Technical Sergeant, (then G-4 Sergeant), Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 15 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wichita Falls, Texas.

Wiley W. Whiston, 37 520 172, Corporal, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 1 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

Cecil E. Whittemore, 36 845 904, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 27 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Columbus, Indiana.

William W. Wilson, 36 455 383, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Burroughs, Illinois.

John Withrow, 32 491 487, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 52d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

BY ORDER OF Major General COLLETT:

E. J. H. RUSTENBERG,  
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 the following:

MICHAEL ZABEK, 02 610 781, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 4 April 1945, in Wurzburg, Germany. During the fierce fighting for Wurzburg, Germany. Lieutenant Zabek's rifle platoon encountered an enemy strongpoint in the city park. Realizing the importance of a quick assault, he quickly reorganized his forces and placed his machine gunners in position. Lieutenant Zabek then ran forward alone through the murderous hail of enemy machine gun, machine pistol, and small arms fire, throwing grenades as he ran and shouting for his men to follow. He alone killed five of the enemy, captured nine, and knocked out an enemy machine gun nest. Lieutenant Zabek's display of indomitable courage was an inspiration to his men to follow him, and the enemy strongpoint was soon neutralized. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

WALTER J. CZARNIK, 34 966 368, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 April 1945 near Perbach, Germany. When his Intelligence and Reconnaissance platoon was ambushed by superior enemy forces, Private Czarnik leaped from his vehicle and with utter disregard for his own safety, returned the fire. Observing that two soldiers were wounded, he crossed the open terrain and carried one man to his vehicle. He then returned and aided the second injured man to the vehicle which withdrew from the area. As a result of Private Czarnik's indomitable courage and selfless devotion to duty, his platoon was able to take up a defensive position and two injured comrades were promptly evacuated to receive critically needed medical attention. Entered military service from Lincoln Park, Michigan.

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

HARRY J. MULCH JR., 42 083 795, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 11 April 1945, near Eitelbrunn, Germany. Attacking an enemy skirmish line in the face of heavy small arms and automatic weapons fire, Private Mulch, acting as scout, fearlessly left his sheltered position to go to the aid of the other scout who was wounded. In this brave and valorous attempt to help a comrade-in-arms, Private Mulch was mortally wounded by enemy fire. Nearest Relative; Mrs. Marion Mulch (Mother), 244 Carlisle Road, Audubon, New Jersey. Entered military service from Audubon, New Jersey.

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III. WARD OF THE FRONT STAR MEDAL:... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Front Star Medal is awarded to the following:

FRILLY E. FENSTEN, 39 212 322, Staff Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Corps of Engineers, Company F, 144th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 23 February 1945 near Lichtenburg, France. When the patrol of which Private Fensten was a member was recommitting an area for a mine field, they were fired upon by machine guns and small arms from a house to the front, within the area of fire. Withdrawal was ordered and Private Fensten and another soldier evacuated the officer under the enemy fire. Upon successful completion of the withdrawal, he returned to the area with two others and, while under the enemy's observation, laid a mine field which blocked the route enemy patrols were using to penetrate our lines. Private Fensten's courageous action and disregard for personal safety played a major role in the successful accomplishment of the mission. Entered military service from Brewerton, Washington.

FRANCIS D. FRANTZ, 33 494 249, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945, near Ludwigsfeld, Germany. In order to maintain contact with the enemy while preparing to assault the ruined German West Wall, Private Frantz 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 Frantz was able to locate enemy positions which were then neutralized by friendly artillery. Private Frantz's heroic action greatly aided in a prompt breakthrough of the Siegfried Line fortifications at that point. Entered military service from Arcola, Louisiana.

WILLIAM T. FRANKLIN, Q 335 712, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company C, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 9 January 1945, at Hatten, France. When his company in reserve was committed to halt a determined enemy assault, Lieutenant Franklin, though wounded by artillery fire, found that he was the only surviving company officers. Refusing medical aid until all other wounded had been treated, he remained on the scene for about three hours, directing his company's counterattack, until well to cover on. When litter bearers arrived to evacuate the wounded, he refused to be moved until all other wounded had been evacuated. Lieutenant Franklin's heroic actions were largely responsible for the success of his unit in repelling the enemy attack. Entered military service from Apopka, Florida.

LEONARD T. FUTTERMAN, Q 517 111, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 144th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 23 February 1945 near Lichtenburg, France. When Lieutenant Futterman and two men were recommitting an area for the laying of a mine field, they were fired upon by machine guns and small arms from a house to their front. Artillery fire was called for and Lieutenant Futterman ordered withdrawal. After completing the withdrawal, he and his men returned to the same area, and, although the house had not been hit and observation was good, laid a mine field which blocked the route the enemy had been using to send patrols through our lines. Lieutenant Futterman's private thinking, excellent judgment, and courageous action were directly responsible for saving many lives and accomplishing his mission. Entered military service from Stillwater, Oklahoma.

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Walter L. Lepper, 37 544 793, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945 near Obbach, Germany. After the capture of Obbach, the positions held by Company I were subjected to intense concentrations of enemy artillery fire which were concentrated on the roads over which supply vehicles travelled. None of the company vehicles would travel over the road due to the concentrated shelling. Private Lepper volunteered to deliver prisoners to the rear and bring back a supply of ammunition. Working with the supply sergeant, and with utter disregard to his personal safety, Private Lepper made his way over the road several times under the intense enemy artillery fire on foot until the company had sufficient ammunition to continue their attack. Entered military service from Des Moines, Iowa.

Henry J. Nelson, 32 206 747, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, Medical Technician, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Reipertswiller, France. During the bitter fighting for Hill 51 near Reipertswiller, France, Sergeant Nelson directed and assisted in the emergency treatment and evacuation of forty-one wounded Infantrymen. Concussion from mortar shells twice knocked him to the ground. On two occasions when he was caught in the open administered blood plasma to casualties, he shielded the wounded soldiers with his own body rather than seek cover. When mortar fire fell dangerously close to his ambulance, Sergeant Nelson and the ambulance driver removed two wounded men from the vehicle and placed them beneath it before taking cover themselves. By his indomitable courage and unflinching determination, Sergeant Nelson reflected great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Flemington, New Jersey.

Norman S. Rebello, 31 361 83, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Company B, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 13 February 1945 near Lichtenau, France. When the patrol of which Corporal Rebello was a member was reconnoitering an area for the placing of a minefield, they were fired upon by machine guns and small arms from a house to the front, wounding one officer. A withdrawal was ordered and Corporal Rebello and another soldier evacuated the officer under the constant enemy fire. Upon successful completion of the withdrawal, he returned to the site with two others and, while under the enemy observation, laid a minefield which blocked the route enemy patrols were using to penetrate our lines. Corporal Rebello's courageous action in disregard for personal safety played a major role in the successful accomplishment of the mission. Entered military service from Fall River, Massachusetts.

Earl T. Sheaffer, 33 766 06, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, at Furth, Germany. Upon reaching the river bank during the crossing of the Regnitz River, Private Sheaffer was pinned down by intense machine gun and panzerfaust fire from across the river. Completely disregarding his own safety, he fearlessly took his heavy machine gun out of action and crossed the river on a partially destroyed bridge. On the other side, still exposed to the intense fire, he sought out a building and set up his gun, laying down an effective and concentrated fire on the enemy positions. Private Sheaffer's unflinching determination and courageous action played a major role in the successful crossing of the river and the storming of Furth. Entered military service from Middleburg, Pennsylvania.

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Richard C. Smith, 42 023 609, Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 at Furth, Germany. Sergeant Smith approached the Regnitz River with his heavy machine gun section, he was pinned down by a concentration of enemy panzerfaust and machine gun fire. Disregarding his personal safety, he fearlessly led his men across the river over a partially destroyed bridge and located a building from which fire could effectively be directed against the enemy positions. Sergeant Smith's cool leadership and resolution under intense fire contributed materially to the success of the attack on Furth. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.

Charles E. Stearns, 18 249 316, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 March 1945, near Lichtenberg, France. Private Stearns was assigned as communications man for a combat patrol sent to feel out enemy positions near Lichtenberg, France. Expertly laying communications wire behind the patrol as they advanced one-half mile into enemy territory, Private Stearns proceeded to keep the command post informed of the Patrol's progress. When the patrol became engaged with the enemy forces, Private Stearns then proceeded to maintain communications with his 300 radio. While operating his radio from an exposed position he was hit and seriously wounded. Through his valiant action, sincerity and devotion to duty, Private Stearns strengthened the morale of his comrades and enabled them to accomplish their mission. Entered military service from Little Rock, Arkansas.

Robert L. Turcotte, 31 398 270, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 January 1945, near Neuberg, France. During a determined enemy attack near Neuberg, France, intense enemy artillery and mortar fire destroyed communications between Sergeant Turcotte's observation post and his mortar section. Maintaining contact by making numerous trips over exposed ground to a nearby machine gun position whose communications were intact, he continued to direct the fire of his section throughout the attack. Sergeant Turcotte's courageous determination played a major role in repulsing the dangerous enemy advance. Entered military service from Lewiston, Maine.

Wendell P. Wright, 35 708 097, Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, Company B, 1st Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Lthern, France. While Sergeant Wright and four other soldiers were repairing a road important to our supply, an enemy machine gun opened fire forcing them to take cover and halting the work of the group. Unable to order a withdrawal without exposing his men to intense fire, Sergeant Wright, with complete disregard for his safety, moved across the open terrain exposed to the fire of fire to contact a friendly tank destroyer in the vicinity. He returned with the weapon and directed its fire upon the machine gun nest, wiping out the position. Sergeant Wright's courageous and determined action eliminated a dangerous enemy threat to our advance and enabled his men to continue on their mission. Entered military service from Linton, Indiana.

IV. WARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL... By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 20 September 1943, is awarded, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal in reward to the following:

John V. G'Well, 42 031 473, First Lieutenant, Cavalry, 42d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 at Pfeisch, Germany. This Lieutenant G'Well was leading a patrol of three vehicles

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into enemy territory, heavy machine gun fire was encountered on the outskirts of Dambach, Germany. Ordering a withdrawal, Lieutenant Carolin remained in position to cover the other vehicles with the machine gun mounted on his jeep. Suddenly another machine gun opened fire, wounding one of his men in the chest. Firing the enemy fire, Lieutenant Carolin moved to the vehicle containing the wounded soldier and covered the withdrawal of the vehicle nearest to the enemy, only withdrawing himself when all his men had reached safety. By his exceptional courage and unswerving devotion to duty, Lieutenant Carolin saved his men from possible injury or death, and kept valuable equipment from falling into the hands of the enemy. Entered military service from New York, New York.

LAWTON H. ELLIOTT, 027 055, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, Company C, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945 at Wurzburg, Germany. During the crossing of the Main River prior to the assault on Wurzburg, Lieutenant Elliott organized and directed the operations of his platoon in transporting men and supplies across the river in assault boats. Despite intense enemy artillery, machine gun, and small arms fire, he毫不犹豫地 crossed the river to organize operations on the opposite bank. He exposed himself constantly while personally encouraging the men of his platoon at those times when the enemy fire was heaviest. Lieutenant Elliott's courageous leadership and unswerving devotion to duty expedited establishment of a bridgehead which eventually led to the capture of the city of Wurzburg, Germany. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

Stanton J. Erdman, 36 672 662, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company E, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8-10 January 1945, near Fatten, France. When the reconnaissance patrol of which Private Erdman was point man had completed its mission, it was unable to send the information it had obtained because of radio failure. Cut off behind enemy lines by a major enemy attack, the patrol leader decided to attempt an escape during the darkness. Although the position of our lines was undetermined, Private Erdman led the patrol safely to our lines, evading numerous enemy patrols gauging his directions by travelling toward the sound of cannon fire until he reached friendly troops. His outstanding courage and endurance contributed materially to the safe return of all members of the patrol and the successful accomplishment of their mission. Entered military service from Rockford, Illinois.

Carl J. Green, 38 563 601, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 January and 7 January 1945, near Kilstatt, France. During the action around Kilstatt, Private Green, operating the last quarter-ton truck in his detachment, was advancing wounded from the area to the forward aid station. He repeatedly exposed his own safety to drive his vehicle into areas covered by intense enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire to pick up wounded soldiers. By his outstanding courage, initiative, and devotion to duty, Private Green was able to evacuate six wounded men from the battlefield to the aid station where they received prompt medical attention. Entered military service from Norman, Oklahoma.

Howard R. Kelman, 12 219 409, Corporal, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945 in Wurzburg, Germany. When the advance of our forces through Wurzburg was halted by determined enemy resistance, Corporal Kelman moved his heavy machine gun to the upper floor of a building to give riflemen overhead supporting fire. From a completely exposed position he continued to fire his gun for more than an hour, killing eight of the enemy, forcing the surrender of fifty, and making it possible for our

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wounded to be evacuated. Corporal Helman's courageous action in the face of intense resistance, made a material contribution to the eventual capture of the fanatically defended city. Entered military service from New York, New York.

CORPORAL V. LIEBER, 01 043 702, Captain, Infantry, Company A, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945 in Wurzburg, Germany. During the fierce engagement for Wurzburg, Germany, the advance of Company A was halted by withering enemy machine gun and sniper fire. Then a litter squad rushed forward to evacuate a wounded infantryman; enemy fire hit one of the litterbearers, forcing the rest to cover. Without hesitation, Captain Lieber fearlessly crawled into the vicious fire and dragged the wounded man to safety. By his prompt and heroic action, Captain Lieber saved the life of the injured soldier and was an inspiration to the men under his command. Entered military service from Monroe, Louisiana.

PRIVATE J. PAGANO, 32 717 385, Private First Class, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945 in Wurzburg, Germany. When the advance of our forces through Wurzburg was halted by determined enemy resistance, Private Pagano moved his heavy machine gun to the upper floor of a building to give riflemen overhead supporting fire. From a completely exposed position he continued to fire his gun for more than an hour, killing eight of the enemy, forcing the surrender of fifty, and making it possible for our wounded to be evacuated. Private Pagano's courageous action in the face of intense resistance, made a material contribution to the eventual capture of the fanatically defended city. Entered military service from New York, New York.

SERGEANT T. POWELL, 20 382 372, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 February 1945 near Lichtenberg, France. During the fierce fighting around Lichtenberg, France, intense enemy artillery and mortar fire was causing numerous breaks in the wire lines from the mortar observation post to the gun positions. When our troops were under cover from the heavy fire, Sergeant Powell braved the hail of shells to locate and repair the many breaks, restoring the vital communications. By his heroic and courageous determination, he made an effective contribution to the successful completion of the engagement. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

V. ORDER 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, 02 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

FIRST LIEUTENANT J. TUTTLE, 016 523, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company C, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in the Herbitzvillains, France. After Lieutenant Tuttle's company had seized a vital bridgehead, the enemy staged three counter-attacks in separate attempts to retake the position. During the attacks he went from man to man, encouraging each man and directing their fire. Later, entering the fire fight due to the shortage of men, he accounted for four Germans who had crawled within twenty yards of a weak spot in our lines. Lieutenant Tuttle's exceptional leadership and courageous determination contributed immeasurably in driving off the overwhelming odds of the fanatically attacking enemy. Entered military service from East Orange, New Jersey.

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by command of Major General COLLINS:

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GENERAL ORDER

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Award of the Soldier's Medal ..... I  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal ..... II  
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I. 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:

Leslie W. Endewerd, 36 240 171, Technical Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, for his great involvement in actual conflict with an enemy on 12 April 1945, at Schweinfurt, Germany. Protecting Schweinfurt, elements of the 242d Infantry found themselves trapped alive beneath the rubble and wreckage of a bombed building which was in the verge of further collapse. In attempting to rescue the women, an American officer was overcome by toxic gases in the closed area under the debris, and was in danger of succumbing. Sergeant Endewerd, breaching the center of the poisonous fumes and of the imminent collapse of the building, valiantly crawled through the wreckage, rescued the unconscious officer, and carried him to safety. Through his brilliant action, Sergeant Endewerd saved the life of an American officer. Entered military service from Jackson County, Minnesota.

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

Michael Schmittino, 37 24 411, Corporal (then Private First Class), Corps of Military Police, 442 Infantry Division Military Police Platoon, on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

Vernon C. Bochner, 36 76 416, Private First Class, Corps of Military Police, 442 Infantry Division Military Police Platoon, on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Joliet, Illinois.

George F. Ross, 13 03 464, Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, Company 1, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, on 29-30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Taylor, Texas.

John J. Fahey, 42 114 949, Private First Class (then Private), Corps of Military Police, 442 Infantry Division Military Police Platoon, on 16 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Union, New Jersey.

James J. Failes, 35 27 575, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion, 142d Infantry Regiment, on 12 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Fair, West Virginia.

William R. Quirk, 02 006 326, Second Lieutenant, (then Sergeant), Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 9 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Washington D. C.

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Albert G. Gross, 39 364 663, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 10 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

WESO C. H. BRY, 326 663, First Lieutenant, (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Charles J. Healy, 39 476 181, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tacoma, Washington.

Malv L. McCall, 31 147 253, Private First Class, Corps of Military Police, 42d Infantry Division Military Police Platoon, on 6-10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Woonsocket, Rhode Island.

X BY ~~GOS 245 29 Jan 46~~ 42 061 524, Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 9 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Arthur A. Koch, 37 730 10, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Ichit, Kansas.

William Kracev, 42 074 641, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Robert M. Normoyle, 36 241 955, Private First Class (then Private), Corps of Military Police, 42d Infantry Division Military Police Platoon, on 16 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

William Odrachowski, 33 674 121, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 11 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Tarentum, Pennsylvania.

Oscar W. Olson, 42 141 323, Private First Class, (then Private), Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 9 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Poughkeepsie, New York.

Samuel P. Rotfus, 12 147 549, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 6 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Paul L. Tuems, 34 948 060, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 18 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Cedartown, Georgia.

Harlan T. Thompson, 17 090 707, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from San Marino, California.

Howard E. Thorne, 33 437 609, Corporal, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, on 29-30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Brighton, Pennsylvania.

Lowell F. Tuft, 16 115 99, Corporal (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company M, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 18 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

August C. Yos, 36 670 632, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, on 29-30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

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Furone F. Zbikowski, 37 588 005, Private First Class, Infantry, Company M, 3rd Infantry Regiment, on 5-7 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Minn., Minnesota.

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Wright W. Franklin, 36 931 494, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Infantry Regiment, on 16 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from West Allis, Wisconsin.

Wayne H. McWherter, 33 933 081, Private First Class, Infantry, Company D, 4th Infantry Regiment, on 22 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Franklin, Pennsylvania.

REMARKS OF MAJOR GENERAL COLLINS:

ERWIN WUSTERBERG,  
Lt. Col., General Staff Corps,  
Actg. Chief of Staff.

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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 Regulation 600-45, 12 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:

JAMES A. MISTAK, 0 285 225, Lieutenant Colonel (then Major), Inspector General's Department, 42d Infantry Division, from 18 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Madison, Wisconsin.

THOMAS J. POEHL, 35 925 956, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 442d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

CARL FRADEN, JR., 15 136 238, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 1 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

JAMES R. PROUT, 01 187 340, Captain, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 14 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Austin, Texas.

JAMES A. COVETT, 0 519 963, Captain, Chaplain Corps, Headquarters, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Robinson, Illinois.

FRANCIS W. CORCORAN, 36 275 344, Technician Third Grade, Ordnance, 742d Ordnance Unit Company, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

WALTER J. DIAZLO, 31 346 777, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 10 January 1945 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Central Falls, Rhode Island.

VIRGIL GUIDICI, 6 583 799, First Sergeant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 3 January 1945 to 5 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Scranton, Pennsylvania.

OTTO F. GUTHRIE, 6 294 107, Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Spiro, Oklahoma.

GEORGE J. HAWKINS, 32 997 261, Technician Third Grade, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 3 March 1945 to 1 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Great Neck, New York.

EDWARD C. KELLY, 33 239 940, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 1 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM P. KERRY, 01 081 708, First Lieutenant, 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.

JOHN W. LORAN, 33 403 692, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Norman, Oklahoma.

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Samuel T. Lyles, 34 678 603, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina. BY CO~~S 29-32 10 782~~, Second Lieutenant, (then Corporal), Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from McCork, Mississippi.

Alfred H. Montreito, 32 994 359, Sergeant, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

Glenn E. Morrell, 20 146 347, Corporal (then Private First Class), Infantry, Cannon Company, 212d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Caribou, Maine.

Joseph G. Nasco, 12 139 845, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 4th Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

Herrick P. Outland Jr., 33 732 630, Technician Third Grade, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

Thomas G. Reese, 36 332 958, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Duluth, Minnesota.

Clinton F. Reid, 32 067 747, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 15 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Somerset City, New Jersey.

Willy J. Rice, O 550 362, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 4th Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kaufman, Texas.

Thomas V. Rodgers, 33 743 164, Sergeant, 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 Chester, Pennsylvania.

Donald L. Sampson, O 549 434, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Leon Park, Indiana.

Norman T. Sien, 39 912 931, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 4th Battalion, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Twin Falls, Idaho.

Charles W. Stein, 12 161 074, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery C, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

Irwin Thel, 35 750 553, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 342d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Clarksburg, West Virginia.

Henry E. Werner, O 461 511, Lieutenant Colonel, Finance Department, 42d Infantry Division, from 15 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pensacola, Florida.

John W. Weyrich, O 566 116, First Lieutenant, Quartermaster Corps, 42d Quartermaster Company, from 15 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.

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Vance P. Williams, 34 618 235, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Mortar C, 54-d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sheffield, Alabama (Army), 01 059 139. First Lieutenant, Cannon Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

Clarence V. Workman, 39 212 735, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 26 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Seattle, Washington.

III. LIST OF THE FIVE MAJOR OFFICERS TO THE FRANCE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the France Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States:

Philip A. Eudy, 34 607 417, Technical Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Mt. Pleasant, North Carolina.

BY ORDER OF MAJOR GENERAL COLLINS:

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

GEORGE JAMES P. MONTAGUE, CI 301 059, Captain, Infantry, Company B, 242d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 January 1946 in Hatten, France. Despite two fanatical enemy attacks on his Company's position by infantry, supported by three throwing tanks, artillery, and mortar fire, Captain Montague remained in position and directed his company's defense against the enemy. When his position was in danger of being overrun, he organized the sixteen remaining men of his company and ordered them to proceed to Hatten, France, and set up new defensive positions. He then remained with the wounded until subsequent capture by the enemy. As a result of Captain Montague's gallant and courageous action, his men were inspired to greater efforts, enabling his Battalion to set up strong defensive positions around the town of Hatten. Entered military service from Bellville, New Jersey.

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:

HAROLD R. LILES, 1956 104, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company H, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1946 near Schleihausen, France. During the attack on Schleihausen, Lieutenant Liles moved forward in the face of intense mortar and artillery fire to observe and direct our mortar fire on the town. The fire was so intense that at times he was forced to take cover in the freezing water of a nearby stream. After the town had been taken, he refused to leave his platoon although suffering from cold and severe exposure. Lieutenant Liles' outstanding courage and leadership played a major role in the successful capture of the town. Entered military service from Stillwater, Oklahoma.

(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:

WILLIAM E. REEDSON, CI 606 194, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1946, in France. Entered military service from Franklin, New Hampshire.

WILLIAM F. K. VAY, CI 743 424, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 14 March 1946, in France. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.

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ALVIN MORTON 02 006 223, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company L, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

ELIJAH D. FALKER, C 548 726, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, on 15 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Preston, Mississippi.

ROBERT C. RICKETS, C 551 741, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Farmington, New Mexico.

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

JOHN E. LICHOP, C1 550 747, First Lieutenant, Ordnance, 742d Ordnance Company, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bristol, Connecticut.

HAROLD F. CAHILL, C2 466 296, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Diego, California.

JAMES A. DE PAMEE, C 554 314, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company C, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 19 April 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Seattle, Washington.

VINCENT J. KEMM, C1 141 618, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Springfield, Illinois.

JOHN C. KELLEY, C1 381 280, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Manchester, New Hampshire.

MARION W. PALAK, C1 547 104, First Lieutenant, Medical Administration Corps, Company C, 122d Medical Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

SETH A. REIFER, C1 289 419, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wildwood, New Jersey.

JOHN R. SCHILLIG, C1 180 701, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery F, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 18 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

STANLEY A. SMYKA, C 436 394, Captain, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

III. WARD 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 Sept. 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

DALE E. DUMARD, C 357 C97, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, on 29 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Memphis, Tennessee.

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(b) By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 60-15, 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:

JOHN H. ALLEN, G-521 916, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Miami, Arizona.

IV REINFORCEMENT: So much of General Order 10, this headquarters, acted 9 January 1946, as relating to the awarding of the Bronze Star Medal to Col. JAMES D. TAYLER, 35 114 157, 42d Division Artillery, is revoked.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL COLLINS:

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In pursuance of the above and in accordance with the directions of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-14, September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

Louis J. Franco, 31, 438 282, First Sergeant, Infantry, Company H, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 January 1945, near Neufeldheim, France. During the attack on enemy positions near Neufeldheim, Private Franco constantly exposed himself to intense small arms, mortar, and shell fire to bring ammunition to his heavy machine gun squad. Eventually the attacking company was forced to withdraw, leaving many casualties behind. Private Franco left his position of safety to assist in bringing alive several wounded soldiers from close proximity to the enemy to a place of safety. Private Franco's extreme courage under fire was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

James W. Dunham, 27, 438 614, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 2nd Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945 near Hanau, Germany. Serving as a forward artillery observer, Lieutenant Dunham valiantly repositioned a tank and moved forward under enemy artillery and mortar fire to direct the guns of his battalion. Working through the darkness of night, he plotted the flashes of two gun positions. Skillfully adjusting artillery fire, Lieutenant Dunham succeeded in destroying the gun emplacements and ammunition dump located nearby. In the light of the exploding munitions, he observed three more gun positions and enemy personnel moving, for a counter attack. He immediately called for artillery fire and directed the remaining engineers and broke up the enemy formation. Through his courageous courage, determination, and professional skill, Lieutenant Dunham succeeded in destroying five enemy artillery positions, an ammunition dump, and reviving a tank which had been blocking a sturdy enemy obstacle in the path of advance. Entered military service from West Point, New York.

Gilbert L. Fall, 31, 438 724, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry, for heroic achievement in action from 4 January to 9 January 1945 near Kirchbach, France. During the defense of Alsace, Sergeant Fall led a ten-man patrol and recommended that he be made a platoon leader, on one occasion when three men fell behind enemy lines during a heavy snow storm. On January the patrol leader was leading a car under heavy artillery fire, and while maneuvering his men to get out of the barrage he and one other man were wounded by shrapnel. He covered the withdrawal until the rest of the patrol was off and then made his way back to friendly lines with the other wounded men. Sergeant Fall's leadership and devotion to duty were an inspiration to the men he served with him. Entered military service from Cincinatti, Ohio.

L. L. Given, 31, 438 446, Technical Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Heavy Engineers and Service Company, 142d Infantry Combat Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 14 April 1945 near Kehlheim, Germany. As a leader of a three-man mechanized team, Corporal Given cleared the town of Kehlheim,

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Germany while searching for possible intact bridges across the Main River. Noting an enemy group in the streets, he and his comrades drove forward in their vehicle and demanded surrender of the enemy officer in charge while covering him with a machine gun. Then, although outnumbered and surrounded by other concealed enemy personnel, he fearlessly assisted in escorting the captured soldiers out of the town. Corporal Given's aggressiveness and disregard for personal safety helped to reduce an enemy strongpoint and supplied information of the enemy's strength and disposition. Entered military service from "Interest, Iowa."

LEO F. HOLMES, O 552 670, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, in Furzburg, Germany. During an enemy counter-attack on Furzburg, a superior enemy force had completely surrounded two platoons of Company I and was inflicting numerous casualties. Lieutenant Holmes, weapons platoon leader, constantly exposed himself to intense machine gun and rifle fire in order to deploy his weapons most effectively. Throughout the entire action he was running along his platoon's front, directing their fire and placing his men in more advantageous positions. By his courageous action and aggressive leadership, Lieutenant Holmes was able to repulse the enemy force and free the rifle troops from their precarious position. Entered military service from Trenton, South Carolina.

THOMAS G. KERNIG, 33 875 677, Private, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 222nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945 at Furzburg, Germany. In the early phase of the attack against Furzburg, Private Kernig was part of a patrol which attacked and destroyed an enemy machine gun position and advanced against a 20 mm cannon position.

Advancing to within 40 yards of the weapon in the face of intense fire from the gun and from small arms and machine guns in the vicinity, he was wounded in the leg. Disregarding his wound he doggedly continued to advance, killing two members of the crew and forcing the others to surrender. Private Kernig's daring and courageous action enabled hundreds of our troops to cross the Main River without casualties from this enemy position. Entered military service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

ALFRED LEISTIKOW, 36 983 065, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company B, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Arn, France. While removing mines from a road near Villers, France, Private Leistikow and the squad of which he was a member were halted by intense small arms and machine gun fire. With complete disregard for personal safety, he fearlessly ran for the squad's machine gun, put it into action, and forced the enemy to withdraw. Later, when reinforcements were needed, he volunteered to deliver the message, accomplished his return under small arms fire, and was able to give the machine gunner information enabling him to wipe out another enemy position. By his outstanding courage and selfless devotion to duty, Private Leistikow was instrumental in eliminating the enemy gun positions and successful in obtaining the necessary reinforcements. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

ARTHUR T. LILLIQUIST, 31 333 027, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 21 April 1945, near Unterbach, Germany. While on a patrol to determine the status of a vital bridge leading into Unterbach, Germany, Private Lillquist spotted a group of enemy soldiers at work under the bridge. With complete disregard for his personal safety, he charged toward the enemy disorganizing them and forcing

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them to flee. He then ran to the bridge and cut the wires leading to detonation charges placed there by the enemy. By his prompt and courageous actions, Private Hillquist saved an important bridge and greatly facilitated his Company's advance into the village. Entered military service from West Haven, Connecticut.

Willis C. McDaniels, 33 699 215, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company F, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, on 15 March 1945, near Althorn, France. When the enemy had stopped his squad's advance with intense automatic-weapons, mortar, and artillery fire, Private McDaniels volunteered to take a message to his platoon leader, informing him of the enemy activities. Moving through the heavy fire, he set off a trip flare and two anti-personnel mines, but he continued on until he reached his destination. He then returned over the same route with the message for the squad to hold its position. Through his indomitable courage under fire, Private McDaniels played a major role in the successful defense of the squad's position until reinforcements arrived. Entered military service from Pittsford, Pennsylvania.

Robert W. Mullins, 39 619 006, Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 25 January 1945, at Haguenau, France. While occupying a defensive position at Haguenau, France, Sergeant Mullins' squad was subjected to a heavy enemy artillery and mortar concentration which seriously wounded one man. Disregarding his own safety in the face of the intense fire and direct enemy observation, Sergeant Mullins, crawled from safety to a wounded man and carried him to a defilade position where medical aid could be administered to him. Sergeant Mullins' heroic action saved the life of his fellow soldier. Entered military service from Helper, Utah.

Robert J. Nelson, 37 594 811, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Althorn, France. During the attack against strongly defended enemy positions near Althorn, France, when the two leading platoons of Company K were stopped by enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire, the reserve platoon, of which Private Nelson was a member, was committed. Advancing through the heavy fire, he was knocked to the ground unconscious by a shell burst. After regaining consciousness, he refused evacuation and remained with his comrades throughout the attack. Private Nelson's exceptional courage and aggressiveness contributed materially to the final success of the assault. Entered military service from Moorhead, Minnesota.

Stephen K. Opanza, 31 227 234, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, near Knudstein, Germany. Advancing as first scout into the town of Knudstein, Private Opanza spotted the well-concealed and dug-in enemy positions. He immediately fired into them and deliberately drew the enemy attention and fire upon himself. Despite a serious bullet wound in the right arm, Private Opanza continued firing into the enemy positions until the remainder of the platoon struck the enemy. Through his outstanding act of superior bravery and initiative, the enemy was taken completely by surprise and was quickly eliminated. Entered military service from New Bedford, Massachusetts.

John M. Orlando, 37 321 155, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 242d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, in Hursbury, Germany. Private Orlando was advancing with the Command Group of Company I through the sniper infested streets of Hursbury when the entire company was pinned down by intense machine gun fire coming from a strongpoint in a ruined building. Private Orlando毫不迟疑地 went out under the heavy fire to locate a route by which his platoons could bypass the strongpoint and

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surround it. He then led the two platoons along this route, returning to throw up vitally-needed grenades which assisted in wiping out the enemy position. Private Orlando's courageous action and alertness enabled his company to neutralize the enemy position while suffering only one casualty. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

~~John A. Beck, 30 103 160, Sergeant, Infantry, Company F, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, at Furth, Germany.~~ His first runner in a heavy machine gun squad which was supporting a rifle company in establishing a bridgehead, Sergeant Beck unfortunately carried his gun home and stepped across the river through intense enemy sniper fire. Realizing the dangerous hazard, he maneuvered his way through a street covered by deadly sniper and mortarmen fire in order to place the machine gun into action in close support of the attacking troops. Through his outstanding courage and aggressiveness, Sergeant Beck made an effective contribution to the successful attack. Entered military service from Monroe, Michigan.

~~Lloyd W. Pittman, 28 924 340, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company L, 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14-25 January 1945, near Neu-Ulm, France. When contact was broken between the flanks of Company K and Company E by enemy action, Sergeant Pittman was a member of a patrol which was assigned the mission of re-establishing contact between the two companies and reforming the main line of resistance. During a heavy enemy artillery concentration, Sergeant Pittman was knocked unconscious by concussion. When he was revived, he refused to be evacuated and deployed his squad in a skirmish line at his assigned position in the Ohlungen Forest. He then assisted in stopping numerous enemy attacks which soon followed. Through his outstanding courage and aggressive leadership, Sergeant Pittman played a major role in the defense of fanatical attacks. Entered military service from Corpus Christi, Texas.~~

~~James T. Russo, 30 273 166, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Company B, 69th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action 17 April 1945, near Ne-Ulm, Germany. When Private Russo's tank destroyer platoon came under heavy infantry attack on Stein, it met strong resistance from mines and enemy fire. Upon learning that one of our destroyers had been disabled by an enemy minefield, Private Russo and an aid man, disregarding their own safety, went to the head of the column under heavy fire. After reviving the dead and secured from the vehicle and administering first aid, they continued the combat to the side of Stein. Private Russo's heroic action was largely responsible for saving the lives of the wounded men. Entered military service from Sacramento, California.~~

~~John J. Schenck, 31 110 277, Lieutenant, Infantry, Company E, 24th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, near Hatten, France. When three regiments of the First and 25th German Panzer Divisions, supported by armor and artillery, attacked his company's positions near Hatten, Lieutenant Schenck assisted in deploying the reserve platoon to meet the enemy thrust. Then, in the face of withering artillery fire, he adjusted accurate mortar fire upon the enemy troops, and as the only member of his company left who could operate the S.C. 300 radio, maintained communications between the defending platoons, the company commander, and the battalion commander. When the order was received to withdraw into Hatten, Lieutenant Schenck voluntarily remained in his forward position, thus greatly aiding in the repulse of numerous enemy attacks until he was taken prisoner. Lieutenant Schenck's heroic sacrifice reflects great credit upon himself and~~

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the military service. Entered military service from Forrest Hills, Long Island, New York.

Foy J. Schuening, 39 346 412, Private First Class, Infantry, Company A, 2nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. During the fighting in Wurzburg, it became necessary for Company A to leave a road field in front of its position as protection against an expected enemy tank attack. Private Schuening volunteered to accomplish the mission, and, in order to bring the mines forward, made his way to the ammunition dump, going through a wall of enemy small arms fire. Returning with the mines, he placed them in front of the tanks and, while under enemy observation and fire, successfully blew a mine directly under his company. Through his outstanding courage and skill, Private Schuening played a major role in halting off an enemy mechanized attack. Entered military service from Madison, Oregon.

Leon C. Short, 37 666 137, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion, 23d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945, near Gengenbach, France. During the enemy counter-attack at Gengenbach, Anti-Tank Company was ordered to place a gun along the road to deliver supporting fire to an exposed flank. While the crew was firing the gun position under heavy mortar fire, Private Short saw one of the men hit by a fragment and fall into the freezing water. He unhesitatingly exposed himself to the heavy barrage, and with the aid of a pole pulled the man ashore and back to cover. Private Short's heroic devotion to his wounded comrade in the face of the hostile fire threatening his own life, was a credit to the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Toledo, Iowa.

Harold Siegmund, 36 439 387, Private, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. During the crossing of the Main River into Wurzburg, Private Siegmund made repeated trips carrying men and ammunition to the enemy held shore under intense fire from machine guns, artillery, and mortars. With complete disregard for personal safety or fatigue, he continued to volunteer for succeeding trips until all the men and supplies had been landed on the opposite bank of the river. Private Siegmund's exceptional courage and aggressive determination were largely responsible materially to the establishment of the bridgehead and the ultimate capture of Wurzburg. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Ralph A. Steineke, 34 102 318, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company D, 133d Infantry, 33d Division, for heroic achievement in action on 16 January 1945, at Roseloeke, France. When a superior enemy force attacked Roseloeke, France, Sergeant Steineke, despite exposure to intense enemy fire, directed the fire of his platoon machine gun squad. He kept his gun in action after the rifle platoon had broken, and when his position was about to be overrun by the enemy, he joined the company and the other squad of the section to safety. By his courageous action and coolness under fire, Sergeant Steineke enabled the rifle troops to effect an orderly withdrawal and led his own men back with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Edward J. Thura, 31 315 572, Technician Fourth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 144th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. As a member of assault boat crew, Sergeant Thura participated in six round trips crossings of the Main River under heavy machine gun, sniper, and flak fire during the attempt to establish

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a bridgehead on the enemy held territory. In spite of the constantly increasing intensity of the enemy fire, he continued to volunteer for each succeeding trip until the mission was complete. Sergeant Thomas's exceptional courage and devotion to duty contributed greatly to establishing the bridgehead and the ultimate fall of the city of Wurzburg. Entered military service from Litchfield, Connecticut.

Charles E. Thurman, 14 590 327, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. After crossing the Main River in the first assault boat with a seven man patrol, Private Thurman was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun and 82 mm. mortar fire. Locating one of the enemy machine guns, he led the patrol toward it, firing as he advanced. Within forty yards of the gun, his heavy fire caused the gun to blow up, killing the four man crew. At this time an exploding panzerfaust round severely wounded Private Thurman in the face and both legs. By his outstanding courage and disregard for personal safety in the face of intense fire, Private Thurman destroyed single-handed a serious threat to the advance of our troops into the city of Wurzburg. Entered military service from Memphis, Tennessee.

Louis J. Vollert, 36 794 640, Corporal, Infantry, Company K, 23rd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945, near Furth, Germany. Company K's advance on Furth was suddenly halted by intense enemy machine gun, machine pistol, and rifle fire coming from well concealed dug-in positions. Corporal Vollert advanced upon the nearest concrete bunker under terrific hail of enemy fire, threw grenades inside, and occupied the position. From this location he observed enemy positions and directed the fire of his comrades upon the enemy troops. By his courageous action and selfless determination, Corporal Vollert enabled his company to overrun the enemy positions and continue their successful advance. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

Wilbur F. Wise, 13 360 609, Private, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, near Wurzburg, Germany. Crossing the Main River in the first assault boat, Private Wise advanced in knee deep water against an enemy machine gun and a 20 mm. cannon. With another soldier he charged a pillbox, crossing 100 yards of open ground under intense fire and throwing a grenade into the embrasure, killing the six occupants. At that time an enemy panzerfaust exploded nearby, and he suffered a concussion during his evacuation. Private Wise's heroism and courage under fire eliminated a serious threat to the advance of our forces into Wurzburg. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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, 2 October 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

Robert J. Ground, 36 674 376, First Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Company I, 2-24th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. When a strong enemy force counter-attacked the position of Company I in Wurzburg, Germany, Sergeant Ground immediately called a light machine gun section forward and placed them alongside his platoon. As the enemy force advanced, he exposed himself to intense grenade, panzerfaust, machine gun, and rifle fire in order to maintain contact between his platoon and the machine gun section. Upon coming

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face to face with an enemy 'S officer, Sergeant Ground killed him with one shot from his rifle. Sergeant Ground's outstanding courage, pluckiness, and leadership corroborated materially to his company's success in repelling the German assault at the "interior" military objective from the battlefield. His heroic conduct brought him the award of the Silver Star.

Paul V. LeBell, of 52d Inf., "officer of Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, in Herzberg, Germany. During the latter street fighting in that town he fearlessly ran through intense enemy fire coming from a church to his immediate rescue. Although very ill from exposure and fatigue, he fearlessly set out for the church to rescue an antitank crew held of enemy fire. Entering the church he killed one sniper, and fired at another until it was third. Captain LeBell's gallantry and personal initiative elicited a unanimous shout of approbation from all who took part in the rescue.

Vice from Fort Ord, Calif., No. 101.  
LIEUTENANT SHORT, 42-306-277, First Lieutenant, (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Regimental Headquarters 222d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 April 1945, in Germany. While proceeding his platoon with his platoon, Lieutenant Short encountered an enemy mortar column, forcing their immediate surrender by his bold and fearless tactics. Continuing into the village he encountered heavy enemy resistance and one of his men was hit in all fragments. Lieutenant Short and an aid man advanced under the fire of small arms to where the wounded man lay and brought him to safety. By his indomitable courage and aggressive determination, Lieutenant Short saved the day to the swift advance of the Infantry. Entered military service from San Jose, California.

BY COMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL COLLINS:

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Reino H. Salo, 37 773 597, Private First Class, Corps of Military Police, 44d Infantry Division Military Police Platoon, on 6-10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pori, Finland.

Errol T. Melton, 36 765 974, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 22d Infantry Regiment, on 11 January 1945 to 26 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Granite City, Illinois.

Henry M. Thompson, 34 012 917, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 123d Infantry Regiment, on 5 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Greenville, South Carolina.

Albert R. Goss, 34 573 293, Private First Class, Corps of Military Police, 44d Infantry Division Military Police Platoon, on 6-10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Lancaster, Georgia.

John W. Miller, 6 951 018, Private First Class, Corps of Military Police, 44d Infantry Division Military Police Platoon, on 6-10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Allentown, Pennsylvania.

(b). By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 12 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:

Leonard J. Cuminsky, 37 023 421, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 October 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from El Centro, California.

Ted H. Ellison, 37 012 180, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Conner Company, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 26 December 1944 to 3 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cudahy, California.

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, 12 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious achievement in action:

Richard E. Irkin, 33 376 455, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 19 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania.

Elaine F. Lancy, 32 542 290, Corporal, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 19 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from French Mt., Virginia.

Joseph J. Lash, 33 790 953, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 19 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Joseph V. Tritto, 32 531 221, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company I, 222d Infantry Regiment, on 25 June 1945, in France. Entered military service from New Rochelle, New York.

(b) By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 12 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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OLIVER W. CARSON, OL 321 018, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, Headquarters, Third Battalion, 42d Infantry Regiment, from 15 March 1945, to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

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headquarters, as, is pertinent to the retirement of LT COL JOHN C. WEST,  
OL 21 243, on C, 4874th Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Civil Affairs,  
Military Government Unit EME, as being detailed in the General Staff Corps is  
revised.

BY ORDER OF MAJOR GENERAL COLEMAN:

EDWIN RUSTBERG,  
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Report of the Purple Heart.....  
Announcement of Assistant Chief of Staff C-5, Lord Selkirk.....

..... Under the provisions of Army Regulations  
6-2-45, 22 May 1945, it is decided that Purple Heart is awarded to the  
following for service in the U. S. A.

WILLING A. BOGGS, 2nd Lt., Captain, Infantry, Headquarters 42d Infantry  
Division, on 2 January 1945 in France. Entered military service from Indian-  
apolis, Indiana.

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~~II. ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF C-5, LORD SELKIRK..... LT.  
COL., JOHN G. COOKE, Q 291 210, CH C, 62d Infantry and Headquarters  
Company, Civil Affairs, Military Government Detachment Elm, JPP is detailed in  
the General Staff Corps and announced as CO of C-5, Military Government,  
Lord Selkirk.~~

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GEN'L I. COLLINS:

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

Jhn R. Agat, 31 370 241, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 42d Field Artillery Battalion, for herism not involving actual conflict with an enemy on 13 May 1945, near Mittersill, Austria. When ammunition in the caisson attached by Corporal Agat's truck exploded, setting fire to the caisson, truck, and 105mm ammunition in the truck, he attempted to extinguish the flames. Driven back twice by exploding hand grenades and small arms ammunition, he was finally able to assist in unhitching the caisson and driving the vehicle from the scene of the explosion. Then, with complete disregard for his own safety, he jumped to the back of the truck and fearlessly helped to extinguish the burning ammunition boxes. Corporal Agat's courageous action saved the vehicle and prevented a more serious explosion which would have endangered the lives of several persons in the area. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

Eugene J. DeMartini, 39 003 552, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 42d Field Artillery Battalion, for herism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 13 May 1945, near Mittersill, Austria. When ammunition being carried in the caisson attached to Sergeant DeMartini's truck exploded, setting fire to the caisson, truck, and 105mm ammunition in the truck, he attempted to extinguish the flames. Driven back twice by exploding hand grenades and small arms ammunition, he was finally able to assist in unhitching the caisson and driving the vehicle from the scene of the explosion. Then, with complete disregard for his own safety, he jumped to the back of the truck and fearlessly helped to extinguish the burning ammunition boxes. Sergeant DeMartini's courageous action saved the vehicle and prevented a more serious explosion which would have endangered the lives of several persons in the area. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

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

Jhn H. Barrier, 37 203 240, Technician Third Grade, Field Artillery, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Eureka, Kansas.

Michael T. Barth, 37 602 270, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

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Willie J. Birmingham, 32 126 326, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battalion B, 542<sup>d</sup> Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 6 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Howard A. Blumquist, 36 223 632, Technician Sergeant, Signal Corps, 102d Signal Company, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Farmington, Illinois.

James M. Brinkman, 35 112 157, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Division Artillery, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

Frank L. Brown, 37 920 341, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 13 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

Bennie C. Cain, 42 921 24, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Duxbury, New York.

William Dury, 34 284 403, Corporal, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Milan, Tennessee.

Carl W. Elser, 35 293 915, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 42d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 25 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Gary, Indiana.

William C. Everitt, 18 126 329, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

Theodore S. Fidalek, 31 196 521, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New Britain, Connecticut.

Frank T. Francis, 33 422 077, Private First Class, Infantry, Company H, 222d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Norfolk, Virginia.

William Gittelman, 32 926 299, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 232d Infantry Regiment, from 11 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York City, New York.

W.H. M. Givell, 34 249 579, First Lieutenant, Quartermaster Corps, 42d Quartermaster Company, from 18 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

Kenneth P. Gordon, 33 891 379, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 392d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 25 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

W.H. Graham, 30 214 569, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

Robert C. Hines, 37 704 043, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Duran, California.

Frank W. House, 33 731 213, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), 242d Military Police, 242d Infantry Division Military Police Platoon, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in Germany. Entered military service from Frederick, Maryland.

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Robert E. Urvel, 18 873 442, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery B, 12th Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brown, Texas.

Robert S. Buff, 38 782 478, Technician Fifth Grade, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 3 March 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Perrill J. Johnson, 37 478 372, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Louisville, Illinois.

Clarence J. Johnson, 35 747 270, Private First Class, Medical Department, Company I, 172d Medical Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

George J. Korn, 5 635 211, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 124th Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

John P. King, 42 023 376, Technician Fifth Grade, Signal Corps, 132d Signal Company, from 15 March 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Oneonta, New York.

Jack M. Kirkpatrick, 37 374 208, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

Hobart W. Kruskampf, 36 166 062, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

George L. Lane, 14 611 342, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 24 December 1944 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

Neal C. Lewis, 37 676 322, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Prairie City, Idaho.

Jack V. Lynn, 35 397 703, Quartermaster Corps, 42d Quartermaster Company, from 26 February 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Akron, Ohio.

WILLIAM L. MULLER, 42 026 315, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company H, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 1 November 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Marin, California.

Claudia F. Mitchell, 38 611 311, Private First Class, Medical Department, Field Hospital, Headquarters Battery, 42d Division Artillery, from 15 February 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from McWayne, Arkansas.

Charles M. Munsen, 39 418 351, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from McWayne, Arkansas.

Dwight S. Martin, 36 118 454, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wayville, Utah.

John W. Parsons, 33 015 018, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Headquarters Company, 124th Infantry Division, from 25 December 1944 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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Douglas Phillips, 34 827 422, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery A, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Barre, Massachusetts.

Channing C. Reeves, 36 672 719, Corporal, 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 Detroit, Michigan.

Alvis L. Knobler, 36 577 344, Private, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 42d Infantry Division, from 1 March 1945 to 8 April 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wayne City, Michigan.

Frederick E. Scimone, 12 201 375, Corporal, 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 Hillman, Texas.

Stephen Steiger, 32 106 130, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jamaica, Long Island, New York.

Harry J. Taliroffra, 16 105 621, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery A, 542d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Scott Field, Illinois.

Emil S. Vlasek, 35 913 516, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 5 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

Willard L. Williams, 33 537 757, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 26 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from McHenry, Virginia.

Howard W. Young Jr., 9 551 999, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company F, 242d Infantry Regiment, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sevierville, Tennessee.

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

James R. Allen, 38 013 498, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Field Artillery, Battery B, 402d Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, inclusive, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Livingston, New Mexico.

**JK** **IV. REVOCATIONS:-...** So much of Paragraph 1, General Orders Number 13, dated 12 January 1946, this headquarters, as pertains to PRESTON THOMAS JR., 31 123 028, First Lieutenant is revoked.

**CK** So much of Paragraph 2, General Orders 17, dated 16 January 1946, this headquarters, as pertains to Cyril D. Lee, 37 537 997, Private First Class is revoked.

REVOKED OF MR. DR. GENERAL COLLINS:

EMMETT HUSTON JR.,  
Lt. Col., General Staff Corps,  
et. Chief of Staff

GENERAL:

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WREATH OF THE SILVER STAR ..... I  
WREATH OF THE BRONZE STAR ..... II

1. ORDER 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:

John W. Kramm, G 111 377, First Lieutenant, Armored Force, Company E, 41st Cavalry Battalion, 4th Cavalry in action on 6 September 1944 near Fismes, France. When the infantry had been halted in their advance and strongly defended fort de Vaux, Richecourt, France, Lieutenant Kramm led two tanks and two tank destroyers against the enemy position. Under murderous rifle, machine gun, and anti-tank gun fire, and with mortar rounds landing all about him, he charged tanks on two occasions because of gun failure, and braved such effective fire that in the fort that the infantry were able to assault the position and win victory at the fort with only a few casualties. Lieutenant Kramm's gallantry and exceptional courage under fire was the determining factor in taking the enemy strong-hold and reflected great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

George L. Enye, G 2 301 306, Second Lieutenant, (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 342d Infantry Regiment, 4th Cavalry in action on 16 January 1945 at Bettendorf France. When enemy infiltrations of our lines threatened to take 57mm guns of his platoon, Sergeant Enye joined a group of riflemen to repulse the infiltrating forces. Although faced by intense enemy fire from a superior assaulting force, he effected nearly tank destroyers and brought them to his positions. When two enemy tanks broke through our defenses, he valiantly engaged the guns which successfully destroyed the tanks and the infantry accompanied him. Then, faced by an overwhelming superior force, he led the men safely out of the town. Sergeant Enye's remarkable courage and outstanding leadership was instrumental in inflicting heavy losses on the enemy and eliminating two enemy tanks. Entered military service from Del., Minnesota.

Paul M. Spurlin, 35 427 543, Private, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, 4th Cavalry in action on 3 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. While driving a crossing of the Main River at Wurzburg, Private Spurlin, a member of an assault boat crew, was seriously wounded by an enemy round which entered his back with a paralyzing effect, rendering him unable to continue driving the boat. Still being able to speak and direct ordain the shock and pain he felt, he continued to encourage and instruct the infantrymen to man the boat until they reached the shore. Private Spurlin's courage and devotion to duty were an inspiration to his fellow soldiers and aided materially to the establishment of the bridgehead. Entered military service from Shelbyville, Indiana.

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

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John Alfred, 39 929 826, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, in Nuremberg, Germany. During the heavy counter-attack at Nuremberg, Private Alfred remained in his gun after the gunner became seriously wounded. While firing at the approaching enemy, he was severely burned by white phosphorus grenades thrown into his position. He unhesitatingly exposed himself under intense enemy fire with his machine gun and held it in the doorway of a ruined building. He then ran into a shell hole and took cover. After taking cover, he fired his gun from the roof of enemy positions. After the first two rounds, Private Alfred's courage, action and selfless determination to hold his gun advanced the enemy up the street and played a large part in ensuring a rapid repulsion of the counter-attack. Entered military service from Waukegan, Illinois.

Arthur H. Baker, 44 732 314, Corporal, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Cavalry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, at Nuremberg, Germany. In a market square assault boat crew during the forced crossing of the Regnitz River at Nuremberg, Germany, Corporal Baker participated in an assault across the river under heavy machine gun, sniper, and flank fire. During the heavy fire, he continued to valiantly ferry infantry men across the river until the final return with wounded and prisoners until the bridge was destroyed. After his outstanding courage, selflessness and skill, and the unswerving devotion to duty, Corporal Baker made an effective contribution to the rapid capture of the key city of Nuremberg. Entered military service from Paterson, Florida.

James R. Baker, 17 51 474, Sergeant, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, at Nuremberg, Germany. During a determined enemy counter-attack on Nuremberg, Sergeant Baker fearlessly exposed himself under intense machine gun and rifle fire to direct the fire of his machine gun in the Nuremberg area. When his squad suffered several casualties, he continued to fire his machine gun in direct support of the attack. After this outstanding courage and leadership, Sergeant Baker's gallantry enabled him to repel the counter-attack and kill many of the attacking enemy. Entered military service from Uniondale, New Jersey.

Howard V. Ballenberger, 39 514 431, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945 at Nuremberg, Germany. During the battle for Arnstein, Private Ballenberger's rifle platoon was receiving intense enemy machine gun and rifle fire from their right front. When the situation became untenable due to lack of ammunition, he volunteered. He ran out under cover of smoke to bring up a supply of powder in order to repel the intense fire from the supply point. Although the smoke obscured his target fire on him in the open, he did not falter until he had reached his position. Private Ballenberger's courage and brilliant leadership were a major factor in the continuation of his rifle unit in the city. Entered military service from El Cajon, California.

Wally L. Palmer, 39 514 430, Sergeant, Infantry, Company N, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, near Suffenheim, Germany. During the withdrawal of his platoon from the Hohenau sector to new defensive positions, Sergeant Palmer supported his platoon during the withdrawal. Previously he had been pinned down in a shell hole under intermittent machine gun fire and had been unable to move from his position. Upon withdrawing, he ran out under cover of smoke to bring up a supply of powder in order to repel the intense fire from the supply point. He continued to repel the attacks despite the difficulties and dangers of smoke and fire. His outstanding courage and decisiveness throughout the withdrawal contributed to the successful withdrawal. Entered military service from New York City, New York.

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Claude R. Centu, 32-364-561, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for his distinguished service in action on 4 April 1945 at Wurzburg, Germany. The anterior fire from enemy positions in a well fortified section near Wurzburg. Priv. Centu raised the men of his squad to their feet and partially buried, Priv. Centu raised the men of his squad to their feet and partially buried, during this encounter his squad was seriously wounded, building. During this encounter his squad was seriously wounded, and he, with the medical personnel of the unit, ran where the wounded men were scattered, the medical personnel and the unit, ran where the wounded men were scattered, Priv. Centu, with several others, jumped at the doorway and deliberately, Priv. Centu, with several others, jumped at the doorway and deliberately, exposing himself to heavy fire from the Nazis. He fearlessly remained in this position, exposing himself to heavy fire from the Nazis. He fearlessly remained in this position, exposing himself to heavy fire from the Nazis. He fearlessly remained in this position, exposing himself to heavy fire from the Nazis. He fearlessly remained in this position, exposing himself to heavy fire from the Nazis. Future military service will be a fitting reward for his gallantry.

Private S. Sakuri, 3d Mil 551, priv'te First Class (then Private), Infantry, Company I, 23rd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 April 1945 near Spaltz, Germany. Private Sakuri was running on匍匐 position past when he saw friendly patrol pinned down by intense machine gun and sniper fire. He exposed himself to the enemy fire in order to direct rifle fire at the enemy positions. Despite the fact that enemy shells landed close by, and a concussion hit him, he continued his mission. Private Sakuri was killed in his exposed

In the cold his helmet from his head, Private Eskuri remained in his exposed position, exchanging fire for fire, until the entire patrol had reached cover. His valiant fighting initiative and bravery undoubtedly saved many casualties as well as assisted the patrol in accomplishing its mission. Entirely without a pause from Pattrit, Vichimun.

Pvt. D. Kiser, 37745 645, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945 at Wurzburg, Germany. Private Kiser, light machine gun ammunition bearer, was with his platoon when the enemy launcher counter-attacked against the position. He nobly exposed himself to heavy enemy machine gun, rifle, and mortar fire in his tireless effort to keep his men supplied with sufficient ammunition to hold off the enemy forces. Private Kiser's courageous actions and extraordinary ability enabled his squad continuously fire a heavy volume of fire at the enemy, repulsing their determined counter-attack.

private military service in Korea, Korea  
Private Corp., 35-7994, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company 1,  
1st Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945,  
near Durkun, Korea. Private Corp participated in assault on site of  
the Han River in preparation for the attack on Durkun under intense machine  
gun, rifle, and field fire, as leader of an assault boat crew. Completely dis-  
regarding his personal safety, he voluntarily volunteered for each succeeding trip  
across the Han River to assist in establishing a bridgehead.

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Surviving day-to-day duty played a major role in establishing the bridgehead in the ultimate capture of the city. But military service from Gunther, a "veteran,"

Albert J. Ayt, 657A 617, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 112th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945 near Witten, Germany. As member of three-man reconnoitering team, Sergeant Ayt entered the town of Witten, Germany while searching for possible bridge sites over the Ruhr River, acting as heavy support in the attack, he and his comrades drove forward in their vehicle and demanded surrender of an enemy officer in cover while covering him with a machine gun. Then, although surrounded and surrounded by three times his enemy personnel, he fearlessly assisted his comrades the capture soldiers of the town. Sergeant Ayt's courageous and determined efforts and safety helped to reduce an enemy bridge site, giving information of the enemy's strength and disposition. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

Willie T. Jacques, 48 971 352, Staff Sergeant, Infantry Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945, at Krupenzen, Germany. While advancing in the outskirts of Krupenzen, Germany, Sergeant Jacques, alone and under intense fire from well dug-in enemy positions, Sergeant Jacques immediately took his rifle and crawled to a position from which he was able to fire his machine gun in direct front. He shot down six of the enemy and continued firing as he remained the remaining members of the crew that he had known was best advance and capture them in combat. A number of enemy positions which were dug in both lines. Sergeant Jacques' prompt and courageous action enabled our forces to proceed on their mission immediately and saved many allied comrades from being captured or killed. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Robert L. Johns, 31 549 180, Private First Class, Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945 at Wurzburg, Germany. During the enemy counter-attack at Wurzburg, Private Johns, eight rounds, was facing the enemy in a terrific exchange of fire. Although wounded by multiple shrapnel fragments throughout his position, he continued to fire his gun at the incoming enemy. Then two incendiary grenades exploded beside him, wounding him severely. Despite his pain and continuing fire until his assistant came forward to relieve him. Entered military service from Handley, Texas. Robert M. Jones, 34 923 124, Private First Class (then Private), Infantry, Company I, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action 5 January to 1 February 1945 near Filstett, France. As runner for the Company Commander during the action near Filstett, France, Private Jones repeatedly exposed himself to intense concentrations of enemy artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire to carry vital messages. When his company was relieved, he made numerous trips through intense darkness under fire to safety throughout the night under enemy air raid and artillery fire. Private Jones' untiring devotion and courageous application of his unusual talents distinguished him in the successful defense of the Filstett sector against numerically superior attacking forces. Entered military service from Prairieville, Illinois.

John F. Kirby, 32 561 15, Private First Class, Infantry, Company K, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945 in Wurzburg, Germany. When his company unit was attacked by infiltrating enemy forces at Wurzburg, Private Kirby, while firing his rifle, faced the enemy to the rear. Throughout the ensuing battle he remained in his position, vulnerable to intense fire, until he was cut off from the remainder of his

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1st Lt. Private Kenny then pretended to be dead while the enemy removed his knife and bayoneted his gas mask. After the enemy had passed him he again stood to fire with his rifle until they had been completely driven off. Entered military service from Phoenix, Arizona.

The 1st Lt. Klistner, 37 145 224, Technician Fourth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Company 1, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 14 April 1945 at Wurzburg, Germany. As a member of an assault boat crew during the crossing of the Main River at Wurzburg, Germany, Sergeant Klistner participated in six rounds of fire across the river under heavy machine gun, mortar, and flank fire. During the heavy fire involved, he continued to volunteer to cross the river in a ferryboat, infantryman and ammunition to the front line and personally carried every man back until the bridgehead was firmly established. His outstanding courage and devotion to duty contributed to the rapid capture of the key city of Wurzburg. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

Private J. Krakwirk, 36 279 656, Private First Class, Infantry, Company E, 142d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action near Buchdorf, Germany. While Company E was advancing across an open field into Buchdorf, they were suddenly pinned down by intense enemy machine gun, rifle and mortar fire. Advancing at the front of the lead platoon, Private Krakwirk exposed himself to the intense fire to lay down a screen of fire with his automatic rifle while his platoon withdrew to defensive positions. Although wounded in the knee by machine gun fire, he still maintained protective fire, refusing to withdraw until his platoon had withdrawn. Private Krakwirk's courageous action enabled his platoon to withdraw with minimum casualties, the defensive positions for which they were able to launch a successful attack the following morning. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Sgt. Paul T. LaBell, 42 511 410, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945, near Gombshausen, France. During the fierce fighting for Gombshausen, Sergeant LaBell's company was forced to withdraw from the town in the face of a superior enemy force. Taking up a position in a building on a line with the enemy advance, he braved intense enemy artillery, mortar, machine gun, and rifle fire in an attempt to hold up the enemy advance with his rifle and grenades. Although wounded by a shell fragment, he refused to leave his position until his entire company had reached new defensive positions. Sergeant LaBell's courageous and self-sacrificing action contributed materially to the successful withdrawal of his company with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Fort Chester, New York.

Sgt. Wm. J. Lee, 31 370 581, Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, Company B, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Althorn, France. Sergeant Lee was leader of a squad of engineers whose mission was to clear forward roads of mines so that Cavalry Reconnaissance Detachment could safely advance. When the enemy opened up with automatic-weapons, mortar, and artillery fire, Sergeant Lee, disregarding the heavy fire, called for his squad's machine gun and placed it into action. He then made his way to a friendly tank and guided its crew into firing position. From the friendly fire, he made his way forward and adjusted accurate tank fire upon the German emplacements. Through his firm initial courage and aggressive skill, Sergeant Lee made an effective contribution to the breakthrough of the enemy main line of resistance. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

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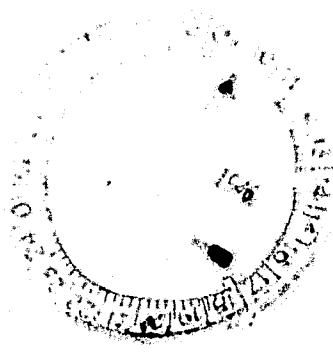
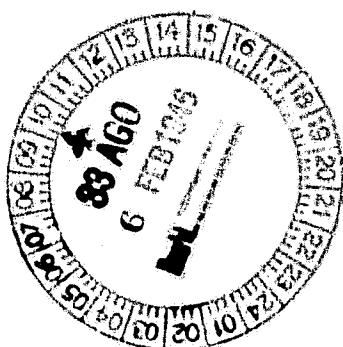
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Award of the Bronze Star Medal..... I  
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I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: - In the direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 6-45, 20 October 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

John J. Lefkowitz, 41 824 512, Private First Class, Infantry, Company N, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945 near Hurnberg, Germany. While serving a large enemy group advancing toward his machine gun position near Hurnberg, Private Lefkowitz and his squad leader moved his gun team to a position from which he could deliver effective fire on the approaching enemy. Although the remainder of the squad was unable to come forward because of heavy fire, Private Lefkowitz remained in his exposed position, laying down a wall of fire which inflicted heavy casualties upon the enemy. His extreme courage and determination were directly responsible for the ultimate surrender of the enemy force. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

Edward R. Lindsey, 41 142 731, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, at Wurtzburg, Germany. As a member of an assault boat crew during the crossing of the Main River at Wurtzburg, Private Lindsey participated in the successful crossing of the river under heavy machine gun, sniper, and flank fire. During the heavy fire involved, he continued to volunteer for the mission of carrying supplies and ammunition to the forward and dying wounded and captured until the bridge was firmly established. His outstanding courage and devotion to duty contributed to the rapid capture of the key city of Wurtzburg. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

Donald W. Messer, 41 142 731, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, near Arnsbach, Germany. During the attack on Arnsbach, heavy machine pistol and rifle fire from the enemy positions pinned him to the ground. Completely ignoring his personal safety, Private Messer fearlessly crawled his way to the direct enemy fire to enable the platoon leader to get off his direct fire with his automatic rifle. He killed the platoon leader, and with the aid of another riflemen, captured the town. Private Messer'sourageous action enabled his squad to advance without further delay or opposition. Entered military service from Carter, Texas.

William J. Muntford, 41 671 416, Private First Class (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company E, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, at Goeckelbach, France. During the early attack on Goeckelbach, Private Muntford, secured cover, and returned trips under intense enemy artillery, mortar, anti-aircraft, and small arms fire and under direct enemy observation to secure a position for his squad. When not carrying stricken comrades to a position of safety, directing and observing his squad's fire, when enemy tanks approached them on the road to the left flank, Sergeant Muntford led his squad through popular Jerry gun fire. His outstanding courage, initiative and leadership, fully justified the award of the Bronze Star Medal.

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Robert T. Mull, 12 022 573, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 402nd Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, near Althorn, France. As an artillery wireman with a forward observer party, Private Mull was laying wire to an advancing infantry unit during the first day of our general offensive in the Hardt Mountains when an enemy force counter-attacked. Private Mull and three infantrymen bore the brunt of the attack, defending Hill 355 in the center of the company's sector. Four times, groups of the enemy estimated to number between 25 and 30, supported by heavy mortar and machine gun fire, attempted to retake the hill, but Private Mull's skillful use of his cartine, together with the accurate fire delivered by his three comrades, beat off every assault. Even before the infantry established its defensive positions for the night, Private Mull was busy repairing the wire which had been broken by enemy artillery concentrations, thereby restoring communications and facilitating our advance the next day. Entered military service from Slocum, New York.

Richard C. Paulson, 39 399 681, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company A, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945, at Wurzburg, Germany. As a member of an assault boat crew during the forced crossing of the Main River at Wurzburg, Germany, Private Paulson participated in numerous round trip crossings of the river under heavy machine gun sniper, and flak fire. Ignoring the enemy fire, he continued to volunteer to ferry infantrymen and ammunition to the far shore and return with wounded and prisoners until the bridgehead was firmly established and the river bridged. Through his outstanding courage, skill, and unswerving devotion to duty, Private Paulson made an effective contribution to the rapid capitulation of the key city of Wurzburg. Entered military service from Alturas, California.

John W. Phelan, 37 645 930, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, 232d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action, on 27 April 1945, near Ob-Feiching, Germany. During the action at Ob-Feiching, one of the men in Private Phelan's platoon was suffering from severe shock while in one of the forward positions. Without regard for his personal safety, he crawled forward under heavy machine gun and rifle fire to help an aid man carry the shock victim back to the rear. He then crawled forward alone and under continued heavy enemy fire he carried the body of a dead comrade back to the rear. Private Phelan's courageous action under fire was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Rainbow Division. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

Edward J. Reibeling, 36 765 690, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Corps of Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 142d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, near Wertheim, Germany. As a member of a three man reconnaissance team, Sergeant Reibeling entered the town of Wertheim, Germany while searching for possible intact bridges across the Main River. Noting an enemy group in the streets, he and his comrade drove forward in their vehicle and demanded surrender of the enemy officer in charge while covering him with a machine gun. Then, although outnumbered and surrounded by other concealed enemy personnel, he fearlessly assisted in marching the captured soldiers out of the town. Sergeant Reibeling's aggressiveness and disregard for personal safety helped to reduce an enemy strongpoint and supplied information of the enemy's strength and disposition. Entered military service from Columbia, Illinois.

~~REV. BY CO~~ Richard L. Rider, 19 129 284, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Corp, 4th Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 March 1945, at Lingy, France. When volunteers were requested to accompany a reconnaissance patrol whose mission it was to locate enemy command posts and observation posts, Private Rider毫不犹豫地 volunteered. While