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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

21 January 1945

ORIGINAL ORDER - 92 - 5781

GENERAL ORDERS )

NUMBER ..... 7 )

- I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL
- II - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART MEDAL

SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded (posthumously) by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

CORPORAL LEO NULL, 20133429, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action on 18 January 1945 in the Lingayen, Luzon, Philippine Islands area, when a group of Japanese infiltrated into the position of his battalion. Cpl. Null located the position to which the Japs had been driven and directed the attack to it, although it was well covered by enemy machinegun fire. Realizing the necessity of making sure they did not escape, and with disregard for his own safety, he approached the position to draw fire and threw two grenades into the enemy position before he was critically wounded by rifle and grenade fire. Cpl. Null's brave action was a major factor in the annihilation of eleven Japanese. Home address: Mrs. May Null (mother), 51 James Street, Danbury, Connecticut.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

TECHNICIAN V GRADE LOUIS B. BARRY JR., 36171104, Signal Corps, U.S. Army. For exceptional bravery under fire on 9 January 1945 during an artillery barrage by the enemy on LCI #1035 at White Beach 2, Lingayen Gulf, Philippine Islands. Although bleeding profusely from shrapnel wounds in his hand and neck, T/5 Barry administered first aid to twelve wounded personnel which act was the direct cause of the saving of many lives. Despite the danger, confusion, and his own bleeding T/5 Barry assumed leadership of the situation calmly and efficiently. Home address: Mrs. Rosa Barry (mother), 213½ East Oak Street, Crowley, Louisiana.

SECTION II

1. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

PRIME FIRST CLASS JOSEPH L. KING, 36339407, Infantry, U. S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 19 August 1943, at Vella La Vella, New Georgia Group, Solomon Islands. Home address: Pearl King, (mother) Cameron, West Virginia.

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SERGEANT DAVID G. JENNINGS, 31012629, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 17 July 1943 on New Georgia Island, British Solomon Islands. Home address: Mrs. Jennie S. Jennings (mother), 206 Chestnut Street, Port Jefferson, New York.

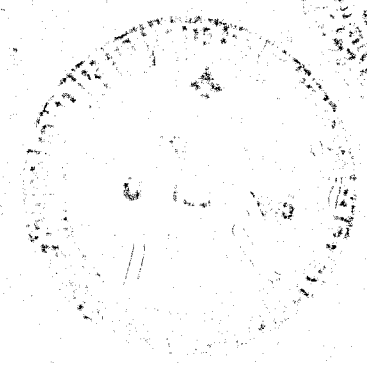
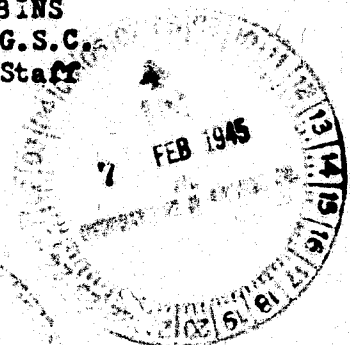
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JASPER W. BLANTON (then Private), 34595877, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 22 July 1943 at Munda, New Georgia, Solomon Islands. Home address: Dollie Blanton (mother), Lawndale, North Carolina.

By command of Major General WING:

C. F. ROBBINS  
Colonel, G.S.C.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

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Adjutant General



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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #13

22 January 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER ..... 8)

- I - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR
- II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER
- III- AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART

SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1917 (Hull's 40, 3D, 1917), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

RALPH D. NEWBY, O-1170113, 1ST LIEUTENANT, F.A., U. S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy near Mabilao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Lt. Newby, as pilot of one of the C-47 planes of the division, was given a mission of evacuating a critically wounded soldier. His field was an emergency one on a road skirted on both sides by trees with the added hazard of wires overhead but he unhesitatingly prepared for the landing. Although the wings of his plane struck both the trees and the poles he managed to land it. After picking up the wounded man in virtually our front line, he was aided in getting his plane back on the road where he attempted to take off. Again he hit the trees along one side but was able to maintain enough speed to rise. In spite of the damage to the plane, and despite the extra hazards of rifle and mortar fire from the nearby enemy, Lt. Newby successfully completed his mission of evacuation. After completion of this mission he was again airborne on normal artillery observation duty. Lt. Newby in performing this mission technically above and beyond the call of duty, not only exhibited superior professional skill and cool courage but enhanced greatly the morale of all who witnessed or know of the incident. Home address: Mrs. Tracy L. Newby (wife), 1752 Winona Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

SECTION II

1. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster in lieu of a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

RAYMOND D. ALTHOUSE, 33230253, Sergeant, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945 at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Florence Althouse (wife), 1414 Park Place Street, Laureldale, Pennsylvania.

ERNEST W. JONES, 54188705, Sergeant, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 11 January 1945, on Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Minnie L. Jones (wife), 132 West Willis, Detroit, Michigan.

WILLIAM BERTZ, 37009102, Private First Class, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 15 January on Hill 313, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Mae DeVore (mother), 224 St. Vincent's Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

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LEO C. DUCOLESKI, 31022688, Corporal, MD, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 on Hill 315, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Felicia Kerwacki (mother) 437 Main Street, Ansonia, Connecticut.

SECTION III

1. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

ROBERT S. PINE, O-453602, Captain, F.A., U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 10 January 1945 on Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Emma S. Pine (mother), 87 Griswold Street, Walton, New York.

DONOVAN T. LICKTEIG, O-1291297, Captain, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on Hill #200, Philippine Islands, on 13 January 1945. Home address: Mr. John Lickteig (father), Wesley, Iowa.

STANLEY A. STACHELSKI, O-1173721, 2nd Lieutenant, F.A., U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on January 13 1945 on Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Walter Stachelski (father) 6420 Craig Street, Detroit, Michigan.

FREDERICK P. GETTY, O-1301812, 1st Lieutenant, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 on Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Anna W. Getty (mother) 44-01 34th Ave., Long Island City, New York.

RICHARD F. OFFER JR., O-2037005, 2nd Lieutenant, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 on Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: May Offer (mother) 34-48 92d St., Jackson Heights, Long Island, New York.

RAYMOND W. GRIGGS, O-1291107, 1st Lieutenant, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 10 January 1945 on Hill 470, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Emma J. Griggs (mother) North Troy, Vermont.

EDGAR A. BOUCHER, 20150336, 1st Sergeant, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945 at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Henry J. Boucher (brother) 6 Church Street, Bellows Falls, Vermont.

ROGER TALBOT, 20132431, Private First Class, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 at Palapad Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Lillian Talbot (wife), 127 Highland Terrace, Macon, Georgia.

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STANLEY J. SIMONS, 39329178, Private, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 11 January 1945 on Morling Hill, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Lurline Simons (mother) 1325 S.E. Stark, Portland, Oregon.

LOUIS R. LAVECCHIA, 31023410, Tech Gr IV, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 9 January 1945, on Beach of Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Biago LaVecchia (father), 109 Walnut Street, Wiliamatic, Concord, N.H.

HERMAN J. BURG, 16007260, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 11 January 1945 on Morling Hill, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Burg (mother) Mt. Calvary, Wisconsin.

BLAINE O. WALKER, 39570167, Private First Class, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 12 January 1945 on Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Ethel N. Walker (mother) 1021 W 2nd Street, Santa Anna, California.

CLAYTON J. FALL, 34809120, Private, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 11 January 1945, 400 yards southeast of Hill 300, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Alma Kirkland Hall (mother) Post Office Box 184, Ashford, Alabama.

SAMUEL (NMI) MUSTIN, 33786923, Private, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on Lingayen Beach, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Ben Mustin (father), 5418 Radfield Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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JOSPH E. LEPAGE, 32664332, Private First Class, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 11 January 1945 at Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy LePage (mother), 40 West Main Street, Chatoau Bay, New York.

PAUL C. SALISBURY, 20146301, Tech Gr V, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 on Biblao Plantation, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Reba Salisbury (wife) 630 West Union Street, Gainsville Florida.

FELIX S. KRYK, 32033049, Staff Sergeant, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 9 January 1945 at Lingayen Beach, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Mary Kryk (mother) 360 Weaver Street, Rochester, New York.

CHARLES J. MONAHAN, 20153792, Staff Sergeant, MD, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 9 January 1945 at Lingayen Beach, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Theresa M. Monahan (wife) 78 McGill Street, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

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JOSEPH L. PARISEAU, 31038934, Corporal, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 11 January 1945 at San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Emily Pariseau (mother) 643 Elm St., Woonsocket, Rhode Island.

THOMAS A. CHANEY, 34276474, Private, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 15 January 1945 at Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Bittle Moore Chaney (mother) Route #1, Porterville, Mississippi.

BERTRAM S. BISHOP, 35404362, Private First Class, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 12 January 1945 at San Jacinto, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mae Bishop (mother) Box 135, Lexington, Ohio.

ROBERT F. HINES, 38176119, Sergeant, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 9 January 1945, Beach Area Mabilao, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Mary J. Hines (mother) London, Arkansas.

EDGAR F. WILLIAMS, 20153296, Corporal, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945 at Rosario Sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Lila M. Williams (sister) 14604 Strathmore Avenue, East Cleveland, Ohio.

RAYMOND HACKETT, 37104499, Tech Gr V, Cavalry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 9 January 1945 on Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Myrtle Hackett (mother) Star Route, Shirley, Arkansas.

JEFFERSON C. SAUL, 38513823, MD, Private, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 on Hill 315, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Saul (mother) Box 286, Rt. #2, Mineral Wells, Texas.

ROBERT E. MORIN, 20133922, Private First Class, MD, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 on Hill 315, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Eliza Morin (mother) 118 Foundry Street, Central Falls, Rhode Island.

By command of Major General WING:

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #13

23 January 1945

GENERAL ORDERS )

ORIGINAL ORDER # 26

NUMBER ..... 9 )

AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART

1. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

STAFF SERGEANT ERNEST C. PATTEN, 20144515, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 15 January 1945, at Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Christie V. Patten (mother) Skillings Avenue, Norway, Maine.

SERGEANT CHARLES B. PARKS, 32936581, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945 on Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Zelma Parks (mother) 112 Carrier Street, Liberty, New York.

SERGEANT EARNIE H. TERRELL JR., 38322633, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 on Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Ruby Terrell (wife), 1010 W. 19th Street, West Tulsa, Oklahoma.

PRIVATE HOLLAND DOBSON, 34785267, MD, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 on Hill 315, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Samuel Dobson (father), Webster, Florida.

PRIVATE FRANK AMARO, 38461518, MD, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 on Hill 318 (Annex), Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Florentine Amaro (mother), 790 N. Central Ave., New Braunfels, Texas.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS PHILIP W. SLAVIN, 33473887, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 on Hill 318 (Annex), Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Slavin (wife), 2814 Agate Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

SERGEANT CARMEL E. SANDOVAL, 18120488, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945, on Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Benito Sandoval (father) San Marcos, New Mexico.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS EARL D. BEAUFORD, 39415938, MD, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 15 January on Hill 318 (Annex) Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Beauford (wife), General Delivery, Bonicita, California.

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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOHN O. WATSON, 55146844, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945 on Hill 565, Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Helen IRVIN Keiser (Friend), 2 W. 26th Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS RONNALL J. MCDUGGESS, 35650023, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945, on Hill 565, Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Lottie NEEN McDUGGESS (mother), Route #2, Box 230, Charleston, West Virginia.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ARISTIDE L. LONTINE, 30151501, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945, on Hill 565, Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Clarence NEEN Louvine (father) Box 468, Newport, Vermont.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS GEORGE H. SMITH, 38471177, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action on 13 January 1945, on Hill 530, Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Bertie M. Smith (mother), Route #2, Elburton, Oklahoma.

PRIVATE VERLIN L. WHITEHEAD, 36132628, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945 on Hill 565, Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Opal NEEN Stephens (sister), Rt. #2, Mansford, Texas.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS SAMUEL J. BURKHAM, 38477203, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945, at Bued River, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Annie L. Burkham (mother) Rt. #5, Marshall, Texas.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CLIFTON D. CLARK, 34330695, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945, on Hill 565, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Eula Clark (mother), Madison, Alabama.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS DANIEL MONIZ, 31291973, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on Hill 470, on 9 January 1945, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Joseph Moniz (father) 29 Richmond Street, Bristol, Rhode Island.

CORPORAL NORMAN L. BRILLIANT, 20146971, PA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 at Maunong, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Dolia Brilliant (mother) 23 Madou Street, Old Town, Maine.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS MINARD L. SHAW, 31351079, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945, on Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Hattie Shaw (mother), Staceyville, Maine.

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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOSEPH R. RUEFLE, 33265996, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 12 January 1945, on Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Joseph A. Ruefle (mother) 230 So. Eyaline Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

TECHNICIAN GRADE IV LOUIS A. PROCTOR, 20142953, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 10 January 1945, at Maraoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Loretta R. Proctor (wife), R.F.D. #1, Lisbon Falls, Maine.


PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ALFRED A. SHURYAN, 36160098, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 15 January 1945, on Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Frank Shuryan (father) 4654 Somnail Court, Wyandotte, Michigan.

PRIVATE ROBERT G. LAVALLEY, 20153341, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945, on Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Albert LaValley (brother) 5 Salisbury St., Providence, Rhode Island.

By command of Major General WING:

C. P. ROBBINS  
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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

26 January 1945

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SECTION I - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART  
SECTION II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

SECTION I

1. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

MAJOR MILTON M. WILLIAMS, O-283929, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 at Bobonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Hallie H. Williams (wife) 1201 Vista St. Boise, Idaho.

CAPTAIN FRANCIS A. McAULIFFE, O-404070, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 10 January 1945, 600 yards NE of Bunday, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy M. McAuliffe (wife), 352 Adelaide Ave., Providence, Rhode Island.

CAPTAIN WILTON H. BREMER, O-365273, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 17 January 1945 at Palac Palac, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. LuBille C. Bremer (wife), 1500 Preston Ave., Austin, Texas.

TECH GR V LEROY M. CLEMENS, 36194393, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 9 January 1945, on Lingayen Gulf Beach, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Alice I. Clemens (mother), 1508 Davitt Street, Sault St. Marie, Michigan.

STAFF SERGEANT MELLEN S. POMEROY, 34027721, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Elton Pomeroy (father) S.F.D. #1, Livermore Falls, Maine.

SERGEANT CECIL W. QUARLES, 34081495, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945 on Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Ella H. Quarles (mother) Rt. #1, Tunnel Hill, Georgia.

TECHNICAL SERGEANT PRENTICE L. PERRY, 34198517, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 9 January 1945, on Lingayen Beach, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle C. Perry (mother), 301 West Moore Street, Dublin, Georgia.

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SERGEANT EDGAR A. ELLIOTT, 36373588, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 9 January 1945 on Lingayen Gulf Beach, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. George Elliott (mother), West York, Illinois.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JAMES M. AYRES, 34823580, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 15 January 1945, on Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Eula B. Ayres (mother), Route #1, Canon, Georgia.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS EUGENE H. BERNATCHEZ, 31110090, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945 at Natanagan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Henry J. Bernatchez (father), 232 Lincoln St. Lausson, Maine.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROCCO J. BUDA, 32961155, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945, on Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Marie Buda (wife), c/o Joppola, 2404 Crotona Ave., Bronx, New York.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS HEROMIN CZERMINSKI, 15098829, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945, on Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mary Czerminski (mother) 3170 Bugham Ave., Toledo, Ohio.

TECH GR V GEORGE E. DONOHUE, 37660816, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945, on Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Alice Donohue (mother), Pocahontas, Iowa.

PRIVATE CHARLIE T. GUNNELS, 38524210, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 17 January 1945, at Pot Pot, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Edna Collins (mother), General Delivery, Rochester, Texas.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS EDWARD J. KAMINSKI, 36169143, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 17 January 1945, at Pot Pot, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Michael Kaminski (father), 8232 Marion, Detroit, Michigan.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS EDWIN J. JOHNSON, 39915685, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 on Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Esther A. Johnson (mother) 165 N. 4th Street, Springville, Utah.

STAFF SERGEANT CLARENCE J. WERY, 36451134, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 12 January 1945 on Hill 80, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Rose Wery (mother), 311 Somerville Ave., Menominee, Michigan.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ELLIOTT G. KILBOURNE, 20144699, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945, on Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Marie Kilbourne (mother) 58 Drummond St., Auburn, Maine.

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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JAMES H. KIRK, 34148663, PA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945, at Binday, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Dudley F. Kirk, (father) Rt. #1, Midway, Tennessee.

TECH GR V WESTLEY D. LONERGAN, 37125227, PA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 17 January 1945, at Palac Palac, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Lonergan (mother), 3809 S. 24th Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

SERGEANT JESSIE A. MOSS, 34370751, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 12 January 1945, on Hill 580, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Maggie Moss (mother), Rt. #1, Cleveland, Alabama.

CORPORAL ALECK C. OUELETTE, 31027705, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 17 January 1945 at Pot Pot, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mary Ouellette (mother), 16 Dollar Street, Caribou, Maine.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CHARLES P. PINNOLA, 33312698, MC, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945, on Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Stella Donato (sister), 228 3 Nifflin Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

PRIVATE VICENTE RAMIREZ, 38554379, MC, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945, on Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Ignacio Ramirez (father), Box 1024, Donna, Texas.

STAFF SERGEANT GLENN H. STROUSE, 35281537, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 17 January 1945 at Pot Pot, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Eileen C. Strouse (wife) 290 Ridge Street, Leetonia, Ohio.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ALBERT L. SWOISH, 36169137, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 17 January 1945 at Pot Pot, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Anna Swoish (mother), RFD #3, Box 20, North Branch, Michigan.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LLOYD M. THACKER, 33089384, PA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 21 January 1945 at Palguod, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Samuel Thacker (father), 2007 Adell Street, Martinsville, Virginia.

STAFF SERGEANT JAMES J. THORNTON, 51027344, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945, at Dilan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Mary Joyce (sister), 154 Hanson Street, Kittery, Maine.

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SECTION II

1. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster in lieu of an additional Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

CAPTAIN ROBERT S. PINE, O-453602, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile west of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Emma S. Pine (mother), 87 Griswold Street, Walton, New York.

TECH GR V LEROY H. CLEMENS, 3604353, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 17 January 1945 at Alacan Outpost Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Roy Clemens (mother), 1508 Davitt Street, South St. Marie, Michigan.

By command of Major General WING:

C. P. ROBBINS  
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R E S T R I C T E DHEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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GENERAL ORDERS)

27 January 1945

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SECTION I AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (posthumously)  
SECTION II AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR  
SECTION III AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR

## SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded (posthumously) by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

2ND LIEUTENANT THOMAS N. TILBERRY, O-2037103, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on the morning of 17 January 1945, in the vicinity of the north-south highway at Barrio Cablong, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Allison W. Tilberry (wife), 2924 Claremont Ave., Berkeley, California.

*Citation Awarded by GO #546 - 1 Aug 1945*  
SERGEANT FRANKLIN F. PHELPS, 20130254, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on the night of 16 January 1945 on the north-south highway at Barrio - Cablong, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Frank J. Phelps (father), R.F.D. #1, Brandon, Vermont.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS DEE O. BENNION, 39916183, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on the night of 16 January 1945, on the north-south highway at Barrio - Cablong, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Evan O. Bennion (father), Mt. Emmons, Utah.

## SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

2ND LIEUTENANT LEE W. SCHIMPF, O-1176500, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy 2000 yards east of Rabon, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the afternoon of 12 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lydia D. Schimpf (mother), 635 North Jackson Street, Helena, Montana.

2ND LIEUTENANT HENRY G. GARNER, O-2046981, Medical Corps, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945, at a road junction of National Highway #3, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Nancy A. Garner (wife), Black Creek, North Carolina.

PRIVATE BUSH H. GUNTER JR., 34543739, Medical Corps, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on Hill on 14 January 1945, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Bush Hutcherson Gunter Jr. (father), 1022 S. Gadsden Street, Pensacola, Florida.

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✓ PRIVATE CURTIS R. CLAYTON, 37528441, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945, on Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Curtis L. Clayton (father), Mapleton, Kansas.

✓ PRIVATE MANUEL P. HERNANDEZ, 38460814, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945, on Hill 500, Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Georgia P. Hernandez (mother), 424 W. Nueva Street, San Antonio, Texas.

✓ 1ST SERGEANT CHARLES M. GOUGH, 20463599, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945, in the C.P. installation at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Melba L. Gough (wife), 16932 Idolldale Ave., Gardena, California.

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, dated 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, W.D., 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

1ST LIEUTENANT JOHN E. TILLOTSON II, O-519646, Infantry, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 January 1945, in the vicinity east of Sisons, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. John E. Tillotson (father), 207 Westford Road, Kansas City, Missouri.

1ST LIEUTENANT ROBERT W. GRIFFIN, O-1287866, Infantry, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 January 1945, on Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: William W. Griffin (father) Rt. #3, Box 3, Mt. View, California.

2ND LIEUTENANT SAM L. RICHARDSON, O-2037373, Infantry, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 January 1945, in the ascent of Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: S.E. Richardson (mother), 1340 42nd Street, Belview Heights, Birmingham, Alabama.

*Rev. Dec 90 # 277 - 5 June 45*  
✓ 2ND LIEUTENANT RALSTON D. MCKEE, O-1512966, Infantry, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 January 1945, in position at town of Malasin, a barrio lying one mile southwest of Pozorrubio, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. June M. McKee (wife), 1438 Hampshire Place, Northeast, Mason City, Iowa.

1ST LIEUTENANT WILLIAM W. SMITH, O-1297974, Infantry, U.S. Army for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 January 1945, at the crest of Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Lucyll Smith (wife), RFD #2, Box 506, Padukah, Texas.

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1ST LIEUTENANT EARL F. FRANK, O-118186, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hill 585, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Helen Frank (wife), 4609 East Ainsworth, Portland, Oregon.

1ST LIEUTENANT ROSCOE B. DOOLEY, O-380606, Infantry, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 January 1945, in the vicinity of a river bend one mile southeast of Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: James T. Dooley (father), Ireland, Texas.

SERGEANT OWEN L. CANNON, 20924591, Signal Corps, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10-12 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hill 585, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Jennie Cannon (mother), 1603 South Stoneman Ave., Alhambra, California.

SERGEANT HENRY J. RODRIQUE, 12164024, Signal Corps, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10-12 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hill 585, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Rodrique (mother), 737 Avenue "E", Bayone, New Jersey.

SERGEANT ARTHUR L. WEDDING, 35122743, Signal Corps, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10-12 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hill 585, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Anna Wedding (mother), 904 Baker Street, Covington, Kentucky.

TECH GRADE IV ORVILLE J. LIVINGSTON, 17027315, Signal Corps, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10-12 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hill 585, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Charles Chandler (mother), Box 151, Ionia, Iowa.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LEO S. ROSKOSKI JR, 33350364, Signal Corps, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10-12 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hill 585, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Mary Roskoski (mother), 4012 Lawrence Place, Bronx, New York.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WENDELL L. THOMAS, 37390205, Signal Corps, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10-12 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hill 585, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Mary M. Perkins (mother), Campbell, Mo.

PRIVATE MELBOURNE P. SMITH, 37069559, Signal Corps, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10-12 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hill 585, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Grady Wofford (mother), Route #1, Cardwell, Missouri.



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PRIVATE GEORGE M. STEADMAN, 38251995, Signal Corps, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10-12 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hill 585, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. George M. Steadman (wife), Box 105, Rockdale, Texas.

PRIVATE ERNEST STUFFLEBEAN, 37227006, Signal Corps, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10-12 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hill 585, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Elmer Stufflebean (brother), 611 Freeman St., Brookfield, Mo.

TECH GRADE V ALEX H. PENMAN, 15061439, Quartermaster Corps, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 January 1945, at White Beach #2, Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Penman (mother), 74 Watson Blvd., Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

1ST SERGEANT WILLIAM F. CHAMBERS, 20131410, Infantry, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 January 1945, at Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Rose Chambers (mother), 549 Keeney Street, R.F.D., Glastonbury, Connecticut.

SERGEANT VALERE MICHAUD, 20144999, Infantry, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 January 1945, in the vicinity of a river bend one mile southeast of Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Fred P. Michaud (mother), Upper Frenchville, Maine.

STAFF SERGEANT JOHN T. WINKLER, 34116832, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 January 1945, in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. John W. Winkler (father), Boone, North Carolina.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LEE M. REYNOLDS, 39332901, Infantry, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Bued River, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: C.R. Reynolds (father), 36 North Peach Street, Madford, Oregon.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS FRANK J. FONTES, 38145226, Signal Corps, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 January 1945, on road behind Hill 560, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Elberta Burner (mother), Route #1, Box 405, Redding, California.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS EDWARD T. CUNNINGHAM, 32099568, Infantry, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 January 1945, at a road junction 500 yards east of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Thomas J. Dunningham (father), 20 Midland Avenue, Yonkers, New York.

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TECH GRADE IV LOUIS RZASA, 20215615, Signal Corps, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16-17 January 1945, east of Catagumtungan in vicinity of Lamortis-Rosario highway, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Miss Charlotte Rzaa (sister) 330 Gibson Street, Buffalo, New York.

TECH GRADE V HOWARD JONES, 33054650, Signal Corps, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16-17 January 1945, east of Catagumtungan in vicinity of Lamortis-Rosario highway, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Grace M. Jones (mother) 3605 Bryan Mawr, Dallas, Texas.

SERGEANT EDWARD J. MURPHY, 20214639, Signal Corps, U.S. Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 January 1945 to 21 January 1945, on Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. E.J. Murphy (mother), 502-3rd St., Brooklyn, N.Y.

STAFF SERGEANT J.D. WILLIAMS, 39299268, Armored, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 January 1945, on the San Fabian-San Jacinto Highway, north of Abinoleng River, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Willis Williams (father) Lexington, Oklahoma.

SERGEANT EDWARD A. SULLIVAN JR. 39601567, Armored, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 January 1945, on the San Fabian-San Jacinto Highway north of Abinoleng River, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Maude Sullivan (mother) 554 Mercury Street, Butte, Montana.

TECH GRADE V WILLIAM C. CARTER, 37016033, Armored, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 January 1945, on the San Fabian-San Jacinto Highway north of Abinoleng River, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Lorone Bettes (sister) RD #1, Box 771-A, Joplin, Missouri.

TECHNICAL SERGEANT FRED M. NEUTS, 20143473, Infantry, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 January 1945, at Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Shirley F. Neuts (wife), 1066 Forest Avenue, Portland, Maine.

STAFF SERGEANT OTTO T. KONOPASKE, 20129304, Infantry, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 January 1945, at Binday, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Rose Konopaska (mother), 15 Hillside Avenue, Terryville, Connecticut.

By command of Major General WING:

C. P. ROBBINS  
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Adjutant General

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AGRS-DA 201 Rodrigue, Henry J.  
12 164 024

26 January 1950

AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDER

So much of General Order 13, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, dated 27 January 1945 as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Henry J. Rodrigue, 12 164 024, which reads Bronze Star Medal is amended to read First Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

COPIES FURNISHED:

Strength Accounting Branch, AGO  
D & A Sec, DPRB, St. Louis, Mo.

*[Signature]*  
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

GENERAL ORDERS)

28 January 1945

NUMBER.....14) SECTION I - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR  
SECTION II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER  
SECTION III - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART

SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, dated 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, W.D., 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

STAFF SERGEANT ROY L. WALLIN, 34081581, Infantry, U.S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on the night of 16 January 1945, on the North-South Highway at Barrio Cablong, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Charlie Wallin (father) Route #2, Rising Fawn, Georgia.

SECTION II

1. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster in lieu of an additional Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROSS McELHANON, 38450087, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945, three miles southeast of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Kate McElhanon (mother), Okolona, Arkansas.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS DANIEL MONIZ, 31291973, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 10 January 1945, on Hill 470, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Joseph Moniz (father) 29 Richmond Street, Bristol, Rhode Island.

STAFF SERGEANT JACK L. DAVIS, 39530860, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945, at Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Pauline Davis (sister), 3032 Somerset Drive, Los Angeles, California.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS DUNCAN G. COUCH, 20151226, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 on Hill 560, Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Duncan A. Couch (father), Box 172, Manchester Depot, Vermont.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS FLOYD D. MEDLEN, 38424228, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945, at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Buelah C. Medlen (mother), Rt #1, Wortham, Texas.

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STAFF SERGEANT FRANK DAEHNE, 36233844, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945, at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Barbara Daehne (mother) #3, Phillips, Wisconsin.

SECTION III

1. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS PETER GONZALEZ, 32171977, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945, three miles south of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mercedes Gonzalez (mother), 184 West End Ave., New York, New York.

TECH GR IV MARCELL VANDEN HEUVEL, 36158437, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945, on Lingayen, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Miss Florence Mayris (sister), Water Street, Hart, Michigan.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS HENRY WIENS, 39920828, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945, three miles north of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Jacob G. Wiens (father), Route 1, Box 383, Dallas, Oregon.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ALBERT CIPRIANI, 33306017, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945, at San Juan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Laura Cipriani (mother) Luella Ave., Charleroi, Pennsylvania.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOSEPH KOVER, 35017379, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945, on Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Joseph Kover Sr., #1, 459 New Haven Avenue, Newark, Ohio.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ANGELO DAVERSA, 33391501, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945, on Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: John Daversa (father) 6 Poplar Street, South Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JAMES R. CAMPBELL, 34675282, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945, three miles south of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Victoria Campbell (mother), Rt. #2, Sanford, North Carolina.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JAMES K. SMITH, 34648544, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945, at San Juan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Millie Smith (mother) #5, Greer, South Carolina.

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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS HERSCHEL M. ANDERSON, 37523611, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945, three miles south of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Everett C. Anderson (father), Rt. #1, Wentworth, Missouri.

CAPTAIN JOHN P. MAHONEY, O-415906, Ch C, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945, at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Dr. Patrick Mahoney (father), 288 Maple Street, Burlington, Vermont.

CAPTAIN ROBERT P. QUINN, O-143768, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945, at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. William F. Quinn (father), 31 Emerald Street, Hingham, Massachusetts.

CAPTAIN ELLIS N. COHEN, O-428155, MC, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 17 January 1945, at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Herman M. Cohen (father), 820 Holly Ave., St. Paul, Minnesota.

1ST LIEUTENANT HENRY L. HILLARD, O1545800, MC, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 17 January 1945, at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Harry Hillard (father), 1633 North 27th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

1ST LIEUTENANT JOHN R. PAVKA, O-464672, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945, at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Ruth M. Pavka (wife), East River, Oswego, New York.

2ND LIEUTENANT CHARLES W. RICE, O-510946, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 22 January 1945, Hill #7, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Margaret P. Rice (mother), 433 N. 2nd Street, McAlester, Oklahoma.

TECH GR V KENNETH C. PERDUE, 35263361, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945, at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Nell Perdue (mother), Ottawa, West Virginia.

PRIVATE JOSEPH ALBANESE, 42016679, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 21 January 1945, at Palguyod, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mary Albanese (wife), 8911 Church Street, Hudson Heights, New Jersey.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS PATRICIO O. TORREZ, 38244474, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 22 January 1945, one mile north of Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Juana Ortego (mother), General Delivery, Sugarland, Texas.

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PRIVATE RICHARD H. PETERSON, 34012198, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945, at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Ida Thacker Peterson (mother), Box 96, Nelson, Georgia.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS VINCENT J. LOGGLI, 12014884, Inf., U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945, 1000 yards northeast of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Miss Josephine Loggia (sister), 20 Union Place, Long Island, New York.

PRIVATE MAX HAIMANN, 31407616, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945, 50 yards east of Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Martha Haimann (aunt), 884-55th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

PRIVATE LOREN C. COLLINS, 34377713, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945, 50 yards east of Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Violet B. Collins (mother), Rt. #1, Blaine, Tennessee.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS PAUL McCLURE, 35691726, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945, at Alaca, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Edyth McClure (wife) 34 E. 14th St., New Albany, Indiana.

CORPORAL EDWARD R. ADAMS, 34019178, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 on Hill 665, Alaca, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Virginia Adams (wife), 307 Fifth Place, Meridan, Mississippi.

By command of Major General WING:

C. P. ROBBINS  
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AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART

1. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

2ND LIEUTENANT PHILLIP F. SMITHLINE, O-1304576, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945, on Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Julie Smithline (mother), 519 S. Roberts Ave., El Reno, Oklahoma.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CLIFFORD F. WOODWORTH, 20129179, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945, at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Agnes May Woodworth (mother), West Wallington, Connecticut.

*Citation amended by G.O. # 19 - Feb. 5, 1945*  
\*PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROBERT V. ZANINI, 33499830, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945, on Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Elma T. Zanini (wife), 1914 Green Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

TECH GRADE V EDGAR W. FITZGERALD, 20428815, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 7 January 1945, on LST 125 enroute from APO 705 to APO 70. Home address: Maude A. Fitzgerald (mother) RFD #1, Carters Creek, Tennessee.

PRIVATE LOUIS LAMONT, 36737586, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 7 January 1945, on LST 125 enroute from APO 705 to APO 70. Home address: Peter Lamont (father), 817 N. Oakley Blvd., Chicago, Illinois.

TECH GRADE V CHARLES L. GARRISON, 20428937, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 7 January 1945, on LST 125 enroute from APO 705 to APO 70. Home address: Mrs. Mammie Garrison (mother), 1126 East 14th Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

PRIVATE CHARLES D. CARTER, 37106214, FA, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 7 January 1945, on LST 125 enroute from APO 705 to APO 70. Home address: Mattie E. Carter (mother), Rt. #1, Marmaduke, Arkansas.

PRIVATE JESSIE D. HONE, 39910780, Armored, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 9 January 1945, two miles north of San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Sarah W. Hone (mother) Park City, Utah.

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PRIVATE LYLE K. DEMO, 36887302, Armored, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 11 January 1945, at San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Esther Demo (wife), 6530 Marvin Street, Unionville, Michigan.

TECH GRADE V KENNETH R. MILLSAP, 37447046, Armored, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 11 January 1945, two miles north of San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Ray Millsap, (father) 42 Franklin Street, Waterloo, Iowa.

PRIVATE ARTHUR G. BLY, 17046249, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945, at Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Everett E. Bly (father), 1823 Evanston, Kansas City, Missouri.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS L. (I.O.) B. CHAMBERS JR., 38406620, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945, at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Edith M. Chambers (mother), 1101 E. 16th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

STAFF SERGEANT STANLEY CHOPP, 36199185, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945, at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Fred Chopp (father), Rt. #9, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

CORPORAL RAYMOND C. DEMING, 36878293, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945, at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Constance Deming (wife), 2089 Clark, Detroit, Michigan.

STAFF SERGEANT WILFRED R. DUPREY, 20151776, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945, on Hill 665, Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Harvey Duprey (father), 269 N. Main Street, Barre, Vermont.

1ST SERGEANT WELLA J. DUTY, 6818067, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945, on Highway #5, Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Margo Duty (wife), Post Office Box 2183, Abilene, Texas.

STAFF SERGEANT FRANK D. GILFILLAN, 20151579, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945, at Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Safford Gilfillan (father), Route #2, Orleans, Vermont.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS FLOYD C. GRAY, 38325095, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 15 January 1945, at Alacan, Hill 580, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Connie Delure Gray (mother), Rt #1, Drumright, Oklahoma.

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TECH GRADE V ROBERT O. HANEY, 14020143, MC, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 17 January 1945, at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Emma Lou Hamby (wife), Rt. #1, Murphy, North Carolina.

PRIVATE MANUEL P. HERNANDEZ, 33460814, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945, at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Gregorea P. Hernandez (mother), 424 W. Nueva Street, San Antonio, Texas.

PRIVATE MORRIS HICKS, 31386090, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 15 January 1945, on Hill 665, Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Paul E. Hicks (father), 109 Mauran Avenue, E. Providence, Rhode Island.

STAFF SERGEANT PASCO MASSEMINI, 31038092, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 17 January 1945, on Hill 665, Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Clara Massimini (mother), 187 Roosevelt Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

STAFF SERGEANT JOSEPH T. RHODES, 31038557, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945, on hill approximately one mile north of Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Percy Rhodes (father), 214 Kenyon, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ANDREW J. ROGERS, 36315590, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945, on Highway #3, Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mary Rogers (mother), 823 N. Kolin Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ARMAND J. SARNICOLA, 32588686, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 17 January 1945, at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Lavinia Sarnicola (mother), 6 Dayton Street, Auburn, New York.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ANDREW F. SCHROEDER, 36614167, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945, on Hill 665, Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Rose Schroeder (mother), 600 LaValle Street, Reedsburg, Wisconsin.

STAFF SERGEANT HAROLD R. WACKER, 39314741, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945, at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Jacob Wacker (father), 4104 North Haight Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

PRIVATE J.C. (I.O.) WALLEN, 37415921, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945, on Hill 665, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Henry Wallen (father), 247 North 8th Street, Salina, Kansas.

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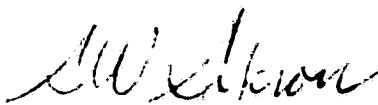
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CLAUDE S. WHITE, 34625689, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945, on Hill 665 Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Myra M. White (mother), Robertsdale, Alabama.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JACOB WOLF, 39038201, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945, on Highway #3, Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mary Wolf (mother), McLaughlin, South Dakota.

By command of Major General WING:

C. P. ROBBINS  
Colonel, G.S.C.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:



C. W. CAPRON  
Lt. Col., A.G.D.  
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SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918) a Silver Star Medal is awarded (posthumously) by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

\* *Citation amended by HQ 547-5 Reg. 1945*  
 LIEUTENANT COLONEL LORRYN E. PETERSON, O-262875, Cavalry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 at Sisuan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Tanks in support of Infantry were subject to heavy concentrations of artillery and mortar from high ground. Although Colonel Peterson's tank had suffered several direct hits, he dismounted from his tank under heavy fire to go to the aid of a tank crew whose tank was in flames and whose communications were knocked out. His cool courage and heroic action under withering fire to supervise and direct the evacuation of his wounded men and damaged tanks was exemplary. Colonel Peterson was seriously wounded by mortar fragments and later died. Next of kin: Mrs. ~~Maria~~ P. Peterson (wife), ~~14862~~ Ilene Avenue, Detroit, Michigan. *14631*

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 SERGEANT TILADIS D. CAMPBELL, 34102889, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945 at Linayen Gulf Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sgt Campbell as leader of a squad was given the mission of breaking up a stubborn defense by the Japs showed cool, determined courage by standing up on a hill and heaving hand grenades and firing at the enemy until they retreated. Sgt. Campbell's strong sense of duty and strong courage continued until he was killed by enemy fire. Next of kin: Olen G. Campbell, (father), Belmont, Mississippi. *14631*

SERGEANT JOHN CORDEIRO, 20153681, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 21 January 1945 at Palguyod, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the morning of the 21st of January, Sgt Cordeiro's battery was in position at Palguyod and was being shelled by enemy artillery. His battery was given orders to fire counter-battery. Rather than expose his whole section to enemy fire he ordered them to their dugouts and he proceeded to fire counter-battery single-handed, but in the act of loading his gun was killed by enemy artillery. His outstanding courage and devotion to duty was an inspiration to his men. Next of kin: John Cordeiro (father), 26 Berkeley St. Providence, Rhode Island.

TECHNICAL SERGEANT JOSEPH F. PAVLATSKI, 3M 216, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 at a point 1000 yards Northeast of Rosario, Luzon, P.I. To enable his organization to complete its mission and to protect his platoon from heavy casualties he undertook a reconnaissance of enemy positions. This was done on his own initiative and was above the call of duty. Proceeding under machine gun and sniper fire, at the risk of his life, Sgt. Pavlatski had advanced into enemy installations and was reconnoitering an entrenchment when he was killed. Next of kin: Frank Pavlatsk (father) 18 Anderson Street, West Rutland, Vermont.

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SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918, a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

PRIVATE TERRY R. FAULK, 38022134, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 15 January 1945 at Malisin, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Pvt. Faulk as a member of a volunteer litter party to pick up eight (8) dead showed outstanding heroism and gallantry in action by walking toward the enemy firing his machine pistol to cover another Sergeant who was carrying a wounded man, a member of their litter party, to safety. Private Faulk's heroism resulted in saving the man's life and other members of the party. Home address: Cora L. Faulk, (mother), Box 164, Kingston, Oklahoma.

TECHNICIAN FIFTH GRADE PERCY H. KIEF JR., 20146271, Ordnance, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on Beach White #2, Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945. During an artillery barrage by the enemy on Beach White #2 on 9 January 1945, Corporal Kief on his own initiative operated a tractor under direct enemy fire, hauling out vehicles which had bogged down in deep water. Although operation of a tractor was not one of his duties nor was the tractor one which belonged to his organization, Corporal Kief realized that those vehicles to be towed were in immediate danger unless removed. His deep devotion to duty and bravery in manning this tractor to haul the vehicles to safety, under enemy fire, saved much equipment and was an inspiration to the other men who witnessed the scene. Home address: Percy H. Kief, (father) Salisbury Cove, Maine.

PRIVATE RICHARD J. MCNAMARA JR., 11130859, Cavalry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Private McNamara as a member of a tank crew showed outstanding gallantry and bravery in dismounting from his tank and going to the aid of another tank crew whose tank was burning from a direct hit of enemy artillery. After mortar fire had wounded his Commanding Officer and Private McNamara was thrown against the tracks of his tank he rallied, gave first aid to Colonel Peterson and returned to his tank to give covering fire to his commander and to the evacuated crew of the assault gun tank until ordered back to bring Infantry support. Private McNamara's utter disregard for his own safety and heroic action under withering fire was an inspiration to other men around him. Home address: Mrs. Alice McNamara (mother), 130 Sunset Road, Arlington, Mass.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ALBERT A. PALERMO, 35609296, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 at Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the afternoon of 20 January 1945 his battalion was attempting to take Mt. Alava. They had proceeded up a deep draw leading to the ridge when enemy artillery and well placed machine gun fire poured deadly fire into the Battalion causing numerous casualties. After being forced to withdraw it was discovered that several wounded were lying between their front lines and the enemy. Pfc. Palermo, with disregard for his own safety volunteered to go forward to aid the wounded men. Under continuous machine gun fire from enemy positions, approximately 100 yards from them, he crawled forward, administered first aid and then proceeded to carry them out. Pfc. Palermo's devotion to duty and brave action saved the lives of

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of many men. Home address: Joseph Palermo, (father), 131 Calvin Street, Youngstown, Ohio.

STAFF SERGEANT ERNEST C. PATTEN, 20144315, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 15 January 1945 at Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On this date Sergeant Patten volunteered to take a litter bearer team and pick up eight dead enlisted men of his company. His route of travel was across a rolling open field. Having picked up six of the dead, he was pinned down and enemy fire killed one of his party and wounded another. Sergeant Patten, in spite of heavy enemy fire, picked up the wounded man and carried him to safety. After bringing him back Sergeant Patten returned and brought in the body of the dead man. Sergeant Patten's deep devotion to duty and gallantry in bringing in the bodies of both men saved the life of one. Home address: Christine V. Patten, (mother), Norway, Maine.

STAFF SERGEANT ROY PEAVY, 34081461, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 21 January 1945 at Palacalca, Luzon, Philippine Islands. As a member of 3d Platoon of his company, Sergeant Peavy went forward on a mission to take a prominent terrain feature. The platoon reached its objective under constant enemy fire and received three casualties. Later, when the platoon was ordered to return a short distance to a defilade position the three wounded men were left between them and the enemy. Sergeant Peavy with utter disregard of his own personal safety went forward under enemy machine gun fire and returned with the first casualty. He repeated the procedure and returned with a second wounded comrade. Sergeant Peavy's devotion to duty and bravery under fire saved the lives of two of his comrades. Home address: Hollifield Peavy, (father), R. F. D. #1, Waithn, Georgia.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS PRIMA J. VALERIANO, 20131880, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 at Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the afternoon of 20 January 1945 his battalion was attempting to take Mt. Alava. They had proceeded up a deep draw leading to the ridge when enemy artillery and well emplaced machine gun fire poured deadly fire into the Battalion causing numerous casualties. After being forced to withdraw it was discovered that several wounded were lying between their front lines and the enemy. Pfc Valeriano with disregard for his own safety volunteered to go forward to aid the wounded men. Under continuous machine gun fire from enemy positions, approximately 100 yards from them, he crawled forward, administered first aid and then proceeded to carry them out. Pfc Valeriano's devotion to duty and brave action saved the lives of many men. Home address: Rose Valeriano, (mother), 198 McClintock Road, New Britain, Connecticut.

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order # 9419, dated 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 5, WD, 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

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CAPTAIN LEWIS L. LITVIN, O-404450, Med. Det, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on the night 18-19 January 1945 at Sison, Highway #3, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The 2d Battalion perimeter was penetrated by an enemy force through a gap caused by enemy artillery fire. Captain Litvin with personnel from the Medical Section manned the gap in the line to halt the enemy advance. During the engagement Captain Litvin killed one (1) Jap. His devotion to duty and courageous action halted the enemy advance. Home address: David Litvin, (father), 1029 Summit Avenue North, Seattle 2, Washington.

CORPORAL PAUL C. KING, 33142701, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 21 January 1945 at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an advance by his company Corporal King displayed exemplary courage and devotion to duty in maintaining communications between the Company Command Post and the forward elements. This communication was vital to the success of the general advance. In performing this duty Corporal King graved almost constant enemy mortar and sniper fire. Home address: Violet M. King, (mother) R.F.D. #1, Ford City, Pennsylvania.

TECHNICAL SERGEANT WILBERT N. BALDWIN, 20129130, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 along Highway 3, Lingayon Gulf Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the night of 18 January 1945 an urgent request from the 2d Battalion Commander for vehicles and drivers to evacuate wounded casualties was received. The route to be traveled was under constant fire from enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. Sergeant Baldwin volunteered to act as a guard for the convoy which volunteered to make the trip. Technical Sergeant Baldwin made the trip successfully to and from Sison and evacuated all the casualties without the loss of one man. Home address: Mrs. Laura Groleau, (mother), 32 Sniosic Street, Rockville, Connecticut.

PRIVATE RICHARD L. BOWER, 39716533, Med. Det, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on the night 18-19 January 1945 at Sison, Highway #3, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The 2d Battalion perimeter was penetrated by an enemy force through a gap caused by enemy artillery fire. Private Bower with personnel from the Medical Section manned the gap in the line to halt the enemy advance. During the engagement Private Bower killed three (3) Japs. His devotion to duty and courageous action halted the enemy advance. Home address: Mrs. Martha L. Bower, (wife), 6142 Prospect Avenue, Maywood, Calif.

PRIVATE RULON E. BURNINGHAM, 39923329, Med Det, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on the night 18-19 January 1945 at Sison, Highway #3, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The 2d Battalion perimeter was penetrated by an enemy force through a gap caused by enemy artillery fire. Private Burningham with personnel from the Medical Section manned the gap in the line to halt the enemy advance. During the engagement Private Burningham killed six (6) Japs. His devotion to duty and courageous action halted the enemy advance. Home address: Clyde T. Burningham, (father), Kaysville, Utah.

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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WILFRED E. CORTEZ, 34231737, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 along Highway 3, Lingayen Gulf Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the night of 18 January 1945 an urgent request from the 2d Battalion Commander for vehicles and litters to evacuate wounded casualties was received. The route to be traveled was under constant fire from enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. Pfc Cortez volunteered to act as a guard for the convoy which volunteered to make the trip. Private Cortez made the trip successfully to and from Sison and evacuated all the casualties without the loss of one man. Home address: Mrs. Azmar M. Cortez, (mother), 917 W. Laundry Street, Opelousas, Louisiana.

PRIVATE DOUGLAS W. CRUM, 39214134, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 along Highway 3, Lingayen Gulf Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the night of 18 January 1945 an urgent request from the 2d Battalion Commander for vehicles and litters to evacuate wounded casualties was received. The route to be traveled was under constant fire from enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. Private Crum volunteered to act as a guard for the convoy which volunteered to make the trip. Private Crum made the trip successfully to and from Sison and evacuated all the casualties without the loss of one man. Home address: Mrs. Olga W. Crum, (mother), 207 North 41st Street, Seattle, Washington.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WILLIAM H. DRAKE, 32036544, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 along Highway 3, Lingayen Gulf Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the night of 18 January 1945 an urgent request from the 2d Battalion Commander for vehicles and litters to evacuate wounded casualties was received. The route to be traveled was under constant fire from enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. Private Drake volunteered to act as a guard for the convoy which volunteered to make the trip. Private Drake made the trip successfully to and from Sison and evacuated all the casualties without the loss of one man. Home address: Mrs. Ida Drake, (mother), 457 South Park Avenue, Buffalo, New York.

STAFF SERGEANT ERNEST J. DUPONT, 20129183, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 along Highway 3, Lingayen Gulf Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the night of 18 January 1945 an urgent request from the 2d Battalion Commander for vehicles and litters to evacuate wounded casualties was received. The route to be traveled was under constant fire from enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. S/Sergeant DuPont volunteered to act as a guard for the convoy which volunteered to make the trip. Sergeant DuPont made the trip successfully to and from Sison and evacuated all the casualties without the loss of one man. Home address: Mrs. Alma Fouchier DuPont, (mother), Furnace Avenue, Stafford Springs, Conn.

TECHNICIAN GRADE III CHARLES S. GAWLAK, 20129407, Med Det, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on the night of 18-19 January 1945 at Sison, Highway #3, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The 2d Battalion perimeter was penetrated by an enemy force through a gap caused by enemy artillery fire. Sergeant Gawlak with personnel from the Medical Section manned the gap in the line to halt the enemy advance. During the engagement Sergeant Gawlak killed five (5) Japs. His devotion to duty and courageous action halted the enemy advance. Home address: Mrs. Sophie Gawlak, (mother) 16 Railroad Ave. Middletown, Connecticut.



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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS RALPH GIAMMONA, 32961167, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 along Highway 3, Lingayen Gulf area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the night of 18 January 1945 an urgent request from the 2d Battalion Commander for vehicles and litters to evacuate wounded casualties was received. The route to be traveled was under constant fire from enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. Private Giammona volunteered to act as a guard for the convoy which volunteered to make the trip. Private Giammona made the trip successfully to and from Sison and evacuated all the casualties without the loss of one man. Home address: Mrs. Frances Giammona, (mother), 127 East 108th Street, New York, New York.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JAMES E. HANCOCK, 35704072, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 along Highway 3, Lingayen Gulf Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the night of 18 January 1945 an urgent request from the 2d Battalion Commander for vehicles and litters to evacuate wounded casualties was received. The route to be traveled was under constant fire from enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. Private Hancock volunteered to act as driver for the convoy which volunteered to make the trip. Private Hancock made the trip successfully to and from Sison and evacuated all the casualties without the loss of one man. Home address: Mrs. Pinylee Hancock, (mother), Knifley, Kentucky.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CHARLES D. HEASLEY, 33403173, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 23 January 1945 in bivouac areas near Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. About three o'clock in the morning while under enemy fire, at the risk of his own life, Private Heasley put out a fire of burning 81 mm mortar ammunition, thereby possibly saving the lives of many of his comrades in nearby fox-holes. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Heasley (mother), Butler, Pennsylvania.

CORPORAL PAUL T. JOYCE, 34090952, Medical Detachment, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on the night of 18-19 January 1945 at Sison, Highway 3, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The 2d Battalion perimeter was penetrated by an enemy force through a gap caused by enemy artillery fire. Corporal Joyce with personnel from the Medical Section manned the gap in the line to halt the enemy advance. During the engagement Corporal Joyce aided in repulsing the enemy. His devotion to duty and courageous action halted the enemy advance. Home address: R. W. Joyce, (father), Route #2, Kernersville, North Carolina.

TECHNICIAN GRADE V GEORGE S. LARRABEE, 31357186, Medical Detachment, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on the night of 18-19 January 1945 at Sison, Highway 3, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The 2d Battalion perimeter was penetrated by an enemy force through a gap caused by enemy artillery fire. Corporal Larrabee with personnel from the Medical Section manned the gap in the line to halt the enemy advance. During the engagement Corporal Larrabee killed five (5) Japs. His devotion to duty and courageous action halted the enemy advance. Home address: Mrs. Effie Smith, (mother), 20 School Street, Lynn, Massachusetts.

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PRIVATE CHANEL L. LAVOIE, 31269860, Medical Detachment, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on the night 18-19 January 1945 at Sison, Highway 3, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The 2d Battalion perimeter was penetrated by an enemy force through a gap caused by enemy artillery fire. Pvt. Lavoie with personnel from the Medical Section manned the gap in the line to halt the enemy advance. During the engagement Private Lavoie killed three (3) Japs. His devotion to duty and courageous action halted the enemy advance. Home address: Mrs. Irane Lavoie, (wife), 54 South Street, Derry, New Hamp.

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 \* TECHNICALIAN GRADE IV WALTER B. LIESKE, 37288360, Medical Detachment, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on the night 18-19 January 1945 at Sison, Highway 3, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The 2d Battalion perimeter was penetrated by an enemy force through a gap caused by enemy artillery fire. Sergeant Lieske with personnel from the Medical Section manned the gap in the line to halt the enemy advance. During the engagement Sergeant Lieske killed four (4) Japs. His devotion to duty and courageous action halted the enemy advance. Home address: Clara Lieske, (mother), Route #1, Henderson, Minnesota.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CARL O. LITTLEFIELD, 31027198, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 21 January 1945, at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an advance by his company Private Littlefield displayed exemplary courage and devotion to duty in maintaining communications between the Company Command Post and the forward elements. This communication was vital to the success of the general advance. In performing this duty Private Littlefield graced almost constant enemy mortar and sniper fire. Home address: Mrs. Carrie M. Littlefield, (mother) 42 Colony Road, West Springfield, Massachusetts.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LOUIS LUHRS, 39206784, Medical Detachment, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on the night 18-19 January 1945 at Sison, Highway #3, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The 2d Battalion perimeter was penetrated by an enemy force through a gap caused by enemy artillery fire. Private Luhrs with personnel from the Medical Section manned the gap in the line to halt the enemy advance. During the engagement Private Luhrs killed five (5) Japs. His devotion to duty and courageous action halted the enemy advance. Home address: Louis W. Luhrs, (father), 1316 Bennet Street, Seattle, Washington.

TECHNICIAN GRADE V W. C. MESSICK, 34232084, Infantry, U. S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 along Highway 3, Lina-yayan Gulf Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the night of 18 January 1945 an urgent request from the 2d Battalion for vehicles and litters to evacuate wounded casualties was received. The route to be traveled was under constant fire from enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. Corporal Messick volunteered to act as a driver for the convoy which volunteered to make the trip. Corporal Messick made the trip successfully to and from Sison and evacuated all the casualties without the loss of one man. Home address: Viola S. Messick, (mother), Route #1, Camoti, Louisiana.

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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS HENRY (NMI) MILLER, 34231745, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 along Highway 3, Lingayen Gulf Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the night of 18 January 1945 an urgent request from the 2d Battalion Commander for vehicles and litters to evacuate wounded casualties was received. The route to be traveled was under constant fire from enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. Private Miller volunteered to act as a guard for the convoy which volunteered to make the trip. Private Miller made the trip successfully to and from Sison and evacuated all the casualties without the loss of one man. Home address: Mrs. Amalice D. Miller, (mother), Route #1, Box 91, Basile, Louisiana.

TECHNICAL SERGEANT HUGH H. PEELER, 14119508, Medical Detachment, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 along Highway 3, Lingayen Gulf Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the night of 18 January 1945 an urgent request from the 2d Battalion Commander for vehicles and litters to evacuate wounded casualties was received. The route to be traveled was under constant fire from enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. Sergeant Peeler volunteered to act as Head of the convoy which volunteered to make the trip. Sgt. Peeler made the trip successfully to and from Sison and evacuated all the casualties without the loss of one man. Home address: Clovis T. Peeler, (father), Jefferson Road, Athens, Georgia.

TECHNICIAN GRADE III FRANK J. PALUMBO, 31022946, Medical Detachment, U.S. Army for heroic action against the enemy on the night 18-19 January 1945 at Sison, Highway 3, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The 2nd Battalion perimeter was penetrated by an enemy force through a gap caused by enemy artillery fire. Sergeant Palumbo with personnel from the Medical Section manned the gap in the line to halt the enemy advance. During the engagement Sergeant Palumbo aided in repulsing the enemy. His devotion to duty and courageous action halted the enemy advance. Home address: Mrs. Anna Palumbo, (mother), 29 Liberty Street, Middletown, Connecticut.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS GILBERT N. POUSSON, 34231724, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 along Highway 3, Lingayen Gulf Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the night of 18 January 1945 an urgent request from the 2d Battalion Commander for vehicles and litters to evacuate wounded casualties was received. The route to be traveled was under constant fire from enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. Private Pousson volunteered to act as a driver for the convoy which volunteered to make the trip. Private Pousson made the trip successfully to and from Sison and evacuated all the casualties without the loss of one man. Home address: Mrs. Armand Pousson, (mother), Route "2, Iota, Louisiana.

TECHNICIAN GRADE V LOUIS J. STAGER, 20129213, Infantry, U. S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 along Highway 3, Lingayen Gulf Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the night of 18 January an urgent request from the 2d Battalion Commander for vehicles and litters to evacuate wounded casualties was received. The route to be traveled was under constant fire from enemy artillery fire, mortar and small arms. Corporal Stager volunteered to act as a driver for the convoy which volunteered to make the trip. Corporal Stager made the trip successfully to and from Sison and evacuated all the casualties without the loss of one man. Home address: Mrs. Theresa Dunphy, (mother), 70 Main Street, Newington, Connecticut.

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PRIVATE BARNEY V. RICE, 38142762, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 11 January 1945 at Matangalan, Philippine Islands. On 11 January the 1st Battalion was holding high ground in the vicinity of Matangalan. At about 2230 a patrol of thirty enemy troops infiltrated through the flank of the line and attacked our positions. Private Rice was a member of a machine gun crew which came under heavy fire from the right and rear of his position. During the attack four members of his machine gun crew became casualties but using his own initiative and displaying exemplary courage, Private Rice swung the gun to the rear and brought fire on the enemy. Handling the heavy machine gun entirely alone, Private Rice, disregarding the enemy fire directed at his position, placed withering fire on the attacking enemy, killed nine (9) Japs and broke up the attack. Home address: Manuel Rice, (brother), Florence, Texas.

CORPORAL WARD D. TEDFORD, 20129139, Infantry, U. S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 along Highway 3, Lingayen Gulf Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the night of 18 January an urgent request from the 2d Battalion Commander for vehicles and litters to evacuate wounded casualties was received. The route to be traveled was under constant fire from artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. Corporal Tedford volunteered to act as a driver for the convoy which volunteered to make the trip. Corporal Tedford made the trip successfully to and from Sison and evacuated all the casualties without the loss of one man. Home address: Mrs. Annie Tedford (mother), 12 Warren Street, Manchester, Connecticut.

TECHNICAL SERGEANT RAYMOND E. WINIALSKI, 31023332, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On this date his battalion was engaged in continuous heavy fighting against a sizeable enemy force. Sergeant Winialski repeatedly exposed himself to enemy fire moving back and forth between each gun crew of his platoon directing and coordinating fire which helped the battalion to repulse the enemy with great loss to the same. He showed exemplary courage and bravery in carrying one of his men who was seriously wounded across 200 yards of heavily shelled terrain. Home address: Mrs. Geraldine Winialski, 77 Whitmore Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ALFONSO ZAMORA, 38351546, Medical Detachment, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on the night 18-19 January 1945 at Sison, Highway 3, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The 2d Battalion perimeter was penetrated by an enemy force through a gap caused by enemy artillery fire. Private Zamora with personnel from the Medical Section manned the gap in the line to halt the enemy advance. During the engagement Private Zamora aided in repulsing the enemy. His devotion to duty and courageous action halted the enemy advance. Home address: Adolfo Zamora, (father), Peralta, New Mexico.

By command of Major General WING:

OFFICIAL:

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SECTION I - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART  
SECTION II - AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDER #15.

SECTION I

1. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

PRIVATE ELMER L. ALEXANDER, 17175351, Medical Department, United States Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 23 January 1945 at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Vera Alexander (wife), Box 578, Berkeley, California.

PRIVATE EDGAR J. ARCHAMBAULT, 31385053, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 26 January 1945 near Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Victor H. Archambault, (father), Woonsocket Hill Road, North Smithfield, Rhode Island.

TECHNICAL SERGEANT ALFRED C. BONE, 34040676, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 at Bobonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Evonne K. Bone, (wife), Route #3, Waverly, Tennessee.

STAFF SERGEANT ROLLIE C. CLARK, 39200700, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945 at Hill 318, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: James R. Clark, (father), Route #1, Onalaska, Washington.

FIRST LIEUTENANT PAUL S. CONNER, O-1013370, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945 at Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Marguerite E. Connor, (wife) Route #1, Box 374M, Spring Valley, San Diego, California.

STAFF SERGEANT ROMEO O. GEORGE, 34019175, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 27 January 1945 near Posario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Bonnie George, (mother), Route 2, Dekalb, Mississippi.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS EDWARD E. HARRIS, 39470341, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Maude Harris, (mother) 503 North Vine, Commerce, Oklahoma.

TECHNICIAN GRADE V GUY U. HOLFORD, 39324498, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 12 January 1945 at San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: May Daisy Holford, (mother), 3671 NE 47th Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS THOMAS (NMI) HUIETT, 37531032, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 26 January 1945 at Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Laura B. Huiett, (mother), Route #3, Salina, Kansas.

PRIVATE JESS KENT, 39575458, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 23 January 1945 at Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Fedelia R. Kent, (wife), 1201-1 Via Francisca, Los Angeles, California.

SERGEANT EDWARD S. M. LEDFORD, 35675376, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 10 January 1945 at Palapad, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Carma L. Ledford, (wife), Hebron, Kentucky.

SECOND LIEUTENANT HARRY LEHMANN JR., O-1015246, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 10 January 1945 at Palapad, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth T. Lehmann, (wife), 132 Lindberch Street, Manhasset, L.I. New York.

PRIVATE JOSEPH J. MCLAUGHLIN JR., 33782833, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 26 January 1945 near Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Joseph J. McLaughlin Sr., (father), 2531 South 19th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

SECOND LIEUTENANT LAWRENCE J. MCMACKIN, O-1315462, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 27 January 1945 at Hill 900 (near Rosario), Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Judy McMackin, (wife), 2102 South Fifth Street, Ironton, Ohio.

PRIVATE HENRY T. MCMILLAN, 39462789, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 17 January 1945 at Hill 355 Annex, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Etta McMillan, (mother), Box 161, Devine, Texas.

FIRST LIEUTENANT EARL T. NEWTON, O-1014584, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 10 January 1945 at Palapad, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Eunice M. Newton, (wife), 3603 MacArthur Drive, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

SECOND LIEUTENANT CLARENCE E. OLSON, O-1319328, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 23 January 1945 at Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Sybil L. Olson, (wife) Dell Rapids, South Dakota.

PRIVATE JOSEPH A. PARSONS, 20150547, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 at Rosario and Damaris Highway #3, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Melvina M. Parsons, (mother) 20 King Street, Northfield, Vermont.

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STAFF SERGEANT EUGENIO J. PEROJO, 20151744, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received against the enemy on 26 January 1945 near Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Antonio Perojo, (father), 1 Waterman Street, Barre, Vermont.

*Revoked by G.O. # 59-30 Mar. 45*  
~~\*SERGEANT MELVIN PUGH, 34398236, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received against the enemy on 9 January 1945 at Buad River, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Gora Pugh, (mother), Arkadelphia, Alabama.~~

TECHNICIAN GRADE V ARTHUR P. RILEY, Medical Department, ASN, 20152361, U.S. Army, for wounds received against the enemy on 25 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Coombs, (aunt), 83 Rose Street, Burlington, Vermont. K-E-S-T-P-I-C-T-E-D

PRIVATE WILLIAM L. SEVERANCE, 37574414, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received against the enemy on 25 January 1945 at Bobonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Anna Severance, (wife), 716 Laurel Ave., St. Paul, Minnesota.

CORPORAL JAMES D. SHIRLEY, 36504364, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received against the enemy on 27 January 1945 at Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Katherine Shirley (wife), Route 1, Clinton, Indiana.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS BEN P. SLONSKI, 33385956, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received against the enemy on 16 January 1945 at Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Stella Slonski, (wife), 2042 Fountain Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

PRIVATE FREDERICK W. SMITH, 36563215, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received against the enemy on 24 January 1945, at Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Ruth Smith, (mother), 1020 Maple Street, Bucyrus, Ohio.

PRIVATE GEORGE H. STARK, 36886638, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received against the enemy on 21 January 1945 at Highway # 3, Rosario & Damoris, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Ann Stark, (wife), 357 Marlborough, Detroit, Michigan.

PRIVATE JOSEPH W. SULLIVAN, 38519154, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received against the enemy on 24 January 1945 near Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Annie Mae Sullivan, Cotton Valley, Louisiana. K-E-S-T-P-I-C-T-E-D

PRIVATE SAM TORTOMASI, 39546269, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received against the enemy on 10 January 1945 at Palanad, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Anna Tortomasi, (wife), 428 University, Trinidad, Colorado.

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TECHNICIAN GRADE V LOUIS M. WAGNER, 38452588, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received against the enemy on 21 January 1945 at Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mary Inez Wagner, (mother), Lavernia, Texas.

PRIVATE WILLIAM P. WALSH, 32849190, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received against the enemy on 25 January 1945, Hill 900, Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Florence M. Walsh, (mother), 1 Pimm Avenue, Auburn, New York.

TECHNICIAN GRADE V LEWIS D. WARD, 39459624, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received against the enemy on 10 January 1945 at Palanad, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Lewis E. Ward, (father), Mead, Washington.

STAFF SERGEANT GEORGE (NMI) WIMMER, 36315883, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received against the enemy on 26 January 1945 at Hill 900, Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Margaret Wimmer, (mother) 3232 N. Overhill Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS GLEN L. WINDOVER, 32668730, CAC, U.S. Army, for wounds received against the enemy on 11 January 1945 at San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Lettie Windover, (mother), 90 Railroad Street, Lowville, New York.

SECTION II

1. So much of Paragraph 1, General Orders # 15, this headquarters, dated 29 January 1945 (Award of the Purple Heart) as pertains to PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROBERT V. ZANINI, 33499830, Infantry, U.S. Army, as reads, "wounds received in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945" is amended to read, "wounds received in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945".

By command of Major General WING:

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NUMBER.....20) SECTION I - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (Posthumously)  
SECTION II - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR  
SECTION III - AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL  
SECTION IV - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR (Posthumously)  
SECTION V - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918) a Silver Star Medal is awarded (posthumously) by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

✓ PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROY J. ANDREOTTI, 36661764, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 21 January 1945 at Hill 600, North of Pazorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Private Andreotti heard the cry for help from a wounded man who had fallen to enemy machine gun fire. Although under fire, he disregarded his own safety and rushed to the aid of the wounded man. Before he could reach the wounded man he was killed by machine gun fire. In sacrificing his own life in an attempt to aid a wounded comrade, Private Andreotti displayed great courage and gallantry. Next of kin: Mrs. Yolanda Andreotti, (mother) 810 North Maplewood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

✓ STAFF SERGEANT ORAZIO AURECHIO, 6001733, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 23 January 1945 in the proximity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During a Japanese counterattack, Sergeant Aurechio, under gun fire went out in front of the defense lines and killed a Jap Intelligence Officer and a Sergeant Major, capturing a map showing Japanese installations and defense positions of Rosario and nearby hills. Sergeant Aurechio's actions were highly responsible for the securing of Rosario. Next of kin: Mrs. Jennie L. Aurechio, (wife), Box 64, Hartington, Nebraska.

✓ PRIVATE OLIVER R. KINDLE, 38469831, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 24 January 1945 at Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an attack on the enemy and under fire of Jap heavy machine guns and rifles, Private Kindle noticed four of his comrades had been wounded, and without regard for his own personal safety, he crawled forward under terrific enemy fire and evacuated two of them, losing his own life on the return trip. Next of kin: Mrs. Oral Kindle, (mother), Route #1, Westville, Oklahoma.

STAFF SERGEANT FRANK B. TERMINE, 20130891, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 22 January 1945 at Hill 355, near Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. As his battalion was attacking well entrenched enemy positions a call was sent out for every available man to come forward with litters for the wounded. Although a Radio Chief with the job of keeping radio contact, he delegated that job to another man and with utter disregard for his own safety voluntarily went forward under fire to the aid of his wounded comrades. During the trip forward

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he was killed. His courage and valor at a crucial moment was an inspiration to all who were there. Next of kin: Bortoca Termine, (father), 152 Brook Street, Hartford, Conn.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918) a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following officers and enlisted men:

✓ TECHNICAL SERGEANT LLOYD H. BELL, 6953161, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 in the vicinity of Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Bell's company, reinforced by a platoon of 57 mm guns established a road block which was attacked by an enemy force believed to be composed of a tankette, four 90mm artillery pieces and an ammunition truck with accompanying infantry. In the early stages of the attack, the Company Commander was killed by enemy fire. Sgt. Bell immediately assumed control of the situation and directed the fire of his unit all during the night. By his unquestioned leadership and cool and courageous manner he clearly displayed his qualifications as a soldier and was highly instrumental in repulsing the enemy. Home address: Lucy F. Bell, (mother), Goodland Route, Hugo, Oklahoma.

✓ LIEUTENANT COLONEL WILBUR E. BRADT, O-182711, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 on Hill 200, just North of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. While directing fire Colonel Bradt displayed courage and devotion to duty. For two days previous our troops which were attacking on Hill 200 had been constantly harassed by enemy artillery fire from positions which could not be definitely located. Of his own volition, Colonel Bradt went to the most forward position in order that he might determine the location of the enemy firing positions. Although, under heavy artillery fire, some of which landed only feet from him, he moved to more exposed positions from which he could better locate the enemy guns. By his deliberate coolness, courage and utter disregard for his own safety, Colonel Bradt was able to obtain data which resulted in the destruction of the enemy positions. Home address: Mrs. Norma Bradt, (wife), 204 Broadway, Bangor, Maine.

✓ PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ALFRED M. COOKSON, 20146415, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 at Palacmalac, Luzon, Philippine Islands. At about 1730 hours, the Battalion of which Private Cookson is a member was placed under observed enemy counter battery fire from 77mm Japanese guns. At the time the first round landed, Sergeant Blackburn, another member of the battalion was proceeding across open terrain to the battery position. He was instantly killed but not knowing that he was dead, Private Cookson crawled to his aid. His voluntary action in risking his life to go to the aid of a comrade, under heavy artillery fire, is exemplary of the highest type of courage and devotion to duty. Home address: Mrs. Eva Arnold (mother), Route #2, Dover, Foxcroft, Maine.

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✓ STAFF SERGEANT JACK EASTON, 38473510, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 at Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Easton while in action against the enemy went forward on his own initiative under enemy fire to rescue a Private of his squad who had been wounded and lay exposed to Jap fire. During his movement forward, Sergeant Easton was wounded but he continued until he reached Private Luzier and withdrew him to safety. Home address: Belle Easton, (mother), Box 389, Trinity, Texas.

✓ FIRST LIEUTENANT HAROLD V. FOELL, O-1291252, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 near Bobonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. While his Company was advancing toward high ground it came under heavy machine gun fire and sniper fire which inflicted several casualties. Disregarding the heavy enemy fire and without thought of his own safety, Lieutenant Foell left the protection of the ground and moved forward to recover the wounded men, half carried and half dragged them to the rear for treatment. Home address: Carl L. Foell, (father), Stern Lake, Iowa.

✓ FIRST LIEUTENANT CHARLES K. FISKE, O-1307529, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 17 January 1945 on Hill 600, just north of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. At approximately 1000 th Battalion Commander was conducting a conference of Company Commanders at his Command Post when enemy artillery placed heavy fire directly on their position, killing three officers and wounding several. Lieutenant Fiske, although himself badly cut about the hands and bleeding profusely, disregarding cover from the enemy fire, immediately began to render first aid and removal of the wounded. By his cool, courageous action, Lt. Fiske, although wounded himself, prevented additional casualties. Home address: Leslie B. Fiske, (father), 64 Diversy Parkway, Chicago, Ill.

✓ TECHNICIAN FIFTH GRADE ALLAN J. MC ISAAC, 20143854, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 on Hill 200, Natangalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. While attacking the enemy two M-7 mounts of a cannon company were hit by enemy fire. The two mounts lay burning in an open field with wounded or dead men in and around them. Corporal McIsaac went forward under heavy machine gun and artillery fire in an attempt to recover the dead and wounded. His outstanding courage in repeatedly crossing under heavy fire and in the intense heat of the burning tanks to recover the wounded and dead alike, was an inspiration to all who witnessed the act and was responsible for the saving of the lives of those wounded men. Home address: Mrs. Mary Agnes Mc Isaac, (mother), 34 Rackliff Street, Portland, Maine.

✓ SERGEANT HENRY L. PERRY, 31027380, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 12 January 1945 at Hill 200, North of Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Perry displayed unusual courage in rescuing a wounded comrade from under enemy machine gun fire. At 1600, as his company was advancing, Private Gray was wounded by enemy machine gun fire at a range of about 150 yards. Sgt. Perry, without regard for his own safety, crawled forward onto a bare ridge and removed the wounded man to safety. Home address: Rose Donovan, (aunt), Box 216, Miami Springs, Florida.

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✓ TECHNICAL SERGEANT EDWARD H. TESSIER, 20145622, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945, near Bobonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. While the Company of which he was a member was advancing toward high ground, it came under heavy machine gun fire and sniper fire which inflicted several casualties. Disregarding the heavy enemy fire and without thought of his own safety, Sergeant Tessier left the protection of the ground and moved forward to recover the wounded men, half carried and half dragged them to the rear for treatment. Home address: Yvonne B. Tessier, (wife), 69 Royal Park, Augusta, Maine.

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bulletin 8, WD, 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

✓ SERGEANT RUSSELL H. SUTHERBURG, 20145792, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroism at Potnot, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 January 1945. Sgt. Sutherburg, at the risk of his own life went to the aid of a comrade who had been covered with burning oil from an exploding enemy tank. Seeing that the flames were entirely covering the victim, Sergeant Sutherburg quickly ran to him, covered his body with his own and when that failed to extinguish the flames threw sand until the flames were out. Home address: Mrs. Olivia I. Sutherburg, (wife), RFD #4, Box 39, Gardner, Maine.

SECTION IV

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, dated 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded (posthumously) by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

✓ SERGEANT JOHN J. MULCAHY, 31020147, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 13 January 1945 at Hill 580, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Mulcahy displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty in manning a machine gun under terrific small arms and mortar fire and supporting the advance of the troops until he was finally killed by enemy mortar fire. Next of kin: John L. Mulcahy, (father), Sudbury, Vt.

✓ PRIVATE FIRST CLASS STANLEY SKRZYPEK, 32284478, Infantry, U.S. Army for heroic action against the enemy on 13 January 1945 at Hill 580, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Private Skrzypek displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty in manning a machine gun under terrific small arms and mortar fire and supporting the advance of the troops until he was finally killed by enemy mortar fire. Next of kin: John Skrzypek, (brother), 224 15th Street, Niagara Falls, New York.

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SECTION V

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, dated 4 Feb. 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, 44)

✓ PRIVATE BERNARD J. BABB, 34785203, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 10 January 1945 at Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The battalion was advancing astride the road. As the leading elements approached a cemetery they came under heavy fire from enemy field pieces, halting the advance of the battalion. Private Babb, as a member of a bazooka team, and by directions given by a native Filipino, encircled the enemy gun position, killed an enemy officer and six men and destroyed a vehicle making the remainder of the enemy withdraw thus enabling the battalion to continue its advance. By his courageous action and disregard of his own safety, Private Babb undoubtedly saved numerous lives and aided the battalion in its advance and eventual capture of Manaoag. Home address: Mrs. Ethel Sarah Stange, (mother), 311 Berry St. Alpena, Michigan.

✓ PRIVATE FIRST CLASS THOMAS A. BARON, 35755743, Infantry, U.S. Army for heroic action against the enemy on 10 January 1945 at Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The battalion was advancing astride the road. As the leading elements approached a cemetery they came under heavy fire from enemy field pieces, halting the advance of the battalion. Private Baron, as a member of a bazooka team, and by directions given by a native Filipino, encircled the enemy gun position, killed an enemy officer and six men and destroyed a vehicle making the remainder of the enemy withdraw thus enabling the battalion to continue its advance. By his courageous action and disregard of his own safety, Private Baron undoubtedly saved numerous lives and aided the battalion in its advance and eventual capture of Manaoag. Home address: Mrs. Jennie Baron, (mother), Box 2123 Elm Grove, West Virginia.

✓ PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WILLIAM J. BROPHY, 13175351, Infantry, U.S. Army for heroic action against the enemy on 10 January 1945 at Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The battalion was advancing astride the road. As the leading elements approached a cemetery they came under heavy fire from enemy field pieces, halting the advance of the battalion. Private Brophy, as a member of a bazooka team, and by directions given by a native Filipino, encircled the enemy gun position, killed an enemy officer and six men and destroyed a vehicle making the remainder of the enemy withdraw thus enabling the battalion to continue its advance. By his courageous action and disregard of his own safety, Private Brophy undoubtedly saved numerous lives and aided the battalion in its advance and eventual capture of Manaoag. Home address: Francis J. Brophy, (father), 7125 Boyer Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

✓ SERGEANT LEONARD R. CARLEW, 37537985, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 10 January 1945 at Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The battalion was advancing astride the road. As the leading elements approached a cemetery they came under heavy fire from enemy field pieces, halting the advance of the battalion. Sergeant Carlew, as a member of a bazooka team, and by directions given by a native Filipino, encircled the enemy gun position, killed an enemy officer and six men, and destroyed a vehicle making the remainder of the enemy withdraw thus enabling the battalion to continue its advance. By

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his courageous action and disregard of his own safety, Sergeant Carlew undoubtedly saved numerous lives and aided the battalion in its advance and eventual capture of Manacag. Home address: Clarence E. Carlew, (father), Joplin, Missouri.

✓ SERGEANT RALPH L. CRAWFORD, 31027385, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 15 January 1945 at Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands. A section of heavy machine guns of which Sergeant Crawford was a member fought off an enemy attack. At 0300, the enemy attacked our road block with mobile artillery, tanks and infantry. When a force of enemy infantry attempted to enter our position, Sergeant Crawford jumped out of his foxhole, shouted to the men around him to take cover, while he, completely disregarding the enemy fire and his own safety, manned a heavy machine gun and placed devastating fire on the attacking force, killing or wounding about 25 of the Japanese forces and breaking up the attack. Home address: Mrs. Maud Crawford, (mother), North Baldwin, Maine.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS FRANK F. ELLIS, 20428709, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 near San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On this date an enemy force of approximately 80 troops attacked the battalion perimeter with orders to destroy artillery pieces with demolition kits. Private Ellis was ordered to fire on the enemy. After firing a few rounds his gun became jammed and could not be operated. Noticing that the other guns also were jammed he jumped from his cover and with total disregard for his own safety ran from pit to pit, working on the guns and getting them back in action. Home address: Miss Billie B. Ellis (sister), 1406 Watson Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

✓ PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ANDREW S. JEFFERSON, 35766993, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 at Mt. Alaya, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On this date Private Jefferson went forward under fire and located an enemy machine gun which was barring the advance of the rest of his company. Using a B.A.R. he proceeded to keep the enemy from using effectual fire against the other platoons advancing into position. Private Jefferson's action made possible the establishment of the right flank with a minimum amount of casualties. Home address: Mary A. Jefferson, (mother), Apple Grove, West Virginia.

✓ CORPORAL WILLIAM F. KANE, 20143504, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 at Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Corporal Kane displayed outstanding courage, devotion to duty and patience during a night attack by an enemy force of tanks and supporting infantry. As an assistant gunner of a 57mm gun he helped place fire on the tanks, immobilizing but not putting the tank out of action. The tank fired continuously during the night and at dawn, Corporal Kane with Sergeant Thornton placed heavy fire on the tank and knocked out three 90mm field pieces. During the entire action, Corporal Kane displayed determination and outstanding courage under terrific enemy fire and while clearly exposed by the flames of a burning truck. His devotion to duty aided immeasurably in destroying the enemy and repulsing the attack. Home address: Mrs. Margaret L. Greene, (aunt), Sebasco Estates, Maine.

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✓ TECHNICAL SERGEANT RALPH N. LA BAY, 20150033, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 11 January 1945 near Labon, Triangulation Station, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On this date Sergeant La Bay took command of the platoon after his platoon leader had been wounded and evacuated. He organized and held the hill against a determined enemy assault until relieved. He displayed additional courage by remaining on the spot after his platoon was relieved to personally check to see whether or not two men left in the line were dead or alive. Home address: Esther M. Drew (mother), West-Burke, Vermont.

✓ CORPORAL ALBERT MARULLO, 35213385, Field Artillery, U. S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 near San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On this date an enemy force of approximately 80 troops attacked the battalion perimeter with orders to destroy artillery pieces with demolition kits. Corporal Marullo was ordered to fire on the enemy. After firing a few rounds his gun became jammed and could not be operated. Noticing that the other guns also were jammed he moved from his cover and with total disregard for his own safety, ran forward to pit working on the guns and getting them back in action. Home address: Mrs. Jennie Marullo, (mother), Box 175, Boomer, West Virginia.

✓ TECHNICIAN GRADE V JOHN C. MAYER, 32906499, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 22 January 1945 at Bobonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Corporal Mayer displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty in moving under terrific mortar and artillery fire to administer first aid to the wounded. Although heavy fire continued to land all around him, Corporal Mayer continued his work until all were taken care of. Home address: William Mayer, (father), 123 Loudon Avenue, Amityville, New York.

✓ TECHNICAL SERGEANT DAVID C. O'CONNELL, 20145086, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 11 January 1945 at Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. As one platoon of the company advanced to a crest a Sergeant came under direct enemy fire and was wounded. Sergeant O'Connell, with disregard for his own safety and although being warned to stay back because of the heavy enemy fire, crawled up to the wounded man and assisted by Sergeant Robinson, succeeded in removing the wounded man to safety. Home address: Mary O'Connell, (mother), 127 First Street, Lewiston, Maine.

✓ STAFF SERGEANT MELLEN S. POMEROY, 31027721, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 10 January 1945 at Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The battalion was advancing astride the road. As the leading elements approached a cemetery they came under heavy fire from enemy field pieces, halting the advance of the battalion. Sergeant Pomeroy, as a member of a bazooka team, and by directions given by a native Filipino, encircled the enemy gun position, killed an enemy officer and six men, and destroyed a vehicle making the remainder of the enemy withdraw thus enabling the battalion to continue its advance. By his courageous action and disregard of his own safety, Sergeant Pomeroy undoubtedly saved numerous lives and aided the battalion in its advance and eventual capture of Manaoag. Home address: Mrs. Muriel Pomeroy, (mother) Route #1, Livermore Falls, Maine.

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FIRST LIEUTENANT JAMES W. POPP, Medical Administrative Corps, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 at Hill 355 across from the Bued River, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an assault of his company the casualties were high and evacuation of wounded during daylight hours was impossible. Attempts to evacuate wounded were unsuccessful as the enemy had cut their line. Lieutenant Popp volunteered to lead litter parties to the companies on the hill and with courage and initiative he succeeded in leading the parties to the wounded men and evacuating them. Home address: Mrs. James W. Popp, Pickney, Michigan.

SECOND LIEUTENANT CHARLES W. RICE, O-510946, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 14-15 January 1945 in the vicinity of Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands. About 2200 the position was attacked from the northeast by Jap tanks supported by infantry and mortars. The tank set fire to a  $1\frac{1}{2}$  ton weapons carrier fifteen yards from Lieutenant Rice, who with three other men, was acting as a forward observer. Through his radio, although in the light of the burning truck, he adjusted fire on this tank. Later the position was attacked by another force. Lt. Rice adjusted his fire to this new attack entirely by sound. Because his guns were firing directly toward him, his adjustment was doubly difficult. With outstanding courage and devotion and proving his highly technical skill in direction, he aided materially in repulsing the attack. Home address: Margaret P. Rice, (mother), 433 North 2d Street, McAlester, Oklahoma.

SERGEANT WILLIAM A. ROBINSON, 31347369, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 11 January 1945 at Manacag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. As one platoon of the company advanced to a crest a Sergeant came under direct enemy fire and was wounded. Sergeant Robinson with disregard for his own safety and although being warned to stay back because of the heavy enemy fire, crawled up to the wounded man and assisted by Sergeant O'Connell, succeeded in removing the wounded man to safety. Home address: Jason G. Robinson, (father) Holtshire Road, Orange, Massachusetts.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL JOHN F. ROUSSEAU, O-325348, General Staff Corps, U.S. Army, for meritorious service during the period 20 September 1944 to 28 December 1944, in direct support of operations against the enemy. Home address: Estelle R. Rousseau, (wife), 65 East 55th Street, Apartment 6-A, New York, New York.

FIRST LIEUTENANT CARL C. D. SEIBEL, O-437770, Infantry, U. S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 at Baboan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Lieutenant Seibel displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty by going forward under fire on his own initiative to take over a platoon, which had lost its leader, organizing it and attacking the enemy from the left flank who were attempting to encircle the battalion. Lt. Seibel's action made it possible for the remainder of the battalion to advance and organize Mt. Alava. Home address: Nomina M. Seibel, (mother), 520 Sixth Street, Oregon City, Oregon.



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✓ SECOND LIEUTENANT EDWIN L. TROUT, O-1308052, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 10 January 1945 at Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The battalion was advancing astride the road. As the leading elements approached a cemetery they came under heavy fire from enemy field pieces, halting the advance of the battalion. Lieutenant Trout, as a member of a bazooka team, and by directions given by a native Filipino, encircled the enemy gun position, killed an enemy officer and six men and destroyed a vehicle making the remainder of the enemy withdraw thus enabling the battalion to continue its advance. By his courageous action and disregard of his own safety, Lieutenant Trout undoubtedly saved numerous lives and aided the battalion in its advance and eventual capture of Manaoag. Home address: William E. Trout, (father), 126 Fairview Street, Hyde Villa, Reading, Pennsylvania.

✓ PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROGER TRUJILLO, 39566778, Infantry U. S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 at Palacabala, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Private Trujillo advanced from a position of safety under enemy machine gun fire to rescue a wounded comrade who lay pinned down under heavy fire. His devotion to duty and courageous action was responsible for saving the wounded man's life. Home address: Eva Trujillo, (wife), 717 Kohler Street, Los Angeles, Calif.

✓ PRIVATE FRANCIS J. WRABETZ, 36283397, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 near San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On this date an enemy force of approximately 80 troops attacked the battalion perimeter with orders to destroy artillery pieces with demolition kits. Private Wrabetz was ordered to fire on the enemy. After firing a few rounds his gun became jammed and could not be operated. Noticing that the other guns also were jammed he jumped from his cover and getting them back in action. Home address: Mrs. Margaret E. Wrabetz, (mother), 2020 North 41st Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

By command of Major General WING:

C. P. ROBBINS,  
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Chief of Staff.

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HEADQUARTERS 43d INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

10 February 1945.

GENERAL ORDERS)

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1. Section V, General Orders #20, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, APO #43, 7 February 1945, pertaining to Award of the Bronze Star, is amended to include as Paragraph 1, thereunder, the following:

"1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, dated 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:".

By command of Major General WING:

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OFFICIAL:

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APO #13

11 February 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER.....23) SECTION I - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (Posthumously)  
SECTION II - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR  
SECTION III - AWARD OF THE SOLDIERS MEDAL  
SECTION IV - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Posthumously)  
SECTION V - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

**SECTION I**

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918) a Silver Star Medal is awarded (Posthumously) by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named Enlisted Man:

STAFF SERGEANT CALIXTE R. PARENT, 20153876, Engineers, U. S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 1 February 1945 at Hill 355, near Posorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands when he lost his life in a brave and courageous attempt to save the life of his Company Commander by crawling through heavy enemy fire across open terrain. Next of Kin: Mrs. Mrs. A. Parent (Mother), 1049 Main Street, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

**SECTION II**

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918) a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named Officers and Enlisted Men:

PRIVATE JOHN M. BARNES, 34808186, Med. Det., U. S. Army for gallantry in action against the enemy on 12 January 1945 at Manacog, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On this date, Private Barnes displayed great courage when acting far beyond the call of duty, he crawled and ran over 200 yards to rescue a wounded man who was lying under heavy enemy fire in open terrain. Home Address: Mrs. Maude F. Barnes (Mother) Grove Oak, Oklahoma.

TECHNICIAN FIFTH GRADE MATHIAS A. BELLER, 38166337, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy at White Beach, Lingayon Gulf, Philippine Islands, on 12 January 1945. During a severe enemy artillery barrage, T/S Beller under his own initiative and without regard to his own personal safety, started his D-8 Bulldozer and extinguished fires in the vital supplies of the Class I-II-III-IV dumps that had reached threatening proportions. Home Address: Mr. August C. Beller (Father) Bucyeros, New Mexico.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JACK A. CAGLE, 38470019, Infantry, U. S. Army for gallantry in action against the enemy on 26 January 1945 at Posorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an advance on the above date a comrade in his company was wounded. Despite the barrenness of the terrain which left him exposed to the continued fire of the enemy machine gun which had wounded him, Pfc. Cagle, at the risk of his life crawled thirty yards to the wounded man and removed him to safety. Home address: Mrs. Cafey Cagle (Mother) Route #1, Salina, Oklahoma.

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TECHNICIAN GRADE THREE OSCAR FLETCHER, 36109723, Field Artillery, U. S. Army for gallantry in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 at Mabilao, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an intense infiltration attack by the enemy of the gun position in which he was located, Sgt. Fletcher displayed gallantry in unhesitatingly going several hundred yards under heavy enemy fire to give first aid to seven seriously wounded men. With utter disregard for his own personal safety he repeatedly made trips to each wounded man until all had been given treatment. Home address: Mrs. Nancy Fletcher, (Mother) Bowling, Kentucky.

TECHNICAL SERGEANT JOSEPH L. GIROUX, 20144105, Infantry, U. S. Army for gallantry in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. At about 1600 hours the Company of which T/Sgt. Giroux is a member came under very heavy enemy automatic weapon fire, during which fire, a comrade was wounded. With utter disregard for his own safety and with deep devotion to duty, Sgt. Giroux left his position and crawled 30 yards forward under heavy enemy fire and succeeded in removing the wounded man to safety. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Giroux, Kimball Avenue, Mexico, Maine.

TECHNICIAN FIFTH GRADE BURLEIGH J. GRANT, 31027840, Infantry, U. S. Army for gallantry in action against the enemy on 22 January 1945 near Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an intense artillery and mortar barrage, one shell landed near the battalion switchboard, killing one man and wounding five others. Since all communications were out of because of all the personnel being wounded, Corporal Grant with utter disregard for his own safety, as shells were falling in and around the area, quickly ran to the switchboard and operated it all during the day enabling information to be relayed to gun positions for counter-battery fire and keeping contact with lower units. Home address: Mrs. Arlene Grant, (Wife) Harrington, Maine.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CLEO C. HALLONQUIST, 58478785, Infantry, U. S. Army for gallantry in action against the enemy on 4 February 1945 at Bataquil, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an artillery barrage by enemy heavy pieces, a shell landed near the gun emplacement in which the gunner was buried by falling debris. Pfc. Hallonquist with utter disregard for his own safety, while still under heavy artillery fire, left his position, ran to the demolished gun position and although wounded succeeded in digging out Pvt. Palma before he was smothered by the dirt. Home address: Maggie C. Hallonquist (Mother) Route #2, Winnsboro, Texas.

TECHNICIAN FIFTH GRADE WALFRED A. PRUNER, 36830969, Field Artillery, U. S. Army for gallantry in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 at Mabilao, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an intense infiltration attack by the enemy of the gun position in which he was located, Corporal Pruner displayed gallantry in action in unhesitatingly going sever hundred yards under heavy enemy fire to give first aid to seven seriously wounded men. With utter disregard for his own personal safety he repeatedly made trips to each wounded man until all had been given treatment. Home address: Mrs. Miriam E. Pruner (Wife) PO Box 55, Hancock, Michigan.

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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LEO G. WILBORN, 38431599, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 26 January 1945 on Hill 355, near San Jacinto, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the afternoon of this date, the Platoon of which Private Wilborn is a member came under heavy enemy machine gun and mortar fire, during which his platoon leader, an officer, was wounded. With utter disregard for his own safety and the continued enemy fire, Private Wilborn crawled forward fifty yards and under the enemy fire administered first aid and withdrew the wounded officer to safety. Home address: Mrs. Leona Wilborn, (mother), Box 33, Port Lavaca, Texas.

### SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bulletin 8, WD, 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named Enlisted Man:

STAFF SERGEANT JOHN P. LESTRANGE, 32077538, Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army, for heroism on 28 January 1945 near San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Upon learning that one of the passengers had been swept overboard, Sergeant Lestrangle, coxswain of the boat, brought the boat into a better position for rescue efforts. Observing that the soldier in the water had not reached either the life preserver or rope which had been thrown to him, Sergeant Lestrangle, at the risk of his own life, dove overboard to attempt rescue. Due to the extremely rough surf he was unable to hold on to the drowning soldier and it was only with great difficulty that he made his way back to the boat. Home address: Mrs. Peter Lestrangle, 1008 Madison Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

### SECTION IV

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, dated 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded (posthumously) by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named Enlisted Man:

STAFF SERGEANT ROLLY W. GERYCH, 36166876, Infantry, U.S. Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period of 10 January 1945 to 24 January 1945. As Communication Chief of a Battalion, his responsibility of controlling, supervising, and completing the requirements of communications for his battalion, companies and to battalions and regiment was achieved with superior performance of duty, and demonstrated leadership. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Helis, (mother), 6962 Parkwood Ave., Detroit, Michigan.

### SECTION V

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, dated 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named Officers and Enlisted Men:

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STAFF SERGEANT MELVIN R. BLANN, 32046989, Medical Department, U.S. Army for heroic achievement against the enemy on 20 January 1945 at Hill 600, near Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In the initial stages of an attack against the enemy on the hill it was necessary to cross approximately 3,000 yards of open field under direct enemy observation and fire which caused some casualties. Because of the heavy fire it was impossible to remove three of the wounded men to the Aid Station which now lay one and one-half miles to the rear. At about 2100 on that date, Sergeant Blann, with three companions, went forward across the open terrain which was well lighted by moonlight, and disregarding the enemy fire and their own safety, succeeded in removing the three wounded men over the one and one-half miles of open terrain to safety. Home address: Ellen A. Blann, (wife) Box 84, West Winfield, New York.

PRIVATE JOHN R. BRAMBLETT JR., 34808042, Medical Department, U.S. Army for heroic achievement against the enemy on 20 January 1945 at Hill 600, near Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In the initial stages of an attack against the enemy on the hill it was necessary to cross approximately 3,000 yards of open field under direct enemy observation and fire which caused some casualties. Because of the heavy fire it was not possible to remove three of the wounded men to the Aid Station which now lay one and one-half miles to the rear. At about 2100 on that date, Pvt. Bramblett, with three companions, went forward across the open terrain which was well lighted by moonlight, and disregarding the enemy fire and their own safety, succeeded in removing the three wounded men over the one and one-half miles of open terrain to safety. Home address: Nelda K. Bramblett, (mother) Helena, Alabama.

TECHNICAL SERGEANT THOMAS W. COSPER, 6955617, Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 January 1945 at Luzon, Philippine Islands. In action against the enemy, he assumed the duties of a Company Engineer Officer, and through his efforts, and ability to supervise men and handle heavy equipment, dump areas were developed to receive a great volume of military stores. On the night of January 10th he displayed coolness and bravery under heavy enemy mortar fire and saw to the safety of his men. Home address: Mrs. Jimmie Lois Cosper, (wife), Dodd City, Fannin County, Texas.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL JAMES W. DEVINE, O-231274, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 12 January 1945 in the vicinity of Manago, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Upon receipt of a message from the officer in charge of a guerrilla patrol that his party was pinned down by superior enemy fire, Colonel Devine unhesitatingly joined a small volunteer rescue party and proceeded to scene of action. Personally manning a light machine gun from an exposed position within close range of the concealed enemy, he assisted in suppressing the enemy fire and making it possible to remove to safety the wounded native Filipino who had volunteered to guide the patrol of guerrillas. Home address: Mrs. Alice Devine, (wife), 22 Galvin Street, Portland, Maine.

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STAFF SERGEANT JUDSON B. ELKINS, 69667192, Infantry, U.S. Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 January 1945 to 6 February 1945. On all his squad patrols during this campaign Sergeant Elkins led the patrols as well as acting as his own number one scout. On the 25th and 26th of January he led patrols inside the town of Rosario each time engaging the enemy; on the 26th January he was wounded by gun fire but continued firing and killing two Japs before being evacuated. Home address: Mrs. Martice Elkins, (mother), Eldorado, Georgia.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS EDMUND J. EZELL, 38497375, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 21 January 1945 at Hill 600, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During the withdrawal from the hill, Private Ezell, radio operator with the forward observer was the last to leave the forward Infantry position, distinguished himself by operating the radio under intense mortar and sniper fire with complete disregard for his own safety, making it possible for the forward observer of the mortar platoon to place smoke on the enemy position and cover the successful withdrawal of the Infantry Company. Home address: Mrs. Freida Kirsch, (mother), 5218 Annunciation Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LEONARD L. GATHJE, 37176674, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 22 January 1945 on Hill 700, in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. As leading scout of his platoon, Private Gathje, upon making contact with the enemy, moved forward aggressively in the face of intense enemy small arms fire. Although wounded in the face by rifle fire, he continued moving forward, succeeded in routing several of the enemy from their positions and killing at least three Japs. Not until the hill was secured did he accept medical aid. Home address: Mrs. Freida Gathje, (mother), Route #2, Chatfield, Minnesota.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS STANLEY GORDON, 32335126, Field Artillery, U.S. Army for heroic action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 at Mabilao, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an enemy attack on the gun position of his battery, one of the enemy party ran towards Private Gordon's gun pit carrying approximately one hundred pounds of dynamite, fused and ready to detonate. Without regard for his personal safety, he left his position of cover in the pit and killed the enemy, who was by then only seven yards away. Private Gordon's action saved the lives of the cannoneers in the gun position as well as the howitzer. Home address: Mrs. Ester Gordon, (wife), Springs Road, East Hampton, Long Island, N.Y.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS RICHARD GORMAN, 33262202, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 15 January 1945 in the vicinity of Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During a Company advance against the enemy across open terrain it was subjected to heavy Jap machine gun fire and suffered casualties. Private Gorman, disregarding the heavy fire and his own safety, crawled forward and succeeded in removing two wounded comrades, which deed was performed wholly voluntarily. Home address: Donald Gorman, (brother), 7339 Flurey Way, Pittsburgh 8, Pennsylvania.

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PRIVATE DELBERT H. GOULD, 39384166, Infantry, U.S. Army for heroic action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When the platoon of which he was a member was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun fire, Private Gould, without regard for his personal safety, moved a light machine gun forward and placed heavy fire upon the enemy position. This action enabled the platoon to withdraw to a more tenable position and at the same time evacuate the wounded. Home address: Bernice N. Gould, (mother), P.O. #138, Eugene, Oregon.

FIRST LIEUTENANT EUGENE I. GRANICH, O-1105469, Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army for heroic action against the enemy during period from 10 January 1945 to 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Macayug, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Lieutenant Granich, as leader of a small combat patrol whose mission was to intercept enemy infiltration parties displayed courage and devotion to duty by not only observing and reporting but by persistently pursuing well armed parties of the enemy which resulted in the killing of thirteen enemy soldiers and the capture of two. Home address: Mrs. Janet S. Granich, 5230 Argus Drive, Los Angeles, California.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS EZRA L. GRESSETT, 34872647, Infantry, U. S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy during the period from 9 January 1945 to 6 February 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. As the Number One Scout of his squad throughout the campaign, Private Gressett displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty. On the 25th of January he guided his squad into Rosario which resulted in the killing of two Japs and the capture of a Jap Flame Thrower. Home address: Mrs. Annie B. Gressett, (mother), Kewanee, Mississippi.

TECHNICIAN GRADE V RICHARD D. HALFORD, 37339308, Infantry, U. S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 22 January 1945 in the Pozorrubio sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Corporal Halford, a driver of a truck evacuating casualties displayed outstanding qualities of courage and devotion to duty in transporting the casualties under Japanese mortar, artillery and sniper fire safely to the Battalion Aid Station located at a rear area. Home address: Burlion Halford, (father), Glenwood Springs, Colorado.

By command of Major General WING:

C. P. ROBBINS,  
Colonel, GSC,  
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

*W. L. ...*  
C. W. CAPRON,  
Lt Col AGD,  
Adjutant General.



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**GENERAL ORDERS)**

14 February 1945.

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SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918) a Silver Star Medal is awarded (posthumously) by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

TECHNICIAN GRADE V ROBERT O. HAMBY, 14020143, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 31 January 1945, in the vicinity of Agaña, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When a call was received to remove a wounded man at an outpost, Corporal Hamby promptly volunteered to take his squad on the mission. Ignoring the danger involved in traveling through enemy held territory to save the life of a fellow-soldier, he sacrificed his own life. Next of kin: David Hamby, (father), Route #1, Murphy, North Carolina.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CHESTER S. NIEDZWIEDZ, 36714542, Medical Detachment, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 22 January 1945 in the vicinity of Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an enemy attack on a defensive position Private Niedzwiedz, with utter disregard for his own life, promptly rushed to administer first aid to the wounded while the attack was at its height- amid exploding enemy grenades- and succeeded in giving medical aid in the dark. Later, Private Niedzwiedz was killed in action. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Niedzwiedz, (mother), 1546 West 21st Street, Chicago, Illinois.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS TRAVIS L. REID, 36554724, Infantry, U. S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 at Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an enemy attack in which his companion was severely wounded, Private Reid carried on the fight alone with his B.A.R. and succeeded in killing four of the enemy and possibly wounding or killing several others. He continued firing away at the enemy until he was killed by enemy fire. His outstanding courage and devotion to duty materially aided in halting the enemy attack. Next of kin: Mrs. Irene Reid, (mother), Route #1, Manor, Texas.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918) a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

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SECOND LIEUTENANT JAMES A. BRODBECK, O-1304334, Infantry, U. S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 in the vicinity of Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Given the mission to capture a hill with his platoon, Lieutenant Brodbeck displayed courage and outstanding leadership amid the fierce resistance from the enemy who were deeply entrenched in the side of the hill which resulted in the accomplishment of a difficult task. Home address: Mrs. Marie E. Brodbeck, (wife), 166 Miller Avenue, Freeport, New York.

PRIVATE THOMAS W. COLE, 31346968, Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 1 February 1945 at Hill 355, in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Private Cole displayed outstanding courage and devotion beyond the call of duty in crawling through intense enemy fire in an attempt to reach his Company Commander who lay wounded near an enemy dugout. When he was forced to withdraw, only after the other soldier with him, Sergeant Parent, was hit, and the enemy fire became too intense, he obtained the services of another soldier and again went in under fierce fire to assist in evacuating Sgt. Parent. Home address: Mrs. Pearl V. Cole, (mother), 17 Grant Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

PRIVATE LOREN C. COLLINS, 34377713, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945, at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During a fierce enemy attack and without regard for his personal safety went to the aid of a soldier caught on fire as a result of enemy flame throwers, tore off his burning clothes and assisted him to the rear lines where medical aid could be administered. Private Collins received painful burns on the hands as a result of his valiant act. Home address: Mrs. Violet B. Collins, (mother), Route 1, Blaine, Tennessee.

SERGEANT EMIT ELLISON, 38306354, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 3 February 1945 in the vicinity of Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During a withdrawal of the Company of which he is a member, Sergeant Ellison displayed great courage and devotion beyond the call of duty by remaining at his position holding off the enemy with his diminishing supply of hand grenades until all men, including some casualties had safely withdrawn to a rear line. Home address: Mrs. Epsie Ellison, (mother), Route #2, Mineola, Texas.

SERGEANT ANTHONY D. DI RENZO, 35306555, Infantry, U. S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 27 January 1945, on Hill 600 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an enemy attack, Sergeant Di Renzo, without regard of his personal safety, left his foxhole to administer first aid to three wounded comrades and with the aid of another soldier, assisted the wounded to the rear area where medical care was ready. Home address: Mrs. Anthony Di Renzo, (mother), 1942 East 123 Street, Cleveland 6, Ohio.

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CORPORAL COLIN C. GILL, 2015665170, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 28 January 1945 on Hill 1500, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Despite the heavy enemy shelling, machine gun and rifle fire, Corporal Gill exposed himself to procure and lay wire when enemy shelling had disrupted wire communications. As a result of his action enemy guns were destroyed and an enemy counter-attack halted. He displayed exceptional coolness, courage and leadership in his capacity as a liaison sergeant. Home address: Mrs. Harold Gill, (mother), 144 Madison Street, Lakewood, Rhode Island.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS EARL C. HUBER, 37570709, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 27 January 1945 on Hill 600 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an enemy attack, Private Huber, without regard for his personal safety, left his foxhole to administer first aid to three wounded comrades, and with the assistance of another soldier, aided the wounded to the rear area where medical care was ready. Home address: Mrs. Anna Huber, 1192 Dayton Ave. St. Paul, Minnesota.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS DONALD I. JARVIS, 20152374, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 31 January 1945, in the vicinity of Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. As a member of a litter squad which had volunteered to evacuate a seriously wounded man, heavy enemy fire was encountered during the course of travel which killed one member of the squad and wounded another. Private Jarvis, although himself wounded, rendered assistance and successfully evacuated his wounded comrade through enemy fire to safety. He displayed great courage and devotion beyond call of duty. Home address: John Henry Jarvis, (father), Box #18, Shelburne, Vermont.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOHN E. KIRALY JR., 35148173, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an advance against the enemy, and while under heavy enemy artillery fire, Private Kiraly with another soldier volunteered to go to the aid of two seriously wounded comrades. Displaying great courage and devotion far and above the call of duty, he aided in treating the two casualties and remained with them until the shelling ceased. Home address: Mrs. Verna Kiraly, (mother), 4846 Drummond Street, East Chicago, Illinois.

TECHNICIAN GRADE III ARTHUR W. O'CONNELL, 20157731, Corps of Engineer, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on February 1945 in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Amid intense enemy fire Sergeant O'Connell crawled forward to a comrade who lay apparently wounded in the path of enemy fire only to find him dead. During the assault which ensued, two comrades were wounded; again with disregard for his own safety, braved enemy fire and administered first aid and evacuated them to safety. Home address: Mrs. Theresa M. O'Connell, (mother), 11 Cleveland Avenue, Cranston, Rhode Island.

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TECHNICIAN GRADE V ROBERT J. PETERS, 36315440, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 28 January 1945 at Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an attack on the enemy Corporal Peters, without regard for his own life, courageously crawled forward under heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire to render first aid to a wounded gunner and safely evacuated him to the rear. His action was gallant and far beyond the call of duty. Home address: Thomas M. Peters, (father), 7145 South May, Chicago, Illinois.

FIRST LIEUTENANT ERNEST L. SAMPLE, O-1304795, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945 on Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During a critical situation against the enemy, Lieutenant Sample promptly sensed the situation and moving from platoon to platoon reorganized and personally directed the attack to its successful conclusion. Although wounded early in the phase of action, he refused to leave the field until the mission was accomplished. His gallantry, coolness, and outstanding leadership was an inspiration to his Company. Home address: Frank Sample, (father), 801 South Main Street, Goshen, Indiana.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JAMES H. URGOLO, 42003388, Medical Department, U.S. Army for gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an advance against the enemy, and while under heavy enemy artillery fire, Private Urgolo with another soldier volunteered to go to the aid of two seriously wounded comrades. Displaying great courage and devotion far and above the call of duty, he aided in treating the two casualties and remained with them until the shelling ceased. Home address: James Urgolo, (father), 420 Grove Street, Jersey City, New Jersey.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS FRANK J. VALONE, 32938962, Medical Department, U.S. Army for gallantry in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945 at Hill 580, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an attack on the enemy and while under heavy enemy mortar and machine gun fire, Private Valone, without regard for his personal safety, and exposed to enemy fire, crawled along the front lines to administer first aid to six (6) wounded comrades. Home address: Theresa Valone, (mother), 29 Helena Street, Rochester, New York.

PRIVATE NELSON J. VANDERLINDEN, 12097808, Infantry, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 at Hill 600, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an advance against the enemy, Private Vanderlinden observed a comrade fall as a result of a sniper's rifle fire, voluntarily leaving the security of a small ridge, and without regard for his personal safety, ran to the wounded man's aid, and amid enemy fire evacuated him to safety. Home address: Susie Kellner, (mother), Lake Shore Road, RFD #3, Hamburg, New York.

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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LEWIS C. WICKHAM, 39697568, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Private Wickham displayed great courage and fidelity when he administered first aid to six (6) wounded comrades under enemy machine gun and rifle fire and then led them and the litter carrying party to safety back to the rear area. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn M. Beckwith, Post Office Box 364, Tipton, California.

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, dated 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

SERGEANT EPHRAM J. BUSSINO, 20149809, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In order to observe mortar fire on an enemy position it was necessary for Sergeant Bussino to stand so that he could see the target; despite the intense machine gun and sniper fire raking the hill on which he was situated, which shot the chin strap from his helmet, he fearlessly and courageously brought in the mortar fire so accurately that within a few minutes the enemy fire was silenced. His heroic action undoubtedly saved the lives of many members of his organization. Home address: Mrs. Freeman Bussino, (mother), P.O. Box #4, Mt. Holly, Vermont.

TECHNICIAN GRADE III CHARLES J. CHANTIS, 20152387, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 23 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an advance against the enemy, and under intense Jap artillery fire, Sergeant Chantis, without regard for his personal safety, displayed great courage and fidelity in rendering medical aid to casualties. Home address: Mrs. Mary J. Chantis, (mother), 133 Bank Street, Burlington, Vermont.

CAPTAIN ELLIS N. COHEN, O-428156, Medical Corps, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 at Luzon, Philippine Islands. While the Battalion was being subjected to heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, Captain Cohen, without regard for his own safety, left his foxhole and hurried to the aid of several seriously wounded men, two of whom were saved. Home address: Herman M. Cohen, (father), 820 Holly Avenue, St. Paul 5, Minnesota.

TECHNICIAN GRADE V JAMES J. DEFILY, 36315563, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 on Hill 685, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When it was learned that a soldier of the Company of which he was a member was missing and assumed wounded in action against the enemy, Corporal DeFily volunteered to search for his comrade. His mission was successful; locating the seriously wounded soldier he administered medical aid, and alone evacuated him to the area where he further assisted the Battalion Surgeon in an emergency amputation. His heroic action undoubtedly saved the man's life. Home address: Mrs. Teresa DeFily, (wife), 729 S. Karlov Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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SERGEANT THOMAS A. ELLIS, 6266578, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 13 January 1945, at Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Ellis displayed great courage and devotion to duty in assisting to lay a telephone line over a route which was under Jap artillery fire. Communication, vitally needed, was established between two battalions and the regimental headquarters. Home address: Otis Ellis, (brother), Box #66, Roxton, Texas.

TECHNICIAN GRADE V RAYMOND C. FLAVELL, 33792401, Chemical Warfare Service, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 at Luzon, Philippine Islands. While at a forward Outpost and under constant artillery fire in which an officer was wounded and evacuated, Cpl Flavell stayed with the remaining Battalion Commander and maintained communications with his Command Post enabling the mortars to move up to positions and fire on enemy concentrations and field pieces. When Cpl Flavell was told that he could return to the Company Command Post he volunteered to stay at the forward Outpost to transmit orders and targets to the firing platoons. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Flavell, (wife) 4836 North Fairhill, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

CORPORAL JAMES R. HATTRUP, 39414565, Chemical Warfare Service, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy between the period from 9 January 1945 to 22 January 1945. Corporal Hattrup, as Communications Corporal, displayed fortitude, devotion to duty in maintaining communications between the Outpost and the Command Post at Alacan, Mabilao, Mabuaran, Pindangan, Bualeon, Concepcion, Contaguitinan and Tanglag, Luzon, Philippine Islands under adverse conditions and under enemy fire. Home address: Mrs. Marciel Hattrup, (wife), 1415 "G" Street, Sacramento, California.

CORPORAL WALTER C. KIRSCH, 36233738, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 19-20 January 1945 at Hill 665, Luzon, Philippine Islands. At 0200 when a group of Japs was observed moving along the trail on high ground to the rear of the lines, Corporal Kirsch, assisted in moving a Heavy Machine Gun Section about 30 yards to the rear to a vantage point on the slopes of a knoll, further assisted in organizing a line of defense of riflemen and BAR men while under enemy fire. His heroic action contributed to the routing of the enemy and the annihilation of a total of 97 Japs. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Kirsch, (mother), 703 South Clermont Street, Antigo, Wisconsin.

SERGEANT JOHN R. O'DONNELL, 39377902, Chemical Warfare Service, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant O'Donnell, as liaison and radio operator, displayed great courage and devotion to duty in the accomplishment of his duties while under intense enemy machine gun, rifle and mortar fire. Even after receiving wounds and awaiting evacuation he held himself in readiness for further call of duty. His performance of duty contributed to the success of the operation. Home address: John R. O'Donnell, (father), Box 774, Chelan, Washington.

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SECOND LIEUTENANT STEPHEN PARISI, O-2043091, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 at Luzon, Philippine Islands. Upon observing a patrol of ten Japs moving toward his company's position, he unhesitatingly enlisted the services of four men and went out to engage the enemy. Lieutenant Parisi displayed courage and with his background of military tactics, so maneuvered his small group of men so as to catch the enemy patrol by surprise, annihilated the entire patrol without suffering a single casualty. Home address: Frank Parisi, (father), 29 Henrietta Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

STAFF SERGEANT LESTER G. PARIZO, 20152376, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During operations against the enemy, the Battalion of which he is a member was subjected to intense enemy mortar and artillery fire resulting in numerous casualties. Sergeant Parizo, with great courage and devotion to duty, and with disregard for his personal safety, braved the enemy fire and assisted in the supervision of the treatment and evacuation of the casualties. Home address: Mrs. Bessie Parizo, (mother), 56 South Street, Essex Junction, Vermont.

STAFF SERGEANT EUGENIO J. PEROJO, 20151744, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 27 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When a portion of the Company of which he is a member was pinned down by an enemy machine gun which had already caused some casualties among his comrades, Sergeant Perojo displayed great courage and fidelity when he crawled up under enemy fire, though his hat was shot off and he was wounded on the lip, and brought mortar fire on the machine gun position and silenced it. Home address: Antonio Perojo, (father), 1 Waterman Street, Barre, Vermont.

STAFF SERGEANT SALVATORE S. QUATTROCHI, 36315378, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 29 January 1945 on Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Quattrochi displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty when subjected to enemy fire he, without regard for his personal safety, assisted in the recovery of two wounded men. He maneuvered his squad into position to bring fire upon an enemy machine gun allowing the remainder of the platoon to move to higher ground, in so doing he received a bullet wound in the leg. Home address: Mrs. Jennie Quattrochi, (mother), 1002 North Drake Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS S. K. ROBINSON, 38566086, Chemical Warfare Service, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy during the period from 19 January 1945 to 23 January 1945 at Luzon, Philippine Islands. Private Robinson displayed courage and devotion to duty in performing his duties as liaison and radio operator, while under intense enemy action, far more efficient than could be expected under such adverse circumstances. Home address: Mrs. Lorna Robinson, (wife), 1816 Russell Avenue, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

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PRIVATE RALPH W. ROLLINS, 39082268, Chemical Warfare Service, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 9 January 1945 in the vicinity of Mabilao, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Private Rollins, radio operator at a forward Outpost, displayed great courage and devotion to duty, when, under fire from a Jap 77, he maintained communications with the gun positions which finally resulted in the destruction of the enemy gun position. Home address: Mrs. Amy Rollins, (mother), Box 263, Coyle, Oklahoma.

TECHNICAL SERGEANT WILLIAM D. SULLIVAN, 34101379, Infantry, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 3 February 1945 on Hill 1500, in the vicinity of Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When the company of which he is a member had to withdraw to a point about twenty yards to the rear because of an enemy attack, Sergeant Sullivan, at a great risk of his life courageously went forward to the front line and directed our mortar fire until it was landing within ten yards of our newly organized positions forcing the enemy to retreat from the hill. Home address: Thomas A. Sullivan, (father), Box #313, Gardo, Alabama.

TECHNICIAN GRADE IV LAURENT L. THIBAUT, 31035076, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Thibault displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty, when, under intense enemy mortar and artillery fire, he remained in a hazardous area to render medical aid to wounded comrades. Home address: Mrs. Omer Thibault, (mother), 5 Salem Street, Salem, Massachusetts.

By command of Major General WING:

C. P. ROBBINS,  
Colonel, GSC,  
Chief of Staff.

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Lt Col, AGD,  
Adjutant General.



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AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART

1. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS STANLEY M. ANDREWS, 36574708, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 31 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Esther Andrews, (mother), 2431 West Forest, Detroit, Michigan.

FIRST LIEUTENANT WILLIAM H. BALLARD, O-446953, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 22 January 1945, at Pabunan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Albert W. Ballard, (father), Frankston, Texas.

SERGEANT HARVEY H. BANKS, 20146871, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945 at Bunday, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Vance D. Banks, (mother), Route #2, Ft. Fairfield, Maine.

CORPORAL JOSEPH W. BERRY, 35430595, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 24 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Sadie Berry, (mother), Mason, West Virginia.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS GERALD BARNA, 55230744, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 30 January 1945 at Hill 600, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Anna Barna, (mother), 31 Ross Garden Drive, Warren, Ohio.

STAFF SERGEANT SEYMOUR L. BLUM, 35314901, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 29 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Jeanett Blum, (mother), 105-24 Greenlawn Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

PRIVATE VERGIL L. BRANT, 39339709, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 at Pabunan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Stella Sommers, (mother), 335 Marsh Street, Independence, Oregon.

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PRIVATE FORREST G. BROWN, 36769339, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Perry F. Brown, (father), R.F.D. #2, Mattcon, Illinois.

TECHNICIAN GRADE V PATRICK J. BURKE, 20153667, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 28 January 1945, near Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Daniel F. Burke, (father), 18 Beacon Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS MERLE L. BURTCHELL, 20146875, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Jessie Burtchell, (mother), 29 Center Street, Fort Fairfield, Maine.

PRIVATE TONY CARIGA, 39009580, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 27 January 1945 at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Manuel Chavaga, (cousin) 34<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Carneros Street, Salinas, California.

STAFF SERGEANT BEECHER CASSON JR., 20145093, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 27 January 1945 at Bataquil, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Beecher Casson, (father), R.F.D. #1, Webster Road, Lewiston, Maine.

PRIVATE JACK T. CHAMBERLAIN, 39208852, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 31 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Paul F. Chamberlain, (father), 113 9 Street N.E., Auburn, Washington.

SECOND LIEUTENANT JOHN A. CHURCH, O-468511, Infantry, U. S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 1 February 1945 at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Eleanor M. Grinnell, (mother), 303 Hubbard Street, Midland, Michigan.

MAJOR STEWART A. COLBITTS JR., O-325146, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 22 January 1945 at Babonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Harjorie S. Colbitts, (wife), 31 Rowe Street, Melrose, Massachusetts.

PRIVATE TOM A. COMPTON, 33209142, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 28 January 1945 at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Cynthia A. Compton, (mother), Grimsleyville, Virginia.

STAFF SERGEANT MICHAEL CORCORAN, 16149370, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Louise Corcoran, (wife), 3503 Fourth Street, Detroit, Mich.

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TECHNICAL SERGEANT STANLEY J. COUNTER, 20149600, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 26 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Eartha E. Counter, (mother), 86 North Pleasant Street, Middlebury, Vermont.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CHARLES J. CRAYS, 36694078, Infantry, U. S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 28 January 1945, at Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Dossie R. Crays, (mother), 1213 South Broad Street, Carlinville, Illinois.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS RICHARD F. CULLENS JR., 34269360, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 29 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Winnie W. Cullens, (mother), Route #1, Montrose, Georgia.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CLYDE J. DAVENPORT, 38376479, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 30 January 1945 at Hill 800, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Fannie Davenport, (mother), General Delivery, Fort Sulphur, LA.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS FLOYD E. DAVIS, 34276611, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 27 January 1945 at Hill 600, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Mary D. Davis, (mother), Route #8, Batesville, Mississippi.

SERGEANT ERNEST C. ELLIOTT, 34658827, Field Artillery, U. S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Emmie Elliott, (mother), 1213 King Avenue, Florence, South Carolina.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS MICHAEL E. FAY, 39860475, Infantry, U. S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 at Hill 665, Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Ferol I. Fay, (mother), 2346 North 12th Street, Phoenix, Arizona.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS FRED H. FLANNERY, 6661001, Infantry, U. S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 2 February 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Rosylan E. Flannery (wife), 202 Center Street, Bellvue, Kentucky.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS RALPH L. GASLIN, 31027279, Infantry, U. S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 30 January 1945, at Hill 600, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Mildred Metcalf, (mother) 19 Middle Street, Augusta, Maine.

TECHNICIAN GRADE V BURLEIGH I. GRANT, 31027840, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 22 January 1945 at Braonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Arlene Grant, (wife), Harrington, Maine.

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TECHNICIAN GRADE V RENE D. GRENIER, 20132709, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Florence Grenier, (mother), R.F.D. #8, Norwich, Connecticut.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CLYDE E. GUIDRY, 19186356, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 23 January 1945 at Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Marie L. Walker, (mother), 1714 Castro Street, San Francisco, California.

PRIVATE CHARLES W. GUYETTE, 31064636, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 30 January 1945 at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Leo M. Guyette, (father), 147 River Street, Winchendon, Massachusetts.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CLEO C. HALLONQUIST, 38478755, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 5 February 1945 at Bataquil, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Maggie Hallonquist, (mother), Route #2, Winnsboro, Texas.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS EMIL W. HOSPODAR, 16146246, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: John Hospodar Sr., (father), 5700 South Artesian Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS RICHARD M. HEBERT, 36806516, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 31 January 1945, at Hill 900, Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Anna Hebert, (mother), 208 North Main Street, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS WENNETH H. HUBLER, 35354281, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 at Alacan, Hill #560, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Goldie M. Hubler, (mother), P. O. #4, Box 712, South Bend, Indiana.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ANDREW S. JEFFERSON, 35766993, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 at Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Mary A. Jefferson, (mother), Apple Grove, West Virginia.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOSEPH E. KININGER, 34788419, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 at Hill 900, Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Addie V. Kininger, (mother), DeFuniak Springs, Florida.

CORPORAL ULIES F. KINNEY, 34174332, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 24 January 1945 at Babonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Hattie H. Kinney, (mother), Route #5, Burlington, North Carolina.

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TECHNICIAN GRADE V. JETRON LABOWSKI, 32162994, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Wasel Labowski, (mother), 37 Railroad Street, Simpson, Pennsylvania.

SECOND LIEUTENANT MORRIS E. LANTZ, O-525026, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 at Hill 665, Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Herbert A. Lantz, (father), 308 North Madriver, Belle Fontaine, Ohio.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS FELIX J. LISOVICH, 33694696, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Lisovich, (mother), Box 111, Charleroi, Pennsylvania.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS HENRY F. LUBKEMAN, 36734328, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 31 January 1945 at Hill 900, Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Henry A. Lubkeman, (father), Route 2, Antioch, Illinois.

SECOND LIEUTENANT JOHN C. MCLAUGHLIN, O-1318772, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 26 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Ethel M. McLaughlin, (mother), c/o Sayles Hall, 179 Portridge Street, Albany, (3), New York.

FIRST SERGEANT FRANK N. MCLENDON, 340 81408, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Velma D. McLendon, (mother), Bronwood, Georgia.

SECOND LIEUTENANT BONIFACE D. MCCLUNG, O-1316769, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 28 January 1945 at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Gladys D. McClung, (wife), Post Box 142, Summersville, West Virginia.

PRIVATE JOSEPH A. MADDEN, 31384116, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945 at Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Louis F. Madden, (father), 835 Eddy Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LAWRENCE MANES, 32083816, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 23 January 1945, at Hill 400, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Rose Manes, (mother), 448 Williams Avenue, New York, New York.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS NIEVES MARTINEZ, 38253861, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 5 February 1945 at Hill 900, Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Carlota Martinez, (mother), General Delivery, San Diego, Texas.

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MAJOR PHILLIP L. MILLER, O-384270, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 20 February 1943 at Guacalcanal, Solomon Islands. Home address: Mrs. Irene C. Miller (wife), 21 Porter Street, Watertown, Massachusetts.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LAWRENCE R. MORSE, 36406971, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 29 January 1945 at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: William Morse, (father), Route #3, Box 303, Muskegon, Michigan.

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~~SECOND LIEUTENANT LAURIE J. NEILSON, O-1313118, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 27 January 1945 at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Ivyn F. Neilson, (mother), 1940 Fifth Avenue, Sacramento, California.~~

PRIVATE ASUNCION PALMA, 39860307, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 5 February 1945 at Bataquil, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Elena B. Palma, (mother), Thatcher, Arizona.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JESSE W. PAUL, 34684511, Medical Department, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 4 February 1945 at Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn Paul, (wife), 4024 Oates Avenue, Columbus, Georgia.

STAFF SERGEANT RALPH A. PELUSO, 32099724, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 24 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Acollonia Peluso, (mother), 101 William Street, Mechanicsville, New York.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS RAYMOND D. PENNINGTON, 34494141, Infantry, U.S. Army for wounds received in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 at Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: George Pennington, (father), Route #1, Wartburg, Tennessee.

SERGEANT LEWIS A. PENTZ, 32033033, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 2 February 1945 in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Elsie I. Pentz, (wife), 609 South Main Street, Newark, New York.

SERGEANT FLETCHER E. PORTER, 31020320, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 3 February 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Bert L. Porter (father), Ferrisburg, Vermont.

PRIVATE KENNETH B. RENNICK, 19152295, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 31 January 1945 at Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: L. C. Rennick, (father), Crow Agency, Montana.

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TECHNICIAN GRADE V WARREN E. RIDGOUT, 20146809, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 28 January 1945 near Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Albert H. Rideout, (father), Wright Street, Box 444, Caribou, Maine.

PRIVATE VINCENT H. RUTSCHILLING, 35618609, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Rutschilling (mother), Route #1, Maria Stein, Ohio.

PRIVATE CLARENCE R. RYAN, 37047548, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Anna-Stasia Ryan, (mother), Route #1, Cresco, Iowa.

PRIVATE WILLIAM H. SCHAAR, 35265891, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 23 July 1943 on New Georgia, Solomon Islands. Home address: Mrs. Mary Schaar, (mother), 449 Flowers Street, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ARTHUR SOUDERS JR., 39413624, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 31 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Arthur Souders, Sr., (father), 629 H. Street, Marysville, California.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ALLEN C. STANFORTH, 35129673, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 30 January 1945 at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Edna Stanforth, (mother), 316 Vine Street, Hillsboro, Ohio.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS SIMON SINGER, 36009873, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 at Natangalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. T. Singer, (mother), 6022 South Halstead Street, Chicago, Illinois.

SERGEANT JAMES E. STEINKIRCHNER, 19182886, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 28 January 1945 at Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Mary M. Steinkirchner, (mother), 1548 Fairfield Avenue, Glendale, California.

SECOND LIEUTENANT HARRY E. STEWART, O-1289160, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Stewart, (wife), 2259 Emerald Street, Eugene, Oregon.

PRIVATE HENRY E. SUNDLIN, 6858298, Infantry, U. S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 28 January 1945 at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Elda Sundlin, (mother), 24 North 15th Avenue, Duluth, Minnesota.

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STAFF SERGEANT ALEXANDER TATALOVICH, 36339301, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 4 February 1945 at Hill 1500, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Maxine Tatalovich, (wife), 1105 Cecil Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS HEARVEY T. TAYLOR, 34276588, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 28 January 1945 at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Katie McCafferty Taylor, (mother), Route #1, Cascilla, Mississippi.

TECHNICIAN GRADE V FRANK J. TRAYGIS, 31042711, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 22 January 1945 at Bambao Hill 6, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Peter Traygis, (father), Box 82 Tolland Turnpike, Duckland, Connecticut.

PRIVATE JOE TRIPINI, 39552240, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on Hill 600, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Rosalie Tripini, (mother), 303 South Avenue 21, Los Angeles, California.

SECOND LIEUTENANT WILBERT E. WALTON, O-1312255, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 26 January 1945 at The Mountain, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Frances A. Walton, (wife), 1209 North Main Street, Sand Springs, Oklahoma.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CLYDE D. WALLER, 34721200, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 31 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Addie U. Waller, (mother), 122 Hotel Street, Fountain City, Tennessee.

TECHNICIAN GRADE V JASON WICKS, 36315615, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945 at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Arnold Wicks, (father), 1116 Valencia Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

CORPORAL WILLIAM C. WILSON JR., 34664948, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945, at Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Margaret J. Wilson, (mother), 1307 Watts Street, Durham, North Carolina.

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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROBERT J. WITT, 36732585, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 31 January 1945 at Hill 900, Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Witt, (mother), 1619 West 19th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

FIRST LIEUTENANT WILLARD C. WOOLVERTON, O-1312830, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 28 January 1945 at Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Lucy R. Woolverton, (mother), 2629 Portland, El Paso, Texas.



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PRIVATE JOHN F. WRIGHT, 402718, Infantry, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 12 January 1945 at Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Alta E. Bynum, (mother), General Delivery, Paden, Oklahoma.

TECHNICIAN GRADE V ARTHUR E. BOTELO, 20153721, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 28 January 1945 near Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Manuel Botello, (father), 390 Metacen Avenue, Warren, Rhode Island.


CORPORAL JOSEPH J. DITULLIO, 35130285, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 at Natangalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Mary DiTullio, (mother), 520 Fifth Street, Bridgeport, Pennsylvania.

PRIVATE JAMES C. FUQUAY, 34034198, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 28 January 1945 near Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Ransom J. Fuquay, (father), Cross City, Florida.

By command of Major General WING:

C. P. ROBBINS,  
Colonel, GSC,  
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

  
C. W. CARRON,  
Lt Col, AGD,  
Adjutant General.

AGDF-GS 201 Guyette, Charles W.  
31 Oct 636 (21 Nov 52)

8 December 1952

**SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Amendment of General Orders**

**TO: Mr. Charles W. Guyette**  
**288 Alpine Drive**  
**Southbridge, Massachusetts**

So much of General Orders 25, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, dated 15 February 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Private Charles W. Guyette, 31 Oct 636, is amended to read "Private First Class Charles W. Guyette."

**BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:**

  
**Adjutant General**

13. 1. 1945

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GENERAL ORDER

SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 3 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded (posthumously) by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men.

STAFF SERGEANT CECIL H. FOSTER, 31027054, Infantry United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 at Hill 600, in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an attack against the enemy, the Company of which he was a member was subjected to such terrific fire as threatened to halt its advance. Quickly sensing the situation, he courageously and promptly left his position, and directly in the face of enemy fire, moved among his men directing their fire. In so doing, he was killed by enemy action. His devotion to duty and indomitable fighting spirit instilled confidence in the men of his company and inspired them to greater effort which culminated in the capture of their objective. Next of kin: Mrs. Annie Foster, (mother), Route #3, Houlton, Maine.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS NELS C. FREDERICKSON, 37276805, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 at Hill 600, in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an attack against the enemy, the Company of which he was a member was subjected to severe enemy machine gun fire. Private Frederickson, observing that one of his comrades had been wounded, he unhesitatingly and completely without regard for his own safety, crawled forward thirty yards, pulling himself along with his elbows because the enemy fire was about only two feet above the ground, to reach the wounded man. He administered first aid and in an attempt to remove the casualty to safety, Private Frederickson was killed by enemy machine gun fire. Private Frederickson's exemplary courage and great sacrifice were in the highest tradition of the United States Army. Next of kin: Mrs. Karl Frederickson, (mother), Pox 64, Clantara, Minnesota.

CAPTAIN ABRAHAM GELLMAN, O-488509, Medical Corps, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 22 January 1945 in the vicinity of Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During the advance of a Battalion column into enemy territory it was subjected to a concentration of heavy artillery and mortar fire. Casualties resulted, and when our forces withdrew for cover, several wounded men were left unaided in advance of the line. Captain Gellman, the Battalion Surgeon, realizing the immediate need for medical attention of those men, without regard for his personal safety, courageously forced ahead of the line of fire, treated and successfully evacuated eight (8) seriously wounded casualties. Next of kin: Mrs. Betty Eisenstadt, (sister), 377 Montemery Street, Brooklyn, 25, New York.

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TECHNICAL SERGEANT FREDERICK R. HEESMAN, JR., 32160509, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When the enemy launched a fierce counter-attack which caused the Company of which he was a member to withdraw to a new position from which to out-flank the Japanese forces, Sergeant Heeseman displayed great courage and devotion to duty. In the face of intense enemy fire, he remained at the forward position, continued to place fire on the enemy with rifle and grenades in an effort to cover the movement of his unit. The enemy was so close that before throwing the grenades he would release the safety and hold them for two seconds before throwing them. This outstanding deed was accomplished entirely alone and without orders and contributed to the successful movement. *The following order that* day while leading his platoon in a new attack against the enemy he was killed. His exemplary courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Army. Next of kin: Mrs. Isabel F. Heeseman, (wife), 190 Paine Avenue, Irvington, New Jersey.

FIRST LIEUTENANT HUGH R. MILLER, O-1175804, Field Artillery, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When the Infantry Battalion was being subjected to intense enemy artillery, mortar, and rifle fire, Lieutenant Miller, in command of a forward observer section, contacted the fire direction center of his artillery battalion and requested fire to break up a strong Japanese counter-attack. When notified that friendly artillery fire was on the way, he left the security of his fox-hole in order to adjust the fire of his battalion. As he was adjusting artillery fire he was killed by enemy sniper fire. His great courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Army. Next of kin: Mrs. Edna R. Miller (wife) 152 Republican Street, Seattle, Washington.

STAFF SERGEANT MERLIN E. MORRISON, 31027666, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 27 January 1945 in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. After placing one light machine gun in position against the enemy, he returned over 200 yards of difficult terrain to obtain his other gun. As he returned to the Company Command Post for instructions for the emplacement of the second gun, the enemy launched a severe counterattack. Giving orders to the squad leader with the second gun he dashed to the front and with four hand grenades succeeded in slowing the enemy attack while his second gun was placed in position. Upon observing that the first gun had stopped firing, he ran to the gun, finding the gunner killed, immediately took over the operation of the gun and placed devastating fire on the approaching enemy. Soon after resuming the operation of the machine gun he was wounded by rifle fire, but remained at his position and continued to fire away until he was killed by an enemy mortar shell. His exemplary courage and self-sacrifice were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Iridest Morrison, (mother), R.F.D. #3, Washington Street, Auburn, Maine.

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SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 13, WD 1918) a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 4th Infantry Division, to the following named Officers and Enlisted Men:

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ABEL AGUILAR, 38530523, Medical Detachment, U. S. Army for gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When the two litter squads which he was directing were halted by heavy enemy fire, killing one of the bearers, Pvt. Aguilar courageously and with utter disregard for his own personal safety, maneuvered his way across open fields, under intense enemy fire to secure smoke grenades. Returning to the scene where the litter squads and wounded men were, he threw the smoke grenades in the direction of the enemy and under cover of the smoke was able to evacuate the litter bearers and the two wounded men. Home Address: Mrs. Luz V. Aguilar (Mother) 3105 Routh Street, Dallas, Texas.

CORPORAL EDDIE A. ANDRUSKI, 16126855, Infantry, U. S. Army for gallantry in action against the enemy on 9 January 1945 at Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the initial landing in Lingayen Gulf, the LSM on which Cpl. Andruski was a passenger was heavily hit by enemy artillery as it grounded on the beach. The LSM was heavily loaded with Reconnaissance Scout Cars, M-7 Cannons, Tractors, and 2½ Ton trucks filled with engineer mines and demolition materiel. When the shelling started many men were wounded, personnel sought cover, and a jeep was thrown across the path of unloading. Disregarding a severe wound in his arm which was bleeding profusely, Cpl. Andruski with utter disregard for his own safety ran to the jeep, maneuvered it with one hand across the slippery deck, drove it out to the beach, and put it under cover. His quick action and outstanding bravery under fire in moving the jeep was in a great measure responsible for the saving of many lives as the men quickly left the LSM and took cover. Home Address: Mrs. Bernice I. Andruski (Wife) 1010 Florida Street, Los Angeles, California.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JAMES R. BROWN, 34765300, Infantry, U. S. Army for gallantry in action against the enemy on 26 January 1945 at Hill 355, in the vicinity of San Jacinto, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On this day as his platoon reached the crest of the hill, it was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun and mortar fire, which wounded Pvt. Brown and his platoon leader. With the rest of the platoon withdrawn, Pvt. Brown, disregarding his own wounds and the great danger of further wounds from heavy fire, remained at the crest with his platoon leader placing covering fire on the enemy positions until the wounded officer could be removed to safety. His utter disregard for his own safety in staying in place even though so close that enemy grenades bounced from his chest undoubtedly saved the life of his platoon leader. Home address: Mrs. Lillie G. Brown (Wife) 771 Ashland Avenue N.E., Atlanta, Georgia.

TECHNICAL GRADE THREE GEORGE E. BURKS, 37208034, Medical Detachment, U. S. Army for gallantry in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945 just north of Manacag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an attack of Hill 200 on this day the company received many casualties. Despite the heavy fire of the attack Sgt. Burks remained constantly on the front line administering first aid to a majority of the casualties in this company. With utter disregard for his own safety and with strict devotion to duty he carried two wounded men to the rear, stopping to fire his carbine as a covering fire for his movement.

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(T/3 Burks) Home Address: Mr. Robert T. Burks (Father) Crocker, Missouri.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JAMES V. FORTUNATO, 336S7073, Infantry, U. S. Army for gallantry in action against the enemy on 26 January 1945 on Hill 355, North-east of San Jacinto, Luzon, Philippine Islands. As his unit reached the crest of this hill it was pinned down by terrific enemy machine gun and mortar fire. His platoon leader in crawling forward to his platoon sergeant's hole moved directly toward an enemy spider hole. Noticing the path in which his platoon leader was going and realizing that the Japanese in the hole was at an extreme advantage, left his hole, jumped to his feet and in absolute disregard for his own personal safety dashed to the enemy position. As he ran he was soon around by the concussion of a Jap grenade thrown by the enemy and which wounded his platoon leader. Disregarding his dazed condition he continued his dash to the enemy spider hole, and firing several shots followed by a hand grenade, killed the enemy sniper. He then engaged in placing covering fire on the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Rachel Fortunato (wife) 2778 Zephyr Avenue, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

PRIVATE LEONARD FOSTER, 32960098, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 21 January 1945 on Hill 355, in the vicinity of San Jacinto, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Private Foster disregarding heavy machine gun, mortar and sniper fire from the enemy moved forward seventy-five yards to rescue a wounded comrade and then carried the casualty on his shoulders three hundred yards to safety and medical aid. Private Foster's demonstrated great courage and devotion to duty in willingly risking his life to aid a comrade. Home address: Mrs. Lena Foster, 1821 West 7th Street, Brooklyn, New Jersey. (wife).

FIRST LIEUTENANT DUDLEY J. GOUL, JR., O-1181614, Field Artillery, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 23 January 1945 at Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. To accomplish effective adjustments of artillery fire against the enemy, Lieutenant Goul left his foxhole and moved to the edge of a ridge which was located outside the defensive perimeter of friendly troops. With coolness and courage, without regard for his personal safety, he adjusted his fire and successfully destroyed two (2) enemy field pieces and one (1) machine gun. As he was beginning to adjust his fire on enemy mortar positions he received a face wound from enemy shrapnel. Home address: Mrs. Velan Goul, (mother), 713 $\frac{1}{2}$  West Yakima Avenue, Yakima, Washington.

TECHNICAL SERGEANT ALFRED G. HENRY, 20145615, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 on Hill 600, in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Henry demonstrated outstanding courage and devotion to duty when he, together with a fellow soldier, risked his life in crawling forward one hundred (100) yards to evacuate a wounded comrade. To accomplish this mission he was exposed to devastating hostile heavy machine gun, mortar and rifle fire. Home address: Mrs. Constance Henry (wife), 7 Hazleton Street, Skowhegan, Maine.

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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LAWRENCE MANES, 51283816, Medical Department, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 23 January 1945 in the vicinity of Conception, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Soon after Private Manes was wounded by enemy machine gun fire he observed a fire break out at the Battalion Ammunition dump. Private Manes quickly realizing the impending danger of the explosions to his fellow men, wholly disregarding his personal safety and his wound, he unhesitatingly left the security of his foxhole and with his bare hands extinguished the blaze. Private Manes clearly demonstrated great courage and devotion above and beyond the call of duty. Home address: Mrs. Rose Manes, (mother), 448 Williams Avenue, New York, New York.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JAMES MANNING, 32669769, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945 in the vicinity of Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When the platoon of which he is a member was halted by heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire, Private Manning, working entirely alone and on his own initiative, maneuvered his way across exposed terrain to within hand-grenade range of the enemy's well constructed position and killed six Japs. Private Manning's outstanding courage and devotion to duty enabled his platoon to advance without casualty. Home address: Mrs. Mary Manning, (mother), Choongowla Ballingpose, County Mayo, Ireland.

CAPTAIN WINDINGE C. PEDERSEN, O-1319226, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When an enemy force of approximately 700 Japs penetrated the Battalion outer perimeter, Captain Pedersen, Battalion Plans and Operations Officer, quickly sized up the situation and the imminent danger to the Command Post installations. He, without regard for his personal safety, exposed himself to enemy fire and proceeded in the darkness to the front sector and personally set up a light machine gun which contributed to stopping the enemy advance, and the reestablishment of the outer perimeter. Throughout the action Captain Pedersen displayed coolness and great courage. Home address: Mrs. Joyce T. Pedersen, (wife), 4917 York Avenue, S. Minneapolis, Minnesota.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JACK D. PRESCOTT, 34788543, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 22 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. At about 12:15 AM during an attack from a Japanese Demolition squad, Private Prescott, demonstrated indomitable courage and tenacity when after being wounded by TNT over his eye, he kept firing his B.A.R. notwithstanding that his comrades in the adjoining foxhole had been put out of action. Private Prescott whose vision was impaired because of the head wound had a comrade direct his fire. This action prevented the Japs from breaking through the lines. Home address: Mrs. Martha Lenora Prescott (wife), Basinger, Florida.



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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS OFFIT ROGERS, 35771065, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Private Rogers demonstrated outstanding courage and devotion to duty when he, together with a fellow soldier, he risked his life in crawling forward one hundred (100) yards to evacuate a wounded comrade to safety. To accomplish this mission he was exposed to devastating hostile heavy machine gun, mortar and rifle fire. Home address: Mrs. Bertha Rogers, (mother), Pidgeon, Kentucky.

PRIVATE LONZO D. SAVAGE, 38514133, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 27 January 1945 in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an attack from enemy artillery, one of the enemy shells struck a gun position killing two and wounding four men. With the enemy shells still falling nearby, Private Savage, without regard for his own safety, unhesitatingly left his foxhole and ran to the aid of a comrade who had had his leg blown off from an enemy shell. Promptly picking up the wounded man, he carried him to a nearby vehicle and drove off to a ravine where he immediately removed his own waist belt and applied a tourniquet which stopped the bleeding. Driving out the vehicle in exposed terrain, still under fire, drove the casualty to the Aid Station. When they arrived at the Aid Station it was observed that the vehicle had been punctured in several places and one tire was flat from the shrapnel which surrounded them as Private Savage drove across the open terrain. By his utter contempt of the heavy enemy fire, his indomitable courage and quick actions, Private Savage did everything possible in an attempt to save the life of a wounded comrade. Home address: Mrs. Devilla Savage, (mother), Bunger Route, Graham, Texas.

CAPTAIN BENJAMIN R. SPORTSMAN, O-1291348, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 in the vicinity of Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In the face of devastating fire from 150 MM enemy field pieces which caused some casualties, Captain Sportsman, demonstrated outstanding courage and devotion to duty when he left his foxhole and fearlessly moved approximately one hundred yards up the hill to mortar positions to change the direction of their fire. His mission was accomplished notwithstanding the darkness, terrific amount of enemy fire and enemy counter-attacks. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice H. Sportsman, (mother), Brookfield, Missouri.

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bull 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROBERT ARBINI, 39837137, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 4 February 1945, in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Private Arbinini demonstrated coolness and alertness of mind when in the face of exploding ammunition and fire, he unloaded his vehicle to save the ammunition. As he was driving along the road, a 2 Ton vehicle in front of him was hit by Jap Artillery, blocking the

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road. The next shell hit near his vehicle disabling it and starting it on fire. Though wounded in the hand, he promptly brought the fire under control and unloaded the ammunition. While so doing, the  $\frac{1}{2}$  Ton vehicle started to burn, and the ammunition from the gun mounted in it started exploding sending shells throughout the area. Home address: Henry Arbini, (father), 596 Arch Street, San Francisco, California.

STAFF SERGEANT RICHARD D. BACON, 31020191, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 in the Rosario sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an advance against the enemy, the Infantry Battalion with which he was serving was subjected to heavy enemy artillery, mortar and sniper fire which incurred some casualties. Staff Sergeant Bacon displayed outstanding courage and initiative, disregarding his own safety, fearlessly moved along the column of troops, and directed the care and transportation of casualties. He established an advance aid station collecting fifteen casualties. Home address: Mrs. Christine V. Bacon, (wife), 322 St. Paul Street, Burlington, Vermont.

STAFF SERGEANT ROBERT L. BURNS, 20429106, Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Displaying fearless tenacity in the face of an attack by a Jap force of 80 men armed with flame throwers, knee mortars, machine guns, grenades, mines and demolition sets against his battery position, Staff Sergeant Burns ordered his six (6) men to cease firing. As the enemy approached in a bunch, Sergeant Burns held up the fire until the Japs were about thirty feet from his position and then started throwing grenades in their midst and the onslaught opened up with sub-machine gun fire and continued firing away until the Japs were completely routed. Net result of this outstanding bravery---40 Japs killed, 2 Japs captured. Home address: Mrs. Laura Burns, (mother), Box 162, Waverly, Tennessee.

PRIVATE PERIGELES CANELOPOULOS, 310240360 Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy during the period of 10 January 1945 to 30 January 1945 at Luzon, Philippine Islands. Private Canelopoulos displayed great courage and devotion to duty in his performance of his assignment as runner for the Battalion Commander. Carrying important messages expeditiously to whomsoever he was directed, often when wire or radio communications were temporarily out of operation, Private Canelopoulos braved enemy fire in many instances to accomplish his mission. Home address: Mrs. Anna E. Canelopoulos, (mother), 9 Wait Street, Roxbury, Massachusetts.

SERGEANT HARRY I COLLISON, 20932394, Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 28 January 1945 at Hill 1500, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When enemy artillery fire was directed at the Battalion Observation Post which caused the wire communications to be severed, Sergeant Collison, Liaison Sergeant, courageously and at great risk to his life, exposed himself to enemy fire to make the necessary repairs in two successive instances. Returning to the Artillery Observation Post, his adjustments of artillery fire in the face of intense fire, were successful and contributed greatly to the culmination of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Cora Louise Collison, (mother), Roseburg, Oregon.

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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS MAX L. DAVIS, 35809792, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 21 January 1945 on Hill #300, Luzon, Philippine Islands. At 8:00 AM, when the Company with which he was serving was subjected to intense machine gun, rifle and knee-mortar fire incurring some casualties. Private Davis, with great courage unhesitatingly exposed himself to enemy fire and hurried from position to position to render aid to the wounded. As he maneuvered about the wounded his medical kit was perforated by shrapnel. His devotion to duty and willingness to risk his life to assist his comrades were an inspiration to those who witnessed his deeds. Home address: Mrs. Sarah E. Davis (mother), Prairie Creek, Indiana.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS HAROLD HEMINGWAY, 20143847, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 16 January 1945 at Potpot, Luzon, Philippine Islands. At approximately midnight a fierce tank battle was underway during which action some of our men were badly wounded. Private Hemingway, demonstrated outstanding courage and devotion to duty, disregarding his own personal safety, crawled fifty yards to the aid of these men, fully cognizant that any movement might be taken as enemy by his own men. Handicapped by extreme darkness and heavy gunfire he rendered aid to the wounded and stayed with them until daybreak. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Hemingway, (mother), Long Island, Maine.

FIRST LIEUTENANT HENRY L. HILLARD, O-1545800, Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Lieutenant Hillard displayed exemplary courage and devotion to duty when he personally led a party of Medical Aid men and litter bearers 5,000 yards to evacuate a seriously wounded soldier. As Lieutenant Hillard led the way over the trails to the casualty, the party was exposed to enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire. The group was under enemy fire while administering first aid and blood plasma to the casualty but effected a successful evacuation. This outstanding deed unquestionably saved the man's life. Home address: Mrs. Lucille W. Hillard, (wife), 940 Grand Concourse, Bronx, 56, New York.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LEO S. KURKJIAN, 36407163, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 at Hill 600, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When one of the machine gun positions was subjected to intense fire necessitating a withdrawal, a member of the crew was severely wounded and because of the heavy enemy fire could not be safely evacuated. Private Kurkjian, displayed indomitable courage and initiative in exposing himself openly to draw enemy fire and returned fire with his B.A.R. with such accuracy and volume which permitted the safe evacuation of the wounded comrade. Home address: Mrs. Helen Kurkjian (mother), 506 Turner Avenue, N.Y., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

PRIVATE REBURN H. MEDLAR, 20152107, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 22 January 1945 in the vicinity of Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands. While on watch while his comrade slept in the foxhole in which both were entrenched at the Command Post perimeter, a Jap with fixed bayonet infiltrated through. The Jap, taking advantage of the darkness and concealment, snaked in from the rear and made a lunge with his bayonet wounding Private Medlar's companion. Private Medlar, immediately

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leaped from his foxhole and made a desperate lunge for the rifle and bayonet, cutting his own hand badly, continued wrestling with the Jap until he finally wrested the rifle from him. The Jap started to run and small arms fire from the perimeter was effective. Private Medlar then applied first aid to his wounded companion and at daybreak both men were taken to the Aid Station. His great courage and fidelity saved the life of his companion and was an inspiration to the men in his organization. Home address: Mrs. Myra C. Medlar, (mother), 431 North Street, Burlington, Vermont.

TECHNICIAN GRADE V JOE D. MITCHELL, 20429145, Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Displaying fearless tenacity in the face of an attack by a Jap force of 80 men armed with flame throwers, knee mortars, machine guns, grenades, mines and demolition sets against the battery position, Corporal Mitchell, upon signal from the squad leader, in company with a group of 6 other soldiers, energetically and efficiently threw his grenades into the midst of the Japs scattering their formation. Following this, he placed a heavy volume of fire with his sub-machine gun which contributed to the complete rout of the enemy. Result--- 40 Japs killed, 2 Japs captured. Home address: Jack Lew Mitchell, (father), Route 7, Fayetteville, Tennessee.

SECOND LIEUTENANT DARIUS H. NEASE, O-1036319, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 11 January 1945 at Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an enemy attack of artillery followed up by the Japs surrounding the platoon perimeter, Lieutenant Nease displayed outstanding courage and leadership. Disregarding the danger from enemy snipers, artillery fire as well as exploding shells in a nearby truck, he directed mortar fire against a numerically superior Jap force which was credited with the killing of 94 enemy and the damaging of one enemy 77 artillery piece. Home address: Sandra Kay Nease, (daughter), c/o Mrs. Paul Price, R.D. #5, Box 400, Greensboro, North Carolina.

PRIVATE ROOSEVELT OVERBAY, 35803173, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When the enemy launched a fierce attack which necessitated a withdrawal of the company, Private Overbay, displayed great courage and devotion to duty, in remaining at the forward position placing fire on the enemy with rifle and grenades which contributed in the cover for the movement of the organization. By exposing himself to the enemy fire Private Overbay directed considerable enemy fire to himself and precluded serious casualties among his comrades as they moved to new positions. Home address: Mrs. Cordie Overbay, (mother), Route #1, Middleboro, Kentucky.

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CAPTAIN JAMES W. RANKIN, O-410081, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When an enemy force of about 300 Japs penetrated the outer Battalion perimeter, a terrific fire fight ensued in which the Battalion Commander was killed. Captain Rankin immediately assumed command, fearlessly and with determination, exposed himself to enemy fire and directed tanks to fire on and destroy an approaching Jap column and convoy. This he accomplished by standing beside the tank in full view of the enemy, giving firing orders to the gunner as means of communication. In this same action, he directed a platoon against a pocket of enemy, routing the enemy completely thus reestablishing the perimeter and enabling the evacuation and medical care for the wounded. Home address: Mrs. James W. Rankin, (wife), 39 Main Street, Rocky Hill, Connecticut.

TECHNICIAN GRADE V ARTHUR P. RILEY, 20152361, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy during the night 19-20 January 1945 at Luzon, Philippine Islands. Corporal Riley displayed exemplary courage and devotion to duty when, without regard for his personal safety, braved enemy fire and grenades, crawled over a hill to give aid to a wounded comrade. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Coombs, (aunt), 83 Rose Street, Burlington, Vermont.

STAFF SERGEANT HARRY M. STEVENSON, 2015004, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 at Luzon, Philippine Islands. During the early hours of the morning and while the Battalion was under intense artillery, mortar and rifle fire, Staff Sergeant Stevenson displayed great courage and devotion to duty, exposing himself to hostile fire, repaired radios of the Battalion and the Joint Assault Signal Company which had been damaged by enemy action. This accomplishment restored the only source of communication of the Battalion to outside units which at the time was most vital. Home address: Mrs. Mary M. Stevenson, (mother), Post Office Box 365, Bethel, New Hampshire

SERGEANT JEFFERSON H. WEATHERLY, 34019690, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 at Hill 600, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Weatherly displayed exemplary courage and devotion to duty when, without regard for his personal safety, braved heavy machine gun, sniper and mortar fire to go to the aid of a wounded comrade and to effect his evacuation to a position of safety. Home address: Mrs. Ida Liming Weatherly, (mother), Grand Junction, Tennessee.

By command of Major General WING:

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SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 13, WD, 1918) a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 450 Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

SERGEANT ROY G. BAXTER, 6664461, Infantry, U. S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 12 January 1945, while on patrol west of Hill 665, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Baxter, on a forward reconnaissance, discovered a cave full of Japanese artillery ammunition and at least 8 Japanese soldiers. Immediately realizing that no other fires could be brought to bear effectively on this dangerous objective, he obtained a bozooka and advanced under heavy small arms and automatic fire, taking up fire and continuing to fire until a series of loud explosions indicated the destruction of the cave and its 8 occupants. The destruction of this cave undoubtedly saved the battalion many casualties as it was one source of supply for the intense artillery fire the battalion was receiving at that time. Sgt Baxter was later seriously wounded in this same action. Home Address: Mrs Minnie B. Baxter, (mother), Morgantown, Kentucky.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CALVIN W. FISHEL, 35101934, Infantry, U. S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 in the vicinity of Amlang, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Pfc Fishel's company was ordered to advance and destroy enemy artillery emplacements that were bringing heavy fire upon his company. Two men from Pfc Fishel's platoon were seriously wounded in the initial stages of the advance. Pfc Fishel, together with two other men, voluntarily advanced from comparatively safe positions over the untenable ground and rescued the two wounded men. Pfc Fishel distinguished himself by his devotion to his comrades and extraordinary heroism in the face of heavy artillery fire. Home Address: Mr Edward Fishel, (father) RFD #1, Norman, Indiana.

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~~PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOSEPH G. FOTI, 32914353, Infantry, U. S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 in the vicinity of Amlang, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Pfc Foti's company was ordered to advance and destroy enemy artillery emplacements that were bringing heavy fire upon his company. Two men from Pfc Foti's platoon were seriously wounded in the initial stages of the advance. Pfc Foti, together with two other men, voluntarily advanced from comparatively safe positions over the untenable ground and rescued the two wounded men. Pfc Foti distinguished himself by his devotion to his comrades and extraordinary heroism in the face of heavy artillery fire. Home Address: Mrs Eunice Foti (mother), 509 Summit Ave., Schenectady, New York.~~

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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS VANDY HENDRIX, 34425516, Medical Dept., U. S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Damortis, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Pfc Hendrix voluntarily advanced into untenable territory to recover a wounded comrade. The remainder of the litter squad of which he was a member had become dispersed under enemy artillery fire. Not being able to evacuate the wounded man without the assistance of the other members of the squad, he rendered first aid and remained with the wounded man until the artillery fire abated. He then called forward the remainder of the litter squad and evacuated the wounded man to the aid station. His disregard for his own safety inspired his comrades to renewed effort in rescuing the wounded from the field. Home Address: Mr Albert K. Hendrix, (father), Burnsville, Mississippi.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOHN R. LLOYD, 38508546, Infantry, U. S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 in the vicinity of Amlang, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Pfc Lloyd, by his own initiative and with disregard for his own safety crawled forward under intense small arms and grenade fire to rescue his wounded company commander who was with the leading elements of his company in an untenable spot. Pfc Lloyd completed this mission and then returned and completed the rescue of another wounded enlisted man under the same circumstances. His bravery in the face of the enemy and his devotion to duty and to his comrades is in accord with the highest military standards. Home Address: Mrs Rolie Nell Lloyd, (wife), General Delivery, Watts, Arkansas.

STAFF SERGEANT EDWARD J. MARESH, 37317543, Infantry, U. S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 at Hill 900 near Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. As he was pushing his squad into position under cover of darkness, S/Sgt Maresch and his men were assaulted by a group of enemy who had been lying in wait approximately fifteen yards away. While his men withdrew to a nearby hedgerow, S/Sgt Maresch stood his ground covering them by firing an automatic rifle point blank at the advancing Japanese. Four dead Japanese were later found as well as evidence that others had been killed and wounded. Led by S/Sgt Maresch and encouraged by his heroic action, the squad of seven men threw back two more attacks of numerically superior enemy forces occurring that night. Home Address: Joseph Maresch, (father), Glencoe, Minnesota.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOHN J. UDART, 20133986, Medical Dept. U. S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 24 January 1945 in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. As driver of an ambulance Corp. Pfc Udart was engaged in evacuating patients from the front lines to the collecting station along a road that was subject to enemy observation and sporadic artillery fire. The jeep received a direct hit from enemy artillery wounding Pfc Udart, three litter patients, and an orderly. The jeep burst into flame setting fire to the wounded and although wounded and with his leg broken, Pfc Udart smothered the fire on the burning patients with his hands causing further injury to himself. He then dragged the orderly, who was seriously wounded, into a ditch along the side of the road which offered defilade from the enemy fire. Home address: Mr John C. Udart, (father) 129 Temple Street, Rutland, Vermont.

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SECTION II

1. By direction of the President under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, dated 4 February 1944 (Section II, Bulletin 3, 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

SERGEANT ADOLPH P. BENDIXEN, 38000513, Infantry, U. S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy during the period 11 - 26 January 1945 in the Rabon-Damortis-Cataguintingan area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. As communication sergeant, Sgt Bendixen worked tirelessly at keeping the communication lines open, not only within his unit but with higher headquarters. He also personally supervised the operation of a radio when this unit was moving and maintained communication with this radio as an alternate means of communication at all times. In doing this he frequently exposed himself to the enemy fire and on 26 January 1945 he was wounded. Home Address: Mr Jocum Bendixen (father), 822 Simms Road, Bisbee, Arizona.

CAPTAIN ROBERT BLIEDEN, 01297801, Infantry, U. S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy during the period 11 - 30 January 1945 at Luzon, Philippine Islands. As Regimental S-2, his superior coordination of ATIS, CIC, PGAU and S-2 functions and excellent judgment in assimilation and dissemination of information contributed greatly to the success of the mission. His ability to glean information from prisoners of war by interrogation has been in accordance with the highest standards of his office. Without regard for personal safety, he made numerous trips to front line areas to secure vital intelligence information, receiving shrapnel wounds as a result. Home Address: Mrs A. Blieden, (mother), Hotel Beaumont, Beaumont, Texas.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS VERNON C. CAMPBELL, 37562776, Infantry, U. S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 at Hill 665, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During the early morning hours of 20 January approximately 75 Japanese had moved into a position where they were behind the forward elements of Pfc Campbell's company. Pfc Campbell and two other men advanced 60 yards under observation and fire of the enemy to a position where flanking fire could be brought upon the Japanese column. This flanking fire was largely responsible for the 57 enemy counted dead the next morning. Home Address: Margaret Campbell, (mother), Federal Dam, Minnesota.

TECHNICIAN GRADE V BUELL E. CRABTREE, 38000505, Infantry, U. S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on the night of 11 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rabon, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In the company of other volunteers he made his way to the foremost position in the line atop a razor back ridge and assisted in the successful evacuation of many seriously wounded soldiers. The area in which the casualties were lying was under artillery and small arms fire and could be reached only over treacherous and unfamiliar trails. His expert assistance in this action undoubtedly saved the lives of several soldiers and contributed much to morale of the troops. Home Address: Mr Erskint Crabtree, (father), Hanson, Kentucky.



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FIRST LIEUTENANT CHARLES R. DEAN, 01582298, Quartermaster Corps, U. S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 12 January 1945 at White Beach #2, Luzon, Philippine Islands. While under a steady enemy artillery barrage, Lt. Dean left his shelter to go to the aid of two wounded men. After seeing that the wounded were evacuated he proceeded from foxhole to foxhole to insure that no other members of the company were wounded. Through his efforts Lt Dean not only assisted in alleviating and evacuating the wounded but he calmed and reassured the remainder of the company thereby eliminating a neurotic condition which might easily have spread. Home Address: Mrs Vivian M. Dean, (wife), 120 E. Antietam Street, Hagerstown, Maryland.

MAJOR WADE L. GLASSBURN, 0386549, Field Artillery, U. S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands from 20 November 1944 to 30 January 1945. Home Address: Mrs Wade L. Glassburn, (wife), 3612 Jefferson, Kansas City, Missouri.

MASTER SERGEANT ALMOND U. GNAZZO, 20134626, Quartermaster Corps, U. S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea from 23 July 1944 to 20 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs Adelle E. Gnazzo, (wife), 59 East Main Street, Plainville, Conn.

SERGEANT EDWARD R. JOHNSON, 36821796, Medical Corps, U. S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy at Noemfoor Island, Netherland East Indies, and Luzon, Philippine Islands from 30 July 1944 to 6 February 1945. Home Address: Mrs Marjorie Johnson, (wife), 621 South Jackson Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin.

SECOND LIEUTENANT JOSEPH H. JOHNSTON, 02037135, Quartermaster Corps, U. S. Army for heroic action against the enemy on 12 January 1945 at White Beach #2, Luzon, Philippine Islands. While under a steady enemy artillery barrage Lt. Johnston left his shelter to go to the aid of two wounded men. With the aid of the company aid-man they placed the wounded in a peep and Lt Johnston drove them through the enemy fire to the main road in search of a hospital. Upon learning that the Clearing Station had withdrawn several hours before they carried the wounded to the beach and placed them aboard an LST, continually administering first aid. Upon their return to the beach they assisted in the loading of other wounded personnel upon a DUKW which had come ashore to help in the evacuation. In spite of the heavy bombardment and with no concern for his own safety Lt Johnston coolly directed this work and did not leave until all the men were safely taken out into the harbor. It was directly through his efforts that the seriousness of the casualties was kept to a minimum. Home Address: Mrs Mary K Johnston, (wife), 807 Windsor St., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL PAUL HENRY MAHONEY, 015022, Infantry, U. S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands from 20 November 1944 to 12 February 1945. Home Address: Mrs Julia H. Mahoney, (wife), 610 Park Blvd., Austin, Texas.

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STAFF SERGEANT DEMETRIO R. MARTINEZ, 38010359, Infantry, U. S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 24 January 1945 at Cataguintingan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Taking command of his platoon when the regular platoon leader was killed, S/Sgt Martinez led an assault against the enemy who were extremely well entrenched. By frequently exposing himself to enemy fire while working among his men, encouraging them and trying to keep them advancing and maintain contacts with the elements of either flank he contributed to the operation by instilling confidence in his men. Home Address: Mrs Lucrecia Martinez, (wife), Box 182, Mora, New Mexico.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CHARLES D. MERRITT, 3853282, Infantry, U. S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 at Hill 665, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During the early morning hours of 20 January approximately 75 Japanese had moved into a position where they were behind the forward elements of Pfc Merritt's company. Pfc Merritt and two other men advanced 60 yards under observation and fire of the enemy to a position where flanking fire could be brought upon the Japanese column. This flanking fire was largely responsible for the 57 enemy counted dead the next morning. Home Address: Mrs Bessie Merritt, (mother), Route #2, Oglesby, Texas.

STAFF SERGEANT DIBRELL J. O'HARA, 20846535, Infantry, U. S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy from 11 January to 26 January 1945 in the Rabon-Damortis-Cataguintingan area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. As section leader and mortar observer he frequently exposed himself to enemy fire in order to gain better observation. On one occasion, after the enemy had wounded four of his men on the forward slope of a hill with artillery fire and had forced the rest of his company to draw back to cover on the reverse slope, S/Sgt O'Hara quickly and without hesitation returned to an exposed position on the top of the hill and directed fire on the enemy artillery weapons. His accurate mortar fire silenced the enemy artillery pieces and provided sufficient interval for the wounded men to be evacuated and given aid. Home Address: Mr Robert R. Hampton, (step-father), Box 73, Ulysses, Kansas.

TECHNICIAN GRADE V PIERRE D. OLIVIER, 33098528, Infantry, U. S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on the night of 11 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rabon, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In company with other volunteers he made his way to the foremost position in the line atop a razor back ridge and assisted in the successful evacuation of many seriously wounded soldiers. The area in which the casualties were lying was under artillery and small arms fire and could be reached only over treacherous and unfamiliar trails. His expert assistance in this action undoubtedly saved the lives of several soldiers and contributed much to morale of the troops. Home Address: Mrs Corrinne Bolton, (sister), Vacherie, Louisiana.

FIRST LIEUTENANT ROBERT A. SPENCER, 0477824, Quartermaster Corps, U. S. Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January to 17 February 1945. Home Address: Mrs Irene M. Spencer, (mother), 5606 12th N.E., Seattle, Washington.

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FIRST LIEUTENANT LOUIS J. WALLS, G1181492, Field Artillery, U.S. Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 10-12 January 1945 at Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the 10th of January, from an O.P. 500 yards in front of the infantry troops, he conducted and adjusted naval gunfire that neutralized the forward slope of Hill 318 which made possible the advance of the infantry across the Bued River. The following day he moved up to another forward O.P., crossing difficult terrain under machine gun and mortar fire and adjusted naval gunfire that silenced mortars which were holding up the advance of our assault troops. By his efforts, continuous communications and effective fire support were rendered the assault infantry at all times and materially contributed to their success. Home address: Mr. Jay E. Walls (father), 1819 Thorpe St., Newcastle, Pennsylvania.

By Command of Major General WING:

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Colonel, GSC.  
Chief of Staff.

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*Philip S. Stonge*  
PHILIP S. STONGE  
Major, A. G. D.  
Acting Adj. General.

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SILVER STAR

S/Sgt. Nathaniel L. Berry, 20144810  
Sgt. Robert J. Holtman, 36322922  
Pfc. Norman L. Null, 35895098  
T/Sgt. Maurice H. Lord, 31027864  
Pfc. Andrew C. Smith, 33230770

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Pvt. Arthur J. Berthiaume, 20125180  
Pfc. Donald L. Calkins, 36402167  
T/5 Paul R. D'Onopria, 12194786  
T/3 Donald H. Drussel, 31027553  
T/4 Walter C. Fleming, 20143839  
Cpl. Thomas H. Hancock, 34792163  
Sgt. Kenneth C. Hardester, 38176869  
S/Sgt. Sidney R. Hussey, 39064917  
Pfc. Elmer G. Leach, 20150604  
Capt. Donovan T. Lickteig, O-1291297  
T/3 William J. Mantani, 32163559  
S/Sgt. Henry B. McFitt, Jr., 31038668  
1st Lt. Benjamin M. Murray, O-483816  
T/14 Charles H. Park, 20428958  
Pfc. Joseph R. Ruelle, 33265996  
Pfc. Theodore P. Tabloski, 31027864  
S/Sgt. Ralph G. Torrey, 31027864  
T/4 Charles A. Trice, 20153189  
S/Sgt. Michael N.M. Valentine, 35303175  
T/Sgt. Afriam Weber, 20253178  
T/Sgt. Harold P. Weymouth, 20144956  
T/4 Verless E. White, 34101231  
Pfc. Edward N.M. Wielgosz, 36751073  
Pfc. Leonard G. Hall, 38365402  
Pfc. Lester G. Keller, 38472387  
Pfc. Patricio O. Morrez, 38244474  
Pfc. John M. Ramsay, 33525796  
Pfc. Chester D. Starcher, 35429287  
Pfc. Arvis V. Wilson, 35501778  
Pfc. Marion G. Savage, 31578962  
Pvt. Willard W. Mitchell, 39283316  
Pfc. Robert Lee Wilkinson, 37527406  
T/5 Harry O. Witters, 37208925  
Cpl. Henry Ziolkowski, 16598912

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Co. "G", 103d Infantry  
Co. "C", 103d Infantry  
Co. "G", 103d Infantry  
Co. "B", 103d Infantry

Sv. Co., 169th Inf.  
Med. Det., 172d Inf.  
Hq. Co., 172d Inf.  
Med. Det., 103d Infantry  
Med. Det., Co. "C", 103d Inf.  
Co. "H", 172d Infantry  
Co. "M", 172d Infantry  
Hq. Co., 2d Bn., 172d Inf.  
Hq. Co., 3d Bn., 172d Inf.  
Hq. 2d Bn., 103d Infantry  
Med. Det., 172d Inf.  
Co. "H", 172d Infantry  
Hq. Co. 3d Bn., 172d Inf.  
Btry. "F", 181st F. A.  
Co. "G", 103d Infantry  
Med. Det., 172d Infantry  
Co. K., 172d Infantry  
Btry. "B", 103d F. A.  
Co. "H", 172d Infantry  
Co. "C", 533d EB & SR  
Co. "G", 103d Infantry  
Med. Det., 172d Infantry  
Co. E, 172d Infantry  
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AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR (Posthumously)

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded (posthumously) by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Technician Grade V THOMAS E. BROWN (20152368), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945, during an assault on Hill 580, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On this day Corporal Brown, in charge of a litter squad, ordered the squad to wait in a secure position until he had ascertained their safety. Corporal Brown, with an assistant, in utter disregard for his own safety, advanced to render medical aid and evacuate the wounded from the front lines, under heavy enemy mortar, artillery and small arms fire. In so doing, Corporal Brown sacrificed his life. Next of kin: Mrs. Charles Adams (mother), 158 Main Street, Winooski, Vermont.

Private First Class MICHAEL (MOM) GERARDI (31345134), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 27 January 1945, on Hill 900, Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During this day an enemy raiding party consisting of four men attempted to break through the sector of a line in which Private Gerardi was entrenched. They crawled within throwing distance of the line and started throwing hand grenades into the emplacements, one of which landed into the hole occupied by Private Gerardi. Although he was mortally wounded, Private Gerardi continued throwing grenades back at the enemy and enabled to direct the fires of his comrades on the line with him. Had it not been for Private Gerardi's courage and utter disregard for his own life, the attempted raiding party might have been successful. Next of kin: Marie Gerardi (mother), 25 Hill Street, Torrington, Connecticut.

1st Lieutenant ROBERT C. KROHMER (O-2047395), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 13 January 1945, during an assault on Hill 580, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Lieutenant Krohmer, together with the litter squad leader and litter bearers, in utter disregard for his own safety, advanced to render medical aid and evacuate the wounded from the front lines, under heavy enemy mortar, artillery and small arms fire. In so doing, Lieutenant Krohmer sacrificed his life. Next of kin: Mrs. Marveleen Krohmer (wife), 2018 McMillian Street, Dallas, Texas.

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Staff Sergeant ANTHONY L. MAZZOLA (31093079), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 4 February 1945, near Calunetan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Mazzola was leading a squad on a patrol which came to the banks of the Irodaget River, near Calunetan, where it met heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire, pinning down the squad. Realizing the great danger to his men by being pinned down, Sergeant Mazzola ordered them to withdraw to a covered position while he, in total disregard of his own safety, covered the withdrawal with rifle fire. As the squad withdrew Sergeant Mazzola was killed by sniper fire. By his courageous actions in the face of heavy enemy fire Sergeant Mazzola undoubtedly prevented many casualties to members of his squad which would have resulted had the squad remained pinned down. In sacrificing his own life to aid his men, he exemplified the highest of courage and devotion to duty. Next of kin: Mrs. Michelena A. Mazzola (mother), 25 Brooks Avenue, Quincy, Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant WALTER A. PASTERNAK (36316137), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945, on Hill 600 in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In the course of the attack by his company, which came under severe enemy machine gun and rifle fire, Staff Sergeant Pasternak saw one of his men, at a distance of twenty-five yards in front of him, hit by enemy fire, and hearing him call for assistance, completely disregarded the heavy enemy fire which was only two feet above the ground, and crawled forward to the wounded man. Just as Staff Sergeant Pasternak reached the wounded man and was attempting to apply a first aid dressing, he was hit by a burst of machine gun fire and instantly killed while performing this act of mercy. Next of kin: Mr. Albert Pasternak (father), 4815 South Racine Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

By command of Major General WING:

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9418, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain HARLAND D. BENTLEY, (0579433), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 700 and Hill 800, Luzon, Philippine Islands on or about 1 February 1945. When it was found necessary to have a detailed sketch of each area occupied by two battalions on separate hills, Captain Bentley, Assistant Operations Officer, proceeded to the front lines during one of the heaviest mortar, machine gun and small arms fire concentration in these areas. Disregarding his own safety, he continued on with his hazardous mission, successfully completed the sketches and returned to his organization. Captain Bentley's courageous achievement and devotion to duty made available information of inestimable value. Home address: Mrs. Anne R. Bentley, (wife), 4421 Poppleton Avenue, Omaha, Nebraska.

Sergeant GEORGE A. BOWLES, (20150292), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. During a heavy enemy artillery concentration, Sergeant Bowles, together with two companions, at great risk of personal safety, elected to remain with his heavy machine gun while the rest of the men all withdrew to the reverse slope of the hill. Sergeant Bowles' courageous action and devotion to duty afforded the only position in that sector ready to resist any enemy assault which might have been launched against our forces following the enemy artillery concentration. Home address: Mrs. Edna C. Bowles, (mother), 172 Main Street, Lisbon, New Hampshire.

Staff Sergeant FRANK BOYARSKI, (36241534), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. During the resumption of an attack on Hill 355, Staff Sergeant Boyarski maneuvered his way forward under enemy machine gun and sniper fire with a few scouts from leading squads. Being the only non-commissioned officer in the area, he, by exposing himself repeatedly managed to work the men around him into a firing line. Calling for a sound powered telephone he then crawled forward into an exposed position and directed mortar fire which silenced one enemy machine gun position. When knee mortar fire began falling in his area, he remained with the covering force while the company made a successful withdrawal. Staff Sergeant Boyarski's great courage and leadership were an inspiration to the men about him. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Boyarski, (mother), Route #3, Es 267, Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin.

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Private First Class STUART C. BURT, (20150275), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. During a heavy enemy artillery concentration, Private Burt, together with two comrades, at great risk of personal safety, elected to remain with his machine gun while the rest of the men all withdrew to the reverse slope of the hill. Private Burt's courageous action and devotion to duty afforded the only position in that sector ready to resist any enemy assault which might have been launched against our forces following the enemy artillery concentration. Home address: Mrs. Geneva Burt, (mother) R.F.D. #1, Lunenburg, Vermont.

Private MICHAEL CAFFREY, (32862230), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Damortis, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period of 18 January to 21 January 1945. In addition to working unstintingly in his regular duties as medical technician, Private Caffrey, voluntarily and tirelessly aided further in the caring of casualties in the capacity of litter bearer. An outstanding example of his great courage and devotion to duty was on 20 January when a group of soldiers and Filipino laborers, who were carrying water and ammunition, came under artillery fire and some of them were hit, Private Caffrey immediately ran to their aid and administered to them in spite of the falling artillery. Home address: John Caffrey, (brother), 1150 St. Lawrence Avenue, Bronx, New York.

Technical Sergeant ANTHONY S. CARTA, (20129828), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. When part of the platoon of which he is a member was halted in its attack on Hill 355 by enemy machine gun, mortar and sniper fire, Sergeant Carta, disregarding his personal safety, exposed himself repeatedly in order to direct his machine gun section and riflemen in placing effective and devastating fire on the enemy positions. During this action Sergeant Carta was wounded by shrapnel, but this only served as an impetus for he continued to direct fire. Sergeant Carta's courageous action and devotion to duty were an inspiration to the men about him. Home address: Santo Carta, (father), 59 Court Street, Middletown, Connecticut.

Private First Class JOHN CELANI, (31038496), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. During the absence of the Section Leader, Private Celani, with disregard for his personal safety, distinguished himself in successfully observing mortar fire. Also, when a fellow-soldier had been wounded in laying a communication wire, Private Celani promptly proceeded in completing the job successfully, accomplished under heavy artillery and sniper fire. Home address: Mrs. Adeline Celani, (mother), 40 Alto Street, Cranston, Rhode Island.



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Private First Class GEORGE COLE, (30171405), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill #355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. During an attack against the enemy and in the face of enemy machine gun fire, Private Cole, fearlessly and with indomitable courage kept on advancing and pouring assault fire with his B.F.R. and, in so doing was wounded in action. Still after being wounded, Private Cole continued to crawl forward and placed fire on enemy positions until he was given strict orders by his platoon guide to retire to a rear area. Private Cole's valiant action and devotion to duty were an inspiration to the men about him. Home address: Edwin Cole, (father), General Delivery, Crant, Louisiana.

Technical Sergeant GERALD W. CONNER, (20150211), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period from 23 January 1945 to 13 February 1945. During this period, while in direct contact with the enemy, Technical Sergeant Conner acted as mortar platoon leader in the absence of the commissioned officer and demonstrated exemplary courage and leadership in the performance of his duties. His platoon fired some two thousand (2,000) rounds of ammunition. On one particular occasion on Hill 1000, this fire was instrumental in knocking out a Jap field piece. Home address: Mrs. Vera F. Conner, (mother), 2 Eagley Street, St. Johnsbury, Vermont.

Private First Class ROBERT D. CONROY, (20129858), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. Private Conroy, leading scout of the first squad in an attack against the enemy on Hill 355, displayed outstanding bravery and indomitable fighting spirit, when in the face of heavy machine gun, mortar and enemy sniper fire, he, by crawling and short rushes advanced a distance of about two hundred yards. While the rest of his squad was building up a line of fire, Private Conroy succeeded in firing on enemy positions, knocking out two Jap snipers who were protecting an enemy machine gun. In so doing, his squad proceeded to advance and successfully silenced the machine gun. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Conroy, (mother), 161 Johnson Street, Middletown, Conn.

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 Technician Grade V JOHN F. CUDDIHY, (32109321), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Damortis, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 14 January to 19 January 1945. In the face of constant enemy artillery and small arms fire, Corporal Cuddihy demonstrated great courage and initiative in maintaining wire communications within his battalion, operating over steep hills and deep valleys. Repairing numerous breaks in the wire communications, often times in close proximity to the enemy, Corporal Cuddihy's accomplishment contributed in a large measure to the success of the Battalion's operation. Home address: Miss Patricia V. Cuddihy, (sister), 147-40 24th Avenue, Whitestone, Long Island, New York.

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Private First Class JAMES V. FORTUNATO, (33687073), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 700, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 February 1945. When the enemy attacked our position on Hill 700 with artillery fire at point blank range in which the operator for our S.C.R. 300 radio was wounded, the Company was ordered to withdraw from its untenable position. Private Fortunato, quickly sensing the situation and realizing the danger inherent in abandoning the radio to its possible capture by the enemy, braving the terrific enemy fire, completely disregarding his own safety, he, together with a comrade, remained in an exposed position to totally destroy the radio by kicking it into a canyon. Home address: Mrs. Rachel Fortunato, (wife), 2773 Zephyr Avenue, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class ARNOLD L. GRACE, (39915721), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 1000, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 January 1945. During the time when he was laying wire communications to an Outpost, Private Grace, disregarding the intense enemy fire and his own personal safety proceeded courageously and determinedly with his important work. While so doing he was hit by enemy fire, but in spite of that he continued with his task until communication was established. His actions were of invaluable assistance to the success of the operation. Home address: George W. Grace (father) Box 87, Lehi, Utah.

Private First Class GEORGE E. HENSON, (34775768), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Awat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When a call was made for riflemen to guide a litter party through enemy territory to effect the rescue of a wounded comrade at an Outpost Company, Private Henson promptly volunteered to go on the mission of mercy. He, together with another soldier, proceeded on the hazardous route with the litter party, and encountered heavy enemy opposition in which one medic was killed and two others wounded. Private Henson continued in his capacity, scouting out enemy opposition until the party reached the protection of the Outpost Company. Private Henson clearly demonstrated great courage and fidelity in voluntarily risking his life to go to the aid of a wounded fellow-soldier. Home address: Mrs. Polly P. Henson, (wife), Alexander Hill Station, Forest City, North Carolina.

First Sergeant CHESTER E. HORTON, (6237402) Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Lingayen Gulf, vicinity of San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 January 1945. During the initial stages of the amphibious assault, while under hostile artillery fire, Sergeant Horton, assisted by another soldier, voluntarily and at great risk of his own life, rescued two fellow soldiers from an LVT (Alligator) burning among fuel drums on the beach and carried the injured men to safety. Sergeant Horton clearly demonstrated exemplary courage and fidelity in risking his own life to rescue two comrades. Home address: Mrs. Dorothea Horton, (wife), Post Office Box 13, Grayson Street Station, San Antonio, Texas.

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Sergeant GEORGE A. HUGHES, (35403304), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Lingayen Gulf, San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 14 January 1945. During the initial operations, Sergeant Hughes, distinguished himself by his great devotion to duty and prodigious efforts in that while under constant enemy fire, he courageously and at the risk of his life, directed in a most efficient manner the movement of troops, equipment, and bulk supplies across the beach. Sergeant Hughes' actions contributed immeasurably to the success of the operations. Home address: Mrs. Fannie Hughes, (mother), 1315 North Shartel Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Sergeant ELMELL L. HARDY, (20144169), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 January. When the enemy launched a heavy counter-attack against his and an accompanying squad in which the leader of the second squad was wounded, Sergeant Hardy quickly evaluating the critical and serious position of the two squads in the light of numerically superior enemy forces, promptly assumed control of both squads and displaying great courage and leadership, organized a systematic and orderly withdrawal. Although, he himself was badly wounded, he refused medical aid until all his men had been accounted for. Sergeant Hardy's actions made possible the evacuation of the wounded and minimized the number of casualties. Home address: Mrs. Mertie E. Hardy, (mother), Bryant Pond, Maine.

Sergeant JOHN J. KELLER, (37195499), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. When the enemy attacked our position at approximately 2030 which continued throughout the night, Sergeant Keller, without regard for his own safety, left his foxhole to fire his mortar which was on top of the ground in an exposed position in close proximity of the enemy, and fired twelve rounds of mortar against the enemy. After the barrage, cries of anguish could be heard and the situation quieted down. Four Japs were killed a few feet of Sergeant Keller's mortar in their futile attempt to silence his gun. Sergeant Keller's actions reflected great courage and indomitable fighting spirit. Home address: Albert H. Keller, (father), West Bend, Iowa.

Private ELMER G. KRAFT, (39134593), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. When he, and the members of the platoon were halted in their attack on Hill 355 by intense enemy fire, Private Kraft observed a B.A.R. man wounded at least 50 yards to his fore, without regard for his personal safety, braved the enemy fire and crawled to aid the wounded comrade. Private Kraft then retrieved the man's B.A.R. and belt and he himself used it to excellent advantage. The next morning, when the attack against the enemy was resumed, Private Kraft, in an advance position covering a machine gun with his B.A.R. was wounded by shrapnel. Private Kraft's actions

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(Private Elmer G. Kraft)

reflected devotion beyond the call of duty and exemplary courage. Home address: Mrs. Osella Wehner, (mother), 2061 Benicia Road, Vallejo, Calif.

Sergeant FRANK J. LAMORTICIELLO, (52350087) Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 700, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 1 February 1945. While courageously and boldly advancing over open terrain, in the face of enemy fire in a valiant attempt to rescue his Company Commander, Sergeant Lamorticello was himself seriously wounded. His fidelity and willingness to risk his own life to aid another were in keeping with the traditions of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Antonia LaMorticella, (mother), 427 21st Street, Niagara Falls, New York.

Technical Sergeant WILLIAM C. LAROSA, (32112001), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 January 1945. At approximately 2100 on this date, Technical Sergeant LaRosa, together with 3 companions, went forward across open terrain, well lighted by moonlight, at great risk of personal safety and in the face of enemy fire, effected the removal of three wounded comrades over one and one-half miles of open terrain to safety. Sergeant LaRosa's courageous action contributed immeasurably to the saving of the lives of the 3 wounded men. Home address: Joseph La Rosa, (father), 56-47 203d Street, Bayside, New York.

Sergeant DONALD H. LEVENGOOD, (33312424), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Mannaog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. When the enemy infiltrated our lines at night severing wire communications from Battalion headquarters to the front line companies, Sergeant Levengood, cognizant of the danger to his company without communication during the night, left his position of concealment in the face of fire from the infiltration party, crawling along the line from his Company to the Battalion Command Post he succeeded in reestablishing vitally needed communication lines. Sergeant Levengood's courageous actions and devotion to duty was instrumental in the necessary coordination which later resulted in the destruction of the enemy infiltration party. Home address: Mr. Newton Levengood (father), 70 Beech Street, Pottstown, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class ERVIN W. LIND, (36169426), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at the Pozorrubio Sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 February 1945. While evacuating casualties in his truck and subjected to intense enemy fire while crossing an open field, Private Lind displayed fine qualities of courage, coolness and determination, in that braving the enemy fire, his uppermost concern was of the men who were dependant on him, he drove on until he finally reached the Battalion Aid Station. Private Lind's actions undoubtedly saved the lives of the wounded men. Home address: Mrs. Lucy Lind, (mother), Route #3, Nashville, Michigan.

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Lieutenant Colonel DEWITT L. MC LALLEN, (O173218), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mabilao, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Fern D. McLallen, Mulberry, Arkansas.

Technician Grade V CHARLES D. MECHAM, (39912727), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Amlang, Lingayen Gulf area, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. At approximately 1000 hours Corporal Mecham volunteered to act as litter bearer for advanced elements of a battalion column moving in the approach march. Fully cognizant of the fact that the route that he would travel was covered with heavy enemy fire. Corporal Mecham assisted in the rescue of three wounded men from the forward area and returned them to safety. His bravery and loyalty in the face of the enemy fire was in accordance with the highest standards of the Army. Home address: Mrs. Minnie J. Smith (mother), Toco, Utah.

Private DANTE MENNA, (31293494) Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Lingayen Gulf, vicinity of San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 January 1945. During the initial stages of the amphibious assault, while under hostile artillery fire, Private Menna, assisted by another soldier, voluntarily and at great risk of his own life, rescued two fellow soldiers from an LVT (Alligator) burning among fuel drums on the beach and carried the injured men to safety. Private Menna clearly demonstrated exemplary courage and fidelity in risking his own life to rescue two comrades. Home address: John Menna, (father), 9 Mica Avenue, Cranston, Rhode Island.

Technician Grade V DAVID J. METZGAR, (33567447), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January 1945 to 6 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jennie A. Metzgar (wife), 323 West Main Street, Somerset, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class WYNEN MORGAN, (38345009), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. At approximately 2100 on this date, Private Morgan, together with 3 companions went forward across open terrain, well lighted by moonlight, at great risk of personal safety and in the face of enemy fire, effected the removal of three wounded comrades over one and one-half miles of open terrain to safety. Private Morgan's courageous actions contributed immeasurably to the saving of the lives of the 3 wounded men. Home address: Mrs. Anna Morgan, (mother), Box 428, Crowley, Louisiana.

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Private First Class EMILIEN A. MORIN, (20144035), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at the Pozorubio Sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 January 1945. While evacuating casualties in his truck and subjected to intense enemy fire while crossing an open field, Private Morin displayed fine qualities of courage, coolness and determination, in that braving the enemy fire, his uppermost concern was of the men who were dependent on him, he drove on until he finally reached the Battalion Aid Station. Private Morin's actions undoubtedly saved the lives of the wounded men. Home address: Alphonse Morin, (father), 9 Westfield Street, Biddeford, Maine.

Private JOSEPH A. NEILL, (39047005), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 520, Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 January 1945. Private Neill displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty in crawling to the front lines, without regard for his own safety and under constant enemy fire, to take water to the wounded and assist in their removal to positions of safety. Private Neill's actions were above and beyond the call of duty and were an inspiration to his comrades. Home address: Mrs. Rosa Neill (mother), 1162 Ocean Avenue, Oakland, California.

Private First Class JOHN P. NORDEN, (39140933), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Anlang, Lingayen Gulf area, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 January 1945. At approximately 1000 hours on that date, Private Norden volunteered to act as litter bearer for advanced elements of a battalion column moving in the approach march. Fully cognizant of the fact that the route over which he would travel was covered with heavy enemy fire, Private Norden assisted in the rescue of three wounded men from the forward area and returned them to safety. His bravery and loyalty in the face of the enemy fire was in accordance with the highest standards of the Army. Home address: Mrs. Winifred Norden, (mother), Orchard Road, Lafayette, California.

Staff Sergeant JERROLD E. PARK, (20749010), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 11 January to 27 January 1945. Home address: Ronald R. Park, (father), 111 West 14th Street, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Technical Sergeant BERNICE L. PERRY, (34198517) Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Lingayen Gulf area, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945. During the initial landing the LSM which carried him was shelled by enemy artillery as it hit the beach; Sergeant Perry, in charge of a Cannon Platoon, though himself wounded by shrapnel, continued in the supervision of the unloading of 2 M-7 cannons, fully cognizant that speed was vital to the safety of supplies and the ship. After unloading, he moved the M-7's under cover and made a reconnaissance on foot for one and one-half miles and accomplished mission of supporting a road block. During this three hour period, Sergeant Perry steadfastly refused all medical aid until

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his mission had been completed and ordered to report for treatment. Sergeant Perry's courageous actions and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest standards of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle G. Perry (mother), 301 West State Street, Dublin, Georgia.

Technician Grade V WILLIAM E. PIPER, (33390880) Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Iuzon, Philippine Islands on 13 January 1945. Corporal Piper, serving as a Chaplain's assistant, courageously and at great risk of personal safety, braved enemy fire to assist in the carrying of wounded men to positions of safety. Later, that same day, again under enemy fire, he recovered eleven bodies so that they could be given decent burials in the cemetery. Corporal Piper's disregard for danger and outstanding devotion to duty were an inspiration to his comrades. Home address: Malone Piper, (brother), 521 Rutcliff Street, Shreveport, Louisiana.

Sergeant GEORGE POMERLEAU, (20145030), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pozorubio, Iuzon, Philippine Islands on 22 January 1945. During a heavy enemy artillery and mortar concentration, Sergeant Pomerleau, without regard for his own safety, braved the hostile fire and aided wounded comrades and carried them to positions of safety. Sergeant Pomerleau demonstrated great courage and a willingness to endanger his own life to aid his fellow soldiers. Home address: Ernest Pomerleau (father), Libson Street, Lewiston, Maine.

First Lieutenant NORMAN P. PRIVETT, (0445299), Quartermaster, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Maritao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 January 1945. Upon notification of an expected enemy counter-attack, Lieutenant Privett commanded a truck and with its driver drove blackout for two miles through a heavy hostile artillery barrage and obtained a platoon of riflemen for reinforcement of the perimeter defense. Lieutenant Privett clearly demonstrated coolness and courage under fire and great devotion to duty. Home address: Mrs. Urna M. Privett (wife), 630 Boulder Street, Pawnee, Oklahoma.

Private First Class WILLIAM A. RIPP, (39833578) Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, in the vicinity of Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 January 1945. During an assault against the enemy when the Company with which he was serving was subjected to heavy mortar, machine gun and rifle fire, Private Ripp, without regard for his own safety, unhesitatingly went to the aid of the wounded, and with the use of improvised litters, casualties were safely evacuated to the Battalion Aid Station. Private Ripp's prompt and courageous actions in rendering expert first-aid treatment were an inspiration to those who witnessed his deeds. Home address: Mrs. William Ripp (mother), 333 Garrison Road, Vancouver, Washington.

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Sergeant HENRY R. STROEMER, (32303360), Quartermaster, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at White Beach #2, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. During a heavy hostile mortar and artillery attack in which a number of casualties were suffered, Sergeant Stroemer, at the first call for aid, unhesitatingly went forward in the face of terrific enemy fire and without regard for his own safety, was the first to respond to the call. His courage and coolness under fire creeded the evacuation of the wounded. Later, on the beach, he was one of 4 men who worked untiringly, braving the enemy shelling, until all of the wounded were placed aboard a "duck". Sergeant Stroemer's great courage and fidelity gained the respect and admiration of all who witnessed his actions. Home address: Mrs. Laura Stroemer, (mother), Box 9, Seavey Road, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

Technician Grade V THOMAS F. TAYLOR, (35030042), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Amfing, Lingayen Gulf area, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. At approximately 1000 hours on this date, Corporal Taylor volunteered to act as a litter bearer for advanced elements of a battalion column moving in the approach march. Fully cognizant of the fact that the route over which he would travel was covered with heavy enemy fire, Corporal Taylor assisted in the rescue of three wounded men from the forward area and returned them to safety. His bravery and loyalty in the face of the enemy fire was in accordance with the highest standards of the Army. Home address: Mrs. Ellic Taylor (mother), R.F.D. #4, Zanesville, Ohio.

Private First Class DANIEL M. TESTO, (32933950), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, in the vicinity of Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 January 1945. During an assault against the enemy when the Company with which he was serving was subjected to heavy mortar, machine gun and rifle fire, Private Testo, without regard for his own safety, unhesitatingly went to the aid of the wounded, and with the use of improvised litters, casualties were safely evacuated to the Battalion Aid Station. Private Testo's prompt and courageous action in rendering expert first-aid treatment were an inspiration to those who witnessed his deeds. Home address: Mrs. Ida Testo, (mother), 237 Davis Street, Rochester, New York.

By command of Major General WING:

C. P. ROBBINS,  
Colonel, GSC,  
Chief of Staff

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Major, AGD,  
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SECTION I - AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDER #32  
SECTION II - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (Posthumously)  
SECTION III- AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

SECTION I

1. So much of Section I, Paragraph 1, General Orders #32, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, dated 1 March 1945 as pertains to the Award of the Silver Star Medal to Private First Class Joseph G. Foti, 32944353, Infantry, United States Army is revoked.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 45, WD, 1918) a Silver Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

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~~Private First Class JOSEPH G. FOTI, (32944353), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 in the vicinity of Amlang, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When the Company of which he was a member was subjected to hostile artillery fire, Private Foti, observing two fellow soldiers seriously wounded in a front area where artillery fire was falling, unhesitatingly left his position of comparative safety, and with two companions went to the aid of the two wounded men. In the midst of heavy enemy fire the two casualties were successfully evacuated to the Battalion Aid Station. During this voluntary act of mercy, Private Foti was himself mortally wounded, but in spite of his wounds he determinedly completed his mission. Private Foti's heroic action in sacrificing his own life to rescue two comrades was in keeping with the highest military traditions of loyalty and courage. Next of kin: Mrs. Eunice Foti, (mother), 509 Summit Avenue, Schenectady, New York.~~

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bull 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain JAMES E. BASHAW, (0397676), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January 1945 to 15 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marjorie S. Bashaw, (wife), 108 High Street, St. Albans, Vermont.

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Technician Grade IV ALFRED J. HONEYCUTT, (34100839), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. When the Company with which he was serving came under heavy enemy machine gun fire while crossing open terrain, Sergeant Honeycutt, medical aid man, displayed exemplary courage and fidelity in crawling forward, under enemy fire, and aiding two wounded comrades to safety. The prompt action of Sergeant Honeycutt, it was later determined, saved the life of one and possibly two men. In performing this deed, Corporal Honeycutt was working entirely on his own initiative and without orders or instructions from anyone. Home address: Mrs. Eueua V. Honeycutt, (mother), 1537 Woodland Avenue, S.W. Birmingham 7, Alabama.

Private First Class RAYMOND H. KRIEGER, (37781049), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 29 January 1945 to 7 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lillian L. Krieger, (wife), Rome, Iowa.

Sergeant HENRY J. KON, (31038146), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 355, near Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 1 February 1945. Braving enemy fire, Sergeant Kon courageously advanced over open terrain in an effort to rescue his Company Commander. In his valiant attempt, Sergeant Kon, himself was seriously wounded. By his action, Sergeant Kon clearly demonstrated exemplary fortitude and fidelity. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Kon (mother), 129 Summer Street, Central Falls, Rhode Island.

Sergeant PETER A. LEVI, (33787076), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 29 January 1945 to 7 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth A. Levi (wife), 1405 East Wilt Street, Philadelphia (25), Pennsylvania.

Technician Grade V MEYER ECKSTEIN, (32343980), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 10 January 1945 to 30 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frieda Eckstein, (mother), 2099 Valentine Avenue, Bronx, New York.

Major LEON W. HILL, (0319546), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 18 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jackie E. Hill (wife), 4801 Plains Boulevard, Amarillo, Texas.

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Technician Grade III VICTOR W. REID, (14021119), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Damortis, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 14 January 1945 to 19 January 1945. Home address: Samuel L. Reid (father), Route 1, Granite Falls, North Carolina.

Major JOHN F. RHINE, (01296891), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 15 November 1944 to 15 February 1945. Home address: Mr. H. Irving Rhine, (brother), 517 Lake Street, San Francisco, California.

Private First Class STANLEY C. RIPPLE, (39575812), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. When the platoon of which he is a member was halted by terrific enemy machine gun fire, Private Ripple, quickly sensing the critical situation, moved his light machine gun forward and placed rapid and constant fire upon the enemy. This action of Private Ripple enabled his platoon to withdraw to a more tenable position and at the same time evacuate the wounded, without further casualties. Private Ripple's indomitable courage and devotion to duty undoubtedly saved the lives of many members of the platoon. Home address: Mrs. Hope M. Ripple, (wife), 4836 Mayburn Ave. Los Angeles, California.

Private ROYAL E. ROHIDEAU, (20150820) Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 900, Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. During an enemy counter-attack, Private Rohideau, while on Forward Out Post, in the absence of a mortar observer, quickly sensing the necessity for prompt action, moved from his position, exposing himself to enemy view and fire, and brought mortar fire to bear on the enemy. Private Rohideau's alertness of mind and prompt action contributed immeasurably in repulsing the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Rohideau, (mother), 29 National Street, Windsor, Vermont.

Technician Grade V ROBERT L. ST. ANDREWS, (32354933), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 17 January 1945 to 6 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth St. Andrews, (mother), 1121 State Street, Ogdensburg, New York.

Sergeant ARMAND J. SARNICOLA, (52588686), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 31 January 1945. When a call was made for riflemen to guide a litter party through enemy territory to effect the rescue of a wounded comrade at an Outpost Company, Sergeant Sarnicola promptly volunteered to go on the mission of mercy. He, together with another soldier, proceeded on the hazardous route with the litter party, and encountered heavy enemy opposition in which one medic

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was killed and two others wounded. Sergeant Sarnicola continued in his capacity, scouting out enemy opposition until the party reached the protection of the Outpost Company. Sergeant Sarnicola clearly demonstrated great courage and fidelity in voluntarily risking his life to go to the aid of a wounded fellow-soldier. Home address: Mrs. Lavana Sarnicola (mother), 6 Dayton Street, Auburn, New York.

Private First Class ROBERT R. SCHEER, (37608247), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January 1945 to 6 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara Scheer, (mother), 2605 Dowd Avenue, Saint Louis, Missouri.

Private First Class WESLEY J. SHANHOLTZ, (35751933), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Morling Hill, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. When a heavy concentration of hostile artillery fire began falling in the saturation area, a D-7 tractor and a 250 gallon water trailer were located close to the impact area; Private Shanholz voluntarily ran forward in the face of artillery fire and assisted in removing the vehicle and trailer to a place of safety. Risking his life to save valuable government equipment which was urgently needed being the only means of procuring the Battalion's water supply, Private Shanholz clearly demonstrated outstanding devotion and courage. Home address: Mrs. Annie E. Shanholz, (wife), Green Springs, West Virginia.

Private First Class LOUIS A. SMITH, (35243627), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 3 February 1945. During an enemy counterattack launched at night under cover of a torrential rainstorm, the Company of which Private Smith is a member was compelled to withdraw to a more defensible position. Private Smith, manning a heavy machine gun on the crest of the ridge, covered by fire the withdrawal of the riflemen for about thirty minutes. The bravery and outstanding courage of Private Smith broke the force of the attack and accounted for a large number of the enemy casualties counted the following morning. Home address: Mrs. Florence G. Smith, (mother), Chili, Indiana.

Private First Class JAMES W. SKEENES, (35034428), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Amlang, Lingayen Gulf area, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. At approximately 1000 hours on this date, Private Skeenes, working as a cook, volunteered to act as litter bearer for advanced elements of a battalion column moving in the approach march. Fully cognizant of the fact that the route over which he would travel was covered with heavy enemy fire, Private Skeenes assisted in the rescue of three wounded men from the forward area and returned them to safety. His bravery and loyalty in the face of heavy enemy fire was in accordance with the highest standards of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mary B. Sowers, (mother), Crooksville, Ohio.

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Technician Grade V WOODROW A. STEELE, (36465728), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 318, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 January 1945. When the unit with which Corporal Steele was serving was halted by heavy enemy fire in which a heavy machine gunner, in direct line of fire from an enemy machine gun, was wounded and unable to withdraw, Corporal Steele, medical man, without regard for his own safety, courageously maneuvered his way to aid the stricken man and removed him to safety. He then further assisted in removing the heavy machine gun which might have fallen into enemy hands. Corporal Steele's outstanding bravery and devotion to duty undoubtedly saved the life of the machine-gunner. Home address: Mrs Christine Steele (wife), Mancelona, Michigan.

Private First Class HOWARD C. STOLL, (36170531), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 January 1945. During an advance on Hill 600, Private Stoll displayed great courage, initiative and devotion to duty in maintaining vitally needed communication between the Company Command Post and the forward elements. Braving constant enemy mortar and sniper fire, Private Stoll maintained communication which contributed immeasurably to the success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Howard C. Stoll (wife), 1924 Pine Crest Drive, Ferndale, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant PHILIP M. TRACY, (31012628), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 30 January 1945 to 4 February 1945. When the mortar Section Sergeant was wounded on the 30th of January, Sergeant Tracy assumed command of the Section for a period of three days during which time he displayed fine qualities of leadership and ability. Also, Sergeant Tracy, braving terrific enemy artillery fire observed mortar fire skillfully and successfully. After being wounded on 4 February, Sergeant Tracy following treatment, determinedly returned to his Outpost. Home address: Fred Tracy (father), Box 341, Lincoln, New Hampshire.

Private First Class ROBERT M. WALKER, (39029530), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. During a heavy enemy artillery concentration, Private Walker, together with two companions, at great risk of personal safety, elected to remain with his heavy machine gun while the rest of the men all withdrew to the reverse slope of the hill. Private Walker's courageous action and devotion to duty afforded the only position in that sector ready to resist any enemy assault which might have been launched against our forces following the enemy artillery concentration. Home address: Mrs. Clara M. Walker, (mother), 1267 Filbert Street, San Francisco, California.

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Private First Class PETER YURECKO, (32924190), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 700, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 February 1945. When the enemy attacked our position on Hill 700 with artillery fire at point blank range in which the operator for our S.C.P. 300 radio was wounded, the Company was ordered to withdraw from its untenable position. Private Yurecko, quickly sensing the situation and realizing the danger inherent in abandoning the radio to its possible capture by the enemy, braving the terrific enemy fire, completely disregarding his own safety, he, together with a comrade, remained in an exposed position to totally destroy the radio. Home address: Mrs. Alice Yurecko, (mother), 576 Leo Street, Hillside, New Jersey.

Corporal ROBERT V. ZANINI, (33499830), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Merlin Hill, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. When a heavy concentration of hostile artillery fire began falling in the Battalion area, a D-7 tractor and a 250 gallon water trailer were located close to the impact area; Corporal Zanini voluntarily ran forward in the face of artillery fire and assisted in removing the vehicle and trailer to a place of safety. Risking his life to save valuable government equipment which was urgently needed being the only means of procuring the Battalion's water supply. Corporal Zanini clearly demonstrated outstanding devotion and courage. Home address: Mrs. Alma T. Zanini, (wife), 1914 Green Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

By command of Major General WING:

C. F. ROBEINS,  
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Chief of Staff.

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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private FRANK AMARO (38161518), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945, on Hill 318, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During the assault by the company of which he is a member, Private Amaro, Company Aid Man, moved about under heavy enemy fire on the crest of the hill and with disregard for his own safety administered first-aid to the wounded. While treating the wounded, he himself was wounded by shell fragments from an enemy mortar shell. In spite of his wounds, Private Amaro travelled to the rear for litters and remained on duty until all casualties were treated and evacuated. While having his own wounds treated, Private Amaro responded to a call from his company for more aid men on the front line and continued treating casualties under heavy enemy fire. He remained on duty until the following day when he returned to the rear for treatment. This devotion to duty on the part of Private Amaro did much to relieve the suffering of many wounded men. Home address: Florentina Amaro (mother), 790 N. Central Avenue, New Braunfels, Texas.

Private First Class NORMAND L. BONNEVIE (31322729), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 12 January 1945, on Hill 200, in the vicinity of Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The company, of which Private Bonnevie is a member, came under heavy enemy machine gun fire during which time another member of the company was wounded in the chest and unable to withdraw to safety. Private Bonnevie, although he too was suffering from a gun shot wound in the arm, crawled to the wounded comrade under the lane of fire and succeeded in bringing him to a covered position. While dragging the wounded man to safety, Private Bonnevie was slightly wounded a second time by enemy fire. In performing this brave deed Private Bonnevie undoubtedly saved the life of the seriously wounded man. Home address: Mrs. Fidelise Bonnevie (mother), Main Street, Chisholm, Maine.

Private First Class CLYDE J. DAVENPORT (38376479), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 17 January 1945, in the vicinity of Lipit, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Approximately twenty (20) yards east of the Pao River, the platoon to which Private Davenport was attached as medical aid man, was establishing a perimeter. In advancing to the position a member of the platoon was mortally wounded by enemy small arms fire. The enemy, consisting of about ten (10) in number, was concealed in a growth of bamboo approximately twenty (20) yards away,

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with excellent observation, whereas, the platoon to which Private Davenport was attached had no cover concealment on flat terrain near the river. In spite of this disadvantage, Private Davenport ran approximately twenty yards across open terrain under full observation and direct fire of the enemy, and succeeded in removing the wounded man from the direct line of fire. In an effort to save the wounded man's life, and with complete disregard for his own safety, Private Davenport performed an act of great courage and heroism. Home address: Mrs. Frannie Davenport (mother), General Delivery, Port Sulphur, Louisiana.

Sergeant ROBERT W. HEILEMAN (36753406), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 18 January 1945, in the vicinity of Amlang, Lingayen Gulf Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Heileman by his own initiative, with disregard for his own safety, remained with his seriously wounded company commander and a wounded comrade in an untenable position which was under heavy rifle and grenade fire. Sergeant Heileman administered first aid to both of the wounded men by working back and forth under the heavy fire until a rescue party could arrive to extricate them. He further assisted in carrying his company commander to a safe position and returned to help in the rescue of his seriously wounded comrade. His bravery in the face of the enemy, and his devotion to duty are in accordance with the highest military standards. Home address: Mrs. Lillian Heileman (mother), 1458 South 12th Street, Maywood, Illinois.

2nd Lieutenant RAYMOND J. MC DONIEL (O-1521324), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945, on a hill in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In the course of an attack by the company with which Lt. McDoniel served, the object of which was to take a hill northwest of and overlooking Rosario, the enemy opened up with heavy rifle, machine gun and mortar fire, stopping the attack and causing severe casualties midway between two hills. The fire was so intense that neither the men nor the wounded could be withdrawn. Lt. McDoniel was manning an observation post in direct support of the troops, and, unable to observe his fire from his observation post, went forward to learn the situation. He then returned to his primary position, ordered his men to return to the rear to safety, and taking a reel of wire and sound-powered telephone, went forward to the front lines again stringing his own wire as he went. He succeeded in establishing an observation post in plain sight of the enemy while under continuous enemy fire, and although the telephone was shot from his hand, his hand painfully bruised and cut by flying rocks, Lt. McDoniel stayed at his post and placed mortar fire on the enemy forcing them back and allowing his company to withdraw and evacuate all its wounded. Home address: Elijah T. McDoniel (brother), 123 E. 22nd Street, Owensboro, Kentucky.

Private First Class JAMES R. MC QUILLLEN (36602024), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945, at Pot Pot, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an attack by a force of four enemy tanks, five wounded men lay exposed to terrific enemy machine gun and heavy caliber fire. Private McQuillen, aided by his



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companion, saw the exposed position in which the wounded men lay, left his protecting foxhole and crawling to the wounded men under heavy fire succeeded in removing them to a position of safety behind a friendly tank. Home address: Anna Mc Quillen (mother), 1036 E. 47th Street, Chicago, Ill.

Sergeant ROBERT E. MURPHY (35305284), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 31 January 1945, in the vicinity of Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Murphy was directing the digging of a heavy machine gun emplacement and the site he selected was on the forward slope of a sparsely grassed hill facing the direction from which enemy counterattacks had previously been received. Sergeant Murphy, with three other men, had piled up sandbags first and began to dig in behind them when an enemy heavy machine gun opened fire on the group from a hill approximately 500 yards northeast. The men immediately hit the ground. Two of the men were wounded and unable to leave the hill to find security from the enemy fire. Ignoring all risks to his own life, Sergeant Murphy ran down the slope and dragged the two wounded men up the slope and over the crest where they were no longer subject to fire. Sergeant Murphy acted with great gallantry in saving two of his comrades from enemy fire, while he himself being under heavy fire in bright sunshine in an exposed area. Home address: William J. Murphy (father), 4220 E. 130th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Private First Class JOHN W. PEAVEY (31024389), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 21 January 1945, on Hill 600, in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In a position along the ridge of Hill 600 the enemy launched a fierce counter attack which caused the company, of which Private Peavey is a member, to withdraw to a new position from which to outflank the enemy forces. Private Peavey, braving the terrific enemy fire in an attempt to cover the movement of his organization, remained at the forward position and continued to place fire on the enemy with rifle and grenades while two comrades did likewise from a different position some distance away. By exposing himself to enemy fire, Private Peavey directed considerable enemy fire to himself, and by his counter-fire aided immeasurably in slowing down the enemy attack and prevented serious casualties among his comrades as they moved to new positions. The voluntary performance of this deed by Private Peavey was beyond the call of duty and exemplified the utmost in courage and coolness under enemy fire. Home address: Gardner Lane (friend), R.F.D. #1, Belfast, Maine.

Private First Class WILLIAM E. RENNER (38566014), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945, on the Damortis-Rosario Road near Amlang, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Private Renner and his platoon were acting as advance guard and point for the battalion's advance. In a particularly dangerous area the platoon commander halted his platoon, and in company with Private Renner and two other men advanced to investigate possible enemy emplacements which might prove disastrous to his company. As the men approached, the enemy brought intense

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automatic fire from well prepared positions on the point. The platoon commander, upon seeing the danger to his platoon, ordered their immediate withdrawal while he and the other members of the point covered the withdrawal. It was necessary to deliver the covering fire from an exposed position, but Private Renner unhesitatingly performed his duty, and in so doing was injured and temporarily blinded and later bayoneted by the enemy. He was able to make his way back to the lines the next morning after he had regained his sight. Private Renner's bravery and devotion to duty are beyond question. Home address: Mr. Gottlieb Renner (father), RFD #3, Shattuck, Oklahoma.

Sergeant PAUL G. ROBERTSON (20411698), Medical Department, United States Army For gallantry in action against the enemy on 18-19 January 1945, on Highway 3, in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Robertson, medical aid man, volunteered to drive a 3/4-ton vehicle to the front lines for the purpose of evacuating casualties. The route to be travelled, a distance of four miles, was under constant enemy observation and any movement on the highway immediately drew enemy artillery and small arms fire. Sergeant Robertson made one round trip under constant enemy fire. The following day an urgent call was received to evacuate more casualties sustained during the night, and again Sergeant Robertson volunteered to make the hazardous trip. He ran the gauntlet of enemy fire carrying litters and medical supplies, and in returning he was wounded in the shoulder and brought back as a patient. Through his devotion to duty and total disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Robertson saved many lives which might otherwise have been lost. Home address: Mrs. Mary Robertson (mother), Route #1, Belews Creek, North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant JAMES H. SHEPLER (33230655), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 and 27 January 1945, on Hill 500, Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During this period Sergeant Shepler led his squad on a patrol into Rosario where part of his squad was pinned down when engaged in a fire fight. Without heed to his own safety Sergeant Shepler rushed the enemy positions and threw two hand grenades killing two of the enemy and relieving the pressure on his squad. On another occasion while leading his squad on an assault on Hill 500, Sergeant Shepler ably trapped eight of the enemy in a pillbox and killed the entire group with grenades and rifle fire as they tried to escape their death trap. Sergeant Shepler's performance of bravery and fine leadership enabled him to secure and hold Hill 500 until he was ordered to return to his unit that evening. Home address: Mrs. Charles Shepler (mother), 19 South Railroad Street, Hummelstown, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant GEORGIE E. TIMS (31027320), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945, on Hill 355 in the vicinity of Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During the assault on the enemy position on Hill 355, the enemy was able to pin down two platoons with heavy machine gun and rifle fire due to clear visibility and favorable terrain. The two platoons were ordered to withdraw

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from their exposed positions. An automatic rifleman remained in position to cover the withdrawal of the platoons, thus drawing the enemy fire until he himself was pinned down and unable to withdraw. At this point, Sergeant Tims, platoon sergeant, on his own initiative, went forward to a position near the automatic rifleman and drew enemy fire to himself, with the intent to free the pinned automatic rifleman. Consequently, Sergeant Tims was wounded in the leg and had to be assisted to a position of safety. Sergeant Tims' unhesitating action and complete disregard of his personal safety to insure the safety and welfare of every man in his platoon, was an inspiration to all his men. Home address: Mrs. Lillian Tims (mother), RFD #5, Augusta, Maine.

Private RICHARD J. VAN HANDEL (36821688), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945, on Hill 355, in the vicinity of Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an attack on Hill 355, Private VanHandel, with other members of his platoon was pinned down by heavy machine gun, sniper and mortar fire coming from strong enemy positions. When a member of the platoon was hit by shrapnel, Private VanHandel crawled forward through intense fire and rendered first aid, then dragged him back to partial cover to await evacuation. Private VanHandel then crawled back to his platoon. For his courage under fire and performance beyond the call of duty, Private VanHandel's keen devotion to duty is beyond question. Home address: Mr. Peter A. VanHandel (father), 535 S. Wilson Street, Little Chute, Wisconsin.

Private First Class ALBERT V. WELSHANS (37195391), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 24 January 1945, on Hill 355, in the vicinity of Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During the attack Private Welshans crawled seventy-five yards into a draw that was covered by Jap machine gun fire, and gave first aid to two wounded men. He then carried each one back to cover and safety which necessitated two trips into the draw covered by enemy fire. Private Welshans' courage, initiative and bravery under fire undoubtedly saved the lives of the two wounded men. Home address: Mrs. Arlene Welshans (wife), Rockford, Iowa.

First Lieutenant LEONARD M. WITCHER (O-1288835), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 29 January 1945, near Hill 800 in the vicinity of Bataquil, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Lieutenant Witcher was in command of a section of a battalion's Anti-Tank Platoon on the flank of the battalion perimeter. Visibility was good because of a bright moon. At that time an enemy tracked vehicle mounting a 75-mm gun and loaded with approximately twenty enemy soldiers, approached the right flank of Lieutenant Witcher's position. Assisted by another man, Lieutenant Witcher picked up a .50 caliber machine gun from its emplacement and moved it quickly to a point in the line nearest the approaching enemy vehicle. As he got the gun in position the enemy vehicle was approximately twenty yards from the gun. Lieutenant Witcher, operating the gun himself, immediately opened fire and in a brief engagement destroyed the vehicle and gun. The enemy soldiers, though taken by surprise, attempted to charge Lieutenant Witcher's position but Lieutenant Witcher

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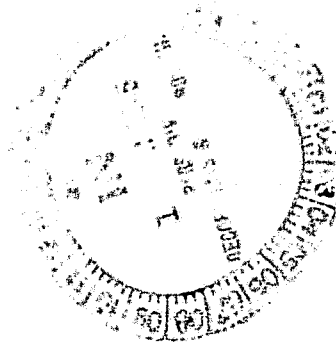
remained at his gun and continued firing. Four of Lieutenant Witcher's men were wounded in the attack. Seventeen enemy dead were counted at daybreak. Lieutenant Witcher's quick thinking and immediate action undoubtedly saved the lives of many of his comrades. His outstanding bravery in removing the .50 caliber machine gun to a relatively insecure position and manning the gun himself in the face of the approaching enemy and during the entire engagement, was action beyond the call of duty and a source of inspiration to his men. Home address: Mrs. J.T. Witcher (mother), 508 North Garden Street, Roswell, New Mexico.

By command of Major General WING:

C. P. ROBBINS  
Colonel, G.S.C.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order, No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II, Bull 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant FRANK J. KOLENC, (35306461), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic action against the enemy during period 2 February 1945 to 4 February 1945 inclusive, near Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On these days during a number of enemy attacks, Sergeant Kolenc, a member of a mortar squad, clearly demonstrated great courage and devotion to duty when he, with members of his squad, applied accurate and effective fire upon the enemy for three days and nights. Disregarding sleep almost entirely and under very unfavorable climatic conditions--intense sun, torrential rains--Sergeant Kolenc's action contributed immeasurably in repulsing the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Kolenc (mother), 1117 East 63rd Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

*Revoked by Co # 48 - Mar. 23, 1945*  
~~\* Colonel WAYNE S. MOORE, (012617), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea during the period 20 September 1944 to 23 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Virginia F. Moore (wife), 219 Country Club Blvd, Wilmington, North Carolina.~~

Technical Sergeant HOWARD A. WILSON JR., (35662243) Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 29 January 1945 to 7 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mildred S. Wilson, (wife), Geneva, Ohio.

By command of Major General WING:

C. P. ROBBINS,  
Colonel, GSC,  
Chief of Staff.

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SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

STAFF SERGEANT NATHANIEL L. BERRY, 20144810, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 12 January 1945 in the vicinity of Manocao, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Moving forward in an attack against the enemy, the leading squad of the platoon was subjected to rifle fire from an estimated three Japs, Sergeant Berry, platoon sergeant, energetically and accurately threw several hand grenades which eliminated the enemy fire. The platoon moved forward until it was halted by intense heavy machine gun emanating from an enemy pillbox which resulted in some casualties among our forces. Sergeant Berry demonstrated indomitable courage and determination, disregarding the enemy fire, succeeded in crawling up to the pillbox and expertly threw several grenades to destroy the enemy position. This daring action undoubtedly saved the lives of many of his men. Home address: Eldridge Jones (half-brother), Windsorville, Maine.

7 SERGEANT ROBERT J. HOLTMAN, 36322922, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In the midst of severe fire from the enemy, Sergeant Holtman displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty, when spotting a camouflaged enemy sniper, moved forward and succeeded in silencing him. In so doing, Sergeant Holtman himself was wounded. Ordered to the rear by his Platoon Leader, refused medical aid for himself until he had first assisted in the evacuation of the more seriously wounded comrades to the Battalion Aid Station. Home address: Mrs. Eleanor Holtman, (wife), 6999 Lincoln Avenue, Chicago, 30, Illinois.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS NORMAN L. HULL, 35895088, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In an attack against the enemy, the platoon of which he is a member was subjected to terrific mortar and machine gun fire. Private Hull demonstrated great courage and devotion, when he was wounded himself, braved the enemy fire and went to the aid of a seriously disabled comrade whom he carried to a position of safety in a full blade some fifty yards to the rear. Home address: Mrs. Minnie L. Hull, (mother), Route #4, Anderson, Indiana.

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TECHNICAL SERGEANT MAURICE H. LORD, 31027864, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 in the vicinity of Hanaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Observing that his platoon leader, an officer, was hit by enemy machine gun fire, Technical Sergeant Lord displayed outstanding courage and fidelity, exposing himself to the enemy fire, crawled forward to the aid of the mortally wounded officer. With the assistance of an officer, Sergeant Lord evacuated the casualty to a covered position from which place the litter bearers were able to carry the body to a rear area. Home address: Maurice H. Lord, (father), Woodburg Hill, Dover Foxcroft, Maine.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ANDREW C. SMITH, 33230770, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 in the vicinity of Pozerrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an advance of a combat patrol of which he was a member, Private Smith demonstrated outstanding courage and fidelity when, observing that one of his officers fell from the bursts of heavy enemy automatic weapons fire, unhesitatingly and without regard for his personal safety, went to the aid of the wounded officer and evacuated him to a position of safety. Home address: Mrs. Devona Smith (mother), 421 South 2nd Street, Lykens, Pennsylvania.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bull 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

PRIVATE ARTHUR J. BERTHIAUME, 20125180, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during period 12 January 1945 to 7 February 1945 at Luzon, Philippine Islands. When the Battalion Supply Sergeant assumed other duties on 12 January, Private Berthiaume became the Battalion Supply Sergeant which position he fulfilled in a superior manner. Braving enemy sniper and artillery fire, he brought supplies to the front lines, constantly checked on their requirements and fulfilled them as expeditiously as possible. Home address: Mrs. Florence Chausse, (mother), North Grosvenorsdale, Connecticut.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS DONALD L. CALKINS, 36402167, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. While advancing against the enemy, the Battalion of which he is a member was subjected to severe enemy artillery, mortar and sniper fire. Observing a comrade who had been badly wounded and bleeding copiously, Private Calkins, together with a companion, braved the enemy fire and went to the aid of the fellow-soldier, remaining with him until additional help could be enlisted to effect a removal to a safe position. The courage and fidelity displayed was an inspiration to the men in his organization. Home address: Albert V. Calkins, (father), 81 State Street, Hillsdale, Michigan.

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~~CAPTAIN DONOVAN T. LICKTEIG, 37291207, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 13 January 1945 in the vicinity of Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When an advance of the Battalion was halted by heavy enemy fire, Captain Lickteig personally led a bazooka team of six (6) men to the fore, encircled the enemy position, and succeeded in placing effective and damaging fire on it killing 1 Jap Officer and 6 men and damaging an enemy tankette. The remaining enemy later withdrew. Captain Lickteig's daring action and fine leadership undoubtedly conserved many lives among the men of his organization and contributed greatly to the advance on, and capture of, the objective of the battalion—the town of Manaoag. Home address: John Lickteig, (father), Wesley, Iowa.~~

TECHNICIAN GRADE III WILLIAM J. MANTANI, 32183559, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 22 January 1945 on Hill 600, in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In the midst of mortar, grenade and machine gun fire from the enemy, Sergeant Mantani displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty in voluntarily risking his life by leaving the Battalion Aid Station to proceed to the Company line to administer medical aid to the seriously wounded, who, at the time could not be moved to a safer position. His action was undoubtedly contributory to the saving of the lives of at least two (2) of the more seriously wounded who needed immediate attention. Home address: Enrico Mantani, (father), 163 5th Street, New Dorp, Staten Island, New York.

PRIVATE WILLARD W. MITCHELL, 38283316, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 3 February 1945 in the vicinity of Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. At approximately 2200 on this date, during a heavy rainstorm, a position of the Company of which he is a member, was attacked by a numerically superior force of Japs. Private Mitchell, in company with 7 companions, fearlessly and with firm determination fought an intense enemy assault of hand grenades and knee mortars for a but one-half hour until he and his comrades ran out of ammunition. The valiant and courageous stand made by Private Mitchell permitted the Company to reorganize and build another line and retain the dearly won territory. The result of the action revealed 14 enemy killed, and the abandonment by the enemy of two light machine guns, two knee mortars and quantities of ammunition. Home address: Claude Mitchell, (father), 628 East Garnett Street, Gainesville, Texas.

STAFF SERGEANT HENRY B. MOFFITT JR., 31038668, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy during the period 2 February 1945 to 4 February inclusive near Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On these days during a number of enemy attacks, Sergeant Moffitt, leader of a mortar squad, clearly demonstrated great courage, leadership, and devotion to duty when he, together with members of his squad, applied accurate and effective fire upon the enemy for three days and nights. Disregarding sleep almost entirely and under very unfavorable climatic conditions--intense sun and torrential rains--Sergeant Moffitt's action contributed immeasurably in repulsing the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Moffitt, (mother), 1086 North Main Street, Providence, Rhode Islands.



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FIRST LIEUTENANT BENJAMIN M. MURRAY, O-433816, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 14 January 1945 at Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an attack on the enemy to capture Hill 580, Lieutenant Murray, Transportation and Executive Officer, displayed courage, leadership and initiative in the rapid construction of his Battalion supply line. Disregarding his personal safety and the heavy barrage of enemy artillery which made direct hits on the road, the job was accomplished with superior success. Lieutenant Murray's action provided excellent and expeditious means of supply and evacuation of the dead and wounded personnel. Home address: Mr. M. G. Murray, (father), 5884 Kennerly Street, Saint Louis, Missouri.

TECHNICIAN GRADE IV CHARLES E. PARK, 2042896 Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Searching out an enemy position, Sergeant Park displayed fearlessness and devotion to duty in maneuvering through the woods to the rear of the enemy position. Detecting two Japs in a ditch, he threw a grenade and opened fire with his carbine definitely killing one of them. Later he led an infantry force to the rear of the discovered enemy position which action resulted in the killing of 4 more Japs. Home address: Mrs. Pearl M. Park, (mother), 1607 Vance Avenue, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOHN M. RAMSAY, 33525796, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 3 February 1945 in the vicinity of Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. At approximately 2200 on this date, during a heavy rainstorm, a position of the Company of which he is a member, was attacked by a numerically superior force of Japs. Private Ramsay, in company with 7 companions, fearlessly and with firm determination fought an intense enemy assault of hand grenades and knee mortars for about one-half hour until he and his comrades ran out of ammunition. The valiant and courageous stand made by Private Ramsay permitted the Company to reorganize and build another line and retain the dearly won territory. The result of the action revealed 14 enemy killed, and the abandonment by the enemy of two light machine guns, two knee mortars and quantities of ammunition. Home address: Mrs. Lillian B. Ramsay, (mother), Seaboard, North Carolina.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS JOSEPH R. RUEFLE, 33265996, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When the Company of which he is a member was subjected to intense enemy machine gun and rifle fire causing a number of casualties, Private Ruefle, a rifleman, demonstrated outstanding courage and fidelity, disregarding his own personal safety, assisted in the evacuation of four (4) wounded men across an open field under direct observation and fire from the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Joseph A. Ruefle, (mother), 230 South Franklin Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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TECHNICIAN GRADE V PAUL R. D'ONOFRIA, 2294786, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy from 9 January 1945 to 5 February on Luzon, Philippine Islands. During this period he displayed fortitude and resourcefulness in the accomplishment of his duties as Radio Operator. Particularly on 25 January 1945, as Radio Operator for the Regimental Commander, Corporal D'Onofria moved with the leading elements for approximately 3000 yards over difficult and mountainous terrain, under constant enemy mortar and rifle fire, to keep the Regimental Commander in communication with the other elements of the command. Home address: Placido D'Onofria, (father), 548 17th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

TECHNICIAN GRADE III DONALD H. DROSSEL, 31027553, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy during period 9 January 1945 to 4 February 1945. Particularly on 25 January, during an attack on Hill 600, Sergeant Drossel demonstrated outstanding initiative and leadership in courageously administering medical aid to the wounded and directing the evacuation of casualties in the midst of enemy machine gun and mortar fire. Home address: Mrs. Nina Drossel, (mother), 34 Paris Street, Portland, Maine.

TECHNICIAN GRADE IV WALTER J. FLEMING, 20143839, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Fleming, an aid-man, demonstrated great courage and fidelity in rendering medical aid to the wounded and comforting them until the arrival of litter bearers, accomplished in the midst of sporadic, but accurate enemy machine gun fire. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Fleming, (mother), 26 Boynton Street, Portland, Me.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS LEONARD G. HALL, 38368402, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 3 February 1945 in the vicinity of Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. At approximately 2200 on this date, during a heavy rainstorm, a position of the Company of which he is a member, was attacked by a numerically superior force of Japs. Private Hall, in company with 7 companions, fearlessly and with firm determination fought an intense enemy assault of hand grenades, and knee mortars for about one-half hour until he and his comrades ran out of ammunition. The valiant and courageous stand made by Private Hall permitted the Company to reorganize and build another line and retain dearly won territory. The result of the action revealed 14 enemy killed, and the abandonment by the enemy of two light machine guns, two knee mortars and quantities of ammunition. Home address: Joseph Hall, (father), 3104 Maiden Street, Vernon, Texas.

CORPORAL THOMAS H. HANCOCK, 34788163, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy during period 2 February to 4 February inclusive near Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On these days during a number of enemy attacks, Corporal Hancock, a member of a mortar squad, clearly demonstrated great courage and devotion to duty when he, together with members of his squad, applied accurate and effective fire upon the enemy for three days and nights. Disregarding sleep almost entirely and under

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very unfavorable climatic conditions--intense sun, torrential rains--  
Corporal Hancock's action contributed immeasurably in repulsing this  
enemy. Home address: Cleveland L. Hancock, (father), Inverness,  
Florida.

SERGEANT KENNETH C. HARDESTER, 38176889, Infantry, United States  
Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 19-20 February 1945 at  
Hill 665, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When a force of the enemy infil-  
trated through our lines in the rear, Sergeant Harvester, squad leader  
of a heavy machine-gun squad, displayed outstanding initiative and forti-  
tude. Displacing his gun and squad to an effective position, loss the  
tripped, he applied effective and heavy fire upon the enemy. Result of  
Sergeant Harvester's action--48 Japs killed and a complete rout of the  
enemy forces. Home address: Frank Harvester, (father), Route #1, Box  
1552 R, Little Rock, Arkansas.

STAFF SERGEANT SIDNEY R. HUSSEY, 38064917, Infantry, United States  
Forces, for heroic action against the enemy on 13 January 1945 on Luzon,  
Philippine Islands. Without regard for his personal safety, Sergeant  
Hussey, was responsible for the laying of a vitally needed telephone line  
between two battalions which also established communication with the  
Regimental headquarters. This was accomplished in the face of enemy  
artillery fire. His performance of duty demonstrated great courage and  
fidelity. Home address: Mrs. Annie Jane Hussey, (mother), General  
Delivery, Sayre, Oklahoma.

PRIVATE LESTER G. KELLER, 38472387, Infantry, United States Army,  
for heroic action against the enemy on 3 February 1945 in the vicinity  
of Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. At approximately 2200 on this date,  
during a heavy rainstorm, a position of the Company of which he is a  
member, was attacked by a numerically superior force of Japs. Private  
Keller, in company with 7 companions, fearlessly and with firm determi-  
nation fought an intense enemy assault of hand grenades and knee mortars  
for about one-half hour until he and his comrades ran out of ammunition.  
The valiant and courageous stand made by Private Keller permitted the  
Company to reorganize and build another line and retain the dearly won  
territory. The result of the action revealed 14 enemy killed, and the  
abandonment by the enemy of two light machine guns, two knee mortars and  
quantities of ammunition. Home address: Mrs. Ritta Keller, (mother),  
R.R. #2, Stigler, Oklahoma.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ELMER G. LEACH, 20150604, Infantry, United States  
Army, for heroic action against the enemy during the period of combat  
from 10 January 1945 to 30 January 1945. As Radio Operator for the  
Battalion Commander, Private Leach displayed superior ability and forti-  
tude in the face of enemy artillery, heavy mortars, and machine gun fire  
to accomplish his duties of radio communication, and keeping the Commander  
informed of all radio messages. Home address: Mrs. Milla Leach, (mother)  
10 Mills Street, Woodsville, New Hampshire.

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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CLINTON W. SHARP 34822459, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. While advancing against the enemy, the Battalion of which he is a member was subjected to severe enemy artillery, mortar and sniper fire. Observing a comrade who had been badly wounded and bleeding copiously, Private Sharp, together with a companion, braved the enemy fire and went to render aid to the fellow-soldier and remained with him until additional help could be enlisted to effect a removal to a safe position. The courage and fidelity displayed was an inspiration to the men in his organization. Home address: Mrs. Alvida Farnette (mother), R. F. D. #1, Wainsville, Georgia.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS CHESTER D. STARCHER, 35425287, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 3 February 1945 in the vicinity of Apat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. At approximately 2200 on this date, during a heavy rainstorm, a position of the Company of which he is a member, was attacked by a numerically superior force of Japs. Private Starcher, in company with 7 companions, fearlessly and with firm determination fought an intense enemy assault of hand grenades and knee mortars for about one-half hour until he and his comrades ran out of ammunition. The valiant and courageous stand made by Private Starcher permitted the Company to reorganize and build another line and retain the dearly won territory. The result of the action revealed 14 enemy killed, and the abandonment by the enemy of two light machine guns, two knee mortars and quantities of ammunition. Home address: Mrs. Cecile Starcher, (mother), Joker, West Virginia.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS THEODORE F. TABLOSKI, 31389002, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 11 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rabon, Luzon, Philippine Islands. About 1630, when the Company with which he was serving was subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire, Private Tabloski, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily went forward over a route which was under enemy fire to render medical aid to two men who lay seriously wounded. When the intensity of enemy fire precluded removal of the wounded men, Private Tabloski elected to remain with them and continued administering to them throughout the night. At dawn one of the men died, but the other survived. Private Tabloski's exemplary courage and medical efficiency undoubtedly saved the life of a fellow-soldier. Home address: Mrs. T. F. Tabloski, (wife), 139 Grand Street, Lowell, Massachusetts.

STAFF SERGEANT ALPH G. TORREY, 51020256, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 13 January 1945 at Hill 580, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an assault against the enemy in which the platoon leader, an officer, was wounded and evacuated, Staff Sergeant Torrey promptly assumed command. The platoon, under his outstanding leadership and aggressiveness, contributed a major part in the capture of the Company's objective, Hill 580. Home address: Glenn G. Torrey, (father), Maple Street, Vergennes, Vermont.

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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS PATRICIO O. TORREZ, 38244474, Infantry, United States Infantry, for heroic action against the enemy on 3 February 1945 in the vicinity of Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. At approximately 2200 on this date, during a heavy rainstorm, a position of the Company of which he is a member, was attacked by a numerically superior force of Japs. Private Torrez, in company with 7 companions, fearlessly and with firm determination fought an intense enemy assault of hand grenades and knee mortars for about one-half hour until he and his comrades ran out of ammunition. The valiant and courageous stand made by Private Torrez permitted the Company to reorganize and build another line and retain the nearly won territory. The result of the action revealed 14 enemy killed, and the abandonment by the enemy of two light machine guns and quantities of ammunition. Home address: Mrs. Juana Ortero, (mother), General Delivery, Sugarland, Texas.

TECHNICIAN GRADE IV CHARLES A. TRICE, 20153189, Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 17 and 18 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During these two days, Sergeant Trice, radio operator in a forward observation party, evinced ingenuity, skill and courage in maintaining the only artillery radio in communication with the battalion base set by using parts from various disabled sets. Sergeant Trice's accomplishment and performance of duty while constantly under enemy fire was outstanding. His actions permitted him to relay fire missions from four artillery forward observers to the battalion thereby enabling the battalion to execute its fire missions during this period. Home address: Mrs. Thelma I. Trice, (wife), London Street, East Greenwich, Rhode Island.

STAFF SERGEANT MICHAEL VALENTINE, 35306175, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy during the period 2 February 1945 to 4 February inclusive, near Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On these days during a number of enemy attacks, Sergeant Valentine, member of a mortar squad, clearly demonstrated great courage and devotion to duty when he, together with other members of his squad, applied accurate and effective fire upon the enemy for three days and nights. Disregarding sleep almost entirely and under very unfavorable climatic conditions---intense sun and torrential rains---Sergeant Valentine's action contributed immeasurably in repulsing the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Anna Valentine, (mother), 7712 Aberdeen Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

TECHNICAL SERGEANT EMRIAN WEBER, 20253178, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 11 January 1945 at San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When the Command Post had been informed to expect some form of an enemy attack and arranged for reinforcements from the beach, Technical Sergeant Weber demonstrated outstanding leadership, coolness and courage, braving the enemy shelling went to the beach on foot, secured reinforcements, brought them back through the lines and personally placed them in position along 2,000 yards of perimeter. During the entire time the whole area was under heavy caliber shell fire and there was additional danger of fire from our own troops through which he had to pass. Home address: Mrs. Raymond Weber, (mother), 325 Baltic Street, Brooklyn, New York.

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TECHNICAL SERGEANT HAROLD P. WEYMOUTH, 20144956, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 27 January 1945 in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When the company of which he is a member was subjected to heavy enemy sniper and machine gun fire, many casualties resulted. Technical Sergeant Weymouth, platoon sergeant of the weapons platoon, without regard for his own safety, rendered material and efficient aid in the evacuation of the wounded personnel under almost continuous enemy rifle fire. While assisting in carrying a wounded comrade across an open field, Sergeant Weymouth was himself wounded. Home address: Mrs. Norman A. Weymouth, (mother), 43 Sanger Avenue, Waterville, Maine.

TECHNICIAN GRADE IV VERLESS E. WHITE, 34101231, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 18 January 1945 at Hill 400, Luzon, Philippine Islands. About 0500 on this date, in the face of enemy artillery fire, upon hearing the call for aid from a fellow medical aid-man who had sustained multiple wounds inflicted by enemy artillery fragments, Sergeant White, disregarding the security measures in effect during hours of darkness, and without regard for his own safety, crawled to the wounded comrade's fox-hole and efficiently administered aid which sustained the man until daylight when further assistance could be rendered. Sergeant White's voluntary and courageous action undoubtedly saved the man's life. Home address: Mrs. Lemer White (mother), Wedowee, Alabama.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS EDWARD WIELGOSZ, 36751073, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy during period 25 to 28 January 1945 in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Displaying alertness of mind, great courage and fidelity, Private Wielgosz, in gun fights against the enemy placed accurate and devastating fire upon the Japs with his B.A.R. enabling his comrades to improve their positions to better engage the entrenched Japs on Hill 500. Home address: Mrs. Sophie Wielgosz, (mother), 2035 North Hermitage Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ARVIS V. WILSON, 35501778, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 3 February 1945 in the vicinity of Aeat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. At approximately 2200 on this date, during a heavy rainstorm, a position of the Company of which he is a member, was attacked by a numerically superior force of Japs. Private Wilson, in company with 7 companions, fearlessly and with firm determination fought an intense enemy assault of hand grenades and knee mortars for about one-half hour until he and his comrades ran out of ammunition. The valiant and courageous stand made by Private Wilson permitted the Company to reorganize and build another line and retain the dearly won territory. The result of the action revealed 14 enemy killed, and the abandonment by the enemy of two light machine guns and quantities of ammunition. Home address: Mrs. Cora Johnson Wilson, (mother), Whittle, Kentucky.

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS ROBERT LEE WILKINSON, 37527406, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 22 January 1945 in the vicinity of Bobonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. When the Company with which he was serving was subjected to terrific enemy mortar fire, Private Wilkinson, unhesitatingly and with outstanding courage and devotion to duty, exposed himself to hostile fire in rescuing casualties and rendering first aid. Home address: Mrs. Oual V. Wilkinson, (mother), Allendale, Missouri.

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TECHNICIAN GRADE V HARRY O WITTERS, #7208925, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 11 January 1945 at Maribao, Luzon, Philippine Islands. After being notified of an expected enemy counter-attack, Corporal Witters, without regard for his personal safety, drove a truck blackout for two miles through a heavy enemy artillery barrage and obtained reinforcements for the perimeter defense. Corporal Witter's coolness under fire and efficient performance of this hazardous mission reflects great courage and devotion to duty. Home address: Mrs Betty Lou Witters, (wife), 517 West Prescott Street, Colina, Kansas.

Corporal Henry Ziolkowski, 16058912, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic action against the enemy on 28 January 1945 at Hill #900, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an assault against the enemy when the Company with which he was serving was subjected to heavy mortar, machine gun and rifle fire, Corporal Ziolkowski, without regard for his own safety, unhesitatingly went to the aid of the wounded, and with the use of improvised litters, casualties were safely evacuated to the Battalion Aid Station. Corporal Ziolkowski's prompt and courageous action in rendering expert first-aid treatment was an inspiration to the men of his organization. Home address: Mrs. Eleanor Lasota, (sister) 1301 West Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois.

By command of Major General WING:

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SECTION I - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (Posthumously)  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR  
SECTION III - AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class FREDRICK S. DORMAN, (31141249), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Malasin, near Pasorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the night and day of 14-15 January 1945. To better enable our troops to place effective fire against an enemy attack, Private Dorman, member of a 60 mm mortar squad, displaying indomitable courage, tenaciously continued to fire flares notwithstanding the fact that an enemy 77 mm gun was firing from a distance of about 25 yards from his position. When the mortar ammunition supply was depleted, Private Dorman, voluntarily and fearlessly crawled 15 yards under terrific fire and while attempting to make a second trip for ammunition he was killed by enemy fire. The flare ammunition which he had procured at the cost of his life, was a major factor in repulsing the enemy attack. The outstanding courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private Dorman was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Next of kin: Mrs. Blanche Dorman, (mother), 2167 Main Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Private First Class TRACY B. BAILEY, (38351670), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill 800, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. At about 0315 hours, a group of enemy estimated at 100 infiltrated a Battalion perimeter, Private Bailey, quickly evaluating the situation at hand, without regard for his own safety, shifted from his position exposing himself to enemy fire, displayed indomitable courage and fighting spirit in firing his entire supply of ammunition following which he threw all of his grenades at the enemy, and then remained in his position until morning. The enemy was repulsed. At daylight, at least 17 Jap dead were found in front of Private Bailey's position, including two machine guns, and one knee mortar which they had been carrying. Home address: Mrs. Clara Bailey, (mother), Anal Route, Fort Sumner, New Mexico.



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First Sergeant STINSON T. HAMMOND, (34082925), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy, near Amlang, Lingayen Gulf area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 January 1945. Sergeant Hammond, of his own volition, and without regard for his own personal safety, crawled forward under intense small arms and grenade fire to rescue his wounded Company Commander who was with the leading elements of his Company in an untenable spot. Sergeant Hammond completed his mission and then returned and completed the rescue of another wounded enlisted man under identical circumstances. His indomitable courage in the face of the enemy fire and his devotion to duty and to his comrades are in accord with the highest military standards. Home address: Mr. N. W. Hammond, (mother), 66 Temple Avenue, Newnan, Georgia.

Private FRANKLIN R. HERMAN, (39697324), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy, in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. During an enemy attack when one of the M-7 drivers was killed, Private Herman, a cannoneer, himself wounded sufficiently to lose the use of one arm, moved to the M-7 approximately 50 yards distant, voluntarily and in the face of enemy fire, loaded the section crew and some casualties aboard and drove the M-7 under intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, a distance of about 5 miles to an Aid Station before he himself was hospitalized for his own wounds. Private Herman's actions clearly demonstrated outstanding fortitude and devotion to duty and to his comrades. Home address: Mrs. Violet Herman (mother), Route #2, Grants Pass, Oregon.

Sergeant THOMAS C. HOLDERMAN, (35465164) Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 January 1945. Sergeant Holderman, a mortar runner, at great risk of his own life, crawled a distance of approximately 50 yards under heavy hostile machine gun and sniper fire in exposed territory to rescue his seriously wounded assistant gunner. He carried the wounded man out of the enemy's field of fire over difficult and rough terrain. Private Holderman's gallant and courageous actions undoubtedly saved the life of a seriously wounded comrade. Home address: Mrs. Della A. Robinson, (sister), Box 52, Woodbury, Tennessee.

First Lieutenant HAROLD E. HOLMQUIST, (01291277) Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Pezarrubie, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. During an engagement against the enemy, Lieutenant Holmquist, upon his own initiative, went forward beyond the front lines approximately sixty yards, exposing himself and endangering his own life by hostile machine-gun and sniper fire, in an attempt to recover the body of one of his non-commissioned officers. In so doing, Lieutenant Holmquist was himself seriously wounded. His exemplary courage and devotion to duty are in accord with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Estella Holmquist (mother), 17 East Mosher Street, Falconer, New York.

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Private HENRY T. McMILLAN, (38462789), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. When an objective was taken, the Battalion of which Private McMILLAN is a member, was subjected to heavy enemy artillery and sniper fire from three directions, casualties were heavy, compelling the Battalion to withdraw. A number of wounded men were lying amid the tall grass and therefore difficult to locate. Private McMILLAN, a rifleman, found a seriously wounded casualty in the tall grass and attempted to evacuate him. In view of the intense hostile fire, Private McMILLAN was unable to travel any great distance and elected to remain with the wounded man until dark. Under cover of darkness, Private McMILLAN carried the wounded soldier a distance of two and one half miles to the Battalion Aid Station. Private McMILLAN's sound judgment, cool and gallant actions undoubtedly saved the life of a fellow-soldier. Home address: Mrs. Etta McMILLAN (mother), Box 161, Devine, Texas.

Private First Class CHARLES E. SMITH, (36169551), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. The squad, of which Private Smith was scout, was dispatched to support a Company with the mission of clearing out some snipers which were harassing the right flank of that Company. As the squad advanced, with Private Smith in the lead, it was subjected to hostile machine gun fire. With danger staring him in the face, Private Smith, voluntarily and bravely crawled forward about seventy-five yards to the flank of the enemy gun and succeeded in bringing effective fire to bear. During this phase, Private Smith was wounded. Private Smith's indomitable courage and prompt action were an immense aid in driving out the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Emma E. Smith (mother), Route #1, Cheboygan, Michigan.

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order, No. 9419, 4 February 1944, (Sec II, Bull 3, D, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Private First Class SOELN K. BASHAW, (32100619), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 600, near Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. At approximately 2100 hours on this date, Private Bashaw, in company with three fellow-soldiers, went forward across open terrain, well lighted by moonlight, at great risk of personal safety, and in the face of enemy fire effected the removal of three wounded comrades over one and one-half miles of open terrain to safety. Private Bashaw's courageous action contributed immeasurably in the saving of the lives of the three wounded men. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Bashaw (mother), Ausable Forks, New York.

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Private First Class PAUL FERNANDEZ, (37672305) Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 4 February 1945. During a night enemy attack, Private Fernandez, with a companion, observed that the Japs were going to flank their lines and infiltrate to a Section of 60 mm Mortars. Quickly sensing the situation, displaying keen judgment and prompt action, Private Fernandez, with the assistance of his companion, picked up their machine gun, turned it around in their position, ordered the other men to lie down in their respective holes, and fired over and through their own lines to repulse the enemy attack. Private Fernandez's courageous and gallant actions undoubtedly saved the lives of many men and averted an enemy attack which might have been disastrous. Home address: Mr. Fanchion Fernandez, (father), Wenig Road, N.E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Captain EVEN T. HALL, (0411434), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Morling Hill, San Fabian Sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 January 1945. At the approach of American planes, which through confusion in order, were to attack his troops, Captain Hall, Troop Commanding Officer, quickly realized that the planes had mistaken his unit for the enemy and about to attack, made all possible frantic visual signaling to reveal his true identity but in vain. Overhead nine P-38's were starting a bombing run on his position, while fifteen A-20's, and two B-24's were circling the area in preparation for attack. Seeing his men confused and bewildered, Captain Hall ordered them to take cover. Realizing the consequences would be disastrous if the planes continued, Captain Hall determinedly exposed himself amid the dropping bombs to telephone proper authorities to stop the attack. So promptly did he act that before the last P-38 had struck, the raid was halted. Captain Hall's bravery extolifies the highest ideals of leadership, courage and determination. Home address: Mrs. Marjorie I. Hall, (wife), 2 Prospect Hill Road, Cromwell, Connecticut.

By command of Major General WING:

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SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR  
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SECTION III - AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class BERNARD D. LEHN (37459554), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 4 February 1945, in the vicinity of Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Along after midnight, Private Lehn was manning a light machine gun with another companion in an emplacement on the crest of a ridge. A heavy rainstorm blanketed the attack of the enemy so that they were able to inflict many casualties on the riflemen in the company of which Private Lehn is a member. Unable to give support to the machine gunners, the remaining riflemen were forced to withdraw with the exception of Private Lehn and his companion, who remained in their positions to continue firing on the enemy in covering the withdrawal. Two enemy troops moved into a draw where machine gun fire could not reach them, and used grenades and knee mortars on positions occupied by Private Lehn and his companion. Two more enemy troops moved a machine gun into an emplacement fifteen yards to the north of Private Lehn's companion, but were wounded or killed before they could do any damage. In their absence, Private Lehn and his companion were thought to be dead and were now subject to friendly mortar fire covering the crest of the ridge. When their supply of grenades was depleted, Private Lehn, under heavy fire from both friendly and enemy troops, left his position to return to his rear lines for more grenades. In the darkness and rain he was taken for one of the enemy and fired upon, but not hit. He then returned to his former position with the grenades and remained there approximately twenty minutes. When it was time for them to withdraw, Private Lehn and his companion were forced to silhouette themselves against the skyline, thereby endangering their lives again. The enemy losses in the morning were approximately forty-eight dead, one light machine gun, two knee mortars and small arms captured, due largely to the bravery of Private Lehn who took upon himself and his companion the responsibility of staving off the enemy attacks upon the main body of the troops behind him. Home address: Miss Marjorie Lehn (sister), Big Springs, Nebraska.

Private First Class WENDELL C. MARTIN (20134922), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 4 February 1945, in the vicinity of Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. It was along after midnight when Private Martin, with another companion, was manning a light

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(Private First Class Wendell C. Martin)

Machine gun in an emplacement on the crest of a ridge. A heavy rainstorm blanketed the attack of the enemy so that they were able to inflict many casualties on the riflemen in the company of which Private Martin is a member. Unable to give support to the machine gunners, the remaining riflemen were forced to withdraw with the exception of Private Martin and his companion who remained in their positions to continue firing on the enemy in covering the withdrawal. Two enemy troops moved into a draw where machine gun fire could not reach them, and used grenades and knee mortars on the positions occupied by Private Martin and his companion. Two more enemy troops moved a machine gun into an emplacement fifteen yards to the north of Private Martin, but were wounded or killed before they could do any damage. Private Martin and his companion, in their long absence, were thought to be dead and were subject to friendly mortar fire covering the crest of the ridge. After approximately twenty minutes, Private Martin and his companion were forced to withdraw and in returning to rejoin their organization in the rear were forced to silhouette themselves against the skyline, thereby increasing the danger to their lives. The enemy losses, which in the morning were approximately forty-eight dead, one light machine gun, two knee mortars and small arms captured, were due largely to the bravery of Private Martin and his companion who took upon themselves the responsibility of staving off enemy attacks upon the main body of the troops behind them. Home address: Mrs. Florence I. Martin (mother), 19 North Cliff Street, Norwich, Connecticut.

Sergeant JERONIMO A. RIVERA (38352058), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 16 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands. As the company, of which Sergeant Rivera is a member, started to advance they encountered heavy enemy machine gun fire which pinned them down. Sergeant Rivera, a rifleman, with disregard for his own personal safety, crawled approximately fifty yards under heavy enemy machine gun fire to within grenade-throwing range and destroyed the enemy position. This heroic act on the part of Sergeant Rivera prevented further friendly casualties and enabled the company to resume the advance. Home address: Mr. Basilio Rivera (father), Box 703, Raton, New Mexico.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bulletin 8, WD, 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant SIDNEY P. LAMIER (O-1170819), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism at Aitape, New Guinea on 27 September 1944. Lieutenant Lamier, at the risk of his own life, extricated the driver of a vehicle from a raging mountain stream. The driver who could not swim, was caught between the wheel and spare tire of his vehicle when it slipped into a deep washout. Because the torrent rushed through the cab of the vehicle

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(1st Lt. Sidney P. Lanier)

and submerged the driver, it was impossible for him to escape unaided. Lieutenant Lanier, seeing that the vehicle would overturn at any instant, extended a carbine through the back of the vehicle cab and succeeded in pulling the driver out of the seat. Both men were then washed overboard and carried downstream from fifty to one hundred yards. Lieutenant Lanier succeeded in holding to the helpless driver and working him to shore. Home address: Mrs. Martha E. Lanier (mother), 316 West 33rd Street, Savannah, Georgia.

Private JAMES SQUADRITO (12099234), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroism at Aitapo, New Guinea, on 16 October 1944. A DUKW capsized with two soldiers aboard who could not swim. Private Squadrato, hearing their cries for help, jumped from his own DUKW into the ocean and rescued the nearest soldier to him, helping him aboard the DUKW. He then leaped back into the water and rescued the second soldier who was then in a near-drowning condition. Private Squadrato, by his quick action and disregard for his own safety, saved two soldiers from drowning. Home address: Mrs. Rose Squadrato (mother), 826 West Boldon Avenue, Syracuse, New York.

Captain JOSEPH WELKER (O-388334), Infantry, United States Army. For heroism at Tepier Plantation Beach, New Guinea, on 30 September 1944. Six amphibious tractors attempted a landing on the beach. The landing was extremely dangerous due to a heavy sea, with surf running above fifteen feet resulting in a swirling undertow along the beach. Two tractors reached the beach, three others were swamped approximately twenty-five yards out, and the sixth, after nearly capsizing was washed under, all but the driver's cab, approximately seventy-five yards from the shore. All men aboard who could swim dived off or were washed off except one man who, with assistance, later reached shore. Captain Welker, upon seeing an enlisted man perilously clinging to the submerging tractor, and at times completely washed under by the tremendous sea, quickly and without thought for his own life, and with utter disregard for the extremely hazardous sea conditions, stubbornly fought his way and swam to the assistance of the nearly-exhausted man. Courageously struggling against fatigue, and with assistance of two others, Captain Welker finally brought the half-drowned man to shore far below the point from which he left. Had not Captain Welker quickly and courageously acted without regard for his own life, the enlisted man would definitely have drowned. Home address: Luella M. Welker (mother), 827 North Euclid Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Private First Class EDWARD R. DU BOIS (37564370), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Damortis, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945.

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(Private First Class Edward R. DuBois)

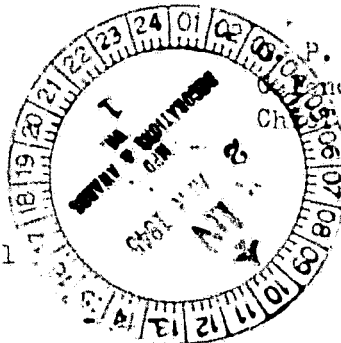
Private DuBois was selected as one of nine men to accompany an officer on a special patrol from the town of Rebon to Damortis for the purpose of furnishing an outguard protection for a group of engineers whose mission was the destruction of an enemy ammunition and supply dump which was discovered earlier in the day. The mission was undertaken in the afternoon with the sun shining brightly. The enemy had placed large stores of ammunition and other materials of war, including foodstuffs and medical supplies in the railroad buildings in Damortis, and had artillery dominating all routes of approach. The supply dump was situated on a flat plain which merged into mountainous terrain, thus affording the enemy perfect observation from strongly-entrenched and well-concealed positions, and every likelihood of an ambush could be expected at any time. Unmindful of the dangers involved, Private DuBois agreeably and unhesitatingly struck out on the mission, taking advantage of what little cover the terrain afforded over the three-mile march and maintaining a constant vigilance. With other members of the patrol he preceded the engineers into the town and assisted in a speedy reconnaissance of the objective area thus enabling the demolition party to proceed without interruption immediately upon arrival there. While the engineers were working, Private DuBois then fearlessly took up his appointed position to prevent any surprise attacks from the enemy. The mission was eminently successful, the entire dump was completely destroyed and all members of the party safely returned. By his fearless and well-disciplined conduct, his close attention to orders and spirited performance of duties, Private DuBois contributed greatly to the success of the mission. Home address: Mrs. Philomene H. Durand (mother), Star Route, Webster, Wisconsin.

Captain FRANK F. FRAZIER (O-1703406), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January 1945-16 February 1945, inclusive. In the operations during this period, Captain Frazier commanded a company of a medical battalion which was considerably understrength, and which left him as the only medical officer on duty. Large numbers of casualties had to be transported by litter over long and difficult trails, often under shell fire. Despite these handicaps, Captain Frazier rendered excellent medical attention to all sick and wounded, and performed all the duties of a collecting company commander and medical officer in a better than superior manner. His outstanding work contributed to the success of the operations during the Luzon campaign. Home address: Verda A. Frazier (wife), 8517 1/2 Woodward Ave., Bell, California.

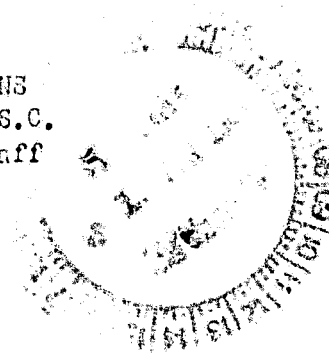
By command of Major General WIND:

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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

1. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Private First Class WILLIAM J. BROPHY, (13175351), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 January 1945. Home address: Francis J. Brophy, (father), 7125 Boyer, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT M. CAVANAUGH, (20129835), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy, near Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Irene Cavanaugh, (wife), South Street, Cromwell, Connecticut.

Private First Class HERBERT E. GLASCOCK, (37132269) Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy Kulase Hill, Munda, New Georgia on 17 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Tillie M. Glascock, (mother), 1100 Walnut Street, Hannibal, Missouri.

Private JOHN A. GRACE, (38510353) Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea on 20 September 1944. Home address: Mrs. Leo Grace (mother) Route #1, Dardanelle, Arkansas.

REV. ~~CO #144 - July 24, 1945~~  
~~Corporal JAMES T. GREANEY, (12088169), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eleanor A. Greaney, (wife), 350 West 85th Street, New York, New York.~~

Technician Grade V WESLEY E. HANSCOM (then Private First Class), (31020153) Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia on 12 July 1943. Home address: Harley Hanscom, (father), North Hyde Park, Vermont.

REV. ~~CO #143 - May 1, 1945~~  
~~Private First Class PAOLO HERRERA, (38160962), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 January 1945. Home address: Maria D. Herrera, (mother), 2017 South Trinity, San Antonio, Texas.~~

Private ELMER G. KRAFT, (39134593), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Lingayen Gulf area, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ozella Wehrer, 1161 Benicia Road, Vallejo, California.



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Private First Class ROBERT W. LANCASTER, (11129326), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Home address: Levi W. Lancaster, (father), 17 Bradbury Street, Old Town, Maine.

First Sergeant ARTHUR W. MOFFETT, (20150243), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Stella Moffett, (mother), 112 Portland Street, St. Johnsbury, Vermont.

Private First Class BENJAMIN L. MCNEELY, (34650553), Medical Department United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Planche C. McNeely, (mother), Route #1, Lethune, South Carolina.

Corporal EDWARD J. MENDRYGAL, (36863915), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen T. Mendrygal, (wife), 4417 39th Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Sergeant CLAUDE R. PRICKETT, (then Private First Class), (37121134), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia on 29 July 1943. Home address: Mr. Wilfred Prickett, (father), Wyconda, Missouri.

*Revoked by HQ # 47 - Mar. 22, 1945*  
~~Second Lieutenant DONALD W. RUSSELL, (02037085), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Russell, (mother), 1613 Lloyd Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.~~

By command of Major General WING:

C. P. ROEBINS,  
 Colonel, GSC,  
 Chief of Staff.

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 MILITARY ST. ONGE,  
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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order, No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bull 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technician Grade III ROY A. JOHNSON, (36315913), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 November 1944 to 25 December 1944 at Aitape, New Guinea, and during the period 9 January 1945 to 9 March 1945 at Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Carl J. Johnson, (father), 3042 North Clifton Avenue, Chicago, 13, Illinois.

Technician Grade V THOMAS W. KEELING, (38016702), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rabon, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the night 11-12 January 1945. Enemy artillery had caused many casualties among our forces that by evening of the 11th January, all available litter bearers had become exhausted. At 1700 hours, when a call was made for volunteers, Corporal Keeling, who had worked throughout the day at his assigned duties, volunteered his services, willingly and gladly. In the almost impenetrable darkness, Corporal Keeling, in company with other volunteers, made his way three times to the foremost positions in the line atop a ridge and assisted in the successful evacuation of many seriously wounded soldiers. Corporal Keeling gave no heed for his personal safety even though the area was almost untenable from intense enemy fire. Corporal Keeling's exemplary courage and devotion to duty and to his comrades were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Purvin Keeling, (father), Box 154, Garvin, Oklahoma.

Private First Class ELTON D. KLUTSENBEEKER, (20825090), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rabon, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the night 11-12 January 1945. Enemy artillery had caused many casualties among our forces that by evening of the 11th January, all available litter bearers had become exhausted. At 1700 hours, when a call was made for volunteers, Private Klutsembeker, who had worked throughout the day at his assigned duties, volunteered his services, willingly and gladly. In the almost impenetrable darkness, Private Klutsembeker, in company with other volunteers, made his way three times to the foremost position in the line atop a ridge and assisted in the successful evacuation of many seriously wounded soldiers. Private Klutsembeker gave no heed for his personal safety, even though the area was almost untenable from intense enemy fire. Private Klutsembeker's exemplary courage and devotion to duty and to his comrades, were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. R. E. Klutsembeker, (father), Box 103, Pawnee, Oklahoma.

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Major CHARLES E. MCARDLE, (0335614), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Bazon, Philippine Islands during the period from December 1944 to February 1945 inclusive. Home address: Mrs. Marguerite W. Mc Ardle, (wife), 544 East 42nd Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Technician Grade V HAROLD W. MCGILL, (37254172) Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rabon, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the night 11-12 January 1945. Enemy artillery had caused many casualties among our forces that by evening of the 11th January, all available litter bearers had become exhausted. At 1700 hours, when a call was made for volunteers, Corporal Mc Gill, who had worked throughout the day at his assigned duties, volunteered his services, willingly and gladly. In the almost impenetrable darkness, Corporal Mc Gill, in company with other volunteers, made his way three times to the foremost position in the line atop a ridge and assisted in the successful evacuation of many seriously wounded soldiers. Corporal Mc Gill gave no heed for his personal safety, even though the area was almost untenable from intense enemy fire. Corporal Mc Gill's exemplary courage, and devotion to duty and to his comrades, were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Martin P. Mc Gill, (father), R.F.D. #1, Chetopa, Kansas.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM P. MANLEY, (34040623), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 700, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. During a night attack from the enemy, Sergeant Manley, hearing a fire fight on the position to his right flank, exposed himself to enemy fire, moved about twenty yards to the squad under attack, and assisted in withdrawing three wounded men. Sergeant Manley helped the casualties to the reverse slope of the position, administered first aid and assisted and comforted them until daylight when they were taken to the Battalion Aid Station. Sergeant Manley clearly demonstrated exemplary courage and fidelity in willingly risking his life to aid three wounded comrades. Home address: Mrs. Mamie Peatrice Manley (mother), 1828 Mc Culock Street, Owensboro, Kentucky.

Sergeant LEONARD A. MAYER, (36224000), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rabon, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the night 11-12 January 1945. Enemy artillery had caused many casualties among our forces that by evening of the 11th January, all available litter bearers had become exhausted. At 1700 hours, when a call was made for volunteers, Sergeant Mayer, who had worked throughout the day at his assigned duties, volunteered his services, willingly and gladly. In the almost impenetrable darkness, Sergeant Mayer, in company with other volunteers, made his way three times to the foremost position in the line atop a ridge and assisted in the successful evacuation of many seriously wounded soldiers. Sergeant Mayer gave no heed for his personal safety, even though the area was almost untenable from intense enemy fire. Sergeant Mayer's exemplary courage, and devotion to duty and to his comrades, were in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Clara Mayer, (mother), Junction City, Wisconsin.

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Staff Sergeant WALTER L. MOORE, (33391576), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Damortis-Rosario Sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands on the night of 2-3 February 1945. Disregarding his personal safety, and in the midst of heavy hostile artillery fire, Sergeant Moore, acting in the capacity of front line observer for 81 mm mortars supporting a rifle company, delivered calm and precise fire orders via sound-powered telephone under difficult and unnerving circumstances, placing accurate counter battery fire from 81 mm mortars on a Japanese Siege Gun, 12 inch, Barbette Type, which had been shelling Corps and Regimental Command Post. This fire resulted in the neutralization of the Japanese weapon. Home address: Mrs. Helen M. Moore, (wife), 48 Fifth Avenue, Scottsdale, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class ELMER THOMAS, (6254433), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 February 1945. During a night enemy attack, Private Thomas, with a companion, observed that the Japs were going to flank their lines and infiltrate to a section of 60 mm mortars. Quickly sensing the situation, displaying keen judgment and prompt action, Private Thomas, with the assistance of his companion, picked up their machine gun, turned it around in their position, ordered the other men to lie down in their respective holes, and fired over and through their own lines to repulse the enemy attack. Private Thomas's courageous and gallant actions undoubtedly saved the lives of many men and averted an enemy attack which might have been disastrous. Home address: Mrs. Mae Stone, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Bloomburg, Texas.

Lieutenant Colonel FRANK B. THOMPSON, (0180801), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 11 January 1945 to 12 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ida Webb Thompson, (wife), 501 Lightfoot Road, Louisville, Kentucky.

Private First Class IRA E. TROUT, (35506948), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 600, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 January 1945. Private Trout, in his capacity as wireman, displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty, advancing toward Hill 600 over open terrain and heavy enemy sniper and machine gun fire to accomplish his assigned mission. During the advance, Private Trout was wounded by sniper fire but he steadfastly refused medical aid until he was finally removed some eight hours later in the darkness. Private Trout's actions on that day were exemplary of the best traditions of the Infantry. Home address: Mrs. Alice Trout, (mother), Carl, West Virginia.

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Staff Sergeant WILLIAM WALSH, (33006104), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Ibalang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. Sergeant Walsh outposted himself on the top of a knoll overlooking enemy positions in order to secure the rest of his company from an imminent attack and assist in enabling them to complete a successful withdrawal. Sergeant Walsh stayed in his untenable position under constant enemy small arms and knee mortar fire and did not withdraw or leave his position until the company had safely secured themselves from the impending attack. His outstanding bravery and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest standards of military tradition. Home address: Mrs. Edward J. Walsh (mother), Spalding, Nebraska.

Technical Sergeant LAWRENCE C. WHAREM, (20150224), United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Hill 1000, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 January 1945. When our forces were going to position on the forward slope of a hill, it was subjected to point blank fire from enemy heavy artillery, the fire being so intense that it pinned down the men in their partially dug positions. Sergeant Wharem, on his own initiative, crawled from position to position ordering all men to the reverse side of the hill out of fire and to reorganize the line for defense and formulating plans to move after dark to take up the original positions. When the line was reformed it was discovered that the enemy artillery had scored direct hits in the area which Sergeant Wharem's men had originally occupied, precisely on two machine gun positions and several individual positions. Sergeant Wharem's alertness of mind, quick action, and outstanding courage undoubtedly saved the lives of many men in his organization. Home address: Mr. Samuel Wharem, (father), 44 Highland Ave. Lisbon, New Hampshire.

By command of Major General WING,

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class DONALD O. HANSON (39617341), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 580, in the Lingayen area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 12 January 1945. Given the mission of seizing the hill, the company, of which Private Hanson is a member, encountered a strong enemy counterattack, who employed mortars, machine guns and hand grenades. Private Hanson, a scout, assisted two badly wounded men in the withdrawal, stopping several times to deliver effective fire against the enemy from a range of from twenty-five to fifty yards. It was largely due to Private Hanson's courage and determination that all wounded were evacuated from the hill. Home address: Martin Hanson (father), 1003 East 2nd Street, Whitefish, Montana.

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Captain CHARLES J. HURWITZ (O-486820), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 16 February 1945. Home address: Ester Hurwitz (wife), 1401 Roosevelt Road, Chicago, Illinois.

Major WILBUR D. JOHNSTON (O-310873), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 21 February 1945. Home address: Elizabeth M. Johnston (wife), 45 Brookhaven Road, Hamden, Connecticut.

Private First Class ALWIN S. LANDRY (38500203), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in action against the enemy at Damortis, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Private Landry was a member of a special patrol which furnished protection for a group of engineers whose mission was the destruction of a large enemy supply dump. To reach the objective it was necessary to pass through enemy-held territory. The terrain was under constant observation of enemy positions in adjacent hills. Private Landry worked with the patrol in advance of the engineers. He assisted in a speedy reconnaissance of the objective area that enabled the engineers to begin work immediately upon arrival. During the demolition operations he maintained a constant vigilance that insured the safety

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of the workers. The entire dump was completely destroyed depriving the enemy of valuable stores. Private Landry's courage, his well-disciplined conduct and his spirited performance contributed greatly to the success of the mission. Home address: Mrs. Elmir Landry (mother), Wadesboro, Louisiana.

Sergeant THOMAS L. LAYNE (then Private First Class)(37615633), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in action against the enemy at Damortis, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Sergeant Layne was a member of a special patrol which furnished protection for a group of engineers whose mission was the destruction of a large enemy supply dump. To reach the objective it was necessary to pass through enemy-held territory, the terrain of which was under constant observation of enemy positions in adjacent hills. Sergeant Layne worked with the patrol in advance of the engineers, assisting in a speedy reconnaissance of the objective area that enabled the engineers to begin their work immediately upon arrival. During the demolition operations he maintained a constant vigilance that insured the safety of the workers. The entire dump was completely destroyed depriving the enemy of valuable stores. Sergeant Layne's courage, his well-disciplined conduct and his spirited performance contributed greatly to the success of the mission. Home address: Dorothy Inez Layne (wife), Charleston, Missouri.

Private First Class JOE MOTICHA (38000320), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in action against the enemy at Damortis, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Private Moticha was a member of a special patrol which furnished protection for a group of engineers whose mission was the destruction of a large enemy supply dump. To reach the objective it was necessary to pass through enemy-held territory. The terrain was under constant observation of enemy positions in adjacent hills. Private Moticha worked with the patrol in advance of the engineers, assisting in a speedy reconnaissance of the objective area that enabled the engineers to begin their work immediately upon arrival. During the demolition operations he maintained a constant vigilance that insured the safety of the workers. The entire dump was completely destroyed depriving the enemy of valuable stores. Private Moticha's courage, his well-disciplined conduct and his spirited performance contributed greatly to the success of the mission. Home address: Mrs. Mary Moticha (mother), Pocahontas, Virginia.

Technician Grade III GEORGE G. NICOLADZE (39034870), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious services performed in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 17 February 1945. Home address: Leo G. Nicoladze (brother), 1959 Geary Street, San Francisco, California.

Captain THEODORE V. NIEMANN (O-1700466), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 23 February 1945. Home address: Mary F. Niemann (wife), Brooklyn, Iowa.

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Private First Class EDWARD A. PARESI (39214889), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in connection with military operations against the enemy at Damortis, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Private Paresi was a member of a special patrol which furnished protection for a group of engineers whose mission was the destruction of a large enemy supply dump. To reach the objective it was necessary to pass through enemy-held territory, of which the terrain was under constant observation of enemy positions in adjacent hills. Private Paresi worked with the patrol in advance of the engineers, assisting in a speedy reconnaissance of the objective area that enabled the engineers to begin their work immediately upon arrival. During the demolition operations he maintained a constant vigilance that insured the safety of the workers. The entire dump was completely destroyed depriving the enemy of valuable stores. Private Paresi's courage, his well-disciplined conduct and his spirited performance contributed greatly to the success of the mission. Home address: Mrs. Hjelme (mother), 3641 Ashworth, Seattle, Washington.

Corporal GEORGE R. RALSTON (35034478), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Damortis, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 12 January-19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Inez Ralston (mother), Route 2, Kenton, Ohio.

Private First Class ERNEST C. REINMUTH (33067289), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Damortis, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Private Reinmuth was a member of a special patrol which furnished protection for a group of engineers whose mission was the destruction of a large enemy supply dump. To reach the objective it was necessary to pass through enemy-held territory, which was under constant observation of enemy positions in adjacent hills. Private Reinmuth worked with the patrol in advance of the engineers and assisted in a speedy reconnaissance of the objective area that enabled the engineers to begin their work immediately upon arrival. During the demolition operations he maintained a constant vigilance that insured the safety of the workers. The entire dump was completely destroyed depriving the enemy of valuable stores. Private Reinmuth's courage, his well-disciplined conduct and his spirited performance contributed greatly to the success of the mission. Home address: Mrs. Ida Reinmuth (mother), 25 North Krosson Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

By command of Major General WING:

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ORIGINAL ORDER - *ALL*

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain MARK L. BROWN (O-480035), Chaplains Corps, United States Army. For meritorious services performed in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January 1945 to 15 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mark L. Brown (wife), 2402 Woodmere Drive, Cleveland Heights (6), Ohio.

Private JAMES O. BUNKLEY (20126047), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at New Georgia, Solomon Islands during the period July 10 to July 20, 1943. Private Bunkley volunteered to work with a wire section of a company where he helped maintain communications with forward and rear installations under difficult and trying conditions. Many times it was necessary to re-wire installations through heavy undergrowth and thick jungles, due to the enemy's repeated cutting of the lines of communications, and in performing these duties, Private Bunkley was exposed to enemy machine gun, mortar, grenade and small arms fire. In addition to these duties, Private Bunkley was called upon to perform other duties in the front lines and on several occasions narrowly escaped death. Private Bunkley's courage and devotion to duty were largely responsible for the efficiency of the wire section during the campaign, and reflects the highest credit on the Army of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Adeline Carrie David (mother), R.F.D. #7, Norwich, Connecticut.

First Lieutenant HOYT D. GAINES (O-1016742), Air Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. Lieutenant Gaines was attached to an infantry battalion during the assault on Luzon when, along after midnight, the command post was subjected to a heavy concentration of enemy artillery fire. One medical officer responded to cries for medical assistance and left his cover to give aid. Realizing the resulting heavy casualties, and observing the extreme difficulty the medical officer was having in working alone, Lieutenant Gaines voluntarily left his fox hole and, throughout the remainder of the night with enemy shells falling, administered first-aid to the injured and assisted giving blood plasma where needed. The action of Lieutenant Gaines in leaving his cover, with disregard for his personal safety, and voluntarily assisting the medical officer, was an inspiration to all who witnessed it. Home address: Mrs. Thomas Cook (mother), 11 Brevard Road, West Asheville, North Carolina.

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Private First Class HOWARD G. GEPFORD (36168999), Infantry, United States Army. For heroism in action against the enemy on Hill 700 in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. The anti-tank platoon of an infantry battalion, of which Private Gepford is a member, was holding a position on the hill, partially covering a road. During the night an enemy force of approximately twenty men and an armored vehicle with a 77-mm gun attached, hit the position. With the telephone line being cut, Private Gepford, a canoeer, was ordered by the squad leader to report the squad's situation to the platoon leader. To do this, Private Gepford was forced to move across ten yards of open ground, where the enemy had excellent observation, and was wounded in making his dash, but succeeded in furnishing the vital information. In performing this deed which enabled the platoon leader to change the position of a gun and destroy the enemy and the vehicle, Private Gepford displayed courage and devotion to duty which gained the respect and admiration of his comrades. Home address: Mrs. Kathrine H. Gepford (mother), 1052 Dayton Street, S.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Private First Class EVERETT W. HOLKENS (20847140), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rabon, Luzon, Philippine Islands on the night of 11-12 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ethel Cook (mother), 102 Willow Street, Prescott, Arizona.

Technician Grade III WILLIS J. HOUSE (37072674), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rabon, Luzon, Philippine Islands on the night of 11-12 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bessie S. House (mother), Uehling, Nebraska.

First Lieutenant EMERY C. JONES (O-2043008), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Manaog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Lieutenant Jones, Executive Officer of a company, assumed command of the company when the company commander was wounded, and successfully performed his duties in this capacity until the objective was accomplished. Henceforth, Lieutenant Jones, being handicapped with a sprained ankle, commanded the company in a commendable manner. He again led the company on another hill where he displayed outstanding leadership, and despite the wound he sustained in this engagement, he reorganized the company in position before going to the rear for treatment. Lieutenant Jones has been instrumental by his deep devotion to duty in maintaining the morale of the company, and the performance of his duties as executive officer has been most commendable. Home address: Mrs. Kathleen Jones (wife), 16 North Street, Augusta, Maine.

Private First Class LUDWICK VILIM (37149278), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 11-12 January 1945, in the vicinity of Rabon, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In company with other volunteers, Private Vilim made his way to the foremost position in the line atop a razor-back ridge and assisted in the successful evacuation of many seriously wounded soldiers. The area in which the casualties were lying was under artillery and small arms fire, and could be

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(Private Ludwick Vilim)

reached only over treacherous and unfamiliar trails. His expert assistance in this action undoubtedly saved the lives of several soldiers and contributed much to morale of the troops. Private Vilim's bravery in voluntarily exposing himself to great danger in behalf of his comrades reflects credit on himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Antonia Homal (mother), 1417 Madison, Omaha, Nebraska.

Master Sergeant LEONIDAS D. MAGNAN (20134800), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the planning of the M-1 Operation at Aitape, New Guinea from 8 October 1944 to 25 December 1944, and during the conduct of the M-1 operation on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 17 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Leonidas Magnan (mother), Fairfield, Vermont.

Private First Class DONALD F. MAHER (31027585), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 200, in the vicinity of Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 12 January 1945. During the attack on an enemy position on the hill, the company, of which Private Maher is a member, moved up the first ridge of the hill when the left flank became subject to intense enemy machine gun fire, causing it to halt and take cover. Private Maher, with utter disregard for his own safety, moved forward to a position where he could locate the gun. By his coolness and bravery under fire he was able to direct mortar fire on the enemy machine gun until it was knocked out of action and the company allowed to continue its advance. During the entire attack, Private Maher possessed fearless and aggressive attitude which won him admiration from all the members of his company. Home address: Mrs. Louise Maher (mother), Summer Street, Route #2, Lisbon Falls, Maine.

Captain EDMUND P. MARSHALL (O-484121), Chaplains Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 15 February 1945. Home address: Reverend E. F. Marshall (brother), Tyler Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Master Sergeant JAMES W. MC CAUSLAND (20143248), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the preparatory phase of the Luzon operation at Aitape, New Guinea from 8 October 1944 to 25 December 1944, and during the conduct of the Luzon operation, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 28 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Harry C. McCausland (mother), 154 Sewall Street, Augusta, Maine.

Warrant Officer (J.G.) CHARLES J. MC CLUSKEY (W-2129655), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 15 February 1945. Home address: James F. McCluskey (father), R.F.D. #2, Bangor, Maine.

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Private First Class LUTHER D. PERRO (37551630), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rabon, Luzon, Philippine Islands on the night of 11-12 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle B. Perro (mother), Route 1, Sandstone, Minnesota.

Private KENNETH B. RENNICK (19152295), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 12 February 1945. As the company, of which Private Rennick is a member, prepared to advance, the enemy attacked with artillery, mortar and machine gun fire. Private Rennick, a rifleman, was alone in a fox hole and during the attack, his comrade next to him was killed and five others wounded. The loss of these men appreciably weakened the defensive structure in this sector, but Private Rennick remained throughout the attack and returned effective fire until the enemy was beaten off. It was largely due to the determination and courage of Private Rennick that prevented the enemy from penetrating the company's positions. Home address: Mr. L.C. Rennick (father), Crow Agency, Montana.

Private First Class Raymond D. Rose (39140725), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rabon, Luzon, Philippine Islands on the night of 11-12 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elsie Rose (mother) 917 Lisbon Avenue, Oakland, California.

Second Lieutenant DONALD W. RUSSELL (O-2037095), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 200, in the vicinity of Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Lieutenant Russell was a platoon leader of a company and was given the mission of cleaning out fox holes and pill boxes on a final ridge of the hill, following closely behind tanks. On one occasion an enemy soldier leaped from his hole and tried to bayonet Lieutenant Russell but was killed in the attempt. Lieutenant Russell treated all his slight injuries himself and never left the front lines. In a drive on another hill, Lieutenant Russell's platoon was given the mission of preceding the company and establishing a foothold. The mission was successfully accomplished allowing the company to advance. On the numerous patrols he had taken his men, Lieutenant Russell displayed excellent leadership and had gained the inspiration of his men. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Russell (mother), 1613 West Lloyd Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

By command of Major General WING:

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22 March 1945.

MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE

1. Under authority of War Department Circular #345, dated 23 August 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to:

118th MEDICAL BATTALION

Throughout the entire period of 17 February to 13 July 1944 and 25 July to present date, the 118th Medical Battalion has had a high standard of efficiency in operation of all activities. In addition to the routine duties incident to component parts of the battalion serving regimental combat teams in outlying districts, many officers and men undertook refresher courses in the 39th General Hospital, participating in medical surveys and suppressive treatment, and participating in a great amount of corrective surgical and dental work. The members of this battalion worked tirelessly and unselfishly in absorbing all the medical information they could gather in a rest area and the efficient organization and establishing of base camp and hospital facilities in the several areas exemplified their untiring efforts for unexcelled efficiency.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

22 March 1945.

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ORIGINAL ORDER #42  
SECTION I -- AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDER #42  
SECTION II -- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL  
SECTION III-- AWARDS OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER

SECTION I

1. So much of Paragraph 1, General Orders #42, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, dated 20 March 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart to Second Lieutenant DONALD W. RUSSELL, (O2037095), Infantry, United States Army is revoked.

SECTION II

1. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Grade V JOHN F. HULING, (31038670), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy bombing at Russell Island, Solomon Islandson 6 March 1943. Home address: Mrs. Consuelo Huling, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Frenchtown Road, East Greenwich, Rhode Island.

Private DUNCAN F. McDONALD, (39612847), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia on 27 July 1943. Home address: Mr. Duncan McDonald, (father), 214 North Custer, Miles City, Montana.

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Second Lieutenant DONALD W. RUSSELL, by Headquarters, 128th Infantry Regiment as published in Section VII, General Orders #43, dated 12 April 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended. The citation is as follows:

Second Lieutenant DONALD W. RUSSELL, (O2037095), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Lu, on, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Russell, (mother), 1613 Lloyd Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant FREDERICK A. BREEN, (then Corporal), (31020249), by Headquarters, XIV Corps, as published in General Orders #97, 1943 series, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended. The citation is as follows:

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(Staff Sergeant Frederick A. Breen)

Staff Sergeant FREDERICK A. BREEN, (31020249), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 31 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Thersa Berry, (sister), 89 Currier Street, Barre, Vermont.

3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Captain ELLIS N. COHEN, (0428155), Medical Corps, United States Army, by Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, as published in Section III, General Orders #14, dated 28 January 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended. The citation is as follows:

Captain ELLIS N. COHEN, (0428155), Medical Corps, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mr. Herman M. Cohen, (father), 820 Holly Avenue, Saint Paul, Minnesota.

4. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class CLAYTON J. HALL, by Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, as published in Section III, General Orders #8, dated 22 January 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended. The citation is as follows:

Private First Class CLAYTON J. HALL, (34809120), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 3 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alma Kirkland Hall, (mother), PO Box #124, Ashford, Alabama.

5. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technical Sergeant RICHARD K. HAWLEY, by Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph 1, General Orders # 21, dated 11 May 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technical Sergeant RICHARD K. HAWLEY, (20129840), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill #355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. During an attack against the enemy and while under heavy hostile mortar, machine gun and sniper fire, Sergeant Hawley, with disregard for his own life, unhesitatingly left his sheltered position to assist in the removal of wounded comrades. Also, when contact was broken with the leading rifle platoons, Sergeant Hawley, braved enemy fire, crossing open field to establish contact and was responsible for the reserves relieving the front line elements. Sergeant Hawley's courageous actions and devotion to duty contributed immeasurably to the success of the operation. Home address: Mr. Herbert H. Hawley (father), 787 Ridge Road, Middletown, Connecticut.

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By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star Medal awarded to Captain JOSEPH RISMAN, by the Commanding General, Headquarters, USAFISPA as published in Section III, General Orders #450, dated 29 November 1943, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, ID, 1918). The citation is as follows:

Captain JOSEPH RISMAN, (0385706), Medical Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. On the afternoon of this day, when a battalion had sustained a large number of casualties as a result of terrific enemy mortar and direct artillery fire, Captain Risman, the Regimental Surgeon, immediately went forward from the Regimental Aid Station, with additional litter bearers and ambulances. With total disregard for his own safety, he fearlessly went to the front lines which was still under intense enemy fire, and personally directed the evacuation of the wounded. He worked long and untiringly--it was after dark before the last man was evacuated--and personally carried the last man evacuated from the front lines to the rear. Captain Risman's outstanding courage and devotion to duty were an inspiration to his men. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice Risman, (wife), 16 Arlington Street, Lynn, Massachusetts.

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REGIMENTAL ORDER

23 March 1945.

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- SECTION I --- AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDER #38
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- SECTION IV -- AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL
- SECTION V --- AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

SECTION I

1. So much of Paragraph 1, General Orders #38, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, dated 17 March 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Bronze Star Medal to Colonel WAYNE S. MOORE, (012617), Corps of Engineers, United States Army is revoked.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant ROBERT A. BROWN, (35719539), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 January 1945. During an attack against the enemy on Hill 318 in which heavy hostile fire was encountered, Sergeant Brown, squad leader, courageously moved forward a distance of approximately one hundred yards, under constant enemy fire, to recover a wounded man. When Sergeant Brown reached the casualty he found him to be dead, and in the midst of enemy fire Sergeant Brown carried the body to the rear for burial. A few minutes later, Sergeant Brown again displayed outstanding courage and fidelity, ignoring his own personal safety and the enemy fire, went forward to rescue a casualty who had been twice wounded by sniper fire. The gallant actions of Sergeant Brown undoubtedly saved the life of a comrade, and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Daphnia Brown, (mother), 1000 East 19th Street, Hopkinsville, Kentucky.

Private First Class SILVER S. BROWN, (38507454), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Private Brown, observing that his platoon sergeant was wounded and in a helpless state, displayed outstanding courage in voluntarily crawling across open terrain, exposed to enemy fire, to reach the wounded man. Private Brown, in company with another person succeeded in evacuating the casualty to the rear where medical aid could be rendered. Private Brown's unhesitating action and complete disregard of his own safety to assist a wounded comrade was in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Maxine M. Brown, (wife), Route #2, Manila, Arkansas.

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Private First Class JAYES M. BUCHANAN, (14092368), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Hill #885, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Facing heavy enemy artillery fire, Private Buchanan, platoon medical man, voluntarily left his fox hole and ran approximately two hundred yards under hostile fire to render medical aid to wounded comrades. Private Buchanan, the only medical man in the area, administered first aid to three casualties and as soon as the artillery barrage subsided made arrangements for the rapid evacuation of the wounded men. Private Buchanan's courageous actions and performance was above and beyond the call of duty. Home address: Mrs. Maude Buchanan, (mother), 22 Marion Street, Knoxville, Tennessee.

Private First Class GEORGE A. COTTONE, (32961184), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action at the Rosario-Pozorrubio Sector on 25 January 1945. During an advance toward Hill 600, the platoon of which Private Cottone is a member was suddenly pinned down by a terrific barrage of enemy fire. One enlisted man, far in advance of the platoon, was severely wounded in the neck and fell in an open position. Private Cottone, on his own initiative, unhesitatingly proceeded to the aid of the wounded comrade and in the face of mortar and machine gun fire succeeded unaided in bringing the casualty to a defilade position where first aid could be administered. Private Cottone further assisted to evacuate the wounded man to the Battalion Station through approximately 650 yards of open field while still under observed enemy fire. Private Cottone's valiant and courageous actions undoubtedly saved the life of a fellow-soldier. Home address: Mrs. Eva Cottone, (mother), 233 East 110 Street, New York, New York.

Technician Grade V GLENN C. DAVIS, (35380758), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. When two leading men of a flank security unit were wounded, Corporal Davis, without regard for his own life or safety and under enemy fire and observation, immediately and alone climbed up the bank of a river to the farther of the two men and dragged him to cover in the river bed only to find that he was dead. Losing no time, Corporal Davis quickly returned to the other wounded man, rendered him first aid and assisted in his safe evacuation. Corporal Davis' courageous and gallant actions were above and beyond the call of duty and were an inspiration to the men who witnessed his deed. Home address: Mr. Curtis Davis, (father), 1161 Hubbs Road, Youngstown, Ohio.

Private First Class ROY C. MAYNES, (39916249), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. When the Company of which he is a member was held up by mortar and enemy pill box, Private Maynes, forward observer for the mortar platoon, moved up alone to a position from which he could direct mortar fire. In so doing, Private Maynes was surrounded on three sides by enemy soldiers. Complacently ignoring the enemy fire, he remained in an exposed position and directed telling and effective mortar fire which destroyed the enemy pill box, thus aiding immeasurably the continuous advance of the company. Private Maynes' exemplary courage, calmness under fire, and devotion to duty reflect great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mr. Jack K. Maynes, (father), 692 Vine Street, Murray, Utah.

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Private First Class DELSON D. STONER, (37677695), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Dani, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 January 1945. At about 0045 on this date, when an Outpost position of the company of which Private Stoner is a member was attacked by the enemy and four fellow-soldiers were seriously wounded, Private Stoner promptly volunteered to go forward to their aid. The mission required Private Stoner to pass through our lines and over territory from which the enemy was launching suicidal attacks against our perimeter. Private Stoner, in company with another soldier, courageously and without regard for personal safety crossed the hazardous route and successfully evacuated the wounded men to the Aid Station. Private Stoner's exemplary fortitude and willingness to risk his own life to effect rescue of his comrades were an inspiration to the men who witnessed the deed. Home address: Mrs. C. O. Wiklhaugen, (mother), 1518 Jefferson Street, Waterloo, Iowa.

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order, No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant ARTHUR L. BECKER, (20214719), Signal Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with operations against the enemy near Ralun, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Becker, second in command and assistant spotter of a Naval Gunfire team, protected by a small infantry patrol, advanced to a hill to take Japanese artillery batteries under counter-battery fire, using an assigned destroyer. After a period of firing, a Japanese field gun managed to score some direct hits on the Observation Post from which the spotter and assistant spotter were observing and controlling the naval gunfire. The first Japanese shell severely wounded Sergeant Becker, but without regard for his own life and despite his painful wounds, he valiantly continued assisting the spotter in directing naval fire on enemy gun positions. Sergeant Becker later died of his wounds. The heroic and voluntary actions of Sergeant Becker contributed in preventing a possible enemy attack. Sergeant Becker's tenacity, courage and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Robert Becker, (mother), 103-11 109th Avenue, Long Island, New York.

SECTION IV

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order, No. 9419, 4 February 1944, (Sec II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Private First Class VICTOR B. ALTON, (38507509), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in operations against the enemy on Hill 600, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 January 1945. Private Alton, wireman, was on the mission of maintaining sound power communication between a platoon

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(Private First Class Victor B. Altom)

and the Battalion Command Post, displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty in braving intense enemy machine gun and rifle fire to establish vitally needed service. Through this sound power line came the orders for mortar fire which silenced enemy positions. Private Altom's valiant and tenacious actions undoubtedly saved the lives of some of his comrades and contributed immeasurably to the success of the Battalion's operation. Home address: Mr. Nolan Altom, (brother), Floral, Arkansas.

Private First Class ROBERT G. ARELLO, (34809381), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action against the enemy at Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. During an assault against the enemy on Hill 900 the company of which Private Arello is a member moved so fast that communication by wire was not possible so that it was incumbent to use a Company 300 Radio. Private Arello, radio operator, in the face of heavy enemy fire and the awkward size and heavy weight of the radio which made it difficult to obtain any degree of cover, kept in close proximity of the Company Commander rendering service in a superior manner. Private Arello's exemplary courage and devotion to duty contributed immeasurably to the success of the day's operation. Home address: Mr. Phillip Arello, (father), 502 North Pine Street, Florence, Alabama.

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Lieutenant Colonel LLOYD E. BARRON, (0341630), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Pampot, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Under cover of darkness, the enemy attacked our forces with seven tanks and approached to within point blank range of our 57 mm guns before being identified as enemy. As the fire fight developed, communication lines were cut to our gun positions, Colonel Barron bravely exposed himself to enemy fire and directed the actions of his elements against the hostile force. Displaying coolness under fire and outstanding courage, Colonel Barron's able direction resulted in the complete rout of the enemy. During the action three enemy tanks were wholly destroyed, two others disabled, and many casualties inflicted. Colonel Barron's exemplary courage was an inspiration to the men under his command. Home address: Mrs. Lillian G. Barron, (wife), Ocean Blvd, Barnegat City, New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant JAMES J. BRIGUGLIO, (36500992), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action in the vicinity of Hill 600, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 January 1945. Observing a litter carrying party who had been pinned down by enemy machine gun fire for several hours, Sergeant Briguglio, on his own initiative, voluntarily crawled forward alone to a point where he threw five white smoke grenades which afforded cover to the litter bearers enabling them to bring the three wounded men to safety. During this action, Sergeant Briguglio was exposed to observed enemy mortar and machine gun fire but he steadfastly remained in an exposed position until all of the wounded had been safely evacuated. Sergeant Briguglio's exemplary courage and performance above and beyond the call of duty were an inspiration to all who witnessed the deed. Home address: Mrs. Mary Ricuate, (mother), 3073 Marlborough Street, Detroit, Michigan.

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SECTION V

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Colonel WAYNE S. MOORE (O12617), by Headquarters, LUSSEC, as published in General Orders #1, dated February, 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect II, Pub. Law 570 1944). The citation is as follows:

Colonel WAYNE S. MOORE, (O12617), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea during the period 20 September 1944 to 28 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Virginia F. Moore, (wife), 219 Country Club Blvd., Wilmington, North Carolina.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

C. P. ROBBINS,  
Colonel, GSC,  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

*Phillip S. St. Onge*  
PHILLIP S. ST ONGE,  
Major, AGD,  
Actg Adjutant General.

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SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR (Posthumously)  
SECTION II - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR  
SECTION III - AWARDS OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL

SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded (posthumously) by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant ROY HOAHTEWA (38000667), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Cataquintingan, Lingayon Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Sergeant Hoachtewa was a member of one of two companies that advanced on Hill 450 at Damortis, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Upon securing the ridge, both companies started down the forward slope when they encountered enemy snipers, grenade and mortar fire. Because of excellently camouflaged positions and the impossibility of ascertaining the exact location of the enemy, Sergeant Hoachtewa moved forward without benefit of cover or concealment to draw fire. From his exposed position only seventy-five yards from the enemy, he was able to direct the fire of supporting weapons, allowing the troops to seek more favorable positions with a minimum of casualties. Sergeant Hoachtewa's gallantry contributed greatly to the successful accomplishment of the two companies' missions of the day, and his intrepid courage and effort to duty with utter disregard for his own safety were exemplary of the highest military traditions and an inspiration to his comrades. Sergeant Hoachtewa was later killed in a night engagement with the enemy. Next of kin: Roy Hoachtewa (father), Hotovilla, Arizona.

*Cit award by JO # 237-22 May 45*  
\*Private First Class WILLIAM C. MILLER (36657749), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 January 1945. Private Miller, a scout, was a member of a combat patrol sent out to determine the disposition of enemy machine guns and riflemen, and destroy them if possible. The terrain was wooded and sloped from a highway toward a small stream and contained numerous gullies, obstacles and a few Nipa houses. Starting down an abandoned road running at right angles to the main highway, the patrol turned left into wooded area where Private Miller discovered an enemy machine gun and worked his way cautiously toward it. The enemy opened fire and wounded him, but Private Miller, disregarding his wounds and the continuous enemy fire, ran forward to engage the enemy but died a few yards from the position. Private Miller's gallantry and devotion to duty inspired the patrol and enabled it to continue without further losses. Next of kin: Mrs. Helen Miller (mother), 18262 Roy Street, Lansing, Illinois.

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SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Captain EDWARD I. CHAPPELL, (O-424800), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. As the infantry battalion, supported by a platoon of medium tanks, approached Pozorrubio, Captain Chappell personally assumed the direction of the tanks placing their fire on enemy pill boxes and other assembled groups of enemy. Walking before the tanks he exposed himself to enemy small arms fire and possible artillery fire which the tanks had drawn on previous missions. Displaying outstanding courage, he was able to so direct and coordinate the fire of the tanks that the attack progressed rapidly and with very few casualties. Captain Chappell's actions were beyond the call of duty and served as a splendid example of courage to the members of the company which he commanded at that time. Home address: Mrs. Priscilla E. Chappell (wife), 264 Hill Street, Biddeford, Maine.

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bulletin 8, WD, 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Sergeant ROY G. BAXTER (6664461) (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For heroism at Aitape, New Guinea on 17 October 1944. Sergeant Baxter, in charge of a detail of an LCT, noticed the sinking of a Dukw at approximately 1,000 yards from shore. He promptly noted that one of three occupants aboard had not come to surface, while two of them had secured life preservers and were making for the LCT. Immediately and with utter disregard for his own safety and the risk of his own life, Sergeant Baxter dived into the water and swam to the place where the Dukw was last seen. Despite the choppy sea and treacherous currents, Sergeant Baxter succeeded in locating the drowning soldier, still slightly below the surface, and worked him to the LCT from where he was transferred to another boat and taken to an aid station. Sergeant Baxter's bravery, alertness, initiative and loyalty to his fellow soldier earned him the respect and admiration of the officers and men of his unit, and reflects the highest credit on the Army of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Bell Baxter (mother), Morgantown, Kentucky.

Technician Grade IV MANUEL (NEI) DA COSTA (31235987), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroism at Babiong, New Guinea on 29 September 1944. A soldier was endeavoring to swim a tow line through a heavy surf. Becoming exhausted, he called for help. Sergeant Da Costa, at the risk of his own life, plunged into the surf and rescued the drown-

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ing man. The prompt and heroic action of Sergeant Da Costa reflects the highest credit on himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Irene Da Costa (wife), 118 Davidson Street, New Bedford, Massachusetts.

Sergeant RUSSELL E. FITZGERALD (31022797), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For heroism at Aitape Beach, New Guinea on 2 December 1944. A soldier swam out to rescue a drowning native who had ventured out beyond the surf and was being carried out to sea. After several minutes' labor to keep the native's head above the surface, the soldier too was nearly exhausted. Sergeant Fitzgerald, disregarding the advice of the bystanders, started to swim toward the stricken pair with a wooden plank approximately eight feet long to aid in the rescue. The rescuers, after placing the unconscious native's arms on the plank, tried to swim to shore but their attempts were futile as the current pulled them farther away from shore. At that point an amphibious truck, which had been called several minutes earlier, arrived on scene and brought them all to safety. Sergeant Fitzgerald's quick and brave action contributed largely to the rescue of the drowning man and had gained him the respect and admiration of all who witnessed it. Home address: Mrs. Mary Reynolds (aunt), 843 Montank Avenue, New London, Connecticut.

First Lieutenant RAY E. HOUSEL (O-2047013), Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroism at Anopapi Beach, New Guinea on the morning of 14 September 1944. While participating in a demonstration and class being held at the beach, a soldier was swept off his feet by a large wave and carried by the undertow approximately seventy-five yards out to sea. Another soldier swam out to assist him, but after reaching the drowning man was unable to work him to shore. Lieutenant Housel, ignoring the high waves and strong off-shore current, and at the risk of his own life, made his way to the soldier. He immediately took over the drowning man while the other soldier recovered his strength, and both after an exhausting struggle reached shore with the apparently lifeless soldier. Artificial respiration restored the soldier's breathing and he regained consciousness. Lieutenant Housel's action in total disregard of his own life and safety undoubtedly saved the life of one man and possibly another. Home address: Arleen Bauer Housel (wife), 914 - 7th Street, Fairbury, Nebraska.

Private CHARLES HUNT JR. (32603727), Ordnance, United States Army. For heroism at Aitape, New Guinea on 13 December 1944. When a fellow soldier became exhausted in a rough sea approximately two hundred fifty yards from shore, Private Hunt swam to his rescue and returned him safely to shore. Private Hunt's courage was responsible for saving the man's life. Home address: Mrs. Helen Hunt (mother), West Sunset Road, Pompton Plain, New Jersey.

Private PAUL W. PELLAND (39029492), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroism at Anopapi Beach, New Guinea on the morning of 14 September 1944. While participating in a demonstration and class being held at the beach, a soldier was swept off his feet by a large wave and carried by the undertow approximately seventy-five yards out to sea.



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Private Pelland, noting that the soldier was having difficulty remaining afloat, immediately swam out to help him. The drowning soldier by this time was utterly exhausted and having difficulty breathing. Private Pelland strove desperately to keep his head above water, but because of the high seas and strong current was unable to work him to shore. Although he himself was tiring rapidly, Private Pelland courageously refused to abandon the drowning soldier and managed to remain afloat until further assistance reached them and they were brought to shore. Artificial respiration was applied to the apparently lifeless soldier which restored his breathing and he regained consciousness. In total disregard of his own safety, and at the risk of his life, Private Pelland displayed action which undoubtedly saved the life of the drowning soldier. Home address: Mr. F. W. Pelland, 1037 Shelton Street, Seattle 8, Washington.

Private HARRY L. WILLARD (20134953), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For heroism at Aitape Beach, New Guinea on 2 December 1944. Private Willard swam out to rescue a drowning native who had ventured out beyond the surf and was being carried out to sea. After several minutes' labor to keep the native's head above the surface, Private Willard was almost exhausted until another soldier reached them with a wooden plank to aid in the rescue. When the unconscious native's arms were placed on the wooden plank, the rescuers' attempt to work him to shore became more futile as the current pulled them farther away. At that point an amphibious truck, which had been called several minutes earlier, arrived on the scene and brought them all to safety. Private Willard's utter disregard for his own safety, his initiative, bravery and courage displayed in this action are exemplary of the highest military standards and an inspiration to his comrades. Home address: Mr. Harry L. Willard (father), 18 Washington Street, Rutland Vermont.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

C. P. ROBBINS  
Colonel, G.S.C.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

*Philip S. St Once*  
PHILIP S. ST ONCE  
Major, A.G.D.  
Actg Adjutant General

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SECTION I---AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division to the following named Officers:

LT. COLONEL LEON P. SUTTON, O-365576, Ord. U. S. Army for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 January 1945 and 23 February 1945 on Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Kathryn M. Sutton (Wife) 67 Humbolt Ave., Providence, R.I.

MAJOR ROBERT E. JENSEN, O-357984, U. S. Army for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 August 1944 to 20 February 1945 on Aitape, New Guinea and Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Vivian Stuart Jensen (wife) 934 Main Street, Westbrook, Maine.

By Command of Major General WING:

C. P. ROBBINS  
Colonel, G.S.C.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

*Philip S. St Onge*  
PHILIP S. ST ONGE  
MAJOR, A.G.D.  
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SECTION I -- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL  
SECTION II -- AWARDS OF THE BRONZE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

SECTION I

1. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant HAROLD R. HATCHELDER, (20150006), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hattie Bickford, (mother), Lyndon Center, Vermont.

Private First Class ROMEO G. BESSETTE, (32032894), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alvina Bessette, (mother), 71 North Street, Winooski, Vermont.

Master Sergeant LOUIS A. CALDARONE, (20153447), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Caldarone, (mother), 22 Chatham Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Private First Class LYSLE W. CAREAUGH, (33243209), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Florence F. Davis, (mother), RR #1, Liverpool, Pennsylvania.

Private JOHN R. COLE, (33395272), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Betty Jean Cole, (wife), 16 Meade Avenue, Bellevue, Pennsylvania.

Private LORENZO DIBENEDETTO, (20153573), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Theresa C. Di Fusco, (mother), 28 Tuxedo Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island.

Lieutenant Colonel RENE L. DEBLOIS, (0282807), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Aitape, New Guinea on 28 July 1944. Home address: Mrs. Madeline B. DeBlois, 98 Andem Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Sergeant HENRY F. HIGNIGHT, (38615245), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Auburn F. Hignight, (wife), Box 420, Ingham, Montana.

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Technician Grade V JAM S D. HOFFMAN, (33148722), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Hoffman, (mother), 619 Main Street, Lykens, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class LEROY F. KUMBIER, (16132053), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Selma Kumbier, (mother), 142 Main Street, Sydney Street, Kimberly, Wisconsin.

Private JAMES J. MCCARTHY JR., (20156471), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. James J. Mc Carthy Sr., (father), West Barrington, Rhode Island.

Corporal ALGERO M. NORBERG, (37318342), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Kathryn G. Norberg, (wife), Hastings, North Dakota.

Private First Class FRED POLISTENA, (32108952), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Joseph Polistena, (father), 1670 81st Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Corporal ALLEN W. POWERS, (35449634), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Flora E. Powers (wife), 114 Ramsey Street, Bluefield, West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant CECIL H. RHODES, (37473457), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Deborah Keyser, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Allen, Nebraska.

Technician Grade IV MARVIN M. ROCKEY, (38127046), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jane Rockey, (wife), Sadlersville, Tennessee.

Second Lieutenant WILLIAM F. STRAIGHT, (01184158), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Mt. Dorst, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nell Straight, (mother), Route #4, Box 256, Tucson, Arizona.

Lieutenant Colonel PHILIP W. TIEMANN, (0173656), Inspector General Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Isabel C. Tiemann, (wife), 1175 Boilston Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

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Technician Grade V FRANK D. WOODCOX, (33228090), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maggie T. Bunn, (sister), 211 Westover Avenue, Norfolk, Virginia

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class JOSEPH ALBANESE (42016679), by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division as published on Page 3, Section III, General Orders #14, dated 28 January 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended. The citation is as follows:

Private First Class JOSEPH ALBANESE, (42016679), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Albanese, (wife), 8911 Church Street, Hudson Heights, New Jersey.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class EVERETT E. BRADEN, (38393788), by Headquarters, 92nd Evacuation Hospital as published in General Orders #5, dated 5 February 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended. The citation is as follows:

Private First Class EVERETT E. BRADEN, (38393788), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Luzon, Philippine Islands 7 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary L. Braden (mother), 5301 Gordon Street, Apartment 25, Richmond, California.

By command of Major General WING:

G. P. ROBLINS,  
Colonel, GSC,  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

*Philip S. Stonge*  
PHILIP S. ST ONGE,  
Major, AGD,  
Actg Adjutant General

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SECTION I - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR (Posthumously)  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded (posthumously) by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Technical Sergeant WILLIAM E. COURSON (34081344), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations from 9 January 1945 to 15 January 1945, on Luzon, Philippine Islands. During this period, Sergeant Courson, platoon sergeant, performed his duties in a highly superior manner. Although suffering from a chronic stomach ailment which months of hospitalization failed to correct, he landed with his platoon on S-Day. Until he was fatally wounded in action on Hill 200, in the vicinity of Manaoag, Luzon, Sergeant Courson underwent the grueling physical hardships of the campaign with an indefatigable effort, an incessant spirit and zest which inspired the men of his platoon. Sergeant Courson later died of his wounds. Next of kin: Mrs. Nora Belle Blackwelder (mother), Lulu, Florida.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, under provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technician Grade V RICHARD C. ADAMS (20146966), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 21 February 1945. Home address: Patricia Adams (wife), 14 Chambers Street, South Brewer, Maine.

Technician Grade IV FRANK H. BANNON (36360162), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Binday, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill 355 from across a river resulted in many casualties. Assaulting companies had advanced several hundred yards up the hill and the enemy succeeded in cutting their supply route in the rear with machine guns, mortars and rifle fire. It was impossible for a combat patrol to reopen the trail in order to hold the ground already taken, and evacuation

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during daylight hours was hazardous. Sergeant Bannon volunteered to accompany a litter party to the forward companies to evacuate the casualties after dark. Working all night carrying litters over rugged terrain, he aided in evacuating six casualties under difficult and perilous conditions. The saving of six lives was largely due to Sergeant Bannon's superior courage and heroic action. Home address: Mrs. Eva Bannon (mother), 410 Green Street, Danville, Illinois.

Warrant Officer (Junior Grade) HERMAN R. BERKOWITZ (W-2124684), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 16 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Samuel Berkowitz (mother), 194 Orchard Street, New Haven, Connecticut.

Private First Class ROBERT R. BERRY (34330721), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Binday, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill 355 from across a river resulted in many casualties. Assaulting companies had advanced several hundred yards up the hill and the enemy succeeded in cutting their supply route in the rear with machine gun, mortar and rifle fire. It was impossible for a combat patrol to reopen the trail in order to hold the ground already taken, and evacuation during daylight hours was hazardous. Private Berry volunteered to accompany a litter party to the forward companies to evacuate the casualties after dark. Working all night carrying litters over rugged terrain, he aided in evacuating six casualties under difficult and perilous conditions. The saving of six lives was largely due to Private Berry's superior courage and heroic action. Home address: Mr. Benjamin F. Berry (father), 1203 N. S Knott Street, Troy, Alabama.

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~~Technician Grade IV LLOYD L. BLOOMER (36183864), Medical Department,~~  
United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 600, Cablong, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 January 1945. While advancing toward the hill, the company of which Sergeant Bloomer is a member, was placed under heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire, which resulted in many casualties. In total disregard for his own life, Sergeant Bloomer, while evacuating a comrade under heavy fire, was wounded. Despite his wounds, Sergeant Bloomer braved the fire and continued his duties not leaving the zone of action until all casualties had been treated and evacuated. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth W. Bloomer (wife), 3227 Milton Street, Pasadena, California.

Lieutenant Colonel WILBUR E. BRADT (O-182711), Field Artillery, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service as Commanding Officer of a field artillery battalion on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 26 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Norma Bradt (wife), 204 Broadway, Bangor, Maine.

Sergeant JAMES P. BROWN (38332223), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 January 1945 to 13 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Arizonia Hammond (mother), 872 Dudley Avenue, Texarkana, Arkansas.

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Sergeant HUGH E. BULLINGTON (38507319), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in the performance of duty in action against the enemy on Hill 200 in the vicinity of Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Sergeant Bullington was in charge of a squad, which was the lead- ing squad, in support of tanks in the final drive to take Hill 200. After the tanks had completed their mission the lead tank was the last tank to withdraw, and Sergeant Bullington was forced to direct it over hazardous terrain where heavy fire was encountered. When an enemy tried to place a mine on the tank Sergeant Bullington killed him. In this heroic action and in all previous patrols under him, Sergeant Bullington's performance of duty was exemplary of intrepid bravery and splendid leadership. Home address: Mrs. Eva Bullington (mother), Barling, Arkansas.

Technician Grade V HARRIS T. BURFORD JR. (38171403), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Binalonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill 355 from across a river resulted in many casualties. Assaulting companies had advanced several hundred yards to the hill and the enemy succeeded in cutting their supply route with terrific fire. It was impossible for a combat patrol to reopen the trail in order to hold the ground already taken, and evacuation during daylight hours was hazardous. Corporal Burford volunteered to accompany a litter party to the forward companies to evacuate the casualties after dark. Working all night carrying litters over rugged terrain, he aided in evacuating six casualties under difficult and perilous conditions. The saving of six lives was largely due to Corporal Burford's superior courage and heroic action. Home address: Mrs. Mae Burford (wife), Gloster, Louisiana.

Colonel GEORGE E. BUSH (O-17634), Infantry, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding service as Commanding Officer of an Infantry Regiment on Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 9 January 1945 to 26 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Gilbert P. Bush (brother), 85 Locust Street, Gallipolis, Ohio.

Major FRANKLIN E. CARPENTER (O-577163), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 January to 15 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Leonore G. Carpenter (wife), 1131 Jefferson Avenue, Akron, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant COLUMBUS J. CARTA (20129390), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Binalonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill 355 from across a river resulted in many casualties. Assaulting companies had advanced several hundred yards to the hill and the enemy succeeded in cutting their supply route with terrific fire from various weapons. It was impossible for a combat patrol to reopen the trail in order to hold the ground already taken, and evacuation during daylight hours was hazardous. Sergeant Carta volunteered to accompany a litter party to the forward companies to evacuate the casualties after dark. Working all night carrying litters over rugged terrain, he aided in evacuating

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six casualties under difficult and perilous conditions. The saving of six lives was largely due to Sergeant Carta's superior courage and heroic action. Home address: Mr. and Mrs. J. Carta (parents), 645 Cypress Avenue, Pasadena, California.

Colonel JOSEPH P. CLELAND (O-16239), Infantry, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service as Commanding Officer of an Infantry Regiment at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period of 9 January to 26 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Florence E. Cleland (wife), 185 Columbia Road, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Technician Grade III TOM J. COOPER (34090892), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Bunday, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill 355 from across a river resulted in many casualties. Assaulting companies had advanced several hundred yards up the hill and the enemy succeeded in cutting their supply lines with machine gun, mortar and sniper fire. It was impossible for a combat patrol to reopen the trail in order to hold the ground already taken, and evacuation during daylight hours was hazardous. Sergeant Cooper volunteered to accompany a litter party to the forward companies to evacuate the casualties after dark. Working all night carrying litters over rugged terrain, he aided in evacuating six casualties under difficult and perilous conditions. The saving of six lives was largely due to Sergeant Cooper's superior courage and heroic action. Home address: Mrs. L.E. Cooper (mother), Route #2, Webo, North Carolina.

Private First Class RALPH F. CROSS (20150960), Medical Department, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 700, in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 February 1945. During an attack on the hill, the litter squad of which Private Cross was a member came under heavy mortar fire and artillery fire. The litter squad, together with the attacking infantry sought cover and became disorganized. Private Cross immediately reorganized his team and led it through heavy enemy fire in the furtherance of its mission evacuating casualties. At all times he performed his duty in a manner greater than superior and displayed a quality of leadership in emergencies greater than would normally be expected of one in his grade and experience. Private Cross' coolness under fire, efficiency as a litter bearer and a high sense of duty were an inspiration to all who served with him. Home address: Mrs. Edith L. Fountain (mother), 27 Lower Weldon Street, St. Albans, Vermont.

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OFFICIAL:

*Philip S. Sturge*  
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HEADQUARTERS 43d INFANTRY DIVISION  
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ORIGINAL ORDER # 27 March 1945.

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER.....53)

SECTION I --- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (Posthumously)  
SECTION II--- AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private ROY O. WELLS, (39209575), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy near Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 January 1945. When the squad of which Private Wells was a member was guarding a vulnerable approach to a road block, a force of about a platoon of Japs, armed with machine guns and bangalore torpedoes, attempted to break through the road block. Private Wells, in the same fox hole with his assistant squad leader, applied rapid and effective fire with his automatic rifle until he was wounded by an enemy grenade. Later when the non-commissioned officer was called to the rear by the platoon leader, Private Wells was asked to return to the rear for medical treatment, but Private Wells unselfishly refused, insisted on his remaining in the position to obviate a break in the line. During the time Private Wells was alone he continued to fire against the enemy until he was killed by an enemy machine gun. He was found dead when the assistant squad leader returned to the position. At dawn, the enemy machine gun and its dead gunner were found about only five feet from Private Well's body. Private Wells' tenacity, exemplary courage and outstanding devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Next of kin: Mr. William Wells, Route # 3, Everett, Wash. (father).

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec' II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant FRANCIS N. BUSHEE, (20150793), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 January 1945 near Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During an enemy attack against our positions, Sergeant Bushee displayed outstanding leadership and coolness under fire in directing fire of his squad of 7 men against a numerically superior force of Japs. The resolute and determined leadership of Sergeant Bushee contributed greatly in the destruction of the enemy battery and the capture of its guns and equipment. About twenty five (25) dead Japs armed with two machine guns and bangalore torpedoes were found before foxholes the following morning. Sergeant Bushee's

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(Staff Sergeant Francis N. Bushee)

aggressiveness, indomitable courage and fine leadership were an inspiration to his men. Home address: Mr. and Mrs. John Bushee (parents) 34 Young Street, Lebanon, New Hampshire.

Staff Sergeant STANLEY CHOPP, (36199185), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 January 1945. During an attack against our positions, Sergeant Chopp displayed outstanding leadership and coolness under fire in directing fire of his squad of six men against a numerically superior force of Japs. The resolute and determined leadership of Sergeant Chopp contributed greatly in the destruction of the enemy battery and the capture of its guns and equipment. About twenty five (25) dead Japs, armed with two machine guns and bangalore torpedoes, were found before foxholes the following morning. Sergeant Chopp's aggressiveness, indomitable courage and fine leadership were an inspiration to the men of his squad. Home address: Mr. Fred Chopp (father), Route 9, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Private First Class WILLIAM A. MCBRIDE; (34304085), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 January 1945. During an attack against our positions, Private Mc Bride vigilantly fired the first shots which sparked the entire line into action against a numerically superior force of Japanese attempting to break through. Private McBride distinguished himself by his courageous and cool actions under enemy fire. During this action an entire battery of enemy artillery was destroyed. Private McBride was slightly wounded during this operation. Private McBride clearly demonstrated exemplary courage and keen devotion to duty. Home address: Mrs. Lula S. Mc Bride, (mother), Route #1, Lewisville, North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant BOYD L. SMITH (35444264), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 12 February, 1945. Sergeant Smith's aggressive leadership in all phases of squad and platoon combat, his excellent combat sense and tactical judgment, his accurate and reliable reports and superior handling and care of the men in his charge were exemplary. His squad of nine men operated for 32 days without a single casualty during which period it accounted for many times its own number in enemy dead. On 12 February when Sergeant Smith, in company with two other men of his squad, was clearing several enemy dugouts on Hill 1500, successfully destroyed three, and while engaged against the fourth dugout, Sergeant Smith was seriously wounded. Home address: Melvyn Smith, (son), Route #1, Oneonta, Alabama.

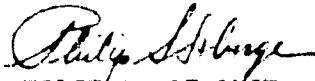
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Private First Class KEITH L. TURLEY, (20847254), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Rabon, Luzon, Philippine Islands on the night of 11-12 January 1945. In company with other volunteers, Private Turley made his way to the foremost position in the line atop a razor back ridge and assisted in the successful evacuation of many seriously wounded soldiers. The area in which the casualties were lying was under artillery and small arms fire and could be reached only over treacherous and unfamiliar trails. Private Turley's expert assistance in this action undoubtedly saved the lives of several soldiers and contributed much to the morale of the troops. His bravery in voluntarily exposing himself to great danger in behalf of his comrades reflects great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mr. O. F. Turley (father), Box 114, Chino Valley, Arizona.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

ORIGINAL ORDER # 54

28 March 1945.

NUMBER.....54)

SECTION I ---- AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDER #48  
SECTION II --- AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL  
SECTION III -- AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR (Posthumously)  
SECTION IV --- AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STARSECTION I

1. So much of Paragraph 1, Sec IV, General Orders #48, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, dated 23 March 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Bronze Star Medal to Lieutenant Colonel LLOYD E. BARRON (0341630), Infantry, United States Army, is revoked.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Lieutenant Colonel LLOYD E. BARRON, (0341630), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Potpot, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Under cover of darkness, the enemy attacked our forces with seven tanks and approached to within point blank range of our 57 mm guns before being identified as enemy. As the fire fight developed, communication lines were cut to our gun positions---Colonel Barron bravely exposed himself to enemy fire and directed the actions of his elements against the hostile force. Displaying coolness under fire and outstanding courage, Colonel Barron's able direction resulted in the complete rout of the enemy. During the action three enemy tanks were wholly destroyed, two others disabled, and many casualties inflicted. Colonel Barron's exemplary courage was an inspiration to the men under his command. Home address: Mrs. Lillian G. Barron (wife), Ocean Blvd, Barnegat City, New Jersey.

Private First Class CHARLES T. WEBSTER, (36459483), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy near Cauringan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Private Webster, a member of a patrol which was pinned down by enemy grenades and machine gun fire, sustained fragment wounds in the right leg and arm and several gun shot wounds in action. Private Webster, in spite of his painful wounds, with indomitable courage and a determined fighting spirit continued action against the enemy, bravely picking up enemy hand grenades which had been thrown to kill him, and tossing them back at the enemy destroyed two hostile machine gun positions and killed four Japs. As a result of this gallant deed, the patrol was able to withdraw and cover the area with mortar. The enemy position was completely destroyed, and 52 enemy dead were counted. Home address: Mrs. Nettie Webster (mother), 423 Dick Street, Battle Creek, Michigan.

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Private BOB P. WRIGHT, (38405595), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill 355, Luzon, Philippines Islands on 22 January 1945. During an advance to occupy Hill #355, the platoon of which Private Wright is a member was pinned down by intense hostile fire. Private Wright, acting first scout for the platoon, fearlessly advanced forward, at great risk of personal safety and under constant enemy grenade and rifle fire, and personally assaulted and knocked out two enemy light machine guns and killed the five (5) Japs who had manned those guns. Private Wright's aggressiveness, indomitable courage and performance above and beyond the call of duty were an inspiration to the men of the platoon who proceeded to advance to capture their objective. Home address: Mrs. Monte W. Wright (mother), 1345 SW 36th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class WALTER DUMAKOWSKI, (36339508), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill #355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill 355 from across a river resulted in many casualties. Assaulting companies had advanced several hundred yards up the hill and the enemy succeeded in cutting their supply route in the rear with machine gun, mortar and rifle fire. It was not possible for a combat patrol to reopen the trail in order to hold the ground already taken, and evacuation during daylight hours was hazardous. Private Dumakowski volunteered to accompany a litter party to the forward companies to evacuate the casualties after dark. Working all night carrying litters over rugged terrain, Private Dumakowski aided in evacuating six casualties under very difficult and perilous conditions. Private Dumakowski's superior courage and heroic action substantially contributed to the saving of the lives of six comrades. Next of kin: Mrs. Stella Dumakowski, (mother), 8356 Mackinaw Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Private HARRY G. SCHUERMANN JR., (37629701), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill #355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 January 1945. As the company of which Private Schuermann was a member was proceeding to Hill 355, an enemy patrol of undetermined strength concealed in a draw was contacted. Private Schuermann, a scout, advanced towards the draw known to contain enemy with the mission of locating their position. Unhesitatingly, he bravely and fearlessly continued advancing, firing his Tommy gun until he was killed by enemy rifle fire. The fire which emanated from the enemy position gave away their position and the Company promptly poured on telling fire which killed the entire enemy patrol of approximately 25 men with no further casualties to themselves. Private Schuermann's exemplary courage and great sacrifice were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Army. Next of kin: Harry Godlove Schuermann Sr., (Father), 8303 Lake Drive, St. Louis, Missouri.

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SECTION IV

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Major CLARENCE W. BOTTS JR., (O1287825), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 13 March-27 March 1945. Home address: Mr. C. M. Botts, (father), 111 Stanford Avenue, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Technician Grade V ETHAN A. BARNARD, (36339431), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill #355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill #355 from across a river resulted in many casualties. Assaulting companies had advanced several hundred yards up the hill during which the enemy succeeded in cutting their supply route in the rear with machine gun, mortar and sniper fire. Wholly cognizant of the perils involved in crossing the hazardous route over which he had to travel, Corporal Barnard volunteered to evacuate the wounded. Braving the enemy fire, Corporal Barnard aided in the evacuation of two casualties. Corporal Barnard's outstanding courage and heroic action substantially contributed to the saving of the lives of two comrades. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Barnard, (mother), 6831 Calumet Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Technician Grade V HENRY BENSON (34330651), Infantry, United States Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill #355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill #355 from across a river resulted in many casualties. Assaulting companies had advanced several hundred yards up the hill during which the enemy succeeded in cutting their supply route in the rear with machine gun, mortar and rifle fire. In order to hold the ground already taken, a combat patrol could not be returned to reopen the trail. Fully cognizant of the dangers involved, Corporal Benson volunteered to accompany a litter party to the forward companies to evacuate the casualties after dark. Working all night carrying litters over rugged terrain, Corporal Benson aided in evacuating six casualties under very difficult and perilous conditions. Home address: Mrs. Annie Benson, (mother), Route #3, Scottsboro, Alabama.

Technician Grade IV MILTON A. BERGSTROM, (36339596), Infantry, United States Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill #355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill #355 from across a river resulted in many casualties. Assaulting companies had advanced several hundred yards up the hill during which the enemy succeeded in cutting their supply route in the rear with machine gun, mortar and rifle fire. In order to hold the ground already taken, a combat patrol could not be returned to reopen the trail. Fully cognizant of the dangers involved, Sergeant Bergstrom

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volunteered to accompany a litter party to the forward companies to evacuate the casualties after dark. Working all night carrying litters over rugged terrain, Sergeant Bergstrom aided in evacuating six casualties under very difficult and perilous conditions. Home address: Mrs. Charles Bergstrom, (father), 10938 South Vernon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

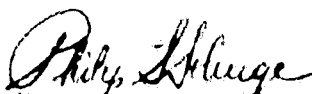
Private HARRY R. FLOCK, (39465211), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill #355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill #355 from across a river resulted in many casualties. Assaulting companies had advanced several hundred yards up the hill during which the enemy succeeded in cutting their supply route in the rear with machine gun, mortar and rifle fire. In order to hold the ground already taken, a combat patrol could not be returned to reopen the trail. Fully cognizant of the dangers involved, Private Flock volunteered to accompany a litter party to the forward companies to evacuate the casualties after dark. Working all night carrying litters over rugged terrain, Private Flock aided in evacuating six casualties under very difficult and perilous conditions. Home address: Mr. Harry Walter Block, (father), Ford, Washington.

Technician Grade IV BRUNO S. CZASZYNSKI (20130000), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill #355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill #355 from across a river resulted in many casualties. Assaulting companies had advanced several hundred yards up the hill during which the enemy succeeded in cutting their supply route in the rear with machine gun, mortar and rifle fire. In order to hold the ground already taken, a combat patrol could not be returned to reopen the trail. Fully cognizant of the dangers involved, Sergeant Czaszynski volunteered to accompany a litter party to the forward companies to evacuate the casualties after dark. Working all night carrying litters over rugged terrain, Sergeant Czaszynski aided in evacuating six casualties under very difficult and perilous conditions. Home address: Mrs. Helen Czaszynski (mother), 52 Beech Street, Bristol, Connecticut.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

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29 March 1945

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ORIGINAL ORDER =

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following officer and enlisted men:

Technician Grade V STANLEY P. DUDEK (20129558), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Bunday, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill 355 resulted in many casualties. The assault companies had advanced several hundred yards up the hill and the enemy succeeded in cutting the supply route with machine gun, mortar and sniper fire. Since evacuation during the daylight hours was hazardous, Corporal Dudek and several other men volunteered to aid in the evacuation after dark. Carrying litters over rugged terrain, Corporal Dudek aided in evacuating two casualties under heavy enemy fire. The saving of two lives was largely due to the courage and heroic action of Corporal Dudek. Home address: Mrs. John Dudek (mother), 52 Oak Street, Meriden, Connecticut.

First Sergeant FLAVIO W. FOGLIO (31042613), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period from 9 January 1945 to 16 February 1945, on Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Rita Foglio (mother), 13 Wilson Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

Private First Class CHARLES P. FRANZ JR. (36753405), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Cataguintangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 January 1945. While the Regimental Command Post was being moved up, an initial reconnaissance was necessary, so Private Franz, accompanied by another, went into the proposed command post area to determine its suitability. Being extremely cautious in his reconnaissance, he closely observed all possible locations where the enemy might be emplaced under expert camouflage. Several expertly camouflaged caves were located and the area was considered suitable for the remainder of the personnel to move up. Private Franz, not satisfied, made further investigations and discovered two cleverly-hidden caves. One contained eighteen of the enemy and the other fourteen, the latter being armed with magnetic mines who tried to escape but were killed in the attempt. The immediate proximity of the enemy and their covered positions would have put our men to a bad disadvantage, and the action of Private Franz unquestionably saved the command post from disaster. Home address: Mrs. Sue Franz Jr. (wife), 200 S 13th Avenue, Maywood, Illinois.

Technician Grade IV BERKMAN FRUGE (38171124), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against

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the enemy on Hill 355, Binalay, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill 355 resulted in many casualties. The assault companies had advanced several hundred yards up the hill and the enemy succeeded in cutting their supply route with machine gun, mortar and sniper fire. Since evacuation during the daylight hours was hazardous, Sergeant Fruge and several other men volunteered to aid in the evacuation after dark. Carrying litters over rugged terrain, Sergeant Fruge aided in evacuating six casualties under heavy enemy fire. The saving of air lives was largely due to the courage and heroic action of Sergeant Fruge. Home address: Mrs. Elena Fruge (mother), Post Office, Iowa, Louisiana.

Staff Sergeant ROMEY O. GEORGE (34019175), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 13 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bonnie George (mother) Osheba, Mississippi.

Captain BENJAMIN G. GREEN (O-487067), Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 February 1945. Captain Green, surgeon in a field artillery battalion, at great risk to himself, went through enemy artillery fire to aid a wounded man. To do this, he traversed one hundred fifty yards of a coconut grove which was heavily shelled, there being every reason to expect tree bursts. The enemy barrage was the most concentrated ever placed on our troops in this sector. Within one hundred yards of Captain Green the enemy succeeded in knocking out two of our large guns with direct hits, one shell landing ten yards from him. Braving the intense enemy fire, and in utter disregard for his own safety, Captain Green reached the wounded man, took him to cover and gave him the necessary medical aid. Home address: Mrs. Mary Green (wife), 104 E. Phoenix Street, South Haven, Michigan.

Private First Class FOY T. HAINES (34439984), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Binalay, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 January 1945. In the assault, casualties were high and evacuation of wounded hazardous. Troops advanced several hundred yards up the hill and the enemy cut the supply route with terrific fire. Private Haines volunteered with several others to evacuate the wounded after dark. Under heavy enemy fire he aided in evacuating two casualties. The lives of two wounded men were saved due to the courage and heroic action of Private Haines. Home address: Mrs. Mannie V. Haines (mother), Route #1, Lexington, North Carolina.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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PHILIP S. STONGE  
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29 March 1945

GENERAL ORDERS )  
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ORIGINAL ORDER 3  
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Private First Class JAMES J. HOLTkamp (37371197), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 700 in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 February 1945. Because other men were near exhaustion from long litter hauls over difficult terrain, Private Holtkamp volunteered for and accomplished hazardous evacuation missions. At one time he was a member of a squad sent to evacuate wounded of a company that attacked Hill 700. While the hill was under fire from 47-mm enemy guns and mortars, Private Holtkamp and squad crossed the side of the hill in order to reach the casualties. Before the mission was accomplished, one member of the squad was killed and Private Holtkamp was wounded. Private Holtkamp's demonstrated courage under fire, his willingness to serve greater than that demanded by even superior service and his voluntary performance of numerous hazardous missions are exemplary of the many acts of heroism which aided considerably in the success of the Luzon operation. Home address: Mrs. Helen E. Holtkamp (wife), 711 South Morris Street, Mexico, Missouri.

Private First Class ELLIOTT G. KILBOURNE (20144699), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 700 in the vicinity of Posorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 January 1945. Private Kilbourne was First Scout in a squad during an enemy counterattack on Hill 700. The enemy's main effort, apparently aimed in the direction where Private Kilbourne and his comrades were located, caused many casualties. Due to these casualties, riflemen were used to evacuate the wounded and their withdrawal opened a gap from which the enemy opened up with a machine gun. Private Kilbourne placed effective rifle fire to stop the machine gun until more riflemen could be brought up. While showing the reserve six men where the best cover and lanes of fire were in the gap, Private Kilbourne was severely wounded in the stomach. Realizing the critical need for the men to stop the attack, Private Kilbourne, unassisted, walked three hundred yards to the rear. Home address: Mr. Frank Kilbourne (father), 19 High Street, Lewiston, Maine.

Private First Class DANIEL J. LANGOWSKI (37554870), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Binday, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill 355 from across a river resulted in many casualties. Assaulting companies had advanced several hundred yards

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up the hill and the enemy succeeded in cutting their supply route with machine gun, mortar and sniper fire. Since evacuation during daylight hours was hazardous, Private Langowski volunteered with others to evacuate the wounded after dark. He traveled under heavy enemy fire and aided in evacuating two casualties. The saving of two lives was largely due to Private Langowski's courage and heroic action. Home address: Mrs. Bebeanna Langowski (mother), Box 266, Minto, North Dakota.

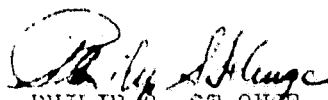
Staff Sergeant MICHAEL L. MAGNANO (20129843), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Binalay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill 355 from across a river resulted in many casualties. Assaulting companies had advanced several hundred yards up the hill and the enemy succeeded in cutting their supply route with machine gun, mortar and sniper fire. Since evacuation during daylight hours was hazardous, Sergeant Magnano volunteered with others to evacuate the wounded after dark. Carrying litters over rugged terrain, he aided in evacuating six casualties. The saving of six lives was largely due to Sergeant Magnano's superior courage and heroic action. Home address: Mrs. Marie Magnano (mother), 14 Maple Street, Middletown, Connecticut.

Private First Class FRED F. MONK (39915558), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Binalay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. Private Monk was a member of a wire party assigned the task of laying wire to the assault companies during their advance on Hill 355. During the advance, the enemy succeeded in cutting the supply route, and evacuation of the wounded during daylight hours was hazardous. Private Monk volunteered to act as a litter bearer and aid in evacuating a wounded man after dark. Successfully escaping enemy observation, Private Monk accomplished the four-hour mission over rugged terrain. Being one of the first to travel the route the enemy had cut, Private Monk's heroic action contributed immensely in saving the life of a fighting comrade. Home address: Mr. Percy Monk (father), 2725 W. Houston Street, San Antonio, Texas.

First Lieutenant ROBERT W. MOORE (O-2048086), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 January to 16 February 1945. Home address: Ruth E. Moore (wife), 2159 Lafayette Street, Denver, Colorado.

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SECTION II --- AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDER #48  
SECTION III -- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

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SECTION I

1. So much of Paragraph 1, General Orders #42, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, dated 20 March 1945 as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart to Staff Sergeant ROBERT M. CAVANAUGH, (20129835), as reads, "For wounds received in action against the enemy, near Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945.", is amended to read, "For wounds received in action against the enemy, near Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945".

2. So much of Paragraph 1, General Orders #42, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, dated 20 March 1945 as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart to Private ELMER G. KRAFT, (39134593), as reads "For wounds received in action against the enemy at Lingayen Gulf area, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945", is amended to read, "For wounds received in action against the enemy at Lingayen Gulf area, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945".

3. So much of Paragraph 1, General Orders #42, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, dated 20 March 1945 as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart to Private First Class BERCHAL L. MCNEELY, (34659553), as reads, "For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands" is amended to read, "For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 January 1945.

SECTION II

1. So much of Paragraph 1, Section III, General Orders #48, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 23 March 1945 as pertains to Award of the Bronze Star Medal to Sergeant ARTHUR L. BECKER, (20214719), as reads "For heroic achievement in connection with operations against the enemy near Rabon, Luzon, Philippine Islands", is amended to read, "For heroic achievement in connection with operations against the enemy on 12 January 1945 near Rabon, Luzon, Philippine Islands".

SECTION III

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private EARL B. ALLGOOD, (34274947), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action while aboard LST #463, on 10 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bethel Allgood, (mother), Route 1, Sumrall, Mississippi.

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First Lieutenant ELMER F. BALOGH, (01013674), Cavalary, United States Army. For wounds received in action on Luzon, Philippine Islands, 3 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Balogh, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Grafton, Ohio.

Private First Class DARRELL W. BOUGHN (37481504), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Hill 1000, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hazel E. Boughn, (mother), Route #1, Randolph, Nebraska.

Second Lieutenant EDSON N. BURTON, (01184781), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action near Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 February 1945. Home address: Mr. Ralph Burton, (father), 18970 Briar Cliff, Detroit, Michigan.

Private CARL H. BULL, (32672572), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Irene Bull, (mother), 175 Price Street, Rockport, New York.

Private First Class ANTHONY M. DIPRIMA (32846520), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Afua, New Guinea on 13 August 1944. Home address: Mr. Joseph Di Prima (father), 1729 Norton St. Rochester, New York.

Sergeant FRANCIS S. FONTAINE, (31038215), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Hill 1000, Luzon, Philippine Islands, 26 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Anthony F. Fontaine, (father), East Main Road, Portsmouth, Rhode Island.

Private RICHARD J. MCNAMARA, JR., (11130859), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action near Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alice A. McNamara, (mother), 130 Sunset Road, Arlington, Massachusetts.

Private First Class GREGORIO RODRIGUEZ, (33400663), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 January 1945. Home address: Eaminio Donatelli (friend), 622 Whittier Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Captain EDWARD C. STORK, (01010932), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret A. Stork, (wife), 518 Lecta Avenue, Fort Smith, Arkansas.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

*Philip S. Stonge*  
PHILIP S. STONGE,  
Major, AGD,  
Actg. Adj. General.

C. P. ROBBINS,  
Colonel, GSC,  
Chief of Staff.

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ORIGINAL ORDER

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Private First Class NORMAN E. NICHOLSON (39266711), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Bunday, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill 355 from across a river resulted in many casualties. Assaulting companies had advanced several hundred yards up the hill and the enemy succeeded in cutting the supply route with machine gun, mortar and sniper fire, causing evacuation during daylight hours extremely hazardous. Private Nicholson volunteered to accompany a litter party to help in evacuating the wounded after dark. Carrying litters over rugged terrain under heavy enemy fire, he aided in evacuating two casualties. Due to his voluntary service, his courageous and heroic action, Private Nicholson contributed largely to the saving of two lives. Home address: Mrs. Ida Mary Nicholson (mother), 2721 Logan Avenue, San Diego, California.

Technician Grade V ANTHONY OTRANDO (20153414), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 1500, in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 February 1945. Corporal Otrando was assigned to a forward observer party, attached to an infantry regiment, when enemy artillery and mortar fire was shelling their positions. Wire communications to the liaison officer were severed, so Corporal Otrando immediately, without further orders, left the security of his fox hole and began the operation of a radio to relay fire commands to friendly artillery. All this time he was under continuous and intense shelling from enemy artillery. Corporal Otrando's disregard for his own safety, and his extreme devotion to duty allowed the forward observer to successfully adjust friendly fire and destroy enemy guns that were firing on the infantry. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Frattarelli (mother), 349 Douglas Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island.

Private LIONEL R. OUELLETTE (31027591), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Bunday, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 January 1945. While the company was attacking Hill 355, Private Ouellette, Company Runner, was carrying a message to one of the assault platoons. Upon arrival, he learned that the company commander ordered the men to seek more tenable positions because of the heavy enemy machine gun and mortar fire which was inflicting heavy casualties. On his own volition, Private Ouellette remained in the critical position tossing smoke grenades to enable the evacuation of three wounded comrades. During this action, Private Ouellette killed three of the enemy, one of whom was manning a machine gun. Private Ouellette displayed initiative and bravery and helped considerably to expedite the improvement of the tactical situation. Home address: Andrew Ouellette (father), 937 Sabattus Street, Lewiston, Maine.

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Private First Class VALMOND F. OUELLETTE (31027679), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. During the operations Private Ouellette performed his duties as a truck driver in a highly skillful and courageous manner, driving over roads and through areas frequently subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire concentrations. On one occasion mortar ammunition was direly needed to conduct an urgent fire mission, and the area through which the ammunition had to be transported was under artillery fire. Private Ouellette volunteered unhesitatingly for the job which he did successfully and the fire mission was delivered. Home address: Edmond Ouellette (brother), 275 Park Street, Lewiston, Maine.

Private First Class RICHARD W. POMBRIO (31020044), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. During an assault against the enemy on Hill 900 the company of which Private Pombrio is a member moved so fast that communication by wire was not possible so that it was incumbent to use a Company 300 Radio. Private Pombrio, radio operator, in the face of heavy enemy fire and the awkward size and heavy weight of the radio which made it difficult to obtain any degree of cover, kept in close proximity of the company commander, rendering service in a superior manner. Private Pombrio's exemplary courage and devotion to duty contributed immeasurably to the success of the day's operation. Home address: Mr. Ardie Pombrio (father), RFD #1, West Chazy, New York.

Private First Class FRANK J. QUINLAN (37195622), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Bunday, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill 355 from across a river resulted in many casualties. Assaulting companies had advanced several hundred yards up the hill and the enemy succeeded in cutting the supply route with machine gun, mortar and sniper fire, causing evacuation during daylight hours extremely hazardous. Private Quinlan volunteered to accompany a litter party to evacuate the wounded after dark. Carrying litters over rugged terrain under heavy enemy fire, he aided in the evacuation of two wounded men. Private Quinlan's voluntary service, his courageous and heroic action, were largely due to the saving of two lives. Home address: Mr. H.E. Quinlan (father), 520 E. 6th Street, Davonport, Iowa.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

*Phil S. Sturge*  
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HEADQUARTERS 43d INFANTRY DIVISION  
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30 March 1945.

GENERAL ORDERS)

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SECTION I --- AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS #19  
SECTION II -- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART  
SECTION III-- AWARDS OF THE BRONZE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

SECTION I

1. So much of Paragraph 1, General Orders # 19, this headquarters, dated 5 February 1945 as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Sergeant MELVIN FUCH, (34398236) is revoked.

SECTION II

1. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant FRANK D. GILIBERTO, (20130632), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Baanga Island, New Georgia on 8 August 1943. Home address: Mr. Joseph Giliberto, (father), 676 Wethersfield Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Corporal WATSON HENDERSON, (37106458), Field Artiller, United States Army. For wounds received in action near Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mamie Lillia Henderson, 119 Cottonwood Street, Wynne, Arkansas.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT D. HOOD, (14097905), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at New Georgia, Solomons Group, on 13 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Mamie L. Hood, (wife), Abernant, Alabama.

Corporal JOSEPH JEPMA, (37309043), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action near Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rena Jepma, (mother), Box #215, Hancock, Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH A. NAI, (20129313), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Munda, New Georgia Island, Solomons Group, on 19 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Frances Nai, (wife), 14 North Main Street, Windsor Locks, Connecticut.

Private First Class JAMES E. SAULS, (34098667), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action in the vicinity of Bued River, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alice Sauls, (mother), 588 King Street, Charleston, South Carolina.

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Staff Sergeant RICHARD E. TATEMAN, (36042534), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nattie P. Tatem, (mother), Whitehall, Illinois.

Corporal CARLTON M. THORNTON, (34445040), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Aitape, New Guinea on 28 July 1944. Home address: Mrs. Viole L. Thornton, (mother), Route 2, Box 215, Scriven, Georgia.

Technician Grade V CLIFFORD E. TIBBETTS, (39570915), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Camp Murphy, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy S. Avers, (sister), 6069 Del Ray Court, Riverside, California.

Technician Grade IV ADAM A. TOMLANOVICH, (36287542), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ewa Tomlanovich, (mother), Route #1, Eagle River, Wisconsin.

Private JOHN G. TORTORINO, (31264036), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Tortorino, (mother), 91 Fenwood Road, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Corporal CLIFFORD E. WALKER, (31236671), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marie H. Walker, (wife), 76 Market Street, Amesbury, Massachusetts.

Sergeant JOSEPH P. YACOBOWSKY, (33361263), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action near Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna C. Yacobowsky, (mother), Green Street, Brockton, Pennsylvania.

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to First Lieutenant PAUL S. CONNOR, (01013370), by the Commanding General, this headquarters, as published in Paragraph 1, General Orders #19, dated 5 February 1945, a Bronze Oak-L of Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended. The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant PAUL S. CONNOR, (01013370), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marguerite M. Connor, (wife) Route #1, Box 374M, Spring Valley, San Diego, California.

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2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Sergeant MELVIN PUGH (34398236) by the Commanding General, this headquarters, as published in General Orders #25, dated 16 October 1943, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of A. 600-45, as amended. The citation is as follows:


Sergeant MELVIN PUGH, (34398236) Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Bued River, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cora Pugh, (mother), Arkadelphia, Alabama.

3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Sergeant MELVIN PUGH (34398236), by the Commanding General, this headquarters, as published in General Orders #25, dated 16 October 1943, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended. The citation is as follows:

Sergeant MELVIN PUGH, (34398236), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cora Pugh, (mother), Arkadelphia, Alabama.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

  
PHILIP S. ST ONGE,  
Major, AGD,  
Actg Adj General.

G. P. ROBBINS,  
Colonel, GSC,  
Chief of Staff.

AGES-DA 201, Giliberto, Frank D.  
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10 July 1951

SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Amendment of General Orders

TO: Corporal Frank D. Giliberto  
Company G 60th Infantry Regiment  
9th Infantry Division  
Fort Dix, New Jersey

So much of General Orders 89 Headquarters, 43rd Infantry Division dated 30 March 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Staff Sergeant Frank D. Giliberto, 20 130 632, which reads "for wounds received in action in Haanga Island, New Georgia, on 8 August 1943", is amended to read "for wounds received in action in Haanga Island, New Georgia on 17 August 1943."

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

*W A Leary*  
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Major JAMES R. RUHLIN (O-360769), General Staff Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the planning phase of the Luzon campaign at Aitape, New Guinea, from 12 December 1944 to 25 December 1944, and during the Luzon operations from 9 January 1945 to 17 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helena C. Ruhlín (wife), 5 Grove Street Court, Bangor, Maine.

Captain PAUL W. RYAN (O-1697649), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January-16 February 1945. Home address: Marion C. Ryan (wife), 3811-A, 28th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Corporal CLAUDE J. SAUCIER (38171151), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy at Barric Balacpalac, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 January 1945. Corporal Saucier and another soldier were in a foxhole when they were attacked by three enemy soldiers. Corporal Saucier fired and killed one of the enemy soldiers as he approached his hole. The other American soldier, completely out of ammunition, leaped out of his hole and engaged the other two enemy soldiers in hand-to-hand combat. Corporal Saucier, armed with a pistol, also leaped out of his hole to aid his comrade and succeeded in killing the remaining two enemy soldiers. During this entire engagement enemy snipers continued firing at Corporal Saucier. In risking his life to aid a comrade who was being overpowered by two enemy soldiers, Corporal Saucier displayed a gallant and heroic act which saved the life of his comrade. Home address: Benita Saucier (mother), General Delivery, Plaucheville, Louisiana.

Private First Class CHARLES L. SMITH (14052920), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in action against the enemy at Damortis, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Private Smith was a member of a special patrol which furnished protection for a group of engineers whose mission was the destruction of a large enemy supply dump. To reach the objective it was necessary to pass through enemy-held territory, which was under constant observation of enemy positions in adjacent hills. Private Smith worked with the patrol in advance of the engineers and assisted in a speedy reconnaissance of the objective area that enabled the engineers to begin their work immediately upon arrival. During the demoli-

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(Pfc Charles L. Smith)

tion operations he maintained a constant vigilance that insured the safety of the workers. The entire dump was completely destroyed depriving the enemy of valuable stores. Private Smith's courage, his well-disciplined conduct and his spirited performance contributed greatly to the success of the mission. Home address: John D. Smith (father), 12 Epting Avenue, Greenwood, South Carolina.

Staff Sergeant GEORGE SOLIANI (30047034), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea during the period 17 July 1944 to 3 September 1944. Home address: Mr. Cangio Soliani, Perkins Street, Torrington, Connecticut.

Major WILLIAM A. STEBBINS (O-327850), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the planning stage of the Luzon operations at Aitape, New Guinea from 1 December 1944 to 25 December 1944, and during the Luzon operations from 9 January 1945 to 17 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dora F. Stebbins (wife), 39 St. Paul Street, Montpelier, Vermont.

Technician Grade IV ALFRED F. VIOLETTE (31042401), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Bunday, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill 355 from across a river resulted in many casualties. Assaulting companies had advanced several hundred yards up the hill and the enemy succeeded in cutting their supply route with machine gun, mortar and sniper fire, causing evacuation during daylight hours extremely hazardous. Sergeant Violette volunteered to accompany a litter party to help in evacuating the wounded after dark. Carrying litters over rugged terrain under heavy enemy fire, he aided in evacuating two casualties. Due to Sergeant Violette's voluntary service, his courageous and heroic action, the lives of two men were saved. Home address: Mrs. Sophie Violette (mother), 3 Divinity Street, Bristol, Connecticut.

Technician Grade V LOUIS M. WAGNER (38453589), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355 at Bunday, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. The assault on Hill 355 from across a river resulted in many casualties. Assaulting companies had advanced several hundred yards up the hill and the enemy succeeded in cutting the supply route with machine gun, mortar and sniper fire, causing evacuation during daylight hours extremely hazardous. Corporal Wagner volunteered to accompany a litter party to evacuate the wounded after dark. Carrying litters over rugged terrain under heavy enemy fire, he aided in the evacuation of six wounded men. Corporal Wagner's voluntary service and his courageous, heroic action contributed largely to the saving of six men's lives. Home address: Mrs. Mary Inez Wagner (mother), General Delivery, Lavernia, Texas.

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Second Lieutenant GILBERT V. WARREN (O-2037106), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 355, Bunday, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 January 1945. Lieutenant Warren was in charge of the communication section assigned the task of laying wire to the assault companies. During the advance, the trail to the rear was cut by the enemy causing evacuation of casualties during daylight hours extremely hazardous. Lieutenant Warren volunteered to lead a litter party to evacuate a seriously wounded man. Leaving after dark in hopes of escaping enemy observation, he successfully completed the four-hour trip over rugged terrain to the aid station. Lieutenant Warren was a member of the first litter party to venture the travel of the trail cut by the enemy, and by his heroic action aided in the saving of a wounded man's life. Home address: Mrs. Edith L. Warren (wife), 416 Brockenridge Street, Helena, Montana.

Captain JOSEPH (MMI) WELKER (O-388334), Infantry, United States Army. For exceptionally meritorious service in the performance of outstanding services in the preparation and execution of the shore-to-shore movement plan of the Division in the invasion of Luzon, at Aitape, New Guinea during the period 8 October 1944 to 9 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. L.M. Welker (mother), 827 North Euclid Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant CLARENCE J. WERY (36451134), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service performed in action against the enemy on Hill 580, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Given the mission of seizing Hill 580 the company, of which Sergeant Wery is a member, reached the crest of the hill at which point the enemy made a strong counterattack employing machine guns, mortars and grenades. Casualties were heavy and the troops were ordered to seek more tenable positions. Sergeant Wery dragged two wounded comrades down the slope of the hill, stopping several times to deliver effective fire against the enemy. Though slightly wounded in this action and refusing to be evacuated himself, Sergeant Wery displayed great courage and determination in saving the lives of two men. Home Address: Mrs. Rose Wery (mother), 311 Searsville Avenue, Mononoc, Michigan.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

PHILIP A. ...  
Major, IGD  
Actg Adj General

C. P. DORRIS  
Colonel, GSC  
Chief of Staff

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HEADQUARTERS 43d INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

30 March 1945.

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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL

1. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class SAMUEL F. ALLEN, (20604916), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Carrie B. LeFever (mother), 527th South 12th Street, Springfield, Illinois.

Private First Class MARION W. BARGERON, (20407892), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Natangalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Carter Bargeron, (mother), RFD #1, Perkins, Georgia.

Second Lieutenant ROBERT R. BAUR, (01316002), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Robert R. Baur (wife), Fenzel Apartments # 12, Congress Street, Athens, Ohio.

Private WILLIAM A. BIRMINGHAM, (36584600), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Emma V. Birmingham, (mother), 11273 Glenfield Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Corporal CHARLIE B. BOSTWICK, (35473626), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bell Thacker, (mother), Lothair, Kentucky.

Private First Class ROBERT E. CLOSE, (39336162), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Abbie J. Close, (mother), 1337 Englewood Avenue, Waterloo, Iowa.

Private CALVIN D. COPELAND, (6266435), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 2 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Copeland, (wife), Route #1, Mesquite, Texas.

Private First Class GREEN A. COX, (34276831), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action on New Georgia Island (Solomons Group), on 29 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Betsy Dickson Cox, (mother), Route #1, Brandon, Mississippi.

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Technician Grade V KENNETH G. HATHAWAY, (20125650), Signal Corps, United States Army. For wounds received in action while on board an LST, near Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Hathaway, (mother), 24 Crescent Avenue, Riverside, Rhode Island.

Technician Grade V SAMUEL H. KAPLAN, (20104339), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Kaplan, (mother), 75 Oak Street, Port Chester, New York.

Second Lieutenant DANFORTH J. KNAFLA, (01181330), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Hill 1500, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. John Knafila, (mother), 608 Broadway, Saul Rapids, Minnesota.

First Lieutenant SIDNEY P. LANIER, (01170819), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. P. H. Lanier, (mother), 12 West 32nd Street, Savannah, Georgia.

Private First Class RALPH G. MCMURRY (34595925), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Hill 665, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Corene McMurry (wife), Route #1, Lawn Dale, North Carolina.


Corporal DONALD E. MAURICE, (37090370), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Joseph Maurice, (father), Woonsocket, South Dakota.

Private JIMMY MILLER, (39578930), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action in the vicinity of Hill 1700, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Geraldine B. Miller (wife), Colorado River Indian Agency, Parker, Arizona.

Private DAVID B. MORRIS, (39590924), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action in the vicinity of Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle Morris, (mother), 1415 Garibaldi, Temple City, California.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

  
PHILIP S. ST ONCE,  
Major, AGD,  
Actg. Adj. General.

C. P. ROBBINS,  
Colonel, GSC,  
Chief of Staff

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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL

1. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Sergeant STEVEN J. HEINRICH, (36167503), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Heinrich, (mother), 18618 Fairport Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Captain ANDREW MAFFEI, (0301495), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Palguyod, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jennie M. Maffei, (wife), 59 Holly Place, Stamford, Connecticut.

*Rev. by 302538 22 May 45*  
\*Private First Class EDWARD M. PAYNE, (34495590), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lou Ella Payne (mother), Route #2, Huntingdon, Tennessee.

Corporal FRANK PERRY JR., (20153587), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary P. Perry, (wife), 82 Miles Avenue, East Providence, Rhode Island.

Corporal MELVIN W. PFLUM, (36221745), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Erving Pflum, (brother), 208 Wisconsin Avenue, Tomahawk, Wisconsin.

Corporal EDWARD P. RABLOWSKY, (20747544), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Joe Maketsky, (guardian), 307 North 3rd Street, Aberdeen, South Dakota.

Second Lieutenant ARTHUR SEIDMAN, (01169330), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action near Courgingan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lilyan Seidman, (wife), 256 A. Sutter Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

Private First Class PETER P. SERAFIN, (33611128), Medical Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Palguyod, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Serafin, (wife), 64 Bergh Street, Madison, Pennsylvania.

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Sergeant DUANE C. SJOBLON, (39679897), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Amaline, Luzon, Philippine Islands at 3 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary M. Sjoblom, (wife), Box #106, Draper, Utah.

Technician Grade V WILLIAM J. SKIDD JR., (20133020), Medical Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Palguyod, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Home address: Mr. William J. Skidd, (father), Oakfield Drive, South Norwalk, Connecticut.

Lieutenant Colonel LEON P. SUTTON, (0265576), Ordnance, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Beach White #2, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Kathryn M. Sutton, (wife), 67 Humbolt Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island.

Staff Sergeant MICHAEL B. TABORELLI, (20152635), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Palguyod, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Grace Taborelli, (mother), 58 Bergen Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Technician Grade V OTIS P. TUCKER, (16070053), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Richard Tucker, (father), 1926 South 2nd Street, Louisville, Kentucky.

Private First Class JOHN H. WOERNER, (38556223), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cecile M. Woerner, (mother), 206 Military Drive, San Antonio, Texas.


Private First Class SIDNEY H. WOOD, (20153720), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Amagbagan, Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary L. Wood, (mother), 98 Anthony Avenue, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

Staff Sergeant WALTER S. ZAJAC, (31022355), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Sacob Hill, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Zajac, (wife), 17 Jefferson Street, Meriden, Connecticut.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL

1. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Private First Class EDWARD M. ANDERSON, (38287632), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sarah A. Anderson, (mother), Route #2, Bonham, Texas.

Private First Class EDWARD L. BERRY, (39209120), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Dan A. Berry, (father), Box 162, Snoqualmie Falls, Washington.

Private First Class ROBERT W. CARVER, (42073497), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nora Carver, (mother), 129 Glenwood Avenue, East Orange, New Jersey.

Private First Class BENNIE L. FUNDERBURG, (38471163), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rhoda C. Funderburg, (mother), General Delivery, Wilburton, Oklahoma.

Private First Class JAMES E. GREENWALT, (36694094) Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cora R. Dugan, (mother), 202 Sue Street, Carlinville, Illinois.

First Sergeant PAUL MCLAUGHLIN (31020289), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 January 1945. Home address: Mr. George T. McLaughlin, (father), Hill Street, Barre, Vermont.

Technical Sergeant CHARLES L. MYERS, (31020198), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lillian Charbonneau, (sister), 141 North Winsoski Avenue, Burlington, Vermont.

Second Lieutenant CARL L. PAGE, (01314319), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. E. V. Page, (mother), Erick, Oklahoma.

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Sergeant JOSEPH R. PANOC, (31361853), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Panoc, (wife), 14 Downing Street, Fall River, Massachusetts.

Private EDWARD W. RIMKUS, (36534086), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Rimkus, (mother), 326 Chartiers Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant HENRY J. RYBICKI, (36706505), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Rybacka, (mother), 1086 North Pauline Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class BILL SCHNEIDER, (39859836), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Schneider, (wife), 303 South Pleasant Street, Prescott, Arizona.

Private GEORGE E. SHELDON, (31340077), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude H. Sheldon, (mother), RFD #1, Poultney, Vermont.

Sergeant JOSEPH TAIBAIN, (36316064), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Carolina Trzhotko, (mother), 5008 South Kedvale Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.


Private First Class JAMES E. WILLIAMS, (37607850), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action in the vicinity of Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Louise C. Williams, (mother), Route #1, Eldorado, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH F. WYZKOSKI, (33401728), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Wyzkoski, (wife), 5066 Vensel Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

*Rec'd by HQ # 79 - Apr. 9, 1945*  
\*Staff Sergeant WARREN E. BRAINERD (20129773), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Hill 355, Binday, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 January 1945. Several casualties were sustained in the attack on the hill and Sergeant Brainerd risked his life to give first aid to the wounded and had them removed to the rear. During the time when the platoon sergeant undertook the job of handling casualties, Sergeant Brainerd assumed command of the platoon. He led the attack forward through heavy enemy fire wherever the fight was thickest, and was the first man to reach the top of the hill, arriving almost simultaneously with the tanks. Sergeant Brainerd's extraordinary daring, his courage and superb leadership were an inspiration to all the men with him and the biggest factor in the capture of Hill 355. Home address: Mrs. Lillian Brainerd (mother), East Street, Middletown, Connecticut.

Captain EDWARD S. HOE III (O-1292524), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Hill 600 in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 January 1945. Our troops attacking at the hill's summit were under heavy mortar and machine gun fire from the enemy. Tanks working in support of the troops were unable to dislodge the enemy due to the difficult and unsuitable terrain, and were apparently drawing enemy fire resulting in two casualties. Not giving adequate support in this typical terrain, the tanks were ordered to withdraw but failed to recognize the signal. Captain Hoe, with disregard for his personal safety, went forward to the tank area, shouted and hammered upon the tanks until orders were understood. When the tanks withdrew enemy fire ceased. Captain Hoe undoubtedly saved lives in the platoon and showed exemplary devotion to duty and heroism in the face of heavy enemy action. Home address: Faythe M. Hoe (mother), Spring Brook Road, Morristown, New Jersey.

Private HEROLD W. HUFFSTUTLER (19102539), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Hill 580, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. In the attack on the hill the company, of which Private Huffstutler, medical aid man, is a member, reached