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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

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GENERAL ORDER  
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ORIGINAL ORDER -

27 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #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:

Captain WINDSOR S. CARPENTER (O-371702), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Sinoloan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 April 1945. Enemy small arms and automatic fire held up the forward progress of forward elements of a battalion. Captain Carpenter, Commanding Officer of Headquarters Company, without orders from his superiors, personally made a reconnaissance of the enemy positions in order to determine their strength and disposition. In so doing, Captain Carpenter exposed himself to the enemy fire directed at him. After killing one Jap during his solo maneuver, Captain Carpenter returned and led his company around the enemy position with a minimum loss of personnel and time, which helped materially in accomplishing the battalion's mission. This act of heroism by Captain Carpenter demonstrated coolness under fire, courage above and beyond the call of duty and exceptional judgment in carrying out an excellent tactical plan during a critical situation. Home address: Mrs. George S. Carpenter (mother), 11 Cliff Street, Melrose, Massachusetts.

Private First Class EVERETT C. FARRON (20148508), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January 1945 to 25 May 1945. Private Farron was assigned to Service Battery of a Field Artillery Battalion as aid man. During this entire period he administered first aid to members of his battery in a most creditable manner. On many occasions he volunteered for extra duties. During the Ipo Dam operations under adverse conditions, when the exigency of transporting ammunition and essential supplies to the forward elements of the battalion became great, Private Farron voluntarily offered his services. He drove continuously for a period of 36 hours as a relief ammunition train driver, and personally assisted in the loading and unloading of ammunition. In one particular instance Private Farron volunteered to perform the hazardous task of hauling and transporting artillery ammunition to the foremost positions. When a shortage of personnel evolved through combat attrition, Private Farron never hesitated to volunteer for any assignment upon call. Private Farron's exemplary conduct, his outstanding and voluntary performance of manifold duties, and his inimitable daring were an inspiration to his fellow countrymen and set him aside as an exceptional soldier. Home address: Mr. Elmer E. Farron (father), Columbia Falls, Maine.

\* Home address added by 20 393 - June 29, 1945  
Corporal ENRICO P. MONTEMARANO (32108977), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 April 1945. Corporal Montemarano was a member of an artillery forward observer party which accompanied a patrol of infantrymen and attached guerrillas. The patrol

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was subjected to heavy enemy machine gun crossfire and knee-mortar fire from strategic enemy positions installed under cover of darkness. The patrol leader then ordered the men to seek more tenable positions in a designated assembly area. In order to safely evacuate the radio, it was necessary to disconnect the battery pack from the radio. This was accomplished by Corporal Montemarano and another man, both of whom worked under intense enemy fire, intermittently attempting to disconnect the cable. Corporal Montemarano and his comrade then carried the two component parts of the radio into the cramped foxhole occupied by the two men, and here strapped the parts to their backs. When this was accomplished, Corporal Montemarano dashed across open terrain in the face of enemy crossfire and succeeded in reaching the assembly area. In his gallant act in helping to prevent vital Government property from falling into enemy hands, Corporal Montemarano displayed untiring efforts, perseverance and keen devotion to duty. Home address: *Mr. Enzo Montemarano (mother)*  
*657 Carroll Street, Bklyn, N.Y.*

Technician Grade IV EDGAR RUSHTON (33084220), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 April 1945. Sergeant Rushton was a member of an artillery forward observer party which accompanied a patrol of infantrymen and attached guerrillas. The patrol was subjected to heavy enemy machine gun crossfire and knee-mortar fire from strategic enemy positions installed under cover of darkness. The patrol leader then ordered the men to seek more tenable positions in a designated assembly area. In order to safely evacuate the radio, it was necessary to disconnect the battery pack from the radio. This was accomplished by Sergeant Rushton and his comrade, who both worked under intense fire, intermittently attempting to disconnect the cable. Sergeant Rushton and his companion then carried the two component parts of the radio into the cramped foxhole occupied by the two men, and here strapped the parts to their backs. When this was accomplished, Sergeant Rushton dashed across open terrain in the face of enemy crossfire and succeeded in reaching the assembly area. In his gallant act in helping to prevent vital Government property from falling into enemy hands, Sergeant Rushton displayed untiring efforts, perseverance and keen devotion to duty. Home address: Mr. Edith Rushton (mother), 1136 Overington Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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26 June 1945.

SECTION I --AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL

SECTION II -AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (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 enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant ALFRED P. COCCE, (31023971), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Rendova, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 2 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Lena M. Cocce, (mother), 60 Norman Avenue, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

Private First Class CHARLES E. HAMPTON, (37259284), Cavalry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose E. Hampton, (wife), c/o W. J. Earnhill, Route #1, Harrisburg, Arkansas.

Corporal ROBERT L. HEUSER, (37003574), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lona Heuser, (wife), c/o Roy Carson, White City, Kansas.

Private RENE G. LA BONTE, (34205158), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Rendova, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 2 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Louise S. La Bonte, (wife), 1742 North West 49th Street, Miami, Florida.

Private First Class SALVATORE N. LAMAGNA, (20130644), Infantry, U.S. Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 11 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Lena Lamagna, (mother), 18 Park Avenue, Thompsonville, Connecticut.

Private LESTER C. LAW, (35808212), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lou Ann Law, (wife), Route #2, Dunmore, Kentucky.

Sergeant THOMAS R. MADDEN, (38014801), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Rendova, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 2 July 1943. Home address: Miss Marie Madden, (sister), 8028 South Ellis Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class AUGUSTINE P. RICCI, (31023804), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Rendova, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 2 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Ricci, (mother), 85 Alexander Street, North Providence, Rhode Island.

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SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class JOSEPH ALBANESE, (42016679), Field Artillery, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph 1, Section III, General Orders #14, 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 against the enemy in the vicinity of Sal, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 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 Corporal ROBERT L. HEUSER, (37003574), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #379, 26 June 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:

Corporal ROBERT L. HEUSER, (37003574), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mona Heuser, (wife), c/o Roy Carson, White City, Kansas.

3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Corporal ROBERT L. HEUSER, (37003574), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #379, 26 June 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:

Corporal ROBERT L. HEUSER, (37003574), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Say Bam Bam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mona Heuser, (wife), c/o Roy Carson, White City, Kansas.

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26 June 1945

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUSLY)  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE SILVER 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 man:

Captain ARTHUR H. BIJUR (O-1633672), Signal Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 January 1945. Captain Bijur, commanding officer of a signal company, had his men bivouacked near San Fabian. During the night the enemy laid down an artillery barrage and the bursting shells came closer and closer to his company's area. With complete disregard for his own safety, Captain Bijur crawled out of his foxhole, moved about his men and warned them to get to safety as the bracket of fire would bring the shells through the bivouac area. Shortly after his last words of warning were given, an enemy shell landed within a few feet of him, taking his life. Captain Bijur's keen devotion to duty, loyal consideration for his men and great courage as shown by his gallant act at the cost of his life, were an inspiration to his men which will long be remembered. Next of kin: Mr. Nathan I. Bijur (father), 242 Bath Avenue, Long Branch, New Jersey.

Sergeant LEROY BOWERS (15114497), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on New Georgia Island, British Solomon Islands, on 17 July 1945. Sergeant Bowers was assistant platoon leader in the defense platoon of the Division command post during the New Georgia operations. In the late afternoon while the Division command post personnel were digging in for the night in the vicinity of the Munda Trail, information disclosed that large Jap patrols had broken through our front lines and were headed in the direction of the Division command post. Sergeant Bowers immediately assisted in supervising the perimeter defense which was manned by the general staff section personnel, the kitchen crew and Fijian scouts augmented by thirty members of a nearby field artillery battalion. After darkness the enemy attacked the perimeter with rifle, machine gun and grenade fire. The perimeter defense members retaliated with the same type of fire but with such effectiveness that the attackers were twice thrown back. At this point Sergeant Bowers, realizing the exigency for more ammunition, voluntarily left the protection of his foxhole and cognizant of the danger from both friendly and enemy fire, crawled approximately 30 yards through underbrush and across a small open space where he obtained more ammunition. He then loaded himself with machine gun belts and rifle bandoliers and crawled from hole to hole partially distributing the ammunition. During the course of his movement he was instantly killed by machine gun fire. Sergeant Bowers' appreciation of the danger, his initiative, his devotion to duty and zeal in his assignment were outstanding factors in successfully repulsing the enemy attack and a never-ending inspiration to his comrades. Next of kin: Mr. Dudley J. Bowers (brother), 2955 Sixth Avenue, Huntington, West Virginia.

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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 and enlisted man:

First Lieutenant JOHN R. ARMETTA (O-1323794), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 April 1945. Lieutenant Armetta and other members of his company were occupying a hill when an enemy group cleverly sneaked behind the hill and placed a machine gun in a strategic position. At the sound of the initial burst of fire, Lieutenant Armetta jumped up, viewed the situation hurriedly, and with complete disregard for his personal safety made his way through an area swept by the deadly fire until he reached a position from which he obtained effective observation. He then directed mortar fire on the enemy position with such accuracy that the second round knocked the machine gun out of action. It was due to Lieutenant Armetta's quick thinking and his cool and collected conduct under fire that undoubtedly saved the small group from severe casualties. Home address: Mrs. Bulalic Armetta (wife), 2336 Greenfield Avenue N.W., Los Angeles, California.

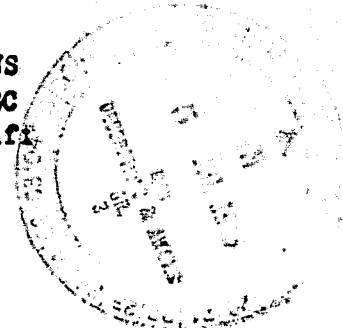
Private GEORGE F. KING (35885095), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 May 1945. Private King and another comrade were in a foxhole on the company's perimeter defense line. During the night the enemy attacked the line spearheading its main salient in the direction of Private King's position. The fierceness of the enemy's determined attack was so great that Private King's position became impaled. The adjacent foxhole to the left of Private King's position was over-run by the enemy, resulting in two casualties. Two foxholes to the right of Private King's position suffered a similar fate, with four casualties. Nevertheless, Private King and his comrade continued the bitter fight against great odds with great courage and audacity, heaving grenades and delivering automatic fire. They held their position tenaciously, taking a toll of seven enemy lives and inflicting many casualties, holding off the enemy long enough to enable the company to rush more men to fill the open gaps. In this gallant and courageous act, Private King displayed admirable qualities of determination and dependability, and aided in a large measure to stave the fanatic charges of the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Mae King (wife), Route #2, Kingston, Ohio.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #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 enlisted men:

Technician Grade IV AUSTIN V. CATTERTON, (20406307), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 February 1945. The litter squad, of which Sergeant Catterton was a member, was engaged in evacuating wounded from two Battalion Aid Stations to a Medical Collecting Company. On 5 February, Sergeant Catterton, his squad, and a carrying party of about one hundred Filipinos, while making the return trip with food and medical supplies, encountered an enemy trail block, consisting of light machine guns and small arms fire. The carrying party dispersed, but Sergeant Catterton, with the aid of the rest of his squad, succeeded in rounding up the entire group and led them safely through territory heavily infiltrated by the enemy. Sergeant Catterton's courage, determination, and heroism unquestionably contributed to the success of the mission. Home address: Mrs. Lottie H. Catterton, (mother), 290 Palmetto Avenue, Melbourne, Florida.

REV. BY CG # 531 - 4 August 1945

Technician Grade IV WILLIAM A. PERRETT, (20129334), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 February 1945. The litter squad, of which Sergeant Perrett was a member, was engaged in evacuating wounded from two Battalion Aid Stations to a Medical Clearing Company. On 5 February, Sergeant Perrett, his squad, and a carrying party of about one hundred Filipinos, while making the return trip with food and medical supplies, encountered an enemy trail block, consisting of light machine guns and small arms fire. The carrying party dispersed, but Sergeant Perrett, with the aid of the rest of his squad, succeeded in rounding up the entire group and led them safely through territory heavily infiltrated by the enemy. Sergeant Perrett's courage, determination, and heroism unquestionably contributed to the success of the mission. Home address: Mrs. Eva M. Perrett, (mother), 357 Woodbridge Street, Manchester, Connecticut.

REV. BY CG # 642 - 4 August 1945

Technician Grade V RALPH E. SHELL, (35454018), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 February 1945. The litter squad, of which Corporal Shell was a member, was engaged in evacuating wounded from two Battalion Aid Stations to a Medical Clearing Company. On 5 February, Corporal Shell, his squad, and a carrying party of about one hundred Filipinos, while making the return trip with food and medical supplies, encountered an enemy trail block, consisting of light machine guns and small arms fire. The carrying party dispersed, but Corporal Shell, with the aid of the rest of his squad, succeeded in rounding up the entire group and led them safely through territory heavily infiltrated by the enemy. Corporal Shell's courage, determination, and heroism unquestionably contributed to the success

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~~of the mission. Home address: Mrs. Ella H. Shell, (mother), West Union,  
Ohio.~~

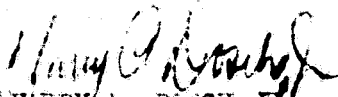
Sergeant GABRIEL L. SZITAS, (36130791), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 February 1945. The litter squad, of which Sergeant Szitas was a member, was engaged in evacuating wounded from two Battalion Aid Stations to a Medical Clearing Company. On 5 February, Sergeant Szitas, his squad, and a carrying party of about one hundred Filipinos, while making the return trip with food and ~~medical~~ supplies, encountered an enemy trail block, consisting of light machine guns and small arms fire. The carrying party dispersed, but Sergeant Szitas, with the aid of the rest of his squad, succeeded in rounding up the entire group and led them safely through territory heavily infiltrated by the enemy. Sergeant Szitas' courage, determination, and heroism unquestionably contributed to the success of the mission. Home address: Mrs. Barbara Vollmerhausen, (mother), 268 Bielle Avenue, Wyandotte, Michigan.

Technician Grade V NORMAN A. WOOD, (20143799), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 February 1945. The litter squad, of which Corporal Wood was a member, was engaged in evacuating wounded from two Battalion Aid Stations to a Medical Clearing Company. On 5 February, Corporal Wood, his squad, and a carrying party of about one hundred Filipinos, while making the return trip with food and medical supplies, encountered an enemy trail block, consisting of light machine guns and small arms fire. The carrying party dispersed, but Corporal Wood, with the aid of the rest of his squad, succeeded in rounding up the entire group and led them safely through territory heavily infiltrated by the enemy. Corporal Wood's courage, determination and heroism unquestionably contributed to the success of the mission. Home address: Mr. Leslie N. Wood, (father), 214 Lake Street, Auburn, Maine.

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ORIGINAL ORDER -

26 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #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 enlisted men:

Private First Class BATTIE W. COLTRANE (33024717), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy along Highway #21, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 March 1945. Private Coltrane was a member of a small reconnaissance patrol, assigned the mission of reconnoitering the high ground parallel to Highway #21 to secure information of enemy activity and to find a suitable detrucking and assembly area for friendly infantry troops prior to an attack into the Santa Maria Valley. The mission was accomplished despite the very difficult terrain travelled at night, and the time limitation in reporting the information back to headquarters. Private Coltrane's outstanding courage and exceptional devotion to duty contributed in a large measure to the success of the operation. Home address: Mr. Kyle Coltrane (father), Route #7, Box #121, Greensboro, North Carolina.

Private First Class FRANK J. GALMO (20134657), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period March 1944 to 20 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose Galmo (mother), 117 Babcock Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

Corporal ELVIE A. HOLMES (31023741), Ordnance, 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 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Verna Holmes (mother), Somerset County, Norridgewock, Maine.

Private ARMAND C. LABBE (31153672), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Santa Maria Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 March 1945. Private Labbe was on a reconnaissance patrol to secure vital information on enemy activity. The mission was accomplished despite the difficult terrain to be travelled at night, and the time limitation in reporting the information back to headquarters. Private Labbe's outstanding courage and exceptional devotion to duty contributed in a large measure to the success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Laura Labbe (mother), 190 Park Street, Lewiston, Maine.

Technical Sergeant JAMES J. LANGAN (32036534), Ordnance, 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 24 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna E. Langan (mother), 378 Marilla Street, Buffalo, New York.

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Corporal JOHN J. MERLINO (39018120), Ordnance, 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 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Merlino (wife), Box 314, S. San Antonio, Texas.

First Sergeant FREDERICK J. PHILLIPS (20135331), Ordnance, 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 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Grace L. Phillips (mother), 63 Howard Street, New London, Connecticut.

Private First Class FRANK SCHAHDWALD JR. (36170489), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy along Highway #21, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 March 1945. Private Schadwald was a member of a reconnaissance patrol, assigned the mission of reconnoitering the high ground parallel to Highway #21 to secure information of enemy activity and to find a suitable detrucking and assembly area for friendly infantry troops prior to an attack into the Santa Maria Valley. The mission was accomplished despite the difficult terrain to be travelled at night, and the time limitation in reporting the information back to headquarters. Private Schadwald's outstanding courage and exceptional devotion to duty contributed in a large measure to the success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Dela Schadwald (mother), Route #3, Deerfield, Michigan.

Technician Grade IV GERALD L. WELCH (20134948), Ordnance, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period 1 December 1944 to 24 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nabel Welch (mother), Waterbury, Vermont.

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26 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE SILVER 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 by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Technician Grade V NORMAN L. BROWN (20132844), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 May 1945. Corporal Brown, a radio operator of a forward observer party, was attached to a guerrilla force in the attack on Ipo Dam. Upon reaching the summit of a hill, the small force came under heavy enemy shelling and concentrated sniper fire. The intensity of the enemy fire became so great that the men were ordered to abandon their positions immediately. In so doing they were forced to leave behind some of their equipment. Realizing the necessity of communications, and on his own initiative, Corporal Brown crawled back up the hill, strapped his radio on his back, and crawled back approximately 200 yards to a zone of safety. During the entire period of twenty-five minutes Corporal Brown crawled under withering enemy fire which was landing close to him. From his comparatively safe position he used his radio to contact the fire direction center of his battalion and assisted the forward observer in adjusting friendly fire on the enemy positions. As a result of the well-directed artillery fire, the enemy positions were neutralized, thus enabling friendly troops to seize their objective. Corporal Brown's bravery, initiative and foresight are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Bessie Brown (mother), 36 Elmwood Avenue, South Norwalk, Connecticut.

Private First Class JOHN G. HOHOL (36352495), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 May 1945. Private Hohol, a radio operator with a forward observer section, volunteered to proceed to a draw in enemy-held territory for the purpose of recovering an artillery "610" radio which had been abandoned by another operator during a Jap ambush. Private Hohol casually made his way, succeeded in locating the radio and safely returned with it, completing a round-trip of 1400 yards under intermittent enemy rifle and machine gun fire. On another occasion while Private Hohol was at an infantry command post, the forward observer, before going to his observation post, authorized Private Hohol to fire the mission in an emergency. Meanwhile, an enemy artillery gun began firing from the rear and shells were landing within 100 yards of Private Hohol's position. With little training in the conduct of fire, and with no practical experience, Private Hohol immediately adjusted the fire and fired for effect. As a result of his accurate judgment, the enemy gun was silenced. In this action, Private Hohol displayed outstanding initiative and a technical mastery exceptional in a man of his rank. His courage, rare judgment and resourcefulness involving deliberate exposure to enemy fire aided immeasurably in saving friendly lives and a tactically invaluable piece of Government property. Home address: Mrs. Johanna Hohol (mother), 1521 West 38th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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Corporal RALPH W. THURSTON (30153440), (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the Ipo Dan operation, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. Corporal Thurston was assigned as a member of a forward observer party in the attack on the dan. In one instance while under intense enemy artillery fire, an enemy shell landed in a pile of WP and HE mortar ammunition, exploding WP shells which started a fire in the mortar ammunition dump. Corporal Thurston, alone, voluntarily left the security of his foxhole and without regard for his own safety, worked fearlessly and completely exposed in his attempt to put out the fire until he finally succeeded. This gallant act by Corporal Thurston undoubtedly saved many infantrymen's lives who were in shelter nearby, and is in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Florence M. Thurston (mother), 25 Massie Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island.

First Lieutenant JOHN W. WYNE (O-524103), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 March 1945. Lieutenant Wyne was an artillery liaison plane pilot working in coordination with a field artillery battalion. On one occasion information disclosed a suspected Jap movement in a given location and Lieutenant Wyne was called upon to observe. During a difficult take-off his plane was nearly wrecked due to high gusty winds, but Lieutenant Wyne reached the area where he identified approximately 200 Japs in a column with several vehicles moving along a road. He immediately adjusted artillery fire on the target with devastating results, inflicting many casualties on the enemy and disabling his vehicles. When the bombers arrived, Lieutenant Wyne directed them to the exact location of the enemy position through the use of artillery smoke shells. The bombing, strafing and shelling resulted in numerous fires and rendered the area untenable to the Japs. Lieut Wyne chose to remain over the area and adjusted additional artillery fire on disorganized groups of the enemy as they fled. Lieutenant Wyne's voluntary and gallant action in executing a hazardous air observation mission played a conspicuous role in destroying a formidable Jap force which was opposing two friendly battalions. Home address: Mrs. Betty L. Wyne (wife), 15827 Friend Avenue, Maple Heights, Ohio.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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26 June 1945

SECTION I---AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL  
SECTION II--AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #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:

Captain GEORGE T. BARNETT, (0412270), Dental Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during period of 1 November 1943 to 31 July 1944. Home address: Mrs. Helen M. Barnett, (wife), 90 Howard Avenue, Meriden, Connecticut.

First Lieutenant VIRGIL N. CORDERO, JR., (0465340), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 30 April 1945 to 30 May 1945. Lieutenant Cordero assisted in organizing guerrilla forces into an effective striking force for the assault upon Ipo Dam. Serving as Operations Officer, and as Adjutant of this guerrilla force, Lieutenant Cordero's initiative, ability, and aggressiveness were displayed in such an exemplary manner as to be an inspiration to the men of his force, and materially effected the swift success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Kirby M. Cordero, (wife), 205 East 32d Street, Bryan, Texas.

First Lieutenant WALTER L. GODBEY, (01550171), Ordnance, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 9 January 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen H. Godbey, (wife), 405 Poplar Street, Wamego, Kansas.

Captain ELMER R. HART, (02042921), Ordnance, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 9 January 1945 to 14 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lois Marion Hart (wife), Puhuni Road, Papatoetoe, Auckland, New Zealand.

Lieutenant Colonel KENNETH R. SCURR, (0179553), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Noemfoor, Netherlands East Indies, during period 2 July 1944 to 31 August 1944. Lieutenant Colonel Scurr, Commanding Officer of a Field Artillery Battalion, landed with the assault wave under enemy fire in order that proper and rapid reconnaissance would be made to expedite the delivery of artillery fire. As a result of his efforts, the battalion was able to respond quickly by placing fire soon after its debarkation. Colonel Scurr's constant and aggressive reconnaissance in forward areas greatly enhanced the efficiency and effectiveness of the battalion's artillery fire.

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throughout the Noemfoor Campaign. Colonel Scurr's outstanding leadership, personal courage, and devotion to duty were an inspiration to the members of his command and contributed in a large degree to the success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Kenneth R. Scurr, (wife), Pierre, South Dakota.

SECTION 1

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Lieutenant Colonel KENNETH R. SCURR, (0179563), Field Artillery, by Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, as published in Section I, General Orders #374, dated 26 June 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of the Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Lieutenant Colonel KENNETH R. SCURR, (0179563), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 11 January 1945 to 31 January 1945. Colonel Scurr, Commanding Officer of a Field Artillery Battalion, landed on hostile shores with the earliest waves and personally expedite the setting up of his batteries and deliver artillery fire against the enemy at the earliest possible moment. As his batteries rolled onto the beaches, Colonel Scurr was able to point out the firing positions without delay or confusion. As soon as the initial objectives were gained by the ground units, under the artillery's continuous cover, Colonel Scurr advanced with the foot troops, making personal liaison and reconnaissances to place efficient and effective fire against the enemy. Colonel Scurr's splendid leadership, keen judgment and extraordinary fidelity were an inspiration to the members of his command and contributed substantially to the success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Kenneth R. Scurr, (wife), Pierre, South Dakota.

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain MAURICE EDELSTEIN, (0345169), Medical Corps, by this headquarters, as published in General Orders #370, dated 23 June 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain MAURICE EDELSTEIN (0345169), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Ipo Dam Sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 15 May 1945 to 20 May 1945. Home address: Mr. J. Edelstein, (father), 99 Terrace Avenue, Hempstead, Long Island, New York.

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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GENERAL ORDERS  
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24 June 1945

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR (OSK LEAF CLUSTER)

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 officers:

Captain ROGER L. AVERILL (O-373369), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Lumban Province, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 April 1945. An infantry regiment rapidly advanced to seize and secure a vitally important bridge, the capture of which would greatly expedite the movement of troops across a river. The importance of the bridge was enhanced when it became known that the river's steep banks and deep waters made the use of a pontoon bridge impracticable. As the troops neared the bridge an air liaison pilot of Captain Averill's artillery battalion reported on-trenchments and Jap activity on one end of the bridge. Captain Averill, artillery liaison officer, quickly placed artillery fire on the Japs repeatedly until friendly troops arrived. Captain Averill then personally engaged the enemy in a fire fight that ensued. Alert and aggressive, he dashed to a point of vantage and with his carbine killed one Jap and wounded another. Again, in company with another officer he went to a point of vantage from which he had an unobstructed view of the bridge and a nearby town. There he saw a large group of Japs assembling in a cemetery for an apparent attack on the bridge. While still under enemy small arms fire, Captain Averill quickly placed artillery fire on the enemy, forcing them to disperse and abandon their proposed attack on the bridge. When the bridge was later examined, it was found that the enemy had made excellent preparations for the demolition of the bridge. Captain Averill's undeniable courage, great daring, coupled with his swift and aggressive action, contributed in a large measure to dispersing the Japs in the cemetery, thereby making the important bridge secure. Home address: Mrs. Irene L. Averill (wife), Stillwater Avenue, Bangor, Maine.

Captain WILTON H. BREMER (O-365273), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Hill 1500, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Captain Bremer was attached to an infantry battalion as artillery liaison officer and operated his radio alone in his command post situated on a bare hill slope. While he was relaying fire orders, two enemy 105-mm guns opened fire on his command post from an approximate range of 6000 yards. In view of the fact that Captain Bremer's position was in plain view of the Japs, the enemy shells were directed with deadly accuracy, killing one officer and wounding two enlisted men who were in positions adjacent to Captain Bremer's. The sufficient interval between volleys of the enemy fire permitted infantry personnel to pull back from the hill, but Captain Bremer chose to remain, and alone proceeded to adjust counterbattery fire on the enemy pieces. The enemy guns continued to fire until Captain Bremer adjusted his fire with such accuracy that he succeeded in knocking out both enemy guns. Captain

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Bremer's coolness under fire, expert control of his fires and firm determination to remain in his exposed position and fight it out with the enemy, unquestionably saved many lives, and his gallant act is in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Lucile G. Bremer (wife), 1500 Preston Avenue, Austin, Texas.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star Medal awarded to Captain ROGER L. AVERILL (O-373369), Field Artillery, by this headquarters, as published in General Orders #373, this date, 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, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

Captain ROGER L. AVERILL (O-373369), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Hill 815, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 May 1945. A foothold on Hill 815 was suddenly subjected to an intense enemy artillery concentration by 75-mm and 105-mm guns. Due to the enemy's direct observation of our position, they were enabled to shell our troops with deadly accuracy, taking a toll of three killed and twenty-nine wounded. While still shelling our positions, the enemy launched a counter-attack with the intent of seizing high ground so that fire could be brought on Hill 815. Captain Averill, artillery liaison officer, without regard for his safety, boldly secured an exposed observation point on Hill 815 and directed artillery fire on the Jap positions. Despite the numerous enemy shells landing within fifty yards of his position, Captain Averill continued to direct fire with such effectiveness that the Jap counterattack was disorganized and their heavy guns silenced, causing the Japs to flee. As a result of this enemy rout, our troops reached their objective with great ease. Captain Averill's swift application to a critical situation, his gallant action far and beyond the call of duty saved many lives and prevented the enemy from retaking two important hills. Home address: Mrs. Irene L. Averill (wife), Stillwater Avenue, Bangor, Maine.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star Medal awarded to Captain WILTON H. BREMER (O-365273), Field Artillery, by this headquarters, as published in General Orders #373, this date, 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, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

Captain WILTON H. BREMER (O-365273), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 April 1945. An infantry battalion, deep in enemy territory, was faced with the necessity of securing high ground in order to hold its positions for the night. The battalion succeeded in securing a ridge in the proximity of Bigti Pass. This position was hastily organized in time to repel an enemy counterattack prior to darkness. As the strength of the enemy attack increased, Captain Bremer, artillery liaison officer, moved to the top of the ridge which was under enemy machine gun, rifle and mortar fire. Despite the difficulty that evolved due to no previously registered base points to work from, Captain Bremer calmly proceeded to bring in close artillery fires

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on three sides of the perimeter which broke up the Jap counterattack. Throughout the entire period of thirty minutes during this registration, Captain Bremer completely exposed himself to enemy observation. Captain Bremer so effectively registered fire around the friendly perimeter that two more enemy counterattacks were beaten back during the hours of darkness. This gallant action and keen devotion to duty displayed by Captain Bremer aided substantially in preventing the enemy from dislodging the battalion from its key position. Home address: Mrs. Lucile Bremer (wife), 1500 Preston Avenue, Austin, Texas.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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**23 June 1945**

**ORIGINAL ORDER -**

**AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR**

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #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 enlisted men:

Master Sergeant KENNETH J. BROWN (20134164), C. W. S., United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period 15 November 1944 to 7 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret D. Brown (mother), 1181 Smithfield Avenue, Saylesville, Rhode Island.

Master Sergeant JOHN E. FIELDS, JR. (31042268), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period 15 November 1944 to 25 February 1945. Home address: Mr. John E. Field (father), 119 Westwood Road, New Haven, Connecticut.

Corporal LESTER O. BUCHOLZ (39413557), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Santa Maria Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 March 1945. Corporal Bucholz led a section of a reconnaissance patrol on an extremely urgent mission to establish an Observation Post to observe Santa Maria Valley for indications of any Jap activity. The urgency of securing this information with the limitation on time to report said information back to headquarters and the difficult terrain to be travelled at night made this a most exceptional feat if accomplished. Corporal Bucholz led his men in the completion of their mission, showing outstanding ability in all phases of scouting and patrolling. The leadership, initiative, and heroism shown by Corporal Bucholz in this action reflect great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Elma M. Bucholz (mother), Route 3, Box 10, Marysville, California.

Private HEELER K. HICE (6295617), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy along Highway #21 and in the Santa Maria Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 March 1945. Private Hice, Browning Automatic Rifleman, was on a reconnaissance patrol to secure vital information on enemy activity. Due to the patrol's limited time, it had to secure this information by the next morning. The mission was at night over difficult terrain, which made this an extremely difficult problem. Private Hice's outstanding courage and exceptional devotion to duty contributed in a large measure to the success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Vera M. Hice (mother), Route #1, Marysville, Texas.

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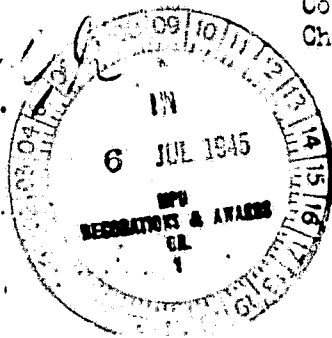
Technician Grade V DARRILL JONES (37104554), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Corporal Jones, gunner on an armored car, displayed exceptional courage and initiative by remaining with his lightly armored vehicle during a night attack by eight enemy tanks supported by infantry. As the tanks approached to within fifty yards of Corporal Jones' armored car, he opened fire and succeeded with the aid of friendly troops in destroying five enemy tanks, forcing the remainder to withdraw. The heroism and coolness under fire shown by Corporal Jones in this operation reflect great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Cassie Jones (mother), R.F.D., Marble Falls, Arkansas.

Technician Grade IV NORMAN OLDRID (20153880), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Binolonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Sergeant Oldrid, acting as car commander and assistant gunner in an armored car, displayed exceptional courage and coolness by remaining with his lightly armored vehicle and directing fire during a night attack by eight enemy tanks supported by infantry. The firing directed by Sergeant Oldrid was so accurate that five enemy tanks were knocked out and the remainder withdrew. Home address: Mrs. Sarah A. Gennons (grandmother), 58 Cole Street, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

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23 June 1945

ORIGINAL ORDER # 1111

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #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 enlisted men:

Private First Class ALFRED M. COOKSON (20146415), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 810, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 7 May 1945 to 19 May 1945. As a member of a forward observer party attached to an infantry company, Private Cookson exercised aggressive and above superior ability in the performance of his duties. On one occasion during the operations the artillery observers' radio was set up near the edge of the perimeter and night fires were adjusted on enemy positions. The enemy attacked the perimeter with machine gun, grenade and mortar fire, and it became known that the enemy was intent on knocking out the radio. With utter disregard for his personal safety, and while under this heavy enemy fire, Private Cookson assisted in moving the heavy radio to the interior of the perimeter, thereby maintaining the exigent radio communications to place fire on the enemy. This artillery fire caused the enemy to withdraw, prevented many casualties and expedited the accomplishment of the mission. Home address: Mrs. Eva Arnold (mother), Route #2, Dover-Foxcroft, Maine.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT E. KIMBROUGH (34079360), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 March 1945 to 25 May 1945. During this period Sergeant Kimbrough served as chief of a battery gun section, and in addition took over the duties of the first sergeant due to the hospitalization of the regularly assigned first sergeant. His manner of performance of duty in this dual capacity was above superior. The gun section under his immediate supervision was one of the most efficient within the battalion despite the administrative routines which took up a substantial part of his time. Due to the difficult terrain and numerous displacements, the hazardous duties of Sergeant Kimbrough were much more difficult than usual. Sergeant Kimbrough's devotion to duty and the enthusiasm with which he performed his manifold duties were major factors in the efficient functioning of his battery. Home address: Mrs. Due P. Kimbrough (mother), 1803 Short Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Technician Grade V CHARLES E. PEBBLES (32044847), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Corporal Pebbles exercised aggressive and above superior ability in his capacity as motor mechanic and bulldozer operator. On one occasion he and another man were constructing a liaison strip for artillery observation planes when enemy counter artillery fire was received. In spite of the enemy shells bursting fifty yards from the bulldozer, Corporal Pebbles continued his work with a steadfastness of purpose which aided materially in the completion of the strip with no loss of time. On another occasion

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(T/5 Charles E. Peebles contd)


Corporal Peebles exercised great ingenuity and technical skill when he, with another man, constructed a complete bulldozer out of salvage parts. The skill and industry displayed by Corporal Peebles have added greatly to the operating efficiency of his organization. Home address: Mrs. Mary Peebles (mother), R.F.D. #1, Lowville, New York.

Technician Grade IV KENNETH A. RICHARDS (20147351), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 January 1945. Sergeant Richards exercised aggressive and above superior ability in his capacity as a motor mechanic and bulldozer operator. On one occasion he and another man were constructing a liaison strip for artillery observation planes when enemy counter artillery fire was received. In spite of the enemy shells bursting fifty yards from the bulldozer, Sergeant Richards continued his work with a steadfastness of purpose which in the end aided materially in the construction of the strip with no loss of time. On another occasion, Sergeant Richards exercised great ingenuity and technical skill when he, with another man, constructed a complete bulldozer out of salvage parts. The skill and industry displayed by Sergeant Richards aided immensely in the operating efficiency of his organization. Home address: Mr. Herbert Richards (father), Hampden, Maine.

Technician Grade V CHARLES TOMSCHIN (37022584), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near San Juan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 April 1945. Corporal Tomschin was engaged in transporting troops of an infantry regiment to the front lines. Suddenly his vehicle and passengers encountered heavy rifle and machine gun fire from a group of enemy soldiers who had infiltrated to the rear and set up a road block on the main supply route. Disregarding his personal safety, Corporal Tomschin coolly drove his vehicle off the road into a nearby ditch where his passengers quickly found cover from the enemy fire and escaped through defilade from the area. Subsequently, Corporal Tomschin returned alone to his vehicle and drove it through the enemy fire to the protection of a building on the outskirts of San Juan. The coolness, initiative and daring displayed by Corporal Tomschin in this action undoubtedly prevented many casualties and saved Government property from danger. Home address: Mr. Walter Tomschin (father), Route #2, Springfield, Minnesota.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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23 June 1945

CLASSIFIED ORDER # 544

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

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

Captain HARRY B. CAMPBELL, (O-380976), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 3 April to 21 April 1945 and 15 May to 20 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Harry B. Campbell, (wife), 3718-2nd Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

Captain RAYMOND W. DOWIDAT, (O-472772), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 13 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Esther L. Dowidat, (wife), 5541 Zenith Avenue, South Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Captain MAURICE (NAN) EDELSTEIN, (O-345169), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 13 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Jacob Edelstein, (father), 99 Terrace Avenue, Hempstead, Long Island, New York.

Sergeant RALPH O. EMERY, (31027397), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Bulacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 12 May to 19 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Miriam E. Emery, (wife), 285 Woolford Street, Portland, Maine.

Technician Grade V RALPH F. HAYES, (37618861), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. On the night of January 16, during the Luzon Operations in the vicinity of Binolonan, Corporal Hayes, driver of an armored car, remained with the vehicle during a night attack by eight (8) enemy tanks supported by Infantry. While the remainder of the car crew fired on the enemy tanks, Corporal Hayes prevented enemy forces from infiltrating and placing demolition charges on his armored car by throwing grenades. By his outstanding performance of duty, Corporal Hayes not only protected the crew of his vehicle, but also helped inflict casualties on the enemy causing them to withdraw. Home address: Mrs. Clara Hayes, (mother), Route #2, Sonath, Missouri.

Technician Grade III JAMES H. MILES, (34100901), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 22 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Grace Miles, (wife), Box 396, Lanett, Alabama

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Technician Grade IV WESLEY R. MINGO, (31027632), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 23 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose Mingo, (mother), 4 "B" Street, Old Orchard Beach, Maine.

Technician Sergeant EDWARD M. O'BRIEN, (34789885), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Stanley O'Brien, (father), 1311 Bristow Street, New York, New York.

Staff Sergeant FITE C. PAGLIARO, (20134106), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 16 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Anthony Pagliaro, (father), 138 East Street, New Haven, Connecticut.

Corporal CARLTON L. THURSTON, (20150625), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 1 May 1945. While driving to a Filipino outpost with a load of supplies, Corporal Thurston was ambushed by a group of approximately four Japs. One enemy hand grenade exploded outside the cab of the truck, seriously wounding an officer who was riding with him. Corporal Thurston was also struck in the face by shrapnel. Although dazed and blinded by blood, Corporal Thurston kept his truck moving and drove for a distance of approximately one-half mile from the point of the ambush to his destination, where medical treatment was given to him and the accompanying officer. Due to Corporal Thurston's quick thinking, courage, and determination to keep driving, in spite of his own wounds, he unquestionably saved the life of the officer accompanying him. Corporal Thurston's exemplary action reflects great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Glerna L. Thurston, (mother), RFD #3, Northfield, Vermont.

First Lieutenant PETER P. UNIVARSI, (921686463), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 10 May to 26 May 1945. Home address: Miss Mary Barbus, (sister), 1244 Howard Avenue, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

BY COL AND CP MAJOR GENERAL [Signature]

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SECTION I---AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL  
SECTION II---AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

SECTION I

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

Sergeant MELBERT L. BOYLES (37677553), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 200, near Manacog, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January 1945 to 15 February 1945. Sergeant Boyles was acting as chief of a field artillery liaison section which was attached to an infantry battalion. On one occasion during the battalion's final assault on Hill 200, several wire lines were shot out. Sergeant Boyles personally exposed himself to enemy small arms, mortar and artillery fire in order to repair the lines. As the action progressed, Sergeant Boyles directed the forward movement of his section and, although under constant heavy enemy fire, he succeeded in directing and maintaining communications throughout this critical phase. Sergeant Boyles was instrumental in making the artillery fire completely effective in driving back the enemy from well-secured positions. Home address: Mr. Everett Boyles (father), Everly, Iowa.

Private First Class CHESTER L. DAVIS (38478722), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 600, in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 January 1945. Private Davis, a wireman, was assigned to a guerrilla force to help establish telephone communication on Hill 600 which was to be used as an observation post to observe enemy artillery fire. While advancing up the hill with the wire line, Private Davis and his assistants encountered heavy enemy mortar and sniper fire. Despite this fire the wire party succeeded in establishing communication and began to search the hill for wounded. On the way back down the hill, Private Davis came upon a seriously wounded guerrilla. With the aid of another man, Private Davis administered first aid to the wounded man and evacuated him to the aid station. By risking his life to aid a wounded comrade, and by successfully accomplishing a hazardous mission, Private Davis' heroic act is characteristic of great courage and exceptional devotion to duty. Home address: Mrs. Era Davis (mother), Route #2, Grand Saline, Texas.

Corporal PHILLIP K. ROSS JR. (31013373), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Palacpac, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 21 January 1945 to 26 January 1945. During this entire period, in addition to his normal duties as Scout Corporal No. 2 and battery recorder, Corporal Ross acted in the capacity of Assistant Executive Officer of a field artillery battery. On one occasion he functioned as executive officer under

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counter battery fire from Jap medium and light artillery in a most efficient and superior manner. Realizing that his performance of this duty was commensurate with the rank of a commissioned officer, Corporal Ross applied himself enthusiastically and with complete disregard for his safety. Because of his high efficiency in performing an officer's assignment, Corporal Ross' battery was able to furnish an additional officer for a more exigent duty, which resulted in better artillery support of infantry missions. Home address: Mr. Phillip E. Ross Sr., (father), Main Street, Gorham, New Hampshire.

Corporal WILLIAM C. WILSON JR. (34664948), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 200, near Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Corporal Wilson's radio section was engaged in support of an infantry battalion in the successful assault on Hill 200. Troops were held up by an enemy machine gun, emplaced in a position which rendered observation impossible. Good observation was available on the extreme right flank of the leading wave, but this position was dangerous, unprotected and under aggressive enemy mortar and sniper fire. Corporal Wilson, unhesitatingly and without regard for his personal safety, carried his radio to this dangerous position and enabled artillery officers to destroy the enemy machine gun position with well-directed artillery fire. Corporal Wilson's heroic act in establishing radio communication while under direct and accurately placed enemy fire, was instrumental in the success of our troops in the final assault on Hill 200. Home address: Mrs. Margaret J. Wilson (mother), 1307 Watts Street, Durham, North Carolina.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain Frank W. Burns (O-332896) Field Artillery, by this headquarters as published in General Orders #266, dated 2 June 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him under the provisions of Executive Order #9413, 4 February 1944, (Sect II, Bulletin 3, Wd, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain FRANK W. BURNS (O-332896), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 24 May 1945. Throughout this period Captain Burns, liaison officer, performed his duties in a most outstanding manner. On one occasion an infantry company was advancing along the Ipo River when it encountered Jap resistance. At this point the company proceeded to dig in and the artillery forward observer moved out beyond the company's perimeter to adjust artillery fire when the enemy suddenly counterattacked. The forward observer was forced to move back to the company perimeter, leaving his radio behind. Upon hearing a large volume of enemy fire in the company's location, and realizing that something was wrong since he was unable to contact the forward observer, Captain Burns immediately directed artillery fire by sound. As a



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(Capt Frank W. Burns contd)

result of this action, by his initiative and quick thinking, Captain Burns undoubtedly saved many lives when he succeeded in breaking up the Jap attack. Home address: Mrs. Lavina Burns (wife), Center Street, Fort Fairfield, Maine.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

28 June 1945

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

Private First Class LLOYD O. CORY, (16172142), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Pantay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 March 1945. When the litter squad of which Private First Class Cory was a member had evacuated the wounded from the front lines and had reached the Command Post after a difficult three and one-half mile walk, he found that the Command Post was under enemy mortar fire and preparing to withdraw. With the aid of the other members of the squad, Private First Class Cory started back with the three patients. While enroute, enemy small-arms fire was encountered, but by skillful and vigilant maneuvering, the squad succeeded in evading the enemy patrol and safely reached their destination, the Battalion Aid Station. Private First Class Cory's altruistic action, his undaunted courage and heroism unquestionably contributed to the saving of the lives of the three stricken comrades. Home address: Mr. Victor E. Cory, (father), 412 North Washington Street, Wheaton, Illinois.

Technician Grade V LLOYD E. JOHNSON, (35281702), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Pantay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 March 1945. When the litter squad of which Corporal Johnson was a member had evacuated the wounded from the front lines and had reached the Command Post after a difficult three and one-half mile walk, he found that the Command Post was under enemy mortar fire and preparing to withdraw. With the aid of the other members of the squad, Corporal Johnson started back with the three patients. While enroute, enemy small arms fire was encountered, but by skillful and vigilant maneuvering, the squad succeeded in evading the enemy patrol and safely reached their destination, the Battalion Aid Station. Corporal Johnson's altruistic action, his undaunted courage and heroism unquestionably contributed to the saving of the lives of the three stricken comrades. Home address: Mrs. Cornelia F. Johnson, (mother), Hudson Road, Kent, Ohio.

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Technician Grade IV EARL (E. N.) MARIANO, (3104024), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Roxario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 February 1945. The litter squad, of which Sergeant Mariano was a member, was engaged in evacuating wounded from two Battalion Aid Stations to a Medical Collecting Company. On 5 February, Sergeant Mariano, his squad, and a carrying party of about one hundred Filipinos, while making the return trip with food and medical supplies, encountered an enemy trail-block, consisting of light machine guns and small arms fire. The carrying party dispersed, but Sergeant Mariano, with the aid of the rest of the squad, succeeded in rounding up the entire group and led them safely through territory heavily infiltrated by the enemy. Sergeant Mariano's courage, determination, and heroism unquestionably contributed to the success of the mission. Home address: Mrs. Mary Mariano, (mother), 111 Swan Street, Methuen, Massachusetts.

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Technician Grade V JOSEPH A. RICCI, JR., (31028295), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Pantay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 March 1945. When the litter squad of which Corporal Ricci was a member had evacuated the wounded from the front lines and had reached the Command Post after a difficult three and one-half mile walk, he found that the Command Post was under enemy mortar fire and preparing to withdraw. With the aid of the other members of the squad, Corporal Ricci started back with the three patients. While enroute, enemy fire was encountered, but by skillful and vigilant maneuvering, the squad succeeded in evading the enemy patrol and safely reached their destination, the Battalion Aid Station. Corporal Ricci's altruistic action, his undaunted courage and heroism unquestionably contributed to the saving of the lives of the three stricken comrades. Home address: Jr. Joseph A. Ricci, Sr., (father), 88 Clarence Street, Cranston, Rhode Island.

Technician Grade V LOUIS T. SHEA, (20152643), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Pantay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 March 1945. When the litter squad of which Corporal Shea was a member had evacuated the wounded from the front lines and had reached the Command Post after a difficult three and one-half mile walk, he found that the Command Post was under enemy mortar fire and preparing to withdraw. With the aid of the other members of the squad, Corporal Shea started back with the three patients. While enroute, enemy fire was encountered, but by skillful and vigilant maneuvering, the squad succeeded in evading the enemy patrol and safely reached their destination, the Battalion Aid Station. Corporal Shea's altruistic action, his undaunted courage and heroism unquestionably contributed to the saving of the lives of the three stricken comrades. Home address: Mr. Eugene L. Baron, (uncle), 350 Knight Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

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HEADQUARTERS 43d INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....367

22 June 1945

SECTION I--AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.  
SECTION II--AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDER #333

SECTION

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #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:

First Sergeant CHARLES A. CEFALO, (20147283), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 9 January 1945 to 10 February 45. During this period, Sergeant Cefalo distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding accomplishments in a superior manner. Due to the urgent need for officers to serve as observers, Sergeant Cefalo frequently assumed the duties of the Battery Executive Officer. On 10 February, when Sergeant Cefalo's Battery was subjected to enemy artillery fire resulting in 40 to 50 enemy shells dropping within their area and causing some damage, Sergeant Cefalo displayed outstanding courage, leadership and coolness under fire. He personally directed the men to shelter in a quick and orderly fashion. This prompt action under fire was accomplished without a single casualty among the battery members. Not until every man had been cared for did Sergeant Cefalo himself seek cover. Sergeant Cefalo's fortitude, initiative and devotion to duty reflect great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mary Cefalo, (mother), 24 Salem Court, Bangor, Maine.

Sergeant HILTON FREEBORN, (35475705), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945. On the night of 9 January, orders were received to move the field artillery Battery forward in support of an infantry battalion. Owing to weakened bridges that had to be crossed, light vehicles were used as prime movers making it necessary to shuttle the ammunition. Sergeant Freeborn, Ammunition Sergeant, with the aid of one man, worked untiringly moving ammunition in his light weapons carrier vehicle throughout the night until almost dawn the following morning. This was accomplished in the face of hostile artillery fire landing near his ammunition dump. Through Sergeant Freeborn's exemplary courage, perseverance, and devotion to duty, the Battery was able to deliver effective and uninterrupted fire against the enemy. Home address: Mr. Charles A. Freeborn, (father), 4603 South 1st Street, Louisville, Kentucky.

Captain DAVID G. IVERS, (0420292), Dent. 1 Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period 1 November 1943 to 31 July 1944. Home address: Mrs. D. G. Ivers, (wife), 277 Bradley Avenue, Meriden, Connecticut.

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Staff Sergeant JOSEPH VIVEIROS JR., (31022488), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 9 January 1945 to 21 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Joseph Viveiros, (father), 137 Langley Street, Fall River, Massachusetts.

Private First Class JOSEPH E. WAGNER, (36360178), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pantay, Rizal Province, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 April 1945. Between the hours of 0300 and 0330, on 6 April, an enemy force of about twelve Jap infiltrators attacked the howitzer positions of a field artillery Battery. During the brief but concentrated grenade attack upon the battery command post and gun positions, several casualties were sustained. Private Wagner, an aid-man, immediately proceeded to care for the wounded. In complete darkness with the enemy still in the vicinity, and amid the confusion and firing attendant to sudden attack, Private Wagner, with outstanding calm and devotion to duty and with disregard for his own safety, circulated throughout the area rendering medical aid. Private Wagner's exemplary courage, skill, and fidelity were an inspiration to all who observed him. Home address: Mrs. John Wagner, (mother), 1115 North Franklin Street, Danville, Illinois.

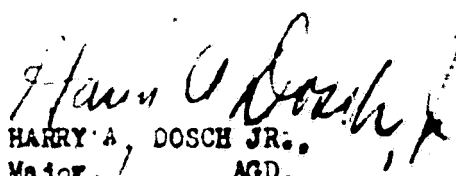
SECTION II

1. So much of Paragraph 1, General Orders #338, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, dated 28 June 48, as pertains to the Award of the Bronze Star Medal to Corporal WALTER S. HENRICK, (37724366), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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GENERAL ORDER # 366

24 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. 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 man:

Technician Grade IV ELDON M. HODGIN, (37199118), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 18 February to 2 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eva B. Hodgin, (mother), Route #1, Fairfax, Missouri.

Technical Sergeant RAYMOND E. JACKSON, (12085366), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 25 March to 20 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lora B. Jackson, (mother), 425 Broadway, Monticello, New York.

Warrant Officer, (J.G.), ALVAH (MNN) KITCHEN, (W-2124669), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea during the period 1 August to 25 December 1944, and at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Alvah N. Kitchen, Sr., (father), 805 Brighton Avenue, Portland, (5), Maine.

Technician Grade V JOHN J. KOZISEK, (37560865), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 May to 15 May 1945. Corporal Kozisek, a bulldozer operator, distinguished himself in the performance of his assigned duties in the construction and maintenance of supply and evacuation roads and trails in the offensive action to secure Ipo Dam. By his diligent, and prodigious efforts, Corporal Kozisek pushed forward these trails immediately in the rear of the forward elements of our forces. On numerous occasions during this period, Corporal Kozisek was subject to hostile small arms and field artillery fire, but with indomitable courage and tenacity of purpose he carried out his mission, overcoming difficult and hazardous circumstances. Corporal Kozisek's fortitude, aggressiveness and devotion to duty served as an inspiration to the accompanying forces, and contributed immeasurably to the success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Mary Kozisek, (mother), Pine City, Minnesota.

Private First Class WILEUR P. MAC MILLAN, (33057436), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Blanche MacMillan, (mother), 432 Ridge Road, Peckville, Pennsylvania.

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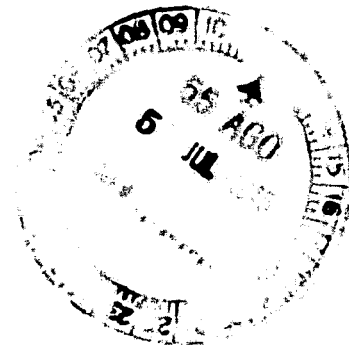
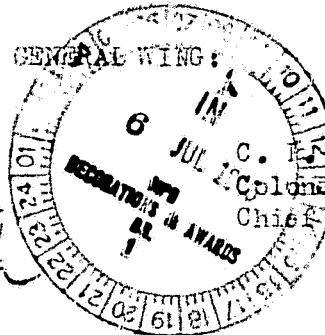
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\* Corporal ~~ROBERT D. MAC MURDY~~, (10203301), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 15 February 1945. Throughout this period Corporal MacMurdy demonstrated his ability to work untiringly and with great technical skill. As a member of the battalion radio section, he was personally responsible for the successful maintenance of radio communications. Shortly after arrival at Lingayen, the section lost the section chief and two regularly assigned repairmen. Corporal MacMurdy took over the duties of Section Chief and supervised the normal upkeep of all 600 series radios. During the period the battalion made many tactical moves, and frequently Corporal MacMurdy had to work twenty-four hours without a break in order to service all battalion radios. During these periods much of this work was done while the battalion was under artillery fire. The skill, ability and above superior work of Corporal MacMurdy is attested by the fact that at no time during combat did the radio net or any part of it fail. Home address: Mrs. Natalie MacMurdy, (mother), 150 South River Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class NIKE (W.M.) PAPIC, (35589747), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 May to 15 May 1945. Private First Class PapiC, a bulldozer operator, distinguished himself in the performance of his assigned duties in the construction and maintenance of supply and evacuation roads and trails in the offensive action to secure Ipo Dam. By his diligent, and prodigious efforts, Private First Class PapiC pushed forward these trails immediately in the rear of the forward elements of our forces. On numerous occasions during this period, Private First Class PapiC was subject to hostile small arms and field artillery fire, but with indomitable courage and tenacity of purpose he carried out his mission over rousing difficult and hazardous circumstances. Private First Class PapiC's fortitude, aggressiveness and devotion to duty served as an inspiration to the accompanying forces, and contributed immeasurably to the success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Petra PapiC, (mother), 253 South Penn Street, Salem, Ohio.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

*Henry A. Bosch Jr.*  
HARRY A. BOSCH JR.  
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22 June 1945

ORIGINAL ORDER - 0226

AWARDS OF THE SILVER 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 by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant HOWARD H. HIGGINS (11050169), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the New Boso Boso Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 April 1945. The enemy attacked Sergeant Higgins' company with such ferocity that the company suffered six casualties, creating a large gap in the defense line. Sergeant Higgins, a mortar observer, without regard for his life or safety, left his position and dashed to the outer perimeter, taking the place of several wounded men. With grenades and rifle fire he courageously fought the enemy until the line was reorganized. On another occasion, during the hours of darkness, Sergeant Higgins was at his observation post directing mortar fire on enemy activity when his position was brought under direct enemy artillery fire. Though bruised and shaken by a close shell burst, Sergeant Higgins continued firing. Throughout the entire campaign Sergeant Higgins performed acts above the call of duty, exhibiting great courage and a sincere devotion to duty. Home address: Mrs. Florence M. Higgins (mother), 72 Pearl Street, St. Johnsbury, Vermont.

Private First Class EDWARD W. RIMKUS (36534086), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Hill 1200, Pantay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 April 1945. Enemy snipers directed their fire on Private Rimkus and his two comrades who were dug-in on the slope of a hill. During a lull, the three men resumed their digging in order to improve their position when suddenly an enemy machine gun from another direction opened fire on them, wounding the three of them. Private Rimkus, with utter disregard for his safety and his own painful wound, dragged his two wounded comrades to the safety of another foxhole some distance away. Realizing that his entire company was pinned down by intense Jap fire and that medical aid men could not reach his position soon enough, Private Rimkus quickly administered first aid to the two men and succeeded in stopping the excessive flow of blood from their wounds. When aid men finally reached his position, Private Rimkus assisted them in evacuating the wounded men down a long, steep trail under machine gun fire. Private Rimkus' disregard for his own wound and weakened condition, and his unselfish service in aiding his wounded comrades were an inspiration to all members of his company. Home address: Mrs. Helen Rimkus (mother), 326 Chartiers Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class EMIL WMN ROBINSON (53869647), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on hills Tit, Tat and Toe, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 May 1945. Two infantry companies sent patrols to seize and make secure three vital hills. One patrol was occupying Hill Tat and giving supporting fire to another patrol advancing on Hill Toe. When the toe-bound patrol reached the top of the hill, heavy enemy machine gun, mortar and sniper fire opened up on it, forcing it to move back. At this point, Private Robinson deliberately stood in the open and with his

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sub-machine gun gave supporting fire to the withdrawing patrol, pinning the enemy down and inflicting heavy casualties on them. In this action, Private Robinson's quick thinking, indomitable courage and initiative not only saved many lives but also aided in a great measure to the successful reorganization of the imperiled patrol. Home address: Mrs. Martha Jane Hicks (mother), Dwarf, Kentucky.

Technical Sergeant DELMAR J. TEMPLETON (34304110), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January 1945 to 23 May 1945. During this entire period Sergeant Templeton not only performed his regular duties in a superior manner but also took over the duties of men serving in higher capacities, and performed them with the initiative and integrity of an experienced man. In one particular instance when Sergeant Templeton's company was engaged with the enemy in the drive for Ipo Dam, an enemy machine gun blocked the main line of supply and reinforcements. Sergeant Templeton's platoon was given the mission to destroy the enemy gun and its crew. Realizing the exigency for the success of the mission, and despite the wound he sustained in an exchange of fire with the enemy, Sergeant Templeton skillfully led his men to a position from which they were able to assault the enemy position and destroy the gun and its crew. Due to Sergeant Templeton's stubborn and unflinching nature, his initiative and willingness to meet the enemy, his company was enabled to stay abreast of the speedy progress of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Alice A. Templeton (wife), Box 45, Termantown, North Carolina.

Private First Class CLIFFORD A. WHITE (39194125), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the Ray Banban Sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 May 1945. An infantry company, comprised of a skeleton crew, advanced toward Ipo Dam and seized a prominent hill. At this point the enemy showered the hill with such intense machine gun and sniper fire that one platoon was pinned down and unable to move in any direction. Private White, ignoring the accurate and deadly enemy fire, administered first aid to four wounded men and assisted in carrying them to safety. Volunteers were needed to seek out a route of escape and to contact a friendly patrol of another company which was supporting the pinned down platoon. Private White immediately volunteered, and with another man, dashed across 300 yards of open terrain in plain view of the enemy and under heavy fire, and succeeded in reaching the friendly patrol which had also been pushed back by mortar fire. By means of radio communications, Private White contacted the beleaguered platoon, described a route of escape and guided the friendly patrol to a position from which it could deliver effective covering fire as the trapped platoon moved out. In this gallant and courageous act, Private White skillfully broke up a trap the enemy had set and undoubtedly saved several lives. Home address: Mrs. Elsie H. Miller (sister), Concrete, Washington.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

*[Signature]*  
HARRY A. BOSCHER

Major, USA  
Adjutant General

C. P. ROBBINS  
Colonel, USMC  
Chief of Staff

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21 June 1945

GENERAL ORDER # 364

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9416, 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 enlisted men:

Corporal JOSEPH B. FARWIG, (37184225), Field Artillery, 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 15 February 1945. Home address: Mr. Francis A. Farwig (brother), 5067 Ruskin Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

Staff Sergeant ARTHUR GENDREAU, (20147185), Field Artillery, 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 15 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alice Gendreau (mother), Box 120, St. David, Maine.

Staff Sergeant LOUIS G. HAYDUK JR., (32036010), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period 8 January 1944 to 11 April 1945. Home address: Anna M. Kuhn (sister), 2505 Genessee Street, Buffalo, New York.

Private First Class LEWIS LANE, (38187273), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 May 1945. During an attack on Hill 815, Private Lane's company was subjected to a heavy enemy artillery barrage, forcing a part of the company to withdraw. Private Lane, without hesitation and with total disregard for his own personal safety, proceeded to lay a communication line through the barrage. By this daring and courageous accomplishment under intense hostile fire, Private Lane made it possible to establish communications, thereby contributing in a large measure to the success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Lane (mother), Route #2, Winnfield, Louisiana.

Private First Class JOHN R. MCCURDY, (19187060), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 May 1945. During an attack on Hill 815, Private McCurdy's company was subjected to a heavy enemy artillery barrage, forcing a part of the company to withdraw. Private McCurdy, without hesitation and with total disregard for his own personal safety, proceeded to lay a communication line through the barrage. By this daring and courageous accomplishment under intense hostile fire, Private McCurdy made it possible to establish communications, thereby contributing in a large measure to the success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Isabel A. McCurdy (mother), 10533 Breed Avenue, Oakland, California.

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Technician Grade IV GEORGE M. PAINE (32036065), Field Artillery, 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 15 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maude Gunton (mother), Watts Flats, New York.

Corporal SELDEN L. ROGERS (20147195), Field Artillery, 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 14 February 1945. Home address: Mr. Elmer M. Rogers (father), R.F.D. #8, Orrington, Maine.

Staff Sergeant LYLE E. SCHLAG (37090875), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period 1 August 1944 to 12 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Julia Schlag (mother), Bladale, Minnesota.

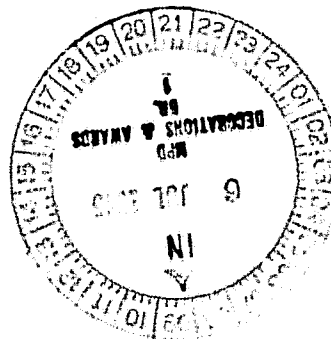
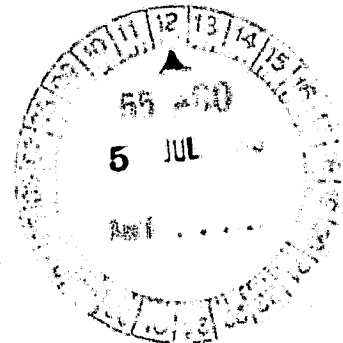
Technician Grade IV CHARLES E. SINN (35027744), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January 1945 to 15 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Neva Sinn (mother), Rural Route #1, Mineral Ridge, Ohio.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

SECTION I

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:

Private First Class WALTER W. JOLLIE (20153670), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism in the vicinity of San Jose, Bulacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 April 1945. An explosion of gasoline in the motor shop of Private Jollie's battery threw flaming gasoline on an enlisted man who, in pain and panic, hysterically started running through an open field. Private Jollie, without thought of jeopardizing his own life, pursued, caught, and threw the fleeing man to the ground and covered him with his own body in an attempt to smother the flames. Private Jollie succeeded in extinguishing the flames, but in so doing he himself received severe and painful burns. Private Jollie's quick thinking, initiative and courageous act are entirely accountable for saving the life of the enlisted man. Home address: Mrs. Anna Jollie (wife), 330 Charles Street, North Providence, Rhode Island.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #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:

Cornoral SILVESTER J. BALASA (20131025), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period 10 May 1943 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Josephine Balasa (sister), 268 Jefferson Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

Technician Grade IV LOUIS D. DePANFILIS (20133496), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 5 May 1945 to 16 May 1945. Assigned as a forward observer with elements of the May Force, Sergeant DePanfilis performed his duties in a superior manner. In addition to his regular assignment he voluntarily undertook other duties which became necessary during the course of the operation. Always with leading elements of the attacking force, and often under intense enemy small arms and artillery fire, Sergeant DePanfilis performed his manifold duties with a remarkable steadiness and efficiency and aided substantially in the early success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Susan Gallo (sister), 15 Oak Hill Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

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Sergeant JOHN R. HIGGINS (35589338), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 5 May 1945 to 16 May 1945. Assigned as a forward observer with elements of the Mfay Force, Sergeant Higgins performed his duties in a superior manner. In addition to his regular assignment he voluntarily undertook other duties which became necessary during the course of the operation. Always with leading elements of the attacking force, and often under intense enemy small arms and artillery fire, Sergeant Higgins performed his manifold duties with a remarkable steadiness and efficiency which aided substantially in the early success of the operation. Home address: Leah Pearl Kelly (sister), 2019 Ohio Avenue, East Liverpool, Ohio.

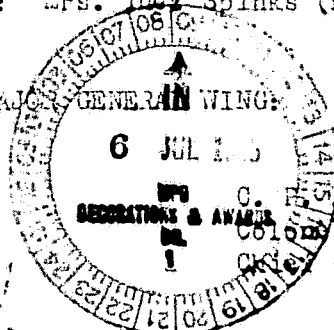
Captain CHESTER T. PURCELL (O-1040294), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 8 May 1945 to 20 May 1945. Captain Purcell took command of one section of an anti-aircraft battery and supervised the emplacement of the gun in support of the infantry by delivering direct fire on enemy caves, pillboxes and fortifications. On several occasions Captain Purcell's exposed position was fired on by enemy artillery, but Captain Purcell tenaciously held his position and continued to perform his mission. Captain Purcell's display of skill and courage not only aided materially in the successful conclusion of the operation but also precluded many casualties. Home address: Mrs. Glee Anna Purcell (wife), 239 Chiquita Street, La Guna Beach, California.

Sergeant FRED M. SPIWKS (6663436), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 5 May 1945 to 16 May 1945. Assigned as a forward observer with elements of the Mfay Force, Sergeant Spiwks performed his duties in a superior manner. In addition to his regular assignment he voluntarily undertook other duties which became necessary during the course of the operation. Always with leading elements of the attacking force, and often under intense enemy small arms and artillery fire, Sergeant Spiwks performed his manifold duties with a remarkable steadiness and efficiency which aided substantially in the early success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Inez Spiwks (mother), 640 East Street, 143, Linton, Indiana.

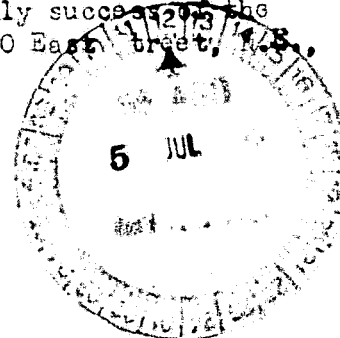
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21 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

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

Corporal ARTHUR (NEN) KLISCH, (36125310), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Corporal Klisch volunteered as a member of a wire party whose mission was to establish wire communications to the forward observer serving with a reinforced patrol moving toward Binalonan. Well after dark, Corporal Klisch and the rest of the party moved forward laying wire under fire until ordered by radio to advance no farther, due to the fact that the infantry to the front was engaged in a tank fight. In a desperate attempt to establish wire communications, they searched the area and finally found a wire which led to the infantry ahead, but which was useless as it had been severed farther back. This line was spliced to their new line and by this means the forward observer was able to direct artillery fire in support of the infantry. This action undoubtedly saved many lives, as the artillery fire denied the enemy further use of the road net. Throughout this mission and on numerous other occasions, Corporal Klisch performed his tasks with initiative, efficiency, and disregard for personal safety. Home address: Mrs. Steffinia Klisch, (mother), 2502 Holland Avenue, Saginaw, Michigan.

Sergeant HENRY W. KUCHINSKI, (32033093), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. During an attack by an infantry company, heavy mortar and machine gun fire was encountered from enemy positions on Hill 200 and an adjacent hill. It was necessary that artillery fire be brought to bear upon this area with the least possible delay in order that our troops might reach their objective. Sergeant Kuchinski volunteered to carry his 610 SCR Radio Set to an exposed crest adjacent to the objective. The necessary exposure of his position, due to lack of cover, drew fire from a Jap 37-mm gun mounted in a pillbox. With shells bursting fifteen to twenty yards from his OP, Sergeant Kuchinski courageously and calmly kept open the vital communications necessary to adjust artillery fire on the objective. Without doubt, the success of the attack was due in great part to the persistence and heroism of Sergeant Kuchinski. Home address: Mr. Walter Kuchinski, (father), 1083 Carmalt Street, Dockson City, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class STANLEY J. SKAWRENSKI, (31043064), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Private First Class Skawrenski volunteered as a member of a wire party whose mission was to establish wire communications to the forward observer serving with a reinforced patrol moving toward Binalonan. Well after dark, Private First Class Skawrenski and the rest of the party moved forward laying wire under fire until ordered by radio to advance no farther, due to the fact that the infantry to the front was engaged in a tank fight. In a desperate attempt

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

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

Corporal ARTHUR (NEN) KLISCH, (36125310), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Corporal Klisch volunteered as a member of a wire party whose mission was to establish wire communications to the forward observer serving with a reinforced patrol moving toward Binalonan. Well after dark, Corporal Klisch and the rest of the party moved forward laying wire under fire until ordered by radio to advance no farther, due to the fact that the infantry to the front was engaged in a tank fight. In a desperate attempt to establish wire communications, they searched the area and finally found a wire which led to the infantry ahead, but which was useless as it had been severed farther back. This line was spliced to their new line and by this means the forward observer was able to direct artillery fire in support of the infantry. This action undoubtedly saved many lives, as the artillery fire denied the enemy further use of the road not. Throughout this mission and on numerous other occasions, Corporal Klisch performed his tasks with initiative, efficiency, and disregard for personal safety. Home address: Mrs. Steffinia Klisch, (mother), 2502 Holland Avenue, Saginaw, Michigan.

Sergeant HEBRY W. KUCHINSKI, (32033093), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. During an attack by an infantry company, heavy mortar and machine gun fire was encountered from enemy positions on Hill 200 and an adjacent hill. It was necessary that artillery fire be brought to bear upon this area with the least possible delay in order that our troops might reach their objective. Sergeant Kuchinski volunteered to carry his 610 SCR Radio Set to an exposed crest adjacent to the objective. The necessary exposure of his position, due to lack of cover, drew fire from a Jap 37-mm gun mounted in a pillbox. With shells bursting fifteen to twenty yards from his OP, Sergeant Kuchinski courageously and calmly kept open the vital communications necessary to adjust artillery fire on the objective. Without doubt, the success of the attack was due in great part to the persistence and heroism of Sergeant Kuchinski. Home address: Mr. Walter Kuchinski, (father), 1083 Carmalt Street, Dockson City, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class STANLEY J. SKAWRENSKI, (31043064), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Private First Class Skawrenski volunteered as a member of a wire party whose mission was to establish wire communications to the forward observer serving with a reinforced patrol moving toward Binalonan. Well after dark, Private First Class Skawrenski and the rest of the party moved forward laying wire under fire until ordered by radio to advance no farther, due to the fact that the infantry to the front was engaged in a tank fight. In a desperate attempt

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to establish wire communications, they searched the area and finally found a wire which led to the infantry ahead, but which was useless as it had been severed farther back. This line was spliced to their new line and by this means the forward observer was able to direct artillery fire in support of the infantry. This action undoubtedly saved many lives, as the artillery fire denied the enemy further use of the road net. Throughout this mission and on numerous other occasions, Private First Class Skawrenski performed his tasks with initiative, efficiency, and disregard for personal safety. Home address: Mr. Albert Skawrenski, (father), 18 South River Street, Thompsonville, Connecticut.

Staff Sergeant JAMES R. WADE, (34117958), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Staff Sergeant Wade volunteered as a member of a wire party whose mission was to establish wire communications to the forward observer serving with a reinforced patrol moving toward Binalonan. Well after dark, Staff Sergeant Wade and the rest of the party moved forward laying wire under fire until ordered by radio to advance no farther, due to the fact that the infantry to the front was engaged in a tank fight. In a desperate attempt to establish wire communications, they searched the area and finally found a wire which led to the infantry ahead, but which was useless as it had been severed farther back. This line was spliced to their new line and by this means the forward observer was able to direct artillery fire in support of the infantry. This action undoubtedly saved many lives, as the artillery fire denied the enemy further use of the road net. Throughout this mission and on numerous other occasions, Staff Sergeant Wade performed his tasks with initiative, efficiency, and disregard for personal safety. Home address: Mrs. Luna Wade, (mother), Route #3, Burlington, North Carolina.

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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 VINCENT (NMN) CARDINALE, (39148515), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Tawa Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Janette V. Cardinale, (wife), 306 Russia Avenue, San Francisco, California.

Captain DANIEL J. CARNEY, (O-114756), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Kay Bantan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hannah M. Carney, (mother), 31 1/2 Mount Vernon Street, Charlestown, Massachusetts.

Private First Class FRITZ E. COBURN, (38464971), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary G. Coburn, (mother), Star Route, Heavener, Oklahoma.

First Lieutenant LEWIS E. EVERS, (O-888264), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mayne Ewers, (wife), Soldiers Grove, Wisconsin.

Private First Class HARRY (NMN) GREENWALD, (32962723), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Sol Greenwald, (father), 562 West 164th Street, New York, New York.

Private First Class JESSIE M. GRAY, (38504913), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea, on 7 August 1944. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle E. Gray, (mother), 2724 Fike Avenue, North Little Rock, Arkansas.

Private First Class JACK R. GRIMES, (38529274), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Leona E. Grimes, (mother), Route #2, Seagoville, Texas.

Private First Class RALPH T. PONDLETON, (35908520), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Bolac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alvie E. Pendleton, (mother), R.R. #7, Lafayette, Indiana.

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Private First Class MANUEL J. PORTALES, (38075423), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Delfina Portales, (mother), Route #5, Box 115A, Bryan, Texas.

First Lieutenant DONALD I. RAMSEY, (O-1315616), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alice Ramsey, (mother), New Berlin, New York.

Private PAUL F. SORENSEN, (39731793), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Kathryn V. Sorensen, (wife), 1308 Poinsettia Street, Long Beach, California.

Private First Class JOSEPH A. SWEENEY, (35776581), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margret Sweeney, (mother), 1524 South Hollywood Street, South Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class ERNEST (MANN) WEBBER, (36423892), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy on board LST 619 enroute to Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Aeeva M. Wingate, (mother), 925 Watson Avenue, N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1913), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class EUGENE L. CHAMBERLAIN (37490022), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Kay SanSan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 May 1945. An infantry platoon of which Private Chamberlain was a member, advanced to its objective. As the men came down the forward slope of a hill, heavy enemy artillery opened up on them, forcing the men to move back. As a result of this sudden enemy shelling one man was seriously wounded and was unable to leave his position. Private Chamberlain, with complete disregard for his personal safety, quickly returned to the wounded man, administered first aid and remained with him in plain view of the enemy and under fire until a rescue party was able to get through to the two men. By placing the life of a wounded comrade above his own, Private Chamberlain's gallant and courageous act, in remaining with the wounded man, earned him the respect and admiration of his fellow men. Home address: Mr. Fred Chamberlain (father), Box 21, Martin, South Dakota.

Staff Sergeant ALEX K. GOODMAN (36511122), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Fork Ridge, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 May 1945. In an assault on Fork Ridge, Sergeant Goodman so skilfully maneuvered his platoon that the objective was quickly accomplished. As the men prepared to make the ridge secure, the enemy surprisingly opened fire on the men, employing three heavy machine guns and a number of snipers which caused several casualties. Sergeant Goodman immediately deployed his men to cover two of the machine guns but the third one, well hidden, continued to fire. Sergeant Goodman with firm determination tried to bring fire on the hidden machine gun when he received a wound. Despite his wound, he chose to remain with the men, bringing fire on the enemy gun and directing the evacuation of the wounded. It was only after the last wounded man was evacuated that Sergeant Goodman allowed himself to be evacuated. Sergeant Goodman's skill in handling men, his coolness and daring under fire, and his inspirational leadership growing out of great loyalty to his command, earned him the deep respect and admiration of all his men. Home address: Mrs. Anna Goodman (mother), 3824 Pyler Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Private LEON L. KIEFFER (37 74048), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 May 1945. Private Kieffer and another comrade were in a foxhole on the company's perimeter defense line. During the night the enemy attacked the line spearheading its main salient in the direction of Private Kieffer's position. The fierceness of the enemy's determined attack was so great that Private Kieffer's position became imperiled. The adjacent foxhole to the left of Private Kieffer's position was over-run by the enemy, resulting in one dead and another seriously wounded. Two foxholes to the right of Private Kieffer's

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position likewise suffered a similar fate, with one dead and three seriously wounded. Nevertheless, Private Kieffer and his comrade continued the bitter fight against great odds with inimitable courage and audacity, heaving grenades and delivering automatic fire. They held their position tenaciously, taking a toll of seven enemy lives and inflicting many casualties, and held off the enemy long enough to enable the company to rush more men to fill the open gaps. In this gallant and courageous act, Private Kieffer displayed admirable qualities of determination and dependability, and aided in a large measure to stave the fanatic charges of the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Helen A. Kieffer (mother), Altura, Minnesota.

Private First Class CECIL LARSON (37483139), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 16 March 1945 to 12 May 1945. During this entire period Private Larson performed his duties in a most superior manner. On one occasion after his company seized a hill and began to dig in, the enemy launched a fierce counterattack. In spite of his wound sustained in this engagement, Private Larson remained in his position and delivered covering fire while the remainder of his company moved to more tenable positions. On another occasion after his company occupied Banzai Hill, the enemy launched two successive counterattacks. Pvt. Larson then dropped his less effective weapon, took a BAR and raked the charging enemy with terrific fire. The courage, coolness and outstanding bravery displayed by Private Larson in these actions, are exemplary of the highest standards of an infantryman in combat. Home address: Mrs. Anna Larson (mother), 3809 North 17th Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant FRANCIS J. McNEIL (36336708), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy near Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 April 1945. While Sergeant McNeil, a squad leader, and his company advanced toward a hill, they encountered a force of approximately seventy-five Japs. In the ensuing action, the platoon leader was killed and several men were wounded. Sergeant McNeil, on his own initiative, and realizing the superior dug-in enemy force, skilfully maneuvered his squad around the flank to set up a covering force in order to remove the wounded. While attempting to rescue a wounded comrade, Sergeant McNeil was intercepted by three Japs, of whom he quickly disposed. He then proceeded to aid the wounded man when an enemy machine gun opened fire on him and wounded him. In spite of his wound, Sergeant McNeil succeeded in bringing the casualty to comparative safety. Sergeant McNeil's initiative, skill in handling men and undeniable fearlessness, infused in his men the confidence to follow him and earned him their deep respect and admiration. Home address: Mrs. Lavonne McNeil (wife), Low Moor, Iowa.

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20 June 1945.

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944 (Act. 11, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Corporal NORMAN L. BRILLIANT, (20146971), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Corporal Brilliant volunteered as a member of a wire party whose mission was to establish wire communications to the forward observer serving with a reinforced patrol moving toward Binalonan. Well after dark, Corporal Brilliant and the rest of the party moved forward laying wire under fire until ordered by radio to advance no farther, due to the fact that the infantry to the front was engaged in a tank fight. In a desperate attempt to establish wire communications, they searched the area and finally found a wire which led to the infantry ahead, but which was useless as it had been severed farther back. This line was spliced to their new line and by this means the forward observer was able to direct artillery fire in support of the infantry. This action undoubtedly saved many lives, as the artillery fire denied the enemy further use of the road net. Throughout this mission and on numerous other occasions, Corporal Brilliant performed his tasks with initiative, efficiency, and disregard for personal safety. Home address: Mrs. Delia Brilliant, (mother), 23 Madrau Street, Old Town, Maine.

Corporal RILEY A. DUNCAN, (38509597), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Corporal Duncan volunteered as a member of a wire party whose mission was to establish wire communications to the forward observer serving with a reinforced patrol moving toward Binalonan. Well after dark, Corporal Duncan and the rest of the party moved forward laying wire under fire until ordered by radio to advance no farther, due to the fact that the infantry to the front was engaged in a tank fight. In a desperate attempt to establish wire communications, they searched the area and finally found a wire which led to the infantry ahead, but which was useless as it had been severed farther back. This line was spliced to their new line and by this means the forward observer was able to direct artillery fire in support of the infantry. This action undoubtedly saved many lives, as the artillery fire denied the enemy further use of the road net. Throughout this mission and on numerous other occasions, Corporal Duncan performed his tasks with initiative, efficiency, and disregard for personal safety. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Marshall Duncan, (mother), 1372 Park Avenue, Emerville, California.

Private First Class EDGAR J. DUPUIS, (20147007), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Private First Class Dupuis volunteered as a member of a wire party whose mission was to establish wire communications to the forward observer serving with a re-

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enforced patrol moving toward Binalonan. Well after dark, Private First Class Dupuis and the rest of the party moved forward laying wire under fire until ordered by radio to advance no farther, due to the fact that the infantry to the front was engaged in a tank fight. In a desperate attempt to establish wire communications, they searched the area and finally found a wire which led to the infantry ahead, but which was useless as it had been severed farther back. This line was spliced to their new line and by this means the forward observer was able to direct artillery fire in support of the infantry. This action undoubtedly saved many lives, as the artillery fire denied the enemy further use of the road net. Throughout this mission and on numerous other occasions, Private First Class Dupuis performed his tasks with initiative, efficiency, and disregard for personal safety. Home address: Mrs. Daphne Dupuis, (mother), 46 Perkins Avenue, Old Town, Maine.

Private First Class JAMES J. FOGARTY, (37176670), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Private First Class Fogarty volunteered as a member of a wire party whose mission was to establish wire communications to the forward observer serving with a reinforced patrol moving toward Binalonan. Well after dark, Private First Class Fogarty and the rest of the party moved forward laying wire under fire until ordered by radio to advance no farther, due to the fact that the infantry to the front was engaged in a tank fight. In a desperate attempt to establish wire communications, they searched the area and finally found a wire which led to the infantry ahead, but which was useless as it had been severed farther back. This line was spliced to their new line and by this means the forward observer was able to direct artillery fire in support of the infantry. This action undoubtedly saved many lives, as the artillery fire denied the enemy further use of the road net. Throughout this mission and on numerous other occasions, Private First Class Fogarty performed his tasks with initiative, efficiency, and disregard for personal safety. Home address: Mr. Joseph W. Fogarty, (father), Route #1, Simpson, Minnesota.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL KING:

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HEADQUARTERS 43d INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....348

ORIGINAL ORDER ~~OF~~ ~~NO. 1~~

20 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 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 enlisted men:

Private First Class PHILIP E. BUCK, (20146500), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 February 1945. Private Buck, volunteered as a member of a patrol to search for a Jap force reported to be in the vicinity of Maloguit Barrio. The infiltrating Jap demolition group was encountered and caught wholly by surprise. With exceptionally quick and fearless action, Private Buck rushed to a position of advantage and opened fire with his carbine. His first shot wounded a Jap who was hurriedly trying to set up a light machine gun. Private Buck then made a forward dash, killed the operator and secured the gun. The courageous, well conceived action displayed by Private Buck undoubtedly precluded casualties among his patrol members as the enemy was well armed with the one light machine gun, rifles, grenades and explosives. The remaining members of the enemy force was promptly disposed of by the balance of the patrol. Private Buck, a member of the Medical Battalion Section, demonstrated great personal courage, aggressiveness and devotion above and beyond the call of duty. Home address: Mrs. Cordila Buck, (mother), 40 Lincoln Street, Bangor, Maine.

Corporal EVERETT H. DEGRASSE, (20147213), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 February 1945. When it was detected that a small party of Japs were in the vicinity of their battery positions, Corporal DeGrasse volunteered to lead a party to destroy the enemy. During the approach to the hostile party, Corporal DeGrasse frequently and fearlessly exposed himself in order to draw fire from the enemy thereby ascertaining the location of their positions. His tactics were successful, and as the Japs directed small arms fire towards him, Corporal DeGrasse quickly spotted the enemy and with an indomitable fighting spirit personally killed the enemy force---an officer, a master sergeant and a superior private. Corporal DeGrasse's aggressiveness, great personal courage and keen devotion to duty reflect a distinct credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mr. Fred. J. DeGrasso, (father), R.F.D. #8, South Brewer, Maine.

Private First Class JOSEPH P. SADOWSKI, (31047393), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill #600, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 February 1945. When the communications line to the Liaison Officer had been severed by heavy enemy fire, Private Sadowski, a wire-man, accompanied

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(Private First Class JOSEPH P. SADOWSKI)

By a comrade, without awaiting for orders, immediately set out to locate and repair the trouble. Exposed to heavy enemy mortar fire, and without concern of his own safety, Private Sadowski rapidly succeeded in reestablishing communications. This accomplishment permitted the Forward Observer to bring down terrific and accurate fire against the enemy. The resultant action silenced three (3) hostile field pieces which had been firing on the battalion gun positions. Private Sadowski's outstanding courage, initiative, and keen devotion to duty were exemplary and in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home address: Mr. Paul Sadowski, (father), 114 Elm Street, Danbury, Connecticut.

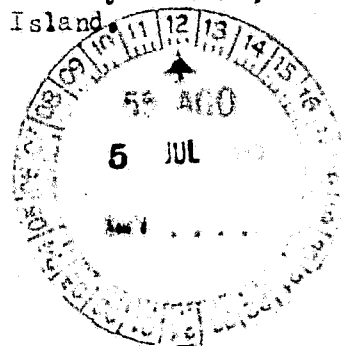
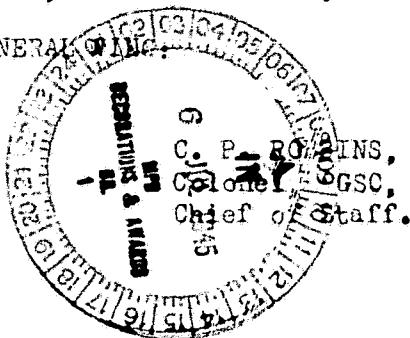
Private First Class EUGENE C. SANTOS, (31050699), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill #600, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 February 1945. When the communications line to the Liaison Officer had been severed by heavy enemy fire, Private Santos, wire-man, accompanied by a comrade, without awaiting for orders, immediately set out to locate and repair the trouble. Exposed to heavy enemy mortar fire, and without concern of his own safety, Private Santos rapidly succeeded in reestablishing communications. This accomplishment permitted the Forward Observer to bring down terrific and accurate fire against the enemy. The resultant action silenced three (3) hostile field pieces which had been firing on the battalion gun positions. Private Santos' outstanding courage, initiative, and keen devotion to duty were exemplary and in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mary B. Santos, (mother), 312 Wickendale Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Staff Sergeant FREDERICK VINCENT, (20125601), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area between the period 30 June 1943 to 7 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Vincent, (mother), 9 Briarbridge Avenue, East Providence, Rhode Island.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL VINCENT

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....357

20 June 1945.

GENERAL ORDER # ~~357~~

SECTION I -- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL  
SECTION II -- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (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 officer and enlisted men:

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\*Private First Class ROBERT S. DILLIPLANE, (35369945), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Daisy Dilliplane, (mother), 1012 Queen Street, Pottstown, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class LESTER L. HILTON, (34775104), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lessie M. Hilton, (mother), Route #3, Reidsville, North Carolina.

Private First Class ELMER A. RUSSELL, (35797428), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Apugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mattie Russell, (mother), Edgwood Court, Middlesboro, Kentucky.

Captain LEWIS (M.M.) SWEAT, (O-354729), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lilith M. Sweat, (wife), Cedar, Kansas.

Captain FRANK B. WHALEN, (O-1288985), (then Second Lieutenant), United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 13 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Frank B. Whalen, (wife), 13111 Miles Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Sergeant GEORGE B. HENDRICKSON, (34732688), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph I, Section I, General Orders #129, 26 April 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:

Sergeant GEORGE B. HENDRICKSON, (34732688), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Oro, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alma D. Hendrickson, (wife), 714 Moore Street, Bristol, Virginia.

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1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Sergeant LESTER H. CHESSMAN, (35731294), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph I, Section I, General Orders #124, 25 April 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of AR 600-43, as amended. The citation is as follows:

Sergeant LESTER H. CHESSMAN, (35731294), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Wawa Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances Chessman, (mother), 1449 South 10th Street, Terre Haute, Indiana.

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20 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE SILVER 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 by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class HENRY C. GUCKERT (39209583), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 May 1945. Private Guckert, acting squad leader, led his patrol to clean out a pocket of Japs entrenched in a wooded draw. When the patrol neared the draw, it encountered terrific machine gun and rifle fire of the enemy. As a result, one man was severely wounded and the remainder was forced to move back to a position of safety. Private Guckert, knowing that the wounded man remained in his position and was unable to move back under his own power, proceeded cautiously to the stricken man. Alone and without covering fire he braved the continuous enemy fire and succeeded in dragging the wounded man back to safety. Private Guckert's boldness and outstanding gallantry as demonstrated in this action in saving the life of a comrade exemplify the highest standards of the military service. Home address: Mr. Frank R. Guckert (father), 3104 West Morgan, Seattle, Washington.

Private First Class WILLIAM P. HENDERSON (57534287), Medical Department, U. S. Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the Kay BanBan Sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 May 1945. An infantry company, comprised of a skeleton crew, advanced toward Ipo Dam and seized a prominent hill. At this point the enemy showered the hill with such intense machine gun and sniper fire that one platoon was pinned down and unable to move in any direction. A platoon of another company accompanied by several aid men was immediately ordered to come to the assistance of the beleaguered platoon, and to treat and evacuate the wounded. The rescue platoon advanced only a short distance when it was also forced back by heavy enemy sniper and knee-mortar fire. After some skillful maneuvering around, the rescue party succeeded in pushing far enough forward to evacuate the stricken men. It was on this occasion that Private Henderson, an aid man, at great risk to his own safety, bravely and courageously went forward through this enemy fire, administered plasma and first aid and assisted in removing the wounded to safety. Home address: Mrs. William H. Henderson (mother), 704 West Court Street, Beloit, Kansas.

Private GILBERT W. McDANIEL JR. (38573449), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy near Baloc, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Private McDaniel was a member of an armed guard of a litter party returning to the aid station with several casualties. As the litter party advanced up a rocky draw, Jap artillery was registered on its position, inflicting several casualties. At this point Private McDaniel withdrew from his designated position to aid a comrade who had sustained a serious shrapnel wound. Disregarding the heavy concentration of enemy artillery fire, Private McDaniel assisted the wounded man and succeeded in bringing

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him to the aid station. It was of his own volition that Private McDaniel turned back to aid the wounded man, which act of gallantry and keen devotion to duty had undoubtedly saved another man's life. Home address: Mrs. Thelma McDaniel (mother), Route #1, Ryan, Oklahoma.

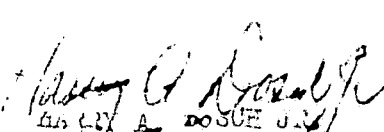
Private First Class GEORGE W. SMITH (37986478), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy near Baloc, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Private Smith was a member of an armed guard of a litter party returning to the aid station with several casualties. As the litter party advanced up a rocky draw, Jap artillery was registered on its position, inflicting several casualties. At this point Private Smith withdrew from his designated position to aid a comrade who had sustained a serious shrapnel wound. Ignoring the heavy concentration of enemy artillery fire, Private Smith assisted the wounded man and succeeded in bringing him to the aid station. It was of his own volition that Private Smith turned back to aid the wounded man, which act of gallantry and keen devotion to duty had undoubtedly saved another man's life. Home address: Mrs. Ethel N. Smith (wife), R.F.D. #2, Mayville, Michigan.

Private First Class VANCE J. WEEKS (34788218), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Baloc, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Private Weeks volunteered to go as an armed guard with a party of eight Filipino carriers and thirteen other men through a sniper-infested area to bring back two litter cases from another company. The distance the rescue party had to travel was approximately 200 yards, largely an exposed path which was under direct enemy surveillance and covered by many snipers. Twice the party was driven back by ambush fire and in the third attempt, through intense fire which killed the advance scout, the party got through. The litter cases were picked up and the party started back. Meanwhile, Jap artillery was registered on the open path and as the party crossed it, artillery shells fell around the men with deadly accuracy, killing two men and wounding several. Though he himself received shrapnel wounds in the left arm and side, Private Weeks remained in his position as guard for the frightened and stumbling litter bearers until they reached the aid station. Private Weeks, in his disregard for his own safety as shown by his aid in saving the lives of his wounded countrymen, displayed a high degree of gallantry and intrepidity above the call of duty. Home address: Mr. Elmer J. Weeks (father), Naples, Florida.

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GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER... 375

19 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 40, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class CARLOS NMI MONTOYA (33551928), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Baloc, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Private Montoya volunteered to go as an armed guard with a party of eight Filipino carriers and thirteen other men through a sniper-infested area to bring back two litter cases from another company. The distance the rescue party had to travel was approximately 200 yards, largely an exposed path which was under direct enemy surveillance and covered by many snipers. Twice the party was driven back by ambush fire and in the third attempt, through intense fire which killed the advance scout, the party got through. The litter cases were picked up and the party started back. Meanwhile, Jap artillery was registered on the open path and as the party crossed it, artillery shells fell around the men with deadly accuracy, killing two men and wounding several. In this instance Private Montoya sustained a sprained back caused by a bursting shell which threw him to the ground. In spite of this he remained in his position as guard for the frightened and stumbling litter bearers until they reached the aid station. Private Montoya, in his disregard for his own safety as shown by his aid in saving the lives of his wounded countrymen, displayed a high degree of gallantry and intrepidity above the call of duty. Home address: Mrs. Isabel Montoya (mother), General Delivery, Galisteo, New Mexico.

Private First Class JOSEPH J. ONDREJKA (35306227), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Baloc, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Private Ondrejka volunteered to go as an armed guard with a party of eight Filipino carriers and thirteen other men through a sniper-infested area to bring back two litter cases from another company. The distance the rescue party had to travel was approximately 200 yards, largely an exposed path which was under direct enemy surveillance and covered by many snipers. Twice the party was driven back by ambush fire and in the third attempt, through intense fire which killed the advance scout, the party got through. The litter cases were picked up and the party started back. Meanwhile, Jap artillery was registered on the open path and as the party crossed it, artillery shells fell around the men with deadly accuracy, killing two men and wounding several. In this instance Private Ondrejka sustained a sprained back caused by an exploding shell, but in spite of this he remained in his position as guard for the frightened and stumbling litter bearers until they reached the aid station. Private Ondrejka, in his disregard for his own safety as shown by his aid in saving the lives of his wounded countrymen, displayed a high degree of gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty. Home address: Mrs. Mary Ondrejka (mother), 5110 Hamm Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

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Private WILLARD C. POWELL (34999705), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Baloc, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Private Powell volunteered to go as an armed guard with a party of eight Filipino carriers and thirteen other men through a sniper-infested area to bring back two litter cases from another company. The distance the rescue party had to travel was approximately 300 yards, largely an exposed path which was under direct enemy surveillance and covered by many snipers. Twice the party was driven back by ambush fire and in the third attempt, through intense fire which killed the advance scout, the party got through. The litter cases were picked up and the party started back. Meanwhile, Jap artillery was registered on the open path and as the party crossed it, artillery shells fell around the men with deadly accuracy, killing two men and wounding several. Private Powell never faltered but remained in his position as guard for the frightened and stumbling litter bearers until they reached the aid station. Private Powell, in his disregard for his own safety as shown by his aid in saving the lives of his wounded countrymen, displayed a high degree of gallantry and intrepidity above the call of duty. Home address: Mrs. Alma G. Powell (mother), Aliceville, Alabama.

Private WILLIAM A. RAWN (37777127), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Baloc, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Private Rawn volunteered to go as an armed guard with a party of eight Filipino carriers and thirteen other men through a sniper-infested area to bring back two litter cases from another company. The distance the rescue party had to travel was approximately 200 yards, largely an exposed path which was under direct enemy surveillance and covered by many snipers. Twice the party was driven back by ambush fire and in the third attempt, through intense fire which killed the advance scout, the party got through. The litter cases were picked up and the party started back. Meanwhile, Jap artillery was registered on the open path and as the party crossed it, artillery shells fell around the men with deadly accuracy, killing two men and wounding several. Private Rawn never faltered but remained in his position as guard for the frightened and stumbling litter bearers until they reached the aid station. Private Rawn, in his disregard for his own safety as shown by his aid in saving the lives of his wounded countrymen, displayed a high degree of gallantry and intrepidity above the call of duty. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Rawn (mother), Box #203, B.H.O.D., Igloo, South Dakota.

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GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....354

19 June 1945.

SECTION I -- AMENDMENTS OF GENERAL ORDERS.  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL.

SECTION I

1. So much of Paragraph I, Section I, General Orders #229, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 21 May 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart Medal to Private First Class KENNETH L. ROSSIE, (6553555), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

2. So much of Paragraph I, Section II, General Orders #254, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 29 May 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart Medal to Private First Class JAMES R. BROWN, (34705500), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

3. So much of Paragraph I, Section I, General Orders #229, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 21 May 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart Medal to Private First Class PAT F. FITZGERALD, (38509250), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

4. So much of Paragraph I, General Orders #255, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 29 May 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart Medal to Private First Class CHARLES G. ROSE, (34209557), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

5. So much of Paragraph I, Section I, General Orders #235, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 22 May 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart Medal to Corporal PAUL A. MARTICHUSKI, (37159680), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

6. So much of Paragraph I, Section I, General Orders #228, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 21 May 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart Medal to Private JAMES S. ORTIZ, (18016771), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

7. So much of Paragraph I, Section I, General Orders #229, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 21 May 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart Medal to Sergeant JOHNIE K. SLONE, (35657191), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

8. So much of Paragraph I, Section I, General Orders #256, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 29 May 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart Medal to Private First Class JACKIE RUM, (39915081), Infantry, is hereby 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:

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Private LELAND R. AELLIG, (37235930), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 31 July 1943. Home address: Mr. Oliver R. Aellig, (father), Bellairs, Kansas.

Private First Class JOE O. ASHLEY, JR., (35773933), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jennie V. Ashley, (mother), Route #3, Reedy, West Virginia.

Private First Class WILLIAM K. SIMMONS, (19204609), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Apagan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruby K. Simmons, (mother), 251 West Montecito Street, Sierra Madre, California.

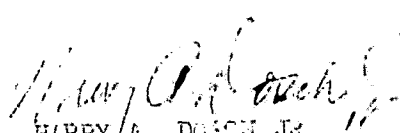
Sergeant FREDERIC W. THOME, (36803748), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Raitay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Thome, (mother), Spring Valley, Wisconsin.

Private First Class ROLAND J. TALBOT, (51038344), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 7 July 1943. Home address: Mr. Joseph E. Talbot, (father), Tourellet Hill Boulevard, North Scituate, Rhode Island.

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19 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR

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

Private ROBERT P. JACKSON (36917128), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bolac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Private Jackson volunteered to go as an armed guard with a party of eight Filipino carriers and thirteen other men through a sniper-infested area to bring back two litter cases from another company. The distance the rescue party had to travel was approximately 200 yards, largely an exposed path which was under direct enemy surveillance and covered by many snipers. Twice the party was driven back by ambush fire and in the third attempt, through intense fire which killed the advance scout, the party got through. The litter cases were picked up and the party started back. Meanwhile, Jap artillery was registered on the open path and as the party crossed it, artillery shells fell around the men with deadly accuracy, killing two men and wounding several. Private Jackson never faltered but remained in his position as guard for the frightened and stumbling litter bearers until they reached the aid station. Private Jackson, in his disregard for his own safety as shown by his aid in saving the lives of his wounded countrymen, displayed a high degree of gallantry and intrepidity above the call of duty. Home address: Mrs. Anna P. Jackson (mother), 1316 Fortman Avenue, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

Private JOHN A. JAQUESS (35818166), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bolac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Private Jaquess volunteered to go as an armed guard with a party of eight Filipino carriers and thirteen other men through a sniper-infested area to bring back two litter cases from another company. The distance the rescue party had to travel was approximately 200 yards, largely an exposed path which was under direct enemy surveillance and covered by many snipers. Twice the party was driven back by ambush fire and in the third attempt, through intense fire which killed the advance scout, the party got through. The litter cases were picked up and the party started back. Meanwhile, Jap artillery was registered on the open path and as the party crossed it, artillery shells fell around the men with deadly accuracy, killing two men and wounding several. Though he himself received a shrapnel wound, Private Jaquess remained in his position as guard for the frightened and stumbling litter bearers until they reached the aid station. Private Jaquess, in his disregard for his own safety as shown by his aid in saving the lives of his wounded countrymen, displayed a high degree of gallantry and intrepidity above the call of duty. Home address: Mrs. Helen M. Jaquess (mother), 3204 West Virginia Street, Evansville, Indiana.

Private First Class WILLIAM F. McINARNAY (34738186), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bolac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Private McInarnay volunteered

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to go as an armed guard with a party of eight Filipino carriers and thirteen other men through a sniper-infested area to bring back two litter cases from another company. The distance the rescue party had to travel was approximately 200 yards, largely an exposed path which was under direct enemy surveillance and covered by many snipers. Twice the party was driven back by ambush fire and in the third attempt, through intense fire which killed the advance scout, the party got through. The litter cases were picked up and the party started back. Meanwhile, Jap artillery was registered on the open path and as the party crossed it, artillery shells fell around the men with deadly accuracy, killing two men and wounding several. Though he himself received a shrapnel wound, Private McInarnay remained in his position as guard for the frightened and stumbling litter bearers until they reached the aid station. Private McInarnay, in his disregard for his own safety as shown by his aid in saving the lives of his wounded countrymen, displayed a high degree of gallantry and intrepidity above the call of duty. Home address: Mr. Dan McInarnay (father), route 7, Box #374, Jacksonville, Florida.

Private First Class JULIO J. MONTANO (33351983), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bolac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Private Montano volunteered to go as an armed guard with a party of eight Filipino carriers and thirteen other men through a sniper-infested area to bring back two litter cases from another company. The distance the rescue party had to travel was approximately 200 yards, largely an exposed path which was under direct enemy surveillance and covered by many snipers. Twice the party was driven back by ambush fire and in the third attempt, through intense fire which killed the advance scout, the party got through. The litter cases were picked up and the party started back. Meanwhile, Jap artillery was registered on the open path and as the party crossed it, artillery shells fell around the men with deadly accuracy, killing two men and wounding several. Private Montano never faltered but remained in his position as guard for the frightened and stumbling litter bearers until they reached the aid station. Private Montano, in his disregard for his own safety as shown by his aid in saving the lives of his wounded countrymen, displayed a high degree of gallantry and intrepidity above the call of duty. Home address: Mr. Jose I. Montano (father), 1017 12th Street, Las Vegas, New Mexico.

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 #9413, 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 enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant LAURENCE K. BOWEN (20145456), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 and 12 May 1945. Sergeant Bowen, on patrol to search out enemy troops who had withdrawn into a canyon east of a hill, skillfully deployed his men in covering all avenues of enemy withdrawal. With total disregard for his personal safety, he proceeded to attack under fire killing three of the enemy. There were still more Japs in the area some of whom were hidden in small caves. Sergeant Bowen sent word back to the remainder of his platoon as to strength, location, and approach resulting in the killing of the four remaining Japs. The initiative and heroism shown by Sergeant Bowen in this action reflect great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mr. Ernest Bowen (father), R.F.D. #3, Belfast, Maine.

Private First Class HENRY FONTAINE (20144125), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. During the attack on a hill, the rifle company of which Private Fontaine was radio operator, encountered stiff enemy opposition from artillery, machine gun, and small arms fire to such an extent that it was virtually impossible to hold the ground gained without assistance from a company in reserve. With total disregard for his personal safety, Private Fontaine, under heavy enemy fire quickly set up his radio and proceeded to instruct the reserve unit to the position in which they were badly needed. By this heroic and courageous act, Private Fontaine unquestionably assisted materially in saving the ground gained by his company. Home address: Mrs. Edward Fontaine (mother), Cumberland Street, Rumford, Maine.

Technician Grade V KENNETH C. PERDUE (35263361), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Binbonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Corporal Perdue was repairing a telephone line that had been broken as a result of enemy artillery shelling. While repairing the broken wire, an enemy shell fell in close proximity wounding him and causing another break in the line. With total disregard for his personal safety, Corporal Perdue continued to repair the broken line, permitting uninterrupted communication service between the Regimental Command and the Battalion. Corporal Perdue's outstanding courage and exceptional devotion to duty contributed in a large measure to the success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Nell Perdue (mother), Ottawa, West Virginia.

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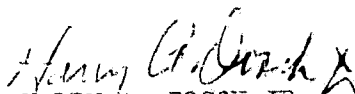
Sergeant LEO RICHARD (31024471), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 May 1945. Sergeant Richard, during an assault on a hill, was engaged in laying wire to the assault company through an area that was covered by enemy artillery, mortar, and sniper fire. With total disregard for his personal safety under extreme hazardous conditions, he succeeded in laying the wire, and upon his return to the rear, he assisted in the evacuation of the wounded to the aid station. The courage and coolness under fire shown by Sergeant Richard in this operation reflect great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mr. Albert Richard (father), R.F.D., Livernore Falls, Maine.

Private First Class VESS M. ROGERS (3-336436), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Private Rogers, supporting the advance of a rifle company in the attack on two hills, while exposed to intense enemy machine gun and sniper fire, placed devastating machine gun fire against the enemy enabling his company to reach its objective. Later he covered the withdrawal of another company which was also subject to intense enemy machine gun and sniper fire. The courage, initiative, and coolness under fire shown by Private Rogers in this action reflect great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Lora Baldwin Rogers, (mother), Route #1, Jayotte, Alabama.

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SECTION I---AWARDS OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL  
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 2 July 1926 (Bulletin 8, MO, 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Grade V EDWARD G. CODERRE, (20153432), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism at Marilao, Bulacan Province, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 April 1945. Corporal Coderre demonstrated a high degree of heroism when, with total disregard for his own personal safety, he unhesitatingly entered a burning home to rescue an invalided woman whom he was told was left alone in the building. The home had been set on fire with other buildings in the barrico following the crash of a friendly plane. Braving the hot, penetrating flames, Corporal Coderre carried the woman outside to a place of safety while his own clothes and hair were on fire. Corporal Coderre's quick thinking, initiative and bravery above and beyond the call of duty reflect great personal credit to himself and to the United States military service. Home address: Mrs. Anna Coderre, (mother), 719 Cottage Street, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

Technician Grade V ROBERT L. HADLEY, (20153464), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism near Banaoang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 February 1945. Corporal Hadley, riding in a tractor, observed that the driver of the preceding bulldozer, because of the darkness and the faulty lights, missed the "turn" sign and proceeded onto a bridge which immediately collapsed under the weight of the bulldozer. Its driver was thrown against some object rendering him unconscious. As soon as Corporal Hadley witnessed the accident, he and his companion set out to effect rescue of their comrade. Disregarding the danger that the bulldozer might fall through the collapsed bridge structure, Corporal Hadley, through the darkness and water approximately three feet deep, moved underneath the moving tracks and succeeded in extricating the unconscious soldier. Corporal Hadley promptly administered artificial respiration to the victim and accompanied him in the drive to the hospital. Corporal Hadley's prompt, heroic and unselfish action reflects great personal credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. George E. Hadley, (father) 12 Sherman Street, Riverside, Rhode Island.

Technician Grade V JOHN STAZIANO, (20153483), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroism near Banaoang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 February 1945. Corporal Staziano, driving a tractor, observed that the driver of the preceding bulldozer, because of the darkness and the faulty lights, missed the "turn" sign and proceeded onto a bridge which immediately collapsed under the weight of the bulldozer. The driver of the bulldozer was thrown against some object rendering him unconscious. As soon as Corporal Staziano witnessed the accident, he and his accompanying rider set out to effect rescue of their comrade. Disregarding the danger that

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the bulldozer might fall through the collapsed bridge structure, Corporal Staziano, through the darkness and water approximately three feet deep, moved underneath the moving tracks and assisted in extricating the unconscious soldier. Corporal Staziano's prompt, heroic and unselfish action reflects great personal credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Maria Staziano (mother), 798 River Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 2 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 enlisted men:

Sergeant WARNER M. PALMER, (32031862), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the junction of the Bosoboso and Pagua Rivers, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 March 1945. Sergeant Palmer, in company with a comrade volunteered to patrol an area suspected of harboring a Japanese demolition group whose apparent intent was to destroy our 105 mm howitzers located nearby. The enemy, composed of one officer and four enlisted men, armed with rifles, hand grenades and explosives, were discovered in caves along the river bank. With daring courage, determination and aggressiveness, Sergeant Palmer engaged the hostile force resulting in the total annihilation of the enemy. Sergeant Palmer's action reflects great personal fortitude, tenacity and keen devotion to duty. Home address: Mr. Warner M. Palmer, Sr., (father), Route #3, Clyde, New York.

Private First Class WALTER V. TOFFEY, (31043040), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the junction of the Bosoboso and Pagua Rivers, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 March 1945. Private Toffey, in company with a comrade volunteered to patrol an area suspected of harboring a Japanese demolition group whose apparent intent was to destroy our 105 mm howitzers located nearby. The enemy, composed of one officer and four enlisted men, armed with rifles, hand grenades and explosives, were discovered in caves along the river bank. With daring courage, determination and aggressiveness, Private Toffey engaged the hostile force and resulted in the total annihilation of the enemy. Private Toffey's action reflects great personal fortitude, tenacity, and keen devotion to duty. Home address: Mr. Fred Toffey, (father), 229 Echo Lake Road, Watertown, Connecticut.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

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*ORIGINAL ORDER*

SECTION I -- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL.  
SECTION II -- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (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 officer and enlisted men:

Private First Class LOUIE D. DO BOSENSKI, (37275631), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Theresa Do Bosenski, (wife), Kettle River, Minnesota.

Private First Class JOHN J. TONNELLAN, (37660766), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Montalban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marie R. Tonnellan, (wife), 1032, 5th Street, Nevada, Iowa.

Private First Class LEONARD F. GORNER, (39471091), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Wawa Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Florence Gerner, (mother), Route #1, Moscow, Idaho.

Private First Class GLENN L. HARRIS, (44012776), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Wawa Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Irene Stephenson Harris, (mother), Route #4, Henderson, North Carolina.

First Lieutenant NATHAN R. JOHNSON, JR., (O-1031815), Cavalry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 February 1945. Home address: Mr. Nathan R. Johnson, Sr., (father), 151 Lockward Avenue, Buffalo, New York.

Technician Grade V EDWARD E. MCKAY, (33315902), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at San Isidro, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary McKay, (mother), 308 Center Street, Kenneth Square, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class JAMELL E. RATLIFF, (37240492), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Luna, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Charlie J. Ratliff, (father), 223 W. Walker Street, Marceline, Missouri.

Private First Class JOHN J. RYS, (36170640), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Luna, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. Home address: Miss Stella Rys, (sister), 3464 Nine Mile Road, East Detroit, Michigan.

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Technician Grade V RAYMOND H. SCHREFFL, (13085331), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Oro, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Minnie M. Schreffl, (mother), 1422 Lowrie Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class RAYMOND T. WHITE, (31039277), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Natangalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Joseph White, (father), Woodland, Maine.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private GAYLE A. JOHNSON, (34925878), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Section II, General Orders #183, 1 May 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 GAYLE A. JOHNSON, (34925878), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Bigul, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 1 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Betty W. Johnson, (mother), Route "1", Tyler, Mississippi.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to First Lieutenant JEFF I. MOORE, (O-1315854), (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in paragraph I, General Orders #203, 18 May 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:

First Lieutenant JEFF I. MOORE, (O-1315854), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Martha Moore, (wife), 502 Main Street, Battle Creek, Michigan.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL KING:

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AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR

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

Corporal ROADUS A. DUNCAN (34516338), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bolac, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 May 1945. Corporal Duncan volunteered to go with a party of eight Filipino carriers and an armed guard of thirteen other men through a sniper-infested area to bring back two litter cases from another company. The distance the rescue party had to travel was approximately 200 yards, largely an exposed path which was under direct enemy artillery surveillance and covered by many snipers. Corporal Duncan was at the head of the column, leading and guiding the men. Twice the party was driven back by ambush fire, and in the third attempt the advance scout was killed by a sniper. Despite the loss of the scout, Corporal Duncan was able to lead the column through. The litter cases were picked up and the party started back. Meanwhile, Jap artillery was registered on the open path and as the party crossed it, enemy shells fell around the men with deadly accuracy, killing one man and wounding several. Corporal Duncan never faltered but maintained rigid control of the frightened men and kept them progressing. Largely through Corporal Duncan's steadfastness of purpose, extreme gallantry and intrepidity in wilfully risking his life, the rescue party was enabled to successfully complete a hazardous mission. Home address: Mrs. Hattie Duncan (mother), Route #1, Six Mile, South Carolina.

Private PAUL J. FONTANA (38657442), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bolac, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 May 1945. Private Fontana volunteered to go as an armed guard with a party of eight Filipino carriers and thirteen other men through a sniper-infested area to bring back two litter cases from another company. The distance the rescue party had to travel was approximately 200 yards, largely an exposed path which was under direct enemy surveillance and covered by many snipers. Twice the party was driven back by ambush fire and in the third attempt, despite the loss of the advance scout, the party got through. The litter cases were picked up and the party started back. Meanwhile, Jap artillery was registered on the open path and as the party crossed it, artillery shells fell around the men with deadly accuracy, killing one man and wounding several. Private Fontana did not falter but remained in his position as guard until the frightened and stumbling litter bearers reached the aid station. Private Fontana's display of a high degree of gallantry and intrepidity above the call of duty in risking his life, was inspirational to all who know him, and aided in no small measure in saving the lives of his countrymen. Home address: Mrs. Angelina Fontana (mother), 606 Columbia Street, Bogalusa, Louisiana.

Private First Class FLORIAN A. HYREK (32669702), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bolac, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 May 1945. Private Hyrek volunteered to go as an armed guard with a party of eight Filipino carriers and thirteen other men through a sniper-infested area to bring back two litter cases from another company. The distance the rescue party had to travel was approximately 200 yards, largely an exposed path which was under direct enemy surveillance and covered by many snipers. Private Hyrek was at the head of the column, leading and guiding the men. Twice the party was driven back by ambush fire, and in the third attempt the advance scout was killed by a sniper. Despite the loss of the scout, Private Hyrek was able to lead the column through. The litter cases were picked up and the party started back. Meanwhile, Jap artillery was registered on the open path and as the party crossed it, enemy shells fell around the men with deadly accuracy, killing one man and wounding several. Private Hyrek never faltered but maintained rigid control of the frightened men and kept them progressing. Largely through Private Hyrek's steadfastness of purpose, extreme gallantry and intrepidity in wilfully risking his life, the rescue party was enabled to successfully complete a hazardous mission. Home address: Mrs. Mary Hyrek (mother), Route #1, Six Mile, South Carolina.

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yards, largely an exposed path which was under direct enemy surveillance and covered by many snipers. Twice the party was driven back by ambush fire and in the third attempt, despite the loss of the advance scout, the party got through. The litter cases were picked up and the party started back. Meanwhile, Jap artillery was registered on the open path and as the party crossed it, artillery shells fell around the men with deadly accuracy, killing one man and wounding several. At this point Private Hyrek received a shrapnel wound in his right ear, but remained in his position as guard until the frightened and stumbling litter bearers reached the aid station. Private Hyrek, in his disregard for his own safety as shown by his aid in saving the lives of his wounded countrymen, displayed a high degree of gallantry and intrepidity above the call of duty. Home address: Mrs. Celia Hyrek (mother), 54 Jesselle Street, Buffalo, New York.

Private DEWEY E. HOWARD (39750043), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bolac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Private Howard volunteered to go as an armed guard with a party of eight Filipino carriers and thirteen other men through a sniper-infested area to bring back two litter cases from another company. The distance the rescue party had to travel was approximately 200 yards, largely an exposed path which was under direct enemy surveillance and covered by many snipers. Twice the party was driven back by ambush fire and in the third attempt, through intense fire which killed the advance scout, the party got through. The litter cases were picked up and the party started back. Meanwhile, Jap artillery was registered on the open path and as the party crossed it, artillery shells fell around the men with deadly accuracy, killing one man and wounding several. At this point Private Howard never faltered but remained in his position as guard for the frightened and stumbling litter bearers until they reached the aid station. Private Howard's display of a high degree of gallantry and intrepidity above the call of duty in risking his life, was inspirational to all who knew him, and aided in no small measure in saving the lives of his countrymen. Home address: Mrs. Bessie W. Howard (mother), House #2, Box 231, San Diego, California.

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 enlisted men:

Private First Class MILTON J. BRANCH, (34889025), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Lingayon Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lola I. Branch, (mother), Route #1, Burlington, Tennessee.

Private ERNEST (H.M.I.) FRADERICK, (37595429), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Susan T. Frederick, (mother), Box 117, Belcourt, North Dakota.

Private First Class PAUL (H.M.I.) SAUNDERS, (35842641), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Caudill, (wife), 641 East 111th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Private THOMAS L. GWYNN, (32961187), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lily Salvador, (sister), 4486-115th Street, New York City, New York.

Corporal HARRY N. HANSEN, (15304085), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Axsel T. Hanson, (father), 40 Kilsythe Road, Arlington, Massachusetts.

Private First Class ANDRUS H. HENRY, (38171117), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Kay Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Felix Henry, (father), Route #1, Box 66 C, Morse, Louisiana.

Private First Class ROY C. HOLMES, (34808484), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jessie W. Holmes, (mother), Route #1, Linwood, Alabama.

Private First Class CHARLES F. JONES, (34808138), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hazel H. Jones, (mother), 306 North Main Street, Piedmont, Alabama.

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Private First Class EARLIN L. JORDAN, (38405335), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dolia A. Jordan, (mother), Box 16, Hunter, Oklahoma.

Private LEWIS E. KOLLERT, (35925392), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 3 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Minnie B. Kollert, (mother), Turbank, Ohio.

Private First Class TRAVIS (MAY) MULLINS, (34501644), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Will J. Mullins, (grandfather), Route #1, Tocahtontas, Tennessee.

~~Private First Class GEORGE P. O'BRIEN, (382270), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. Home address: Mr. George P. O'Brien, 705 East 1st Street, Carroll, Iowa, (father).~~

Private GABRIEL (MAY) SOLANO, (38702450), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Tawa Tawa, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Fernando Solano, (father), 1608 Santa Maria Avenue, Laredo, Texas.

Sergeant WILLIAM E. SPENCER, (34657742), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lydia V. Spencer, (mother), Route #1, Jamesville, South Carolina.

Sergeant HERMAN F. STRICKER, (39333165), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Apugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rosa Stricker, (mother), 3104 SW 30th Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

Private JOSEPH F. ULRICH, JR., (38677922), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Apugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Joseph F. Ulrich, Sr., (father), Route #1, Inez, Texas.

Private RUDDLEH D. WESTFAHL, (37737783), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary L. Westfahl, (wife), Sugar Creek, Missouri.

BY COLONEL OF MAJOR GENERAL ING:

OFFICIAL:

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #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:

First Lieutenant LEON O. DOUGLAS (O-1306394), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Bulao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 March 1945. Lieutenant Douglas, in command of a party of volunteers, proceeded to retrieve eight wounded men to the rear through an area which was covered by enemy machine gun and sniper fire, and through which previous attempts had been unsuccessful. On their way, Lieutenant Douglas saw the body of an enlisted man who had been killed trying to get through on the previous day. The body was off the trail, and across a rice paddy which they knew was covered by enemy fire. Lieutenant Douglas, accompanied by an enlisted man, crept across the rice paddy, and when they had almost reached the body, the enemy opened fire on them and killed the enlisted man instantly. Lieutenant Douglas made a further attempt to reach the body, but was wounded by another burst of fire and was forced to withdraw. The heroism and unselfishness shown by Lieutenant Douglas in this action reflect great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Virginia M. Douglas (wife), 315 Summit Street, Sayre, Pennsylvania.

Corporal GUST PENNALA (36450780), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Bulao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 March 1945. Corporal Pennala's mortar platoon occupied positions in the perimeter of his Battalion Command Post. Under cover of darkness the enemy made a fanatic attack upon the Command Post from the rear. During the attack, the mortars of Corporal Pennala's platoon were called upon to deliver fire concentrations in support of a rifle company. With total disregard for his personal safety throughout the attack, he assisted in delivering the fire which successfully drove off and killed many of the enemy. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Corporal Pennala reflect great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mr. Victor Pennala (cousin), Greenland, Michigan.

Corporal JOHN J. TROTZ (20232793), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 and 15 May 1945. The assault platoon of which Corporal Trotz was a member was attacked repeatedly by the enemy with mortars, machine guns, rifles, and hand grenades. Armed with a E.A.R., he was able to locate one of the enemy knee mortars that was firing on our positions, and with total disregard for his own personal safety, stood in his hole and fired his weapon from the shoulder at the enemy weapon knocking it out of action. Corporal Trotz, having the only

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(Cpl John J. Trotz contd)

automatic weapon in the assault platoon's sector of the perimeter, contributed in a great measure to the destruction of each enemy attack. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Corporal Trotz reflect great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mary Trotz (mother), 62 South Crossman Avenue, Buffalo, New York.

Private First Class TILLIER WESLEY (58076728), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Purple Heart Ridge, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Private Wesley, while manning a machine gun position on the ridge, threw his last hand grenade at an enemy patrol causing the patrol to take cover in a draw to his front. The enemy then made a concentrated attack on his position with hand grenades and small arms fire. Private Wesley first opened fire with a carbine which jammed, and then again opened fire with an M-1 rifle, until all of his ammunition was gone. Leaving his squad leader with the machine gun, he crawled to an adjacent position to obtain more ammunition, and upon returning to his position found that an enemy hand grenade had knocked the front leg off the machine gun putting it out of action. Exposing himself to enemy fire, he assisted his squad leader in putting the machine gun back into operation, and then again continued firing the M-1 rifle at the enemy. As a result of this action, Private Wesley personally killed two Japs, and the remainder of the enemy withdrew. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Private Wesley in driving off the enemy patrol was an outstanding factor in safeguarding the rear command post from an enemy breakthrough. Home address: Mrs. Polly Wesley (mother), Route #2, Box 139, Wetumka, Oklahoma.

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
AFO #43

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....346

19 June 1945.

SECTION I -- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL  
SECTION II -- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (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 officer and enlisted men:

Private HARVEY C. BOWEN, (44012903), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Oro, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sarah M. Bowen, (mother), Route #1, Box 51, Ferry Hill, North Carolina.

Private GEORGE L. BRATCHER, (34935889), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Oro, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sybil Iona Bratcher, (wife), Box 263, Honoa Path, South Carolina.

Private FAUL V. BRICKER, JR., (35850152), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Oro, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margory R. Bricker, (mother), 239 West Exchange Street, Akron, (3), Ohio.

Private First Class ALBERT C. BOGGETT, (44036870), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Nawa Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Ben Daggott, (father), Route #2, Worwick, Georgia.

Private First Class RAYMOND E. MC DANIEL, (38604484), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Nawa Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Johnnie M. McDaniel, (mother), Route #1, Soaplaves, Texas.

Private First Class ROBERT E. MC GILVRA, (39480548), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Nawa Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bernice Harry McGilvra, (mother), Route #1, Box 770, St Helens, Oregon.

Private WILLIAM G. PAWLINGS, (35905144), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Nawa Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lorraine F. Pawlings, (wife), C. Avenue, Newcastle, Indiana.

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Private LEONARD G. ROBINSON, (35127012), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Oro, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Robinson, (wife), 1331 Pontiac Street, Brooklyn, Baltimore, Maryland.

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Private First Class CLOTIS W. SCHMIDT, (37775371), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Wawa, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Adolino Schmidt, (mother), Hayti, South Dakota.

Second Lieutenant SIDNEY J. SCIVICQUE, (O-1028169), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Wawa, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Scivicque, (wife), Box 296, Norton, Mississippi.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class JESUS (M.N.) BALTAZAR, (35575887), Infantry, by Headquarters Island Command, AFM #709, as published in General Orders #15, 25 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 JESUS (M.N.) BALTAZAR, (35575887), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Wawa, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 1 June 1945. Home address: Miss Carnon Baltazar, (sister), 4424 Eugeno Street, Los Angeles, California.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class ACEL (M.N.) WEBSTER, (35766765), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #233, Paragraph I, 20 May 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 ACEL (M.N.) WEBSTER, (35766765), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Oro, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nellie Webster, (mother), Vanceburg, Kentucky.

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HEADQUARTERS 43d INFANTRY DIVISION

APO #48

GENERAL ORDER  
NUMBER.... 345

19 June 1945

- GENERAL ORDER
- SECTION I - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUSLY)
  - SECTION II - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR CLUSTER (POSTHUMOUSLY)
  - SECTION III - AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR
  - SECTION IV - AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS #325

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 CHARLES G. McCONNELL (36917266), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy near Boso-boso, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 April 1945. Private McConnell was a member of an eight-man reconnaissance patrol when it was ambushed by the enemy. As a result of the heavy enemy fire one scout was hit and the remainder of the patrol were pinned down. Private McConnell voluntarily and without regard for his own safety, went forward with the patrol leader to remove the wounded man to cover. Upon reaching the casualty, he proceeded to remove the lifeless body of the advance scout, when suddenly an enemy bullet killed him. Private McConnell's gallant and daring action in the face of heavy enemy fire in sacrificing his life to render aid to a comrade, is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Marjorie S. McConnell (mother), 141 North Prospect Street, Rockford, Illinois.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant ROBERT D. GRANGER (20151399), Infantry, by this headquarters, as published in General Orders #281, dated 5 January 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him posthumously by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

Staff Sergeant ROBERT D. GRANGER (20151399), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Hill Toe, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 May 1945. Sergeant Granger and his platoon were given the mission to seize and secure Hill Toe. In the face of strong enemy resistance the platoon succeeded in taking the hill. The platoon then became subjected to fire from four enemy machine guns, one bullet entering Sergeant Granger's right leg. The enemy continued to rake the hill with such deadly accuracy that all but five men of the platoon became casualties. Despite the severe pain and loss of blood, Sergeant Granger continued to command his men and ordered them to seek more favorable positions, while he himself elected to remain until an aid man arrived. The aid man was unable to reach him soon enough, and Sergeant Granger's lifeless body was found later. Sergeant Granger demonstrated exceptional bravery and superior leadership, and his willingness to give up his life to save the lives of his comrades not only aided substantially to the successful completion of his company's mission but also exemplified the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mr. Adolard Granger (father), 9 West Street, Wincocks, Vermont.

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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 45, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private HENRY W. STILLE (37774718), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the Taybanan Sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 May 1945. Private Stille's company advanced toward Ipo Dam, seized and occupied a strategic hill. The enemy then opened up with intense machine gun fire, pinning down one platoon and preventing it from moving in any direction. Volunteers were needed to seek out a route of escape and to contact a friendly patrol of another company which was supporting the pinned down platoon. Private Stille immediately volunteered, and with another man, dashed across 600 yards of open terrain in plain view of the enemy and under heavy fire succeeded in reaching the friendly patrol which had also been pushed back by mortar fire. By means of radio communications Private Stille contacted the beleaguered platoon, described a route of escape, and then guided the friendly patrol to a position from which it could deliver effective covering fire as the trapped platoon moved out. In this gallant and courageous act, Private Stille skillfully broke up a trap the enemy had set and undoubtedly saved several lives. Home address: Mr. Henry Stille (father), Alta, Iowa.

Private TRACY L. SURFACE (35125641), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy near Fork Ridge, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 May 1945. Private Surface, aid man, treated a comrade who suffered a serious, profusely-bleeding head wound with such skill and rapidity that the man's life was not in doubt. On the same day of action Private Surface voluntarily went out after another man and assisted in bringing him to safety for treatment. Again he went out the third time, administered first aid to a wounded man and assisted in dragging him to safety in the face of withering enemy fire. During these actions, Private Surface was not only under machine gun fire from three directions but also under intermittent mortar fire. For these deeds of gallantry and daring, Private Surface won the unifying gratitude and deep respect of all those who depend on him for medical aid. Home address: Mrs. Margaret E. Surface (wife), Inwood Colony, Welch, West Virginia.

SECTION IV

Inasmuch as General Orders #325, this headquarters, dated 14 January 1945, according to the award of the Bronze Star to Private First Class ROBERT F. ANDERSON (31-1317), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....344

19 June 1945

AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED UNIT CITATION

Under the provisions of Section IV Circular No. 333, War Department, 1943, the Third Battalion, 169th Infantry Regiment is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945.

On 20 January 1945, the Third Battalion, 169th Infantry Regiment was ordered to penetrate the Japanese defenses in the Elson Sector and attack Mt Alava from the Rear (North). Other elements of the Regiment were to be prepared to attack frontally from the South. The effective strength of the battalion had been reduced to three hundred fifty officers and enlisted men from heavy casualties and continuous fighting since D Day, 9 January 1945.

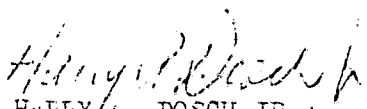
The attack was organized and launched as ordered at 1300. The approach to the base of the objective extended over fifteen hundred yards of terrain which was under enemy observation. The enemy was in greater numerical force than the attacking Battalion, was well equipped with artillery, mortars, and ammunition, and was completely dug-in in well organized positions. Despite heavy artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire which caused many casualties, the battalion moved aggressively until it reached enemy positions on the foothills of Mt Alava. It fought its way through these positions and the enemy reinforced his defenses from the garrison on the top of Mt Alava. Although suffering severe casualties from small arms fire in front, and from artillery fire from the North and East, the battalion continued to press the attack for two hours. At this time the battalion Commander was informed that other elements of the Regiment had occupied the objective from the South with virtually no opposition due to the absence of the Mt Alava Garrison.

During this action the battalion sustained losses of twenty three killed, forty nine wounded, and eight missing. From actual battlefield count the enemy lost two hundred and forty killed. This heroic action on the part of the Third Battalion 169th Infantry Regiment under most difficult and hazardous conditions was the prime factor in the capture of Mt Alava. The courage, fighting spirit and devotion to duty exhibited by the members of this battalion was in accordance with the highest traditions of the Armed forces of the United States.

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....343

16 June 1945

AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED UNIT CITATION

Under the provisions of Section IV Circular No. 333, War Department, 1943, the First Battalion, 169th Infantry Regiment is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 15 January 1945 to 17 January 1945.

At 2030 hours on 15 January 1945, the First Battalion 169th Infantry Regiment was ordered to break contact with the enemy on Hill 355, make a rapid cross country movement through the enemy line, and to establish a road block on the North-South National Highway No. 3, denying the enemy use of the highway and preventing any withdrawal to the north. The block was to be established about one and one-half miles northwest of Pozorrubio, Pangasinan Province, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The Battalion Commander was informed that establishment of the block before darkness on 16 January was of urgent necessity.

The Battalion disengaged the enemy on Hill 355 at 2100 hours on 15-16 January. Although it was raining heavily and the night was pitch black, the disengagement was made in an orderly manner, with only one casualty. The Battalion, after marching all night through muddy rice paddies and across two swollen rivers, arrived at Labay. After a short rest the march was resumed in combat formation cross country through rugged hilly terrain. At 1200 hours 16 January 1945, enemy resistance was encountered just west of the Maloguis River. The battalion bypassed this strong point in order to reach the objective before dark. The block was established on Highway Three at 1700 hours on 16 January 1945.

From 2100 hours on 16 January 1945, this position was heavily attacked by the enemy in reinforced company strength. The attack was of such ferocity that the perimeter was penetrated. The men in the perimeter fought until their ammunition was exhausted, then engaged the enemy in hand to hand attack, and literally drove them from the perimeter. The entire area was cleared of the enemy by 1030 hours on 17 January 1945. During this action, the battalion sustained casualties of two officers and sixteen enlisted men killed, two officers and fifteen men wounded. Enemy known dead: Ninety-Six. Enemy morale at the start of the attack was exceedingly high.

Despite the fact that the battalion had been constantly engaged since "D" Day, 9 January 1945, and although the strength of the battalion was down, because of heavy casualties, to approximately five hundred-fifty men and officers, despite the fact that the entire command was extremely fatigued from the long and difficult march and loss of sleep, the objective was reached, the block established and a strong force of the enemy decisively defeated. This heroic action was a deciding factor in sealing off the enemy escape route to the north. It also flanked the heavily fortified positions on hill 355 which was later taken from the rear.

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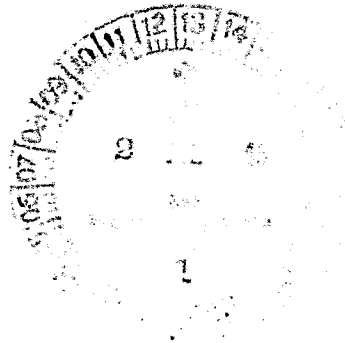
The courage, fighting spirit and devotion to duty shown by the members of the First Battalion, 169th Infantry, are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army.

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16 June 1945

AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED UNIT CITATION

Under the provisions of Section IV Circular No. 333, War Department, 1943, the 43d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop Mechanized, is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 12 March 1945 to 1 May 1945.

At the outset of the battle to turn the Southern flank of the Shinbu Line, east of Manila, the 43d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop was given the mission of reconnaissance and protection of the right flank of the Division covering the area between the Division's flank and the east shore of Laguna de Bay.

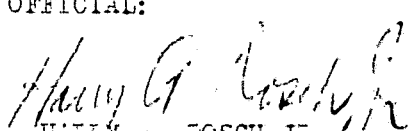
By the aggressive employment of both motor and foot patrols, probing deep into Jap held territory, the troop ascertained exactly the strength, disposition, and attitude of enemy forces facing it.

Increasing the activity and aggressiveness of its patrols and employing a battery of Field Artillery in its support, the troop developed its patrolling with such vigor that the enemy, upon being engaged, withdrew under heavy small arms and artillery fire and abandoned several towns along the north shore of Laguna de Bay. This withdrawal opened a road net which later enabled a Regimental Combat Team, screened by the 43d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, to sweep into the Santa Maria Valley, turn the South flank of the Shinbu Line and free the west shore of Laguna de Bay, contacting an adjacent Division to the South.

During this battle, the 43d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop successfully patrolled over seventy-five square miles of enemy held territory in sixteen days, forced the abandonment of several occupied barrios as well as a road net vital to future operations, and captured six field pieces, six mortars, eight vehicles, three flame throwers, and a quantity of small arms, food, and ammunition. The troop killed eighty-four Japs and captured six with a loss to itself of only one man wounded. The results achieved far exceeded the troop's assigned mission. The indomitable courage, tenacity, and aggressive, determined fighting spirit of the 43d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop are worthy of emulation and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

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16 June 1945.

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....341

SECTION I -- AMENDMENTS OF GENERAL ORDERS #188 & #192.  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL  
SECTION III- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

SECTION I

1. So much of Paragraph I, General Orders #188, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 10 May 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart Medal to Technical Sergeant JOHN L. HERRICK, (20144305), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

2. So much of Paragraph I, General Orders #192, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 16 May 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart Medal to Private First Class VESS I. ROGERS, (34336436), Infantry, is hereby 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 WALTER T. DAUGHTY, (31027708), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 January 1945. Home address: Mr. William H. Doughty, (father), Fort Fairfield, Maine.

Technician Grade III DONALD W. DROSSELL, (31027553), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nina Drossell, (mother), 34 Parris Street, Portland, Maine.

Technical Sergeant JOHN L. HERRICK, (20144305), (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Randall L. Herrick, (father), West Paris, Maine.

Private ARNOLD F. KORFF, (57736736), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 1 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Adalyne M. Korff, (wife), 3401 North 42nd Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Private First Class VESS I. ROGERS, (34336436), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lora Baldwin, Rogers, (mother), Route #1, Fayette, Alabama.

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SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Technical Sergeant J. HEN L. HERRICK, (20144305), (then Staff Sergeant), by Headquarters 43d Infantry, as published in Paragraph I, Section II, General Orders #341, 16 June 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:

Technical Sergeant J. HEN L. HERRICK, (20144305), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Randall L. Herrick, (father), West Paris, Maine.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant HENRY L. LUCEK, (17020530), Infantry, by Headquarters 1st Field Hospital as published in General Orders #1, 26 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:

Staff Sergeant HENRY L. LUCEK, (17020530), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of New Base, Base, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Charles D. Lucek, (father), Hotawain, Kansas.

3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class VESCI M. ROGERS, (34336436), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry, as published in Paragraph I, Section II, General Orders #341, 16 June 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 VESCI M. ROGERS, (34336436), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Finugay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lara B. Rogers, (mother), Route #1, Fayette, Alabama.

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HEADQUARTERS 43<sup>d</sup> INFANTRY DIVISION  
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GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....340

16 June 1945.

SECTION I -- AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS #196.  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL.  
SECTION III- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).

SECTION I

1. So much of Paragraph I, General Orders #196, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 17 May 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart Medal to Private First Class WILLIAM C. LA FOGN, (35143948), Infantry, is hereby 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 officer and enlisted men:

Private First Class JOSEPH J. CIORA, (33265915), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Luzon, Philippines Islands on 10 May 1945. Home address: Mr. John Ciora, (father), 19 Packey Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant CLYDE S. FIELDS, (54081321), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Viola L. Fields, (mother), Box 71, Marble Hill, Georgia.

First Lieutenant LLOYD E. FORNIA, (O-446768), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen M. Fornia, (wife), 2374 Willow Street, Bremerton, Washington.

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to First Lieutenant ALLEN E. BESSELIEVRE, (O-2043037), (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph I, Section I, General Orders #48, 24 October 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:

First Lieutenant ALLEN E. BESSELIEVRE, (O-2043037), (then Second Lieutenant Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Pearl L. Bosselievro, (wife), RFD #4, Gardiner, Maine.

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2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to First Lieutenant ALLEN M. BESSELIEVRE, (O-2043037), (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph I, Section I, General Orders #48, 24 October 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of AR 600-15, as amended. The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant ALLEN M. BESSELIEVRE, (O-2043037), (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Pearl L. Besselievre, (wife), RFD #4, Gardiner, Maine.

3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class ELLIOTT G. WILBORNE, (20144699), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph I, Section I, General Orders #12, 26 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 ELLIOTT G. WILBORNE, (20144699), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marie Kilbourne, (mother), 38 Drummond Street, Auburn, Maine.

4. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class WILLIAM C. LA FOL, (35146048), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph I, General Orders #318, 12 June 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 WILLIAM C. LA FOL, (35146048), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Teresa, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Thelma Shirley, (mother), 1715 Durduo Street, Lafayette, Indiana.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

C. F. ROBBINS  
Colonel, G.S.C.  
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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

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15 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

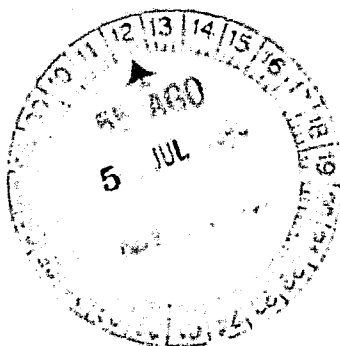
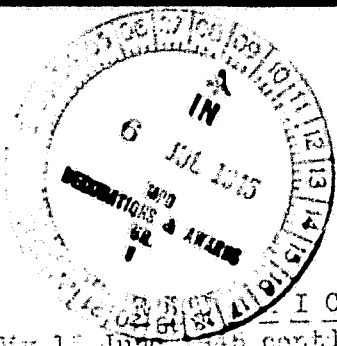
1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 3d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class EMILE W. GORDON (20144243), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 1400, in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4-6 May 1945. In the absence of the squad leader, Private Gordon took charge of the squad. With a patrol of seven men he reconnoitered a route for his battalion in preparation for a night attack on Hill 1400 in the vicinity of the dam. To insure the success of the battalion's mission, he patrolled the area for two days to seek out any traits of the enemy. By his excellent patrolling, always deep in enemy territory, Private Gordon enabled the battalion to reach its objective without a single casualty during the hours of darkness. Private Gordon's excellent patrolling and splendid leadership were highly contributory to the success of the operation in the Ipo Dam area. Home address: Mr. William H. Gordon (father), 248 Pine Street, Rumford, Maine.

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\* Corporal DANIEL B. HORNBACK (5712386), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945. Assigned to his company as a replacement prior to the M-1 Operation as a gunner on a self-propelled 105-mm howitzer M-7. Corporal Hornback quickly adapted himself to his new situation. He took hold of his new job and performed it in a superior manner. On several occasions he engaged targets promptly, and greatly assisted the advance of the infantry. In one particular instance, a Jap 105-mm gun was reported firing into our forward supply lines. While the enemy gun continued firing, Corporal Hornback's M-7 was brought up into position in plain sight of the enemy gun. The speed with which Corporal Hornback engaged his target enabled him to fire the first round before the enemy had time to fire back. As a result, Corporal Hornback's first round was a direct hit on the enemy gun which silenced it. Corporal Hornback's speed and accuracy, and the enthusiastic manner with which he performed his duties have been major factors in the success of his company in its operations, and set him aside as an exceptional soldier. Home address: Mrs. Harry DeTer (mother), 1202 Spruce Street, Coffeyville, Kansas.

Second Lieutenant CLIFTON S. KEALIHNER (O-2026888), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands from

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7 May 1945 to 19 May 1945. Lieutenant Kealher was in charge of all battalion carrying parties during this period which duty he performed in a superior manner. His task to supply the battalion took him through the most difficult and hazardous terrain along the Ipo River. On one occasion he led a carrying party deep into a dense jungle during the hours of darkness and succeeded in removing casualties. On another occasion he participated in killing three Japs while bringing supplies. Lieutenant Kealher never declined when supplies were needed, whether day or night, he always came through. Lieutenant Kealher's willinness, splendid leadership and keen devotion to duty have been rewarded by the fact that his battalion was never in need of adequate supplies and ammunition. Home address: Mrs. Inez Kealher (mother), 185 North Penn Avenue, Wilkesbarre, Pennsylvania.

Colonel SIDNEY F. MARLAND JR. (O-342643), General Staff Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitapo, New Guinea, during the period 25 June 1944 to 28 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Virginia Marland (wife), 99 North Main Street, Torrington, Connecticut.

Lieutenant Colonel JOHN J. MOHRMAN (O-344252), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 11 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Myrna G. Mohrman (wife), 639 "D" Street, Salida, Colorado.

Captain DAVID A. SAGER JR. (O-1292593), Infantry United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 February 1945 to 24 May 1945. Home address: Mr. David A. Sager Sr. (father), 554 South Royal Street, Jackson, Tennessee.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO # 43

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER... 337

15 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #7419, 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 enlisted men:

Technician Grade V JAMES L. MARTIN (35053862), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Concepcion, La Union Province, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 January 1945. Corporal Martin was a member of a motorized patrol whose mission was to reconnoiter a supply route to the front line troops. The reconnaissance was through terrain that was under constant enemy observation, for both artillery and sniper fire. The patrol was successful in establishing a route which reduced the carrying of supplies by hand from three and one-half miles to eight hundred yards. This action permitted an adequate flow of supplies to the front, and was an outstanding factor in the success of the battalion's attack against the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Jacqueline Martin (wife), 3403 Robert Avenue, Alton, Illinois.

Private First Class GEORGE W. McQUEEN (34807825), 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. Private McQueen was moving with his platoon without opposition in their assault on a hill, and began to reconnoiter before digging in. At this time an enemy field piece located about three hundred yards away, fired several rounds point blank on the hill causing the platoon to withdraw leaving one seriously wounded man lying about ten yards from the crest on the forward slope of the hill in view of the enemy. Two officers ran back across the hill to get the wounded man, but had difficulty in moving him because of his weight. With total disregard for his personal safety, Private McQueen dashed across the hill and assisted the two officers in carrying the wounded man to safety. The alertness, initiative, and coolness under fire displayed by Private McQueen made it possible to get the wounded man to safety. Home address: Mrs. Lucila A. McQueen (wife), 5301 Avenue K, Central Park, Birmingham, Alabama.

Staff Sergeant HENRY E. MUCHA (36315750), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. The platoon of which Sergeant Mucha was a member, established its perimeter as part of a force whose mission was to hold the Rosario-Demortis road. As the perimeter had to be established during the hours of darkness, a hasty and inadequate perimeter was set up with no automatic weapons. Under cover of darkness, an undetermined number of the enemy attacked the platoon with machine guns, mortars, and flame throwers, and succeeded in setting a one-half ton trailer load of mortar and bazooka ammunition on fire. As a result, the terrific explosions lighted up the area permitting the enemy to locate friendly positions and equipment. Word was passed down the line to secure their two

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light machine guns from the trucks and set them into position to repel any attack on the guns and trucks in their vicinity. Sergeant Mucha, accompanied by four others, left the relative security of their positions and crossing an open space, climbed to the top of a truck loaded with ammunition and amid machine gun fire and shrapnel from exploding mortar shells, pulled the two guns from the truck, recrossed the open space in full view of the enemy, put the guns into action and drove the enemy off after a bitter fight. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Sergeant Mucha was an outstanding factor in the success of the action. Home address: Mrs. Mary Mucha (mother), 5504 West Berenice Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class SIDNEY TANDLER (36730376), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. The platoon of which Private Tandler was a member, established its perimeter as part of a force whose mission was to hold the Rosario-Damortis road. As the perimeter had to be established during the hours of darkness, a hasty and inadequate perimeter was set up with no automatic weapons. Under cover of darkness, an undetermined number of the enemy attacked the platoon with machine guns, mortars, and flame throwers, and succeeded in setting a one-half ton trailer load of mortar and bazooka ammunition on fire. As a result, the terrific explosions lighted up the area permitting the enemy to locate friendly positions and equipment. Word was passed down the line to secure their two light machine guns from the trucks and set them into position to repel any attack on the guns and trucks in their vicinity. Private Tandler, accompanied by four others, left the relative security of their positions and crossing an open space, climbed to the top of a truck loaded with ammunition and amid machine gun fire and shrapnel from exploding mortar shells, pulled the two guns from the truck, recrossed the open space in full view of the enemy, put the guns into action and drove the enemy off after a bitter fight. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Private Tandler was an outstanding factor in the success of the action. Home address: Mrs. Sarah Tandler (mother), 1305 South Central Park Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS 43d INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #15

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER... 330

15 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE SILVER 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 by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant MICHAEL NICH ANDRESKI (12079771), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Balid-biran, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23-30 April 1945. Sergeant Andreski and a group of fifteen untrained guerrillas held two hills approximately 800 yards forward of the front lines. The tactical situation in this instance demanded the urgent need for these two hills to serve as buffers against the enemy, while the rear body of troops occupied Hill 1200 to the rear. More troops were not available to augment the small force to hold this vital position, but Sergeant Andreski took it upon himself to secure the site. Enemy troops were well-dug-in on the rear slope of a forward hill being able to deliver intense machine gun fire on the forward one of the two hills held by Sergeant Andreski's small force. During this period enemy fire took a toll of one man killed and several wounded on our side, causing the men to remain in their foxholes during the day. The increased enemy fire now forced the small group to abandon its forward hill, but with some reinforcements were able to retake the hill the next day. All this time Sergeant Andreski adjusted fire by radio for 60 and 81-mm mortars with such accuracy that the enemy was held at bay. Acting as commander under adverse circumstances, Sergeant Andreski displayed superior leadership under fire in maintaining rigid control of his inexperienced group in holding tenaciously to his position until the necessity for the hills had passed. Home address: Mrs. Anna Andreski (mother), RD #1, Box 60, Middle Grove, New York.

Sergeant GEO. M. G. GEMBERLING (33014971), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy near Bosoboso, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 April 1945. Sergeant Gemberling was leading an eight-man patrol when it was ambushed by the enemy. As a result of the heavy enemy fire one man was hit and the remainder were pinned down. Sergeant Gemberling, with the assistance of a BAR man, voluntarily and without regard for his safety, went forward under enemy observation and fire and attempted to remove the wounded man to safety. At this point the BAR man became a casualty and Sergeant Gemberling instructed him to withdraw to safety while he himself removed the now lifeless body of the first wounded man. While moving back under cover of three riflemen, the BAR man was again hit and mortally wounded. Immediately Sergeant Gemberling dashed to remove the body of the BAR man when he received word that the squad leader was killed. Under cover of smoke, Sergeant Gemberling returned to his company and quickly organized a platoon of men and led them to the scene of battle to recover the dead and wounded. Sergeant Gemberling's initiative, bravery and cool leadership under fire were an inspiration to all the men of his company and exemplified the standards of an exceptional soldier. Mrs. G. M. Gemberling (mother), 215 South Fourth Street, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania.

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Private JOHN J. NESKE (33404575), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy near Bosa Bosa, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 April 1945. Private Neske proceeded with a patrol until they reached a slight clearing where they were ordered to halt. The officer leading the patrol and his assistant then advanced to make a reconnaissance of a Jap ammunition dump. They had gone a short distance when enemy snipers and machine guns opened fire on them. The patrol leader's assistant sustained a serious wound but was able to return to the patrol and, before losing his consciousness, revealed that the patrol leader was wounded. Private Neske, without regard for his own life, took it upon himself to move forward and try to locate the wounded officer. Twice the enemy fire drove him back, but in the third attempt he succeeded in reaching the lifeless body of the officer. Under withering enemy fire he moved the body to a position where the patrol could easily recover it. Because of Private Neske's undaunted courage, bravery, and devotion to and above the call of duty, it was possible to recover the body of the patrol leader. Home address: Mrs. Lillian Neske (mother) 3348 Spring Way Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class JAMIE S. SPEERS (20366478), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy near Bosa Bosa, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 April 1945. Private Speers proceeded with a patrol until they reached a slight clearing where the patrol leader ordered them to halt. The patrol leader and an assistant then advanced to make a reconnaissance of a Jap ammunition dump. They had gone a short distance when enemy snipers and machine guns opened fire on them. The patrol leader's assistant sustained a serious wound but was able to return to the patrol and, before losing his consciousness, revealed that the patrol leader was wounded. Since the exact location of the officer was unknown, one enlisted man volunteered to move forward to search for the wounded officer. Twice he was forced back by withering enemy fire. At this time Private Speers volunteered to move forward to assist the other enlisted man. At the great risk of his life, he succeeded in reaching the lifeless body of the patrol leader and helped to bring it back under constant sniper and machine gun fire. Because of Private Speers' undaunted courage, bravery and devotion to and above the call of duty, it was possible to recover the body of the patrol leader. Home address: Mrs. Louise Speers (mother), Box 240, RFD #1, Portsmouth, Virginia.

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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 Officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class FOY J. ADDY (34273768), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Palac Palac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cecil M. Addy, (wife), Route #1, Decatur, Maine.

Technical Sergeant ROGER J. LUCCIN (20144420), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Teloytag, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. George Luccin, (mother), 24 Pike Street, Westbrook, Maine.

Technical Sergeant RAYMOND E. BONNEVIE (31027208), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Fidelise Bonnevie, Main Street, Chisholm, Maine.

Private STANLEY C. BOWERS (36877912), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Verna Case, (mother), 924 West Baker Street, Midland, Michigan.

Private First Class JIM T. COOK (37104523), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margeroy V. Cook, (wife), 457 Lave Street, New Monterey California.

Technician Grade IV WALTER J. FLEMING (20143839), Medical Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Fleming, (mother), 26 Boynton Street, Portland, Maine.

Technician Grade III JAMES T. GOODWIN (34040839), Medical Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Palac Palac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Susan M. Goodwin, (mother), 613 Mitchell Avenue, Columbia, Tennessee.

Private First Class ROBERT T. GRAVES (34804644), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Hill #355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 February 1945. Home address: Mr. James R. Graves, (father), Brent, Alabama.

First Lieutenant ARNOLD W. GREVE (O-1518299), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Lumban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eleanor Greve, (wife), 2515 Glendale Street, Denver, Colorado.

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First Lieutenant NATHAN C. HEBBERD (O-2043073), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 3 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Grace L. Hebbard (wife), 88 West Main Street, Deer-Foxcroft, Maine.

Staff Sergeant NELSON R. HITT (3079331), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 January 1945. Home address: Mrs Myrtle N. Hitt, (mother) Route #2, Reading, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class BERT W. JOHNSON (32407119), Medical Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Wanda L. Johnson, (wife), Box 115, Mannsville, Oklahoma.

Private First Class PAUL KOEPLIN (37278013), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 March 1945. Home address: Mr. John Koeplin, (father), Mott, North Dakota.

Technician Grade IV KAMES LADA (20152755), Medical Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 March 1945. Home address: Mrs Carolina Lada, (mother), 32 Carey Hill, Willimantic, Connecticut.

Private LEON R. STANLEY (38551555), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Hill #805, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 3 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jennie Stanley, (mother), Broadway, Texas.

Private HOMER R. THURMAN (35781496), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Mt Ord, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 June 1945. Home address: Mr. William H. Eutler, (grandfather) Route #2, Morehead, Kentucky.

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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15 June 1945

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 45, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Corporal THOMAS E. HANCOCK (34788163), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Angot, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Corporal Hancock volunteered to go with a party of eight Filipino carriers and an armed guard of other men through a sniper-infested area to get two litter patients from another company. It was necessary for the party to cross a 200-yard path of open terrain under direct enemy artillery surveillance and covered by enemy snipers. Corporal Hancock remained in the rear of the party to guard against attacks from that direction. Twice the party was driven back by ambush fire and in the third attempt the advance scout was killed by an enemy sniper. Nevertheless, the party succeeded in reaching its destination. The litter patients were picked up and the party started back. Meanwhile the enemy adjusted artillery fire on the path, and as the party crossed it artillery fire opened up on them, killing one Filipino and wounding others. Corporal Hancock held his position in the rear and maintained excellent control of the panic-stricken group. The party had nearly emerged from the zone of artillery fire when a shell hit Corporal Hancock killing him instantly. Throughout this voluntary action, Corporal Hancock displayed extreme gallantry, coolness under fire and excellent leadership which factors contributed immensely to the successful completion of the mission. Next of kin: Mr. Cleveland L. Hancock (father), Iverness, Florida.

Private First Class WILLIAM J. HOWARD (34635223), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Baloc, Angat district, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Private Howard volunteered to go with a party of eight Filipino carriers and an armed guard of other men through a sniper-infested area to get two litter patients from another company. It was necessary for the party to cross a 200-yard path of open terrain under direct enemy artillery surveillance and covered by enemy snipers. Private Howard volunteered to precede the party as advance scout, and to feel a way clear of the enemy for the party to follow. Realizing the intrinsic danger involved in his undertaking, and with utter disregard for his safety, he cautiously made his way. Private Howard soon met up with the enemy and was twice driven back by ambush fire. In his third attempt he nearly succeeded in getting through when an enemy sniper sent one bullet through his neck and another through his arm. Private Howard died instantly, but not in vain as he paved the way for the party behind him. In this action Private Howard displayed exceptional gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty where he selfishly offered his life to save those of his comrades and an errand of mercy. Next of kin: Mrs. Jennie H. Howard (mother), Route #2, Enid, Mississippi.

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Second Lieutenant WILLIAM P. O'TOOLE (O-1081236), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bolao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Lieutenant O'Toole volunteered to lead a litter party to the front lines for the purpose of evacuating wounded to an aid station. The party moved up a steep, rocky draw when suddenly they encountered a heavy concentration of enemy artillery fire. Lieutenant O'Toole immediately ordered his men to withdraw to a covered position. With complete disregard for his own safety, he himself remained in the draw, with shells falling all around him, to insure that no man was exposed to the fire. At this moment Lieutenant O'Toole was instantly killed as a result of a direct hit by an enemy shell. By placing the lives of his men above his own, Lieutenant O'Toole's act of gallantry and exceptional courage exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary O'Toole (mother), 23 Ward Street, South Boston, Massachusetts.

Private First Class CARMINE T. ROCCO (52298830), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy near Bulao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 March 1945. In the hours of darkness the enemy launched an attack on our positions, the brunt of the salient being directed at Private Rocco's position. Private Rocco manned a light machine gun, but tossed grenades after grenade to stave off the attackers while his assistant fired the machine gun. When Private Rocco's supply of grenades became depleted, he voluntarily and with total disregard for his personal safety, left his position and crawled to other nearby positions of the perimeter not under attack to obtain more grenades and a BAR. He succeeded in reaching his original position in time to beat back an enemy force of six Japs. At this moment an enemy grenade exploded in his position, mortally wounding him. Private Rocco's initiative <sup>and</sup> courage aided immeasurably to the successful repulsing of the fanatic enemy attacks and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mr. Dominick Rocco (father), 134 Saakman Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Technical Sergeant FRANCIS A. SOCINSKI (20151923), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy near Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Sergeant Socinski was in charge of all carrying parties in his battalion, bringing supplies forward to the front-line troops. On one occasion he led his group with supplies that were direly needed by the troops. As the party proceeded some distance, enemy sniper and mortar fire forced the men to scatter in all directions. Frightened by the volume of the enemy fire they were disinclined to return to their bundles. With complete disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Socinski moved along the line and attempted to calm and encourage the men. After the fire was lifted, he succeeded in regrouping the panicky men, led them through the enemy-infested territory and arrived at his destination. The party then picked up the wounded and with several guards made the return trip to the rear. By this gallant and courageous act, Sergeant Socinski earned the respect of all the men with him, and his efforts were rewarded by the fact that his battalion was at no time without food or ammunition. Next of kin: Mrs. Elinor Socinski (mother), Post Office Box 195, West Rutland, Vermont.

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HEADQUARTERS 43d INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #13

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....332

15 June 1945.

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #7419, 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 enlisted men:

Private First Class ERNEST F. GROVER, (20152018), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. The platoon of which Private Grover was a member, established its perimeter as part of a force whose mission was to hold the Rosario-Demortis Road. As the perimeter had to be established during the hours of darkness, a hasty and inadequate perimeter was set up with no automatic weapons. Under cover of darkness, an undetermined number of the enemy attacked the platoon with machine guns, mortars and flame throwers, and succeeded in setting a one-half ton trailer load of mortar and bazooka ammunition on fire. As a result, the terrific explosions lighted up the area permitting the enemy to locate friendly positions and equipment. Word was passed down the line to secure their two light machine guns from the trucks and get them into position to repel any attack on the guns and trucks in their vicinity. Private Grover, accompanied by four others, left the relative security of their positions and crossing an open space, climbed to the top of a truck loaded with ammunition and amid machine gun fire and shrapnel from exploding mortar shells, pulled the two guns from the truck, recrossed the open space in full view of the enemy, put the guns into action and repulsed the enemy after a bitter fight. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Private Grover was an outstanding factor in the success of the action. Home address: Mr. Arthur E. Grover, (father), 47 Chestnut Street, Brattleboro, Vermont.

Private First Class GEORGE A. KIMSKE (36310826), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. The platoon of which Private Kimske was a member, established its perimeter as part of a force whose mission was to hold the Rosario-Demortis Road. As the perimeter had to be established during the hours of darkness, a hasty and inadequate perimeter was set up without automatic weapons. Under cover of darkness, an undetermined number of the enemy attacked the platoon with machine guns, mortars and flame throwers, and succeeded in setting a one-half ton trailer load of mortar and bazooka ammunition on fire. As a result, the terrific explosions lighted up the area permitting the enemy to locate friendly positions and equipment. Word was passed down the line to secure their two light machine guns from the trucks and get them into position to repel any attack on the guns and trucks in their vicinity. Private Kimske, accompanied by four others, left the relative security of his position and crossing an open space, climbed to the top of a truck loaded with ammunition and amid machine gun fire and shrapnel from exploding mortar shells, pulled the two guns from the truck, recrossed the open

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 (Private First Class GEORGE A. KIMMSKE)

space in full view of the enemy, put the guns into action and repulsed the enemy after a bitter fight. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Private Kimmske was an outstanding factor in the success of the action. Home address: Mrs. Freda Kimmske (mother), 2916 North Keeley Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Corporal ROBERT KOLSON, (35282498), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. The platoon of which Private Kolson was a member, established its perimeter as part of a force whose mission was to hold the Rosario-Demoritis Road. As the perimeter had to be established during the hours of darkness, a hasty and inadequate perimeter was set up without automatic weapons. Under cover of darkness, an undetermined number of the enemy attacked the platoon and succeeded in setting a one-half ton trailer load of mortar and bazooka ammunition on fire. The resultant terrific explosions lit up the area permitting the enemy to locate friendly positions and equipment. Word was passed down the line to secure their two light machine guns from the trucks. Corporal Kolson, accompanied by four others, left the relative security of his position and crossing an open space, climbed to the top of a truck loaded with ammunition and amid machine gun fire and shrapnel from exploding mortar shells, pulled the two guns from the truck, recrossed the open space in full view of the enemy, put the guns into action and repulsed the enemy after a bitter fight. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Corporal Kolson was an outstanding factor in the success of the action. Home address: Mrs. Ana Kolson, (mother), 181 East 337th Street off Vine Street, Willoughby, Ohio.

Technician Grade V BERNARD R. LORETTE, (20151902), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Concepcion, La Union Province, Philippine Islands on 21 January 1945. Corporal Lorette was a member of a motorized patrol whose mission was to reconnoiter a supply route to the front line troops. The reconnaissance was through terrain that was under constant enemy observation, for both artillery and sniper fire. The patrol was successful in establishing a route which reduced the carrying of supplies by hand from three and one-half miles to eight hundred yards. This action permitted an adequate flow of supplies to the front, and was an outstanding factor in the success of the battalion's attack against the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Sturtevant, (mother), Middletown Springs, Vermont.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #46

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....331

15 June 1945.

SECTION I -- AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS #228.  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL.  
SECTION III- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).

SECTION I

1. So much of Paragraph 1, Section I, General Orders #228, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 21 May 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart Medal to Private First Class VIRGIL W. DECKER, (35405210), Infantry, is hereby 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 Officer and Enlisted Men:

Sergeant ALBERT G. CORRALES, (34788695), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Wawa Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marie A. Corrales, (wife), 1816 14th Avenue, Tampa, Florida.

Private First Class WALTER (NMN) PETROWSKI, (33014607), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 31 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Anna Petrowski, (mother), 507 East Centre Street, Shenandoah, Pennsylvania.

Second Lieutenant EDWIN L. TROUT, (O-1308052), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 January 1945. Home address: Mr. William E. Trout, (father), 126 Fairview Street, Hyde Villa, Reading, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class ALVIN T. WHITE, (37104309), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jessie White, (mother), Route #3, Stevens, Arkansas.

Technical Sergeant RAYMOND E. WINIALSKI, (31023332), (then Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 11 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Geraldine Y. Winialski, (wife), 77 Whitmore Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class VIRGIL W. DECKER, (35405210), Infantry, by Headquarters 31st Station Hospital, AHC #502, as published in General Orders #21, 4 September 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:

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Private First Class VIRGIL W. DECKER, (35405210), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ida M. Decker, (mother), RD #2, Ostrander, Ohio.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class ALVIN T. WHITE, (37104309), Infantry by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph 1, Section II, General Orders # 1, 15 June 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 ALVIN T. WHITE, (37104309), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jessie White, (mother), Route #3, Stephens, Arkansas.

3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Technical Sergeant RAYMOND E. WINIALSKI, (31023332), (then Sergeant), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph 1, Section II, General Orders #331, 15 June 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:

Technical Sergeant RAYMOND E. WINIALSKI, (31023332), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Geraldine Y. Winialski, (wife), 77 Whitmore Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

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HARRY L. BOSCH JR.  
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HEADQUARTERS 43d INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....330

14 June 1945

SECTION I---AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL  
SECTION II---AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

ORIGINAL ORDER

SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. 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:

Corporal HYRAM H. BERRY, (34135684), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands between period 9 January to 12 February 1945. Corporal Berry distinguished himself by his exemplary fortitude and skill in the laying of liaison communication lines to the forward elements of an infantry regiment. With total disregard for his own safety, Corporal Berry, accomplished his missions, oftentimes over vast distances and over difficult terrain, and under hostile rifle and artillery fire. Corporal Berry clearly demonstrated great personal courage, efficiency and devotion to duty in that his indefatigable efforts contributed in a large measure to the maintenance of vital communication lines. Home address: Mrs. Katie Edna T. Berry (mother), Route #1, Shivers, Mississippi.

Captain ARTHUR W. HOYT, (O1168728), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Osboy, Bulacan Province, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 May 1945. Captain Hoyt (then 1st Lieutenant); in command of an artillery liaison section, successfully neutralized enemy small arms and mortars which were exacting a costly and deadly toll of the men of the infantry battalion with which he was working. Subjected to withering enemy small arms and mortar fire, Captain Hoyt gallantly placed himself in a dangerous and exposed position of observation and with disregard for his personal safety he effectively conducted close-in artillery fires on the enemy. Captain Hoyt's courageous act undoubtedly saved the lives of many of our infantrymen, and materially contributed to the capture of a critical objective. Home address: Mr. George R. Hoyt, (father), Beechmeadow Road, Merrimac, Massachusetts.

Captain WARD D. MACDONALD, (O1170067), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of New Boscoboso, Rizal Province, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 April 1945. Captain MacDonald, in command of an artillery liaison section, conducted accurate and effective close-in artillery fires on an enemy counter-attack. During the performance of this heroic achievement, Captain MacDonald was subjected to enemy fire, and it was only through sheer intestinal fortitude that he accomplished the mission. Captain MacDonald's great personal courage, coolness under fire, and devotion to duty were an inspiration to the members of his command. Home address: Mr. Douglas MacDonald, (father), RFD #3, Fremont, Michigan.

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Sergeant LEWIS A. PENTZ, (32033033), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill 600 near B. Zorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 23 January to 28 January 1945. Sergeant Pentz, serving as an artillery forward observer with an infantry company, performed duties normally assigned a commission officer in a manner above superior. On 27 January when the infantry company perimeter was attacked with hostile mortar and small arms fire, Sergeant Pentz, with utter disregard for his personal safety, went to the edge of the perimeter, directed artillery fire on the enemy and broke up the attack. Due to the limited observation the direction of the fire was made entirely by sound. On several occasions Sergeant Pentz has assumed the functions of a commissioned officer and directed artillery fire with devastating accuracy. Home address: Mrs. Elsie I. Pentz, (wife), 609 South Main Street, Newark, New York.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Major EDGAR N. JAYNES, (0369856), Infantry, by this headquarters, as published in General Orders #26, dated 18 June 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944, (Sect II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Major EDGAR N. JAYNES, (0369856), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 9 January to 3 May 1945. As Regimental S-3, Major Jaynes was in a large part responsible for the success of the regiment by his brilliant planning of the tactical operations. His advice and assistance to the Regimental Commander were invaluable to the completion of the unit missions and resulted in the annihilation of great numbers of Japanese and the destruction of enemy defensive lines with comparatively light losses to our forces. Home address: Mrs. Lucy A. Jaynes, (mother), 25 Oak Wood Road, Fairmont, West Virginia.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER... 329

14 June 1945

ORIGINAL ORDER

SECTION I - AMENDMENTS OF GENERAL ORDERS  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUSLY)  
SECTION III - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (OAK LEAF CLUSTER)  
SECTION IV - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR  
SECTION I

1. So much of General Orders #311, this headquarters, dated 12 June 1945, pertaining to the award of the Silver Star Medal to Major WILLIAM L. LATTA JR. (O 333627) (then Captain), Infantry, is revoked.

2. So much of General Orders #320, this headquarters, dated 12 June 1945, pertaining to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Private First Class ROBERT SELBY (35423377), Infantry, 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 posthumously by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named onlisted men:

Sergeant DEMMIS S. ENGLAND (39669431), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bulac, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 March 1945. An infantry company made a flanking movement on a strongly fortified Jap position and seized it. Immediately after, the enemy launched a strong counterattack. Sergeant England, knowing that his machine gun was not in proper position to defend the newly gained position, and with total disregard for his personal safety, exposed himself by moving the gun from its concealed position into more open terrain from where he could deliver effective fire. From this position he courageously manned his machine gun and inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy. Sergeant England's machine gun ceased firing only when an enemy machine gun bullet hit him and he died at his gun. Next of kin: Mrs. Della England (mother), 506 South Main Street, Logan, Utah.

Private First Class JOHN J. WASIL (33019463), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bulac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 March 1945. During the hours of darkness the Japs attacked the positions of Private Wasil's company. Private Wasil was manning a light machine gun, covering an important avenue of approach. While his assistant returned to the rear to obtain more ammunition and a BAR for support, Private Wasil faithfully remained and repulsed repeated enemy attacks. Suddenly a Jap grenade landed in his position, seriously wounded him and damaged his machine gun. While in this painful condition, Private Wasil noticed two Japs crawling up to the perimeter lines. With the last ounce of his strength he picked up his rifle, raised himself to a standing position and killed the two Japs. It was then that an enemy rifle bullet hit him and he died several minutes later. Private Wasil's efforts and keen devotion to duty aided in a large measure to the successful repulsing of the enemy attacks. Next of kin: Mrs. Elizabeth Wasil (mother), 129 Jones Street, Lily, Pennsylvania.

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SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star Medal awarded to Major WILLIAM L. LATTA JR. (O-023627), Infantry, by Headquarters USAFISPA, as published in General Orders #399, dated 16 October 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 1913 (Bulletin 13, WD, 1913). The citation is as follows:

Major WILLIAM L. LATTA JR. (O-023627) (then Captain), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Manaoag and Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 February 1945. Major Latta, Acting S-3 of an infantry battalion, led an infantry company, an anti-tank platoon, a liaison party and a small detachment to establish a road block between two towns. Enemy disposition and strength were unknown at this time but the road block was established with no interference. During the night the entire perimeter was attacked by the enemy from three sides. The enemy withdrew their artillery battery from a hill and moved toward the road block. Major Latta was very active in this engagement and exposed himself repeatedly while assisting in the defense of the perimeter. In the ensuing battle, two tractor-drawn and two horse-drawn artillery pieces were knocked out and the entire Jap personnel were killed. Major Latta's total disregard for his own safety and valiant actions aided immensely in repulsing the Jap attack and destroying his artillery. Home address: Mrs. Pauline S. Latta (wife), 226 Maple Avenue, New Martinsville, West Virginia.

SECTION IV

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #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 enlisted man:

Private First Class DELBERT SELMAN (35428377), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 3 February 1945. Private Selman's rifle company was holding positions on the sharp crest of a hill. The enemy had been launching a series of attacks against the perimeter throughout the night, and under cover of darkness during a heavy downpour of rain, a large enemy force with heavy machine guns and knee-mortars made a concentrated attack on a vulnerable section of the perimeter. After suffering eight casualties on the line, the outer line of men moved back to form a tighter and more compact group. With total disregard for his personal safety, Private Selman with his mortar upon the crest of the ridge within sight of the enemy, delivered an intense barrage of fire concentrations. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Private Selman were outstanding factors in successfully securing the hill with heavy losses to the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Ola Selman (mother), Boggs, West Virginia.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

*[Signature]*  
HARRY K. BOSCH JR.  
Major, AGC  
Adjutant General

C. P. ROBBINS  
Colonel, GSC  
Chief of Staff

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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GENERAL ORDERS:  
NUMBER.....328:

14 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. 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 man:

Sergeant ARTHUR M. COUSINEAU, 20153202, F.A., U. S. Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 9 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Philip Cousineau (father) 34 Maplewood Avenue, Conimicut, Rhode Island.

Private First Class JEFFERSON D. FARRIS, 35354523, F.A. U. S. Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 13 March to 20 March 1945. Home address: Minerva Farris (mother) Bolivar, Tennessee.

Sergeant ROBERT T. JOHNSON, 15320316, F.A., U. S. Army. Former meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 9 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Zella Johnson (mother) RFD #5, Portage Lake, Ohio.

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Lieutenant Colonel ROBERT W. KENNY, 8-205944, F.A. U. S. Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 19 January 1945. Home address: Gertrude F. Kenny (wife) 39 Benevolent Street, Providence, Rhode Island.~~

Staff Sergeant CLARENCE G. PROULX, 20153175, F. A. U. S. Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 9 May 1945. Home address: Margaret Proulx, (mother) 101 Harrington Avenue, Norwood, R.I.

Technician Fifth Grade EDWARD E. SILVA, 20152746, F.A., U. S. Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 9 April 1945. Home address: Mary Medeiros (sister) 24 Humphreys Street, East Providence, R. I.

Corporal HUGH B. SIMS, 20421761, F. A., U. S. Army, Former meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 12 February 1945. Home address: Mr. Zollie Sims (father) Evergreen, Alabama.

Master Sergeant LOCKHART L. SMITH, 20143621, Infantry, U. S. Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 12 May and 19 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jeanette M. Smith, 62 Prospect Street, Portland, Maine.

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Technician Grade Five JAKE B. TATE, 38197303, Infantry, U. S. Army. Former meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 21 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alice M. Tate (wife) 101 Ext. 3d Street, Route #1, c/o E. E. Tyler, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Captain ALLEN H. TIGERT, O-543985, MC, U. S. Army. Former meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the periods 3 April to 21 April and 15 May to 20 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Allen H. Tigert (wife) 6230 Oakland Avenue, Saint Louis (10) Missouri.

Technician Grade Three ORVILLE J. WEBER, 35281717, Med. Dept. U. S. Army. Former meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 23 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Adeline Weber (mother) 125 West Robb Avenue, Lima, Ohio.

Captain OLIVER L. WINTERS, JR., O1288661, Infantry, U. S. Army. Former meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 13 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Oliver L. Winters, Jr. (wife) 333 Willing Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

Technician Grade Five JOSEPH ZAPOTOSKY, 13072539, F. A., U. S. Army. Former meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 12 February 1945. Home address: Mr. Michael Zapotosky (father) Box 97, Harleigh, Pennsylvania.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

*Melvin K. Hass*

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Capt. AGD  
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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

GENERAL  
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14 June 1945

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (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 enlisted men:

Sergeant JAMES N. CUNNINGHAM, (31028952), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary N. Cunningham, (mother), 118 Waterman Avenue, North Providence, Rhode Island.

Technician Grade IV ANDREW F. DE GRAY, (37086308), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 May 1945. Home address: Mr. George DeGraw, (father), Paward, Nebraska.

Corporal CHARLES D. DOUGHERTY, (37004344), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Iwawa Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Betna N. Dougherty, (wife), 514 North Court, Carroll, Iowa.

Private First Class WILLIAM A. GROUNDS, (36614883), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Barban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Grounds, (mother), RR #1, St Francisville, Illinois.

Private First Class THOMAS B. GILL, (33842807), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Montalban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Gill, (mother), 2210 East Chase Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

Private ROY L. HITCHCOCK, (36713230), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Oro, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Bert Hitchcock, (father), Route #2, Peoria, Illinois.

Private First Class GEORGE B. LEWIS, (39574411), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. George B. Lewis, (mother), 644 Maple Street, Burbank, California.

Staff Sergeant LESLIE W. SMITH, (39196882), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Mt Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Maurice Smith, (father), 420 22nd Avenue, Lamaview, Washington.

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SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant BENJIE F. SMALLWOOD, (35700347), (then Private First Class), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph 1, Section I, General Orders 326, 14 June 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:

Staff Sergeant BENJIE F. SMALLWOOD, (35700347), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bessie Smallwood, (mother), White Oak Road, Junction City, Kentucky.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant LESLIE M. SMITH, (39196882), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry, as published in General Orders #527, Paragraph 1, Section I, 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:

Staff Sergeant LESLIE M. SMITH, (39196882), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Hawa Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Maurice Smith, (father), 420 22nd Avenue, Longview, Washington.

3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Technician Grade V CARL R. WETZEL, (20515261), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #168, 8 May 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:

Technician Grade V CARL R. WETZEL, (20515261), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy K. Rodner, (mother), 2420 Casser Street, Toledo, Ohio.

BY COMMAND OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

OFFICIAL:

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

*Melvin K. Hass*

MELVIN K. HASS,  
Captain, A.G.D.,  
Asst. Adj. General.

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HEADQUARTERS 43d INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

GENERAL ORDER  
NUMBER.....326

14 June 1945.

ORIGINAL ORDER

SECTION I -- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (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 enlisted men: *REV. BY GO# 446- July 8 1945*

~~Private First Class EDWIN C. BAYNE, (33598183), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Irene Bayne, (mother), Route #1, Amity, Pennsylvania.~~

Private First Class WILLIAM C. HARGIS, (39858316), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maude L. Hargis, (mother), 225A Opera Drive, Bisbee, Arizona.

Private First Class SILAS (MIN) PARKER, (34187773), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucy D. Parker, (mother), Route #2, Decatur, Tennessee.

Private First Class CEDIL E. RODGERS, (39477550), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marian C. Rodgers, (wife), Butte Falls, Oregon.

Private First Class EDWARD C. SCHAAD, (39589477), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Holytia J. Schaad, (mother), 1188 West 25th Street, Los Angeles, (7), California.

Private First Class BENNIE F. SMALLWOOD, (35700347), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Folo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bossie Smallwood, (mother), White Oak Road, Junction City, Kentucky.

Sergeant GEORGE W. STEWART, (20154419), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Virginia D. Stewart, (wife), 128 Oxford Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Private First Class WAYNE (MIN) WHITE, (38509197), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. White, (mother), Route #2, Charleston, Arkansas.

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SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to First Lieutenant BONIFACIO D. DE CLUNG, (O-1516769), Infantry, (then Second Lieutenant), by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #25, 15 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:

Second Lieutenant BONIFACIO D. DE CLUNG, (O-1516769), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gladys DeClung, (wife), Box 142, Sumnerville, West Virginia.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class STANLEY J. SIMONS, (39329178), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph 1, Section III, General Orders #8, 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 STANLEY J. SIMONS, (39329178), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bisti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mat. F. Simons, (wife), Casper, California.

3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class ARNULFO D. TREJO, (39853999), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph 1, Section I, General Orders #6, 24 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 ARNULFO D. TREJO, (39853999), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Petra D. Trejo, (mother), 494 South Convent Street, Tucson, Arizona.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

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

*Melvin K. Hass*  
MELVIN K. HASS,  
Captain, A.G.J.,  
Asst. Adj. General.

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14 June 1945

ORIGINAL ORDER -

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #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 enlisted men:

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~~Private~~ Private First Class ROBERT T. ANDERSON (51301347), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 January 1945. In the early morning hours, Private Anderson's Battalion was under intense enemy artillery and small arms fire, during which time he was wounded and his radio damaged. With total disregard for his personal safety and exposing himself to intense enemy fire he succeeded in repairing the radio, permitting his battalion to maintain contact with the Regimental Commander, as contact by wire had been broken. Private Anderson's magnificent work and coolness under fire contributed in a great measure to the battalion's success in accomplishing its objective. Home address: Mrs. Eva Anderson, (mother), 12 Stoughton Street, Dorchester, Massachusetts.

Private ALFRED E. BOARDMAN (20150210), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Concepcion, La Union Province, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 January 1945. Private Boardman was a member of a motorized patrol whose mission was to reconnoiter a supply route to the front line troops. The reconnaissance was through terrain that was under constant enemy observation for both artillery and sniper fire. The patrol was successful in establishing a route which reduced the carrying of supplies by hand from three and one-half miles to eight hundred yards. This action permitted an adequate flow of supplies to the front, and was an outstanding factor in the success of the battalion's attack against the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Anna Whitney, (aunt), Chelsey, Vermont.

Private First Class JACK D. DUFORT, (37672514), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Concepcion, La Union Province, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 January 1945. Private Dufort was a member of a motorized patrol whose mission was to reconnoiter a supply route to front line troops. The reconnaissance was through terrain that was under constant enemy observation for both artillery and sniper fire. The patrol was successful in establishing a route which reduced the carrying of supplies by hand from three and one-half miles to eight hundred yards. This action permitted an adequate flow of supplies to the front, and was an outstanding factor in the success of the battalion's attack against the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Anne Dufort, (mother), 231 South 10th Street, Burlington, Iowa.

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Private First Class JAMES A. MACDONALD, (32663316), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Bulao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 March 1945. Private MacDonald's heavy machine gun platoon was in support of a rifle company which had taken a hill from the enemy. Due to the fact that it was dark when the platoon took its positions, the men were unable to build emplacements for themselves or their guns. Under cover of darkness, the enemy made a series of fanatic counter attacks against the platoon's meager defenses. With total disregard for his personal safety and without concealment from the enemy, Private MacDonald began firing his machine gun and continued delivering effective fire until a stoppage occurred in his gun. While working to correct the stoppage, the enemy were able to come very close to his position. At one time two of the enemy came within three feet of his gun before being shot down by other members of his platoon. Private MacDonald succeeded in correcting the stoppage, and again opened fire upon the enemy. His machine gun fire was so effective that he enabled the rest of his platoon to continue unmolested in their support of the riflemen. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Private MacDonald contributed in a great measure to the destruction of the attack with heavy losses to the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Christina MacDonald, (mother), 127 Canal Street, Massena, New York.

Private LEONARD SIMMONS, (36743388), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 3 February 1945. Private Simmons' rifle company was holding positions on the sharp crest of a hill. The enemy had been launching a series of attacks against the perimeter throughout the night, and under cover of darkness during a heavy downpour of rain, a large enemy force with heavy machine guns and knee mortars made a concentrated attack against the perimeter. After suffering eight casualties on the defense line, the outer line of men were forced to withdraw to form a tighter and more compact group. With total disregard for his personal safety, Private Simmons with his mortar upon the crest of the ridge within sight of the enemy, delivered an intense barrage of fire concentrations. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Private Simmons was an outstanding factor in successfully securing the hill with heavy losses to the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Della Beavers, (mother), Cave-in-rock, Illinois.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

*Melvin K. Hass*

MELVIN K. HASS  
Capt, ACD  
Asst Adj General

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

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ORIGINAL ORDER #

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SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUSLY)  
SECTION II - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

SECTION I

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

First Lieutenant DAVID NHI GOUDGE (O-1297888), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea, on 20 September 1944. Lieutenant Goudge led a reconnaissance patrol of eleven men directly inland along a trail to search out enemy disposition and strength. Advancing approximately 400 yards the patrol encountered what they believed was a Jap observation post. Lieutenant Goudge immediately deployed his men on both sides of the trail and placed one man as guard facing up the trail. At this point the guard fired and killed an approaching Jap. This precipitated a brisk exchange of fire which resulted in several casualties on the Japs as evidenced by their cries. At a lull in the firing Lieutenant Goudge called upon the Japs to surrender but the enemy replied with increased firing. Enemy machine gun, rifle and grenade fire revealed the enemy's superior force, well-concealed in the dense jungle undergrowth. Realizing the plight of his small group, and that the only route of escape was across a small clearing in plain view of the enemy, Lieutenant Goudge exposed himself to the enemy to cover his men as they singled out, and continuously fired his carbine until the last man reached a point of safety. He then dropped to the ground from his kneeling position with a bullet through his head. By giving up his life, Lieutenant Goudge undoubtedly saved the lives of three of his men and his act of unselfish gallantry upholds the highest traditions of the United States Army and the officers leading it. Next of kin: Mrs. Louise Yde (mother), 4410 Monroe Avenue, San Diego, California.

Staff Sergeant HARVEY L. PLOOF (20151449), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Hill 900, in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Acting as platoon sergeant, Sergeant Ploof led his assault platoon up the hill and deployed his men as skirmishers. He maintained excellent control of his men despite the difficulty up the steep terrain and tall grass. Upon reaching the reverse slope of the hill, Sergeant Ploof noticed an enemy heavy machine gun only four yards away from his position. Immediately he opened fire, knocked out the gun crew and killed two riflemen. Sergeant Ploof's men quickly took up positions and engaged other enemy soldiers who were dug in, in standing-type foxholes and offered bitter resistance. With complete disregard for his personal safety, Sergeant Ploof remained exposed and fired on targets of opportunity until he was severely wounded in the abdomen by an enemy bullet. At this point our heavy, well-concentrated grenade, rifle and mortar fire was so effective that the enemy was driven from their positions.

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The superior leadership, coolness under fire and firm determination of Sergeant Ploof were major factors in the successful completion of the platoon's mission. Next of kin: Mrs. Elizabeth Ploof (mother), 52 Front Street, Burlington, Vermont.

Private OTIS W. SMITH (39054775), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 April 1945. During the assault by Private Smith's platoon on a knoll, Private Smith acted with great courage and exceptional bravery. The attacking squad was pinned down by enemy rifle and grenade fire coming from well-dug-in positions. Private Smith, at great risk of his life, voluntarily crept to within three feet of the enemy positions and killed four Japs with hand grenades. By risking his life in volunteering for this hazardous task Private Smith made possible the accomplishment of his platoon's difficult mission. Next of kin: Mrs. Helen Smith (wife), Route #1, Box 307, Visalia, California.

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 by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class WILLARD W. SHEPHARD (34101327), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 April 1945. Before the platoon moved up the hill in an attempt to seal the entrances of enemy caves, Private Shephard's company laid down a base fire on the entrances. The troops advanced to within twenty-five yards of the openings when they received intense enemy machine gun and knee-mortar fire. They succeeded in knocking out an enemy heavy machine gun crew. Knowing that the heavy machine gun would soon be manned by the occupants of the caves, Private Shephard took it upon himself to move forward and capture the machine gun. By crawling in the face of heavy knee-mortar and rifle fire he inched his way and succeeded in bringing the Jap heavy machine gun to our lines. It was due to Private Shephard's fearlessness and intrepidity at great risk to his life that the platoon's mission was successfully accomplished. Home address: Mrs. Lela Shephard (mother), General Delivery, Talladega, Alabama.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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AWARDS 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:

Technical Sergeant ALBERT W. BAXTER, (20144029), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 May 1945. When the platoon with which Sergeant Baxter was serving as a mortar observer was subjected to intense enemy machine gun fire, and sustained casualties of five wounded and two killed, Sergeant Baxter, with utter disregard for his own safety, valiantly assisted in the evacuation of all of the wounded and dead. Though Sergeant Baxter was himself physically exhausted, heedless of his fatigue and condition, he willingly risked his life to save those of his comrades. Sergeant Baxter's gallant actions, great personal courage and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home address: Mr. Albert W. Baxter, 14 1/2 Ticonic Street, Waterville, Maine.

Staff Sergeant MAHLON D. CHURCHILL, (20144145), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. During an attack on Hill 860, Sergeant Churchill, in charge of the lead squad, upon reaching the base of the hill spotted a Jap machine gun which had been firing on the platoon. While the rest of the company was moving into position for the assault on the hill, Sergeant Churchill selected a route up the hill to the machine gun position. On the jump off of the assault, Sergeant Churchill led his squad to the gun position, killed the gun crew and captured the gun which had been firing on our troops, without a single casualty among his own men. Sergeant Churchill's personal courage, splendid leadership and indomitable fighting spirit contributed substantially to the success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Annie Churchill (mother), Riley, Maine.

Sergeant FREDERICK L. CLARK, (33231487), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Lumban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 April 1945. During an advance towards the battalion objective, the company with which Sergeant Clark was serving ran into a Jap ambush resulting in several casualties among our forces. In the midst of whizzing bullets, Sergeant Clark maneuvered to an exposed position to locate the wounded and to organize enough men to remove the dead and wounded. He led the men back and forth untiringly until all of the casualties had been evacuated. Sergeant Clark's personal fortitude, leadership and devotion to duty unquestionably saved the lives of many of the wounded comrades. Home address: Mrs. Ella Clark, (mother), R.F.D. #1, Trout Run, Pennsylvania.

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Lieutenant Colonel RAYMOND E. KINCH, (0369461), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Hill 700, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 January 1945. As the company was readying the positions for the night, it was subjected to withering enemy machine gun fire. A soldier near Colonel Kinch was seriously wounded. Colonel Kinch, aware that anyone who moved in the darkness was subject to fire, disregarded his own safety to remove the wounded man to a position in defilade. While an aidman was going to the assistance of the wounded comrade, he himself was wounded. Colonel Kinch immediately organized a litter squad and personally assisted in the evacuation of the two wounded men down steep trails in the darkness of the night. Colonel Kinch then arranged for transportation and personally saw that the wounded men were promptly evacuated to a medical installation. Colonel Kinch's personal courage, coolness under fire and devotion to duty were an inspiration to all who saw his actions. Home address: Mrs. Jane Kinch, (wife), 5 Higgins Street, Augusta, Maine.

First Lieutenant FARRIS LUCAS, (0130661), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Tananan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 March 1945. Lieutenant Lucas, platoon leader of a heavy machine gun platoon, with orders to select and occupy positions to support an attacking force of rifle companies due to attack the following morning, Lieutenant Lucas found that the only available positions to accomplish his mission were covered by enemy fire and could not be utilized until the positions were dug in. Before daybreak the following morning, Lieutenant Lucas had the guns dug in position. When the attack started, Lieutenant Lucas' guns were able to concentrate accurate fire upon the enemy. Though the enemy returned the fire vigorously they were soon overcome by the superior fighting power from Lieutenant Lucas' forces. Lieutenant Lucas bravely exposed himself to the hostile fire to direct the successful fire upon the enemy, his coolness under fire, his indomitable courage and splendid leadership were an inspiration to his men. Home address: Mrs. Nora Lucas, (mother Route #1, Wilson, North Carolina.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

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

*Parry A. Bosch Jr.*  
PARRY A. BOSCH JR.,  
Major, AGD,  
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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13 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE SILVER 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 by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private MICHAEL J. FARRELL (42134233), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bulao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19-21 March 1945. Pvt. Farrell's platoon assaulted and seized one end of an important ridge line. A portion of the platoon, including Private Farrell, pushed ahead to reconnoiter the remainder of the ridge line. The small group advanced 100 yards when they suddenly became engaged in a heavy fire fight with the enemy. The platoon leader and three of his men, including Private Farrell, became separated. Knowing that an attempt to return to their lines under this deadly fire would be suicidal, the platoon leader led his men to a wooded gully where the wounded were treated. All but Private Farrell were wounded, and two were unable to walk. The following day Private Farrell, realizing the danger involved, volunteered to work his way back to his company and arrange for a rescue party. Unarmed, boldly and fearlessly he walked through enemy territory and succeeded in reaching his company. A rescue party was quickly organized and again Private Farrell volunteered to guide it to the marooned group. Advancing on the same trail the party became engaged in a fire fight with the enemy. On the third day the isolated group was finally rescued. Because of Private Farrell's daring and gallant actions, his stranded comrades were not only saved from an enemy attack but also from a friendly artillery and mortar barrage preparatory to an assault by our forces to reduce the enemy strong point. Home address: Mrs. Ellen P. Farrell (mother), 133 East 97th Street, New York City, New York.

Private First Class DALE D. HUGHES (37670637), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the Pantay Sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 28-30 April 1945. Private Hughes with a small and untrained force of guerrillas seized and held a vital hill. Twice forced to move his positions because of the tremendous fire power of the enemy, Private Hughes re-occupied the hill both times and successfully accomplished his mission with light casualties. It was necessary for Private Hughes' battalion to secure two more hills, one of which was 200 yards from Japanese positions, and Private Hughes was given the mission. The enemy was well dug in on the reverse slope of the hills and was in position to cover Private Hughes' position on a bare knob. Enemy fire was so intense that Private Hughes lost one man killed and three wounded, forcing him to seek other positions. The following day the courageous group was augmented by an additional ten men and Private Hughes so ably led them that they re-occupied their former positions. During this day these positions were used as observation posts for mortar fire against the enemy. Again the enemy delivered withering fire on these positions forcing the men to move back. On the third day Private Hughes beat his way back, re-occupied the positions

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and held firmly until he was relieved. Private Hughes, acting beyond his experience as a leader of inexperienced men, splendidly accomplished a difficult mission while bearing the brunt of heavy enemy fire, retired only when the necessity of his vital task had ended, and returned his men with only slight casualties. Home address: Mrs. Vera M. Hughes (mother), 522 South Lucas Street, Iowa City, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant ALSON E. IRISH (20152195), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on "Purple Heart Ridge", Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. During the night Sergeant Irish was on duty on the ridge with a .50 calibre machine gun. While manning the gun he noticed an enemy patrol of approximately fifteen men advancing toward his position. Having his M-1 rifle handy, Sergeant Irish immediately opened fire on the Japs. During the exchange of small arms and grenade fire, an enemy grenade exploded under Sergeant Irish's machine gun, knocking a front-leg down and temporarily putting it out of action. The enemy then rushed his position, but Sergeant Irish pulled the machine gun onto his lap, and holding the traversing bar against his body, opened up on the enemy with such effectiveness that the Japs were forced to flee, leaving behind seven dead and many wounded. During this period while the enemy was re-organizing, Sergeant Irish declined to leave his position. Sergeant Irish's initiative and aggressiveness in this gallant action prevented an enemy break-through into the regimental command post. Home address: Mrs. Mable L. Irish (mother), 67D, Fairfax, Vermont.

Private First Class JOSEPH J. SCHUCK (36315744), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bosoboso, Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 April 1945. Private Schuck was helping another infantry company to repel a Jap attack. His position was on a ridge that formed a point of the perimeter which was subjected to heavy enemy machine gun fire. With utter disregard for his personal safety, Private Schuck remained in his position and throw grenade after grenade at the charging enemy. As a result of the many bullets being directed at his position, Private Schuck received two burn creases from enemy bullets which grazed his body. Private Schuck's coolness and bravery in the face of heavy enemy fire aided substantially in repelling the enemy attack. Home address: Mrs. Mary Schuck (mother), 649 North Latrobe Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

C. P. ROBBINS  
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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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ORIGINAL ORDER

13 June 1945

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR

SECTION II - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (OAK LEAF CLUSTER)

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 First Class THOMAS MAI HUIETT (37531023), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 January 1945. In the darkness of the night Private Huiett was manning his machine gun against an enemy counterattack when a Jap grenade suddenly landed in his position, wounding him and rendering his weapon useless. As the enemy continued to pour in from the direction of his position, and in spite of his painful wound, Private Huiett tried in every possible way to repair his gun. Unable to do this, and realizing that without his gun a condition of great peril to the men of his company was created, Private Huiett, disregarded his personal safety and his wounded, fatigued condition and ran under the enemy fire for some distance to another company to obtain another machine gun. He succeeded to reach his original position with the gun and quickly placed the weapon in action against the oncoming enemy. From this position his machine gun fire was so effective that three Jap counterattacks were repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy, and the Japs were held at bay. By his dogged determination to remain in his position despite his wound, Private Huiett performed an act of gallantry above and beyond the call of duty. Home address: Mrs. Laura B. Huiett (mother), Route #3, Salina, Kansas.

Private First Class WILSON R. MADDOX (34788452), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Pontay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 April 1945. Situated in the vicinity of a road block, Private Maddox's company was subjected to heavy enemy machine gun fire which forced the entire company to seek the security of their foxholes. One rifleman, in his hole in the outermost line of the perimeter, became seriously wounded and required immediate medical attention. Private Maddox, medical aid man, quickly left the safety of his foxhole on the opposite side of the perimeter and advanced a distance of seventy-five yards through intense enemy fire to the wounded man and administered blood plasma. When this was accomplished, Private Maddox dragged the helpless man back a distance of fifty yards to comparative safety in the company command post. The display of courage and bravery by Private Maddox were most outstanding, and his gallant act under deadly enemy fire undoubtedly saved the life of a seriously wounded man. Home address: Mrs. Edna A. Maddox (mother), Route #4, Box 111, Marianna, Florida.

Private First Class EVERETTE L. ODOM (34800613), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 3 April 1945. Private Odom's company was given the mission of sealing caves which were reported to contain approximately 300 Japs. The company laid down base fire on the cave openings and the troops moved up the

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hill to seal the entrances of the caves. When they approached to within twenty-five yards of the openings the enemy opened up with intense machine gun and knee-mortar fire, forcing the troops to alter their positions. It became necessary to place supporting fires from M-7's and 81-mm mortars on the mouths of the caves. After these fires were lifted, Private Odom, with complete disregard for his own safety, crept forward in the face of this heavy fire to a position above the caves and tossed grenades into the mouths of the caves with excellent accuracy, thereby allowing our troops to advance and seal the caves. Private Odom's willingness and determination to cope with this situation by employing successful means to destroy the enemy and his caves at great risk to his life, are exemplary of the highest traditions of the military service and set him aside as an exceptional soldier. Home address: Mr. William A. Odom (father), Goodway, Alabama.

SECTION VI

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star Medal awarded to Private First Class CHARLES A. SAUSODO (39566517), Infantry, by this headquarters, as published in General Orders #36, dated 11 April 1945, 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, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

Private First Class CHARLES A. SAUSODO (39566517), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 April 1945. Private Sausodo's company was given the mission of sealing caves which were reported to contain approximately 500 Japs. The company laid down base fire on the cave openings and the troops moved up the hill to seal the entrances. When they approached to within twenty-five yards of the openings the enemy opened up with intense machine gun and knee-mortar fire, forcing the troops to alter their positions. It became necessary to place supporting fires from M-7's and 81-mm mortars on the mouths of the caves. After these fires were lifted, Private Sausodo, with complete disregard for his own safety, crept forward in the face of this heavy fire to a position above the caves and tossed grenades into the mouths of them with excellent accuracy, thereby allowing our troops to advance and seal the caves. Private Sausodo's willingness and determination to cope with this situation by employing successful means to destroy the enemy and his caves at great risk to his life, are exemplary of the highest traditions of the military service and set him aside as an exceptional soldier. Home address: Mr. Adolph Sausodo (father), 6319 Benson Street, Los Angeles, California.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

C. P. ROBBINS  
Colonel, GSC  
Chief of Staff

*F. A. Dose*  
FANNY A. DOSE JR.  
Major, GSC  
Adjutant General

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

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

Private First Class EDSEL W. HUBBELL, (38667114), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 and 26 January 1945. Private Hubbell as a mortar observer established an observation post under intense enemy mortar fire. The observation post was repeatedly attacked, and with total disregard for his personal safety, Private Hubbell made it possible to deliver a very effective fire concentration against the enemy repulsing all counter-attacks. Home address: Mrs. Nettie Mae Hubbell, (mother), Route # 2, Meeker, Oklahoma.

Private First Class ROSS V. LANIER, (34788462), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Bulao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 March 1945. Private Lanier's machine gun platoon was supporting the advances of two rifle companies in their assault on the hills, and was under intense enemy fire from machine guns, mortars, and snipers. The enemy fire became so intense that Private Lanier was forced to move his machine gun to an alternate position. With total disregard for his personal safety and in a barely concealed position under heavy enemy fire he succeeded in moving his gun and opened fire upon the enemy. His machine gun fire was very effective, and enabled the rest of his platoon to continue unmolested in their support of the riflemen. The alertness, initiative, and coolness under fire displayed by Private Lanier contributed in a great measure to the success of the attack on the hills. Home address: Mrs. Jessie L. Lanier, (mother), Route # 1, Box # 199, Kissimmee, Florida.

Staff Sergeant HOWARD M. HIGGINS, (11056169), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 and 26 January 1945. Sergeant Higgins as a mortar observer established an observation post under intense enemy mortar fire. The observation post was repeatedly attacked, and with total disregard for his personal safety, Sergeant Higgins made it possible to deliver a very effective fire concentration against the enemy repulsing all counter-attacks. Home address: Mrs. Florence M. Higgins, (mother), 72 Pearl Street, St. Johnsbury, Vermont.

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Private First Class DANIEL WARD, (34788406), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Dulao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 March 1945. Private Ward's mortar platoon occupied positions in the perimeter of his Battalion Command Post. Under cover of darkness the enemy made a fanatic attack upon the Command Post from the rear. During the attack, the mortars of Private Ward's platoon were called upon to deliver fire concentrations in support of a rifle company which was also under attack. With total disregard for his personal safety, he remained with his gun throughout the attack, and when not firing the mortars, he continued firing his rifle at the enemy in his own area. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Private Ward contributed in a great measure to the destruction of the attack with heavy losses to the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Lona Ward, (mother), Darlington, Florida.

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~~Private First Class DELBERT SIMMONS, (65428377), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Apat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 3 February 1945. Private Selmans rifle company was holding positions on the sharp crest of a hill. The enemy had been launching a series of attacks against the perimeter throughout the night, and under cover of darkness during a heavy downpour of rain, a large enemy force with heavy machine guns and knee mortars made a concentrated attack on a vulnerable section of the perimeter. After suffering eight casualties on the defense line, the outer line of men were forced to withdraw to form a tighter and more compact group. With total disregard for his personal safety, Private Simmons with his mortar upon the crest of the ridge within sight of the enemy, delivered an intense barrage of fire concentrations. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Private Simmons was an outstanding factor in successfully securing the hill with heavy losses to the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Ola Selman, (mother), Boags, West Virginia.~~

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

*Walter A. H. [Signature]*

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

MELVIN K. HASS  
Capt, A.S.D.  
Asst Adj General

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

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

Sergeant THOMAS C. GARRETT (33049867), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Urdenata, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January 1945 to 7 May 1945. During his entire period Sergeant Garrett led reconnaissance patrols into and beyond the enemy lines. On one occasion his patrol was held up due to intense enemy activity and upon rice fields. Sergeant Garrett took it upon himself to creep across an open field to within 100 yards of camouflaged enemy tanks to determine their size and number. On another occasion he led a small reconnaissance patrol into the Kalinawan Cave Area and succeeded in locating the cave entrances despite heavy enemy fire and precipitous terrain. By his devotion to duty and outstanding patrol leadership, Sergeant Garrett gathered much information of the enemy which proved invaluable in subsequent operations. Home address: Mrs. Ruby Garrett (wife), Route #4, Danville, West Virginia.

Sergeant FREDERICK W. HUNGER (36170633), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Urdenata, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January 1945 to 7 May 1945. Sergeant Hunger repeatedly led mechanized and foot patrols into and beyond enemy lines. On numerous occasions his patrols consisted of only three or four men and remained in enemy territory for several days at a time in order to gain the information they sought. Despite all conditions of weather, enemy interference and terrain difficulties, Sergeant Hunger has been outstanding in overcoming obstacles and accomplishing in a superior manner the missions assigned him. By his conspicuous leadership and devotion to duty, Sergeant Hunger obtained much information of the enemy which proved invaluable in subsequent operations. Home address: Mrs. Elsie Hunger (mother), Route #1, Smith Creek, Michigan.

Private First Class ARTHUR PREVOST (20144187), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 860, in a drive on Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 May 1945. During the assault on Hill 860, Private Prevost was engaged in laying wire. Though his regular duty was a company runner, he volunteered to assist in laying wire due to the shortage of wire personnel. The route of Private Prevost's line was covered by heavy enemy artillery, mortar and sniper fire. In spite of this, Private Prevost, displaying great courage and coolness, proceeded to lay the line through these hazards until communications were established with the assaulting company. Home address: Mrs. Diana Prevost (mother), 281 Main Street, Warren, Rhode Island.

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Private ERNEST ROUX (31009657), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January 1945 to 16 February 1945. Private Roux was assigned to a traffic control detachment operating in an area immediately behind the front lines. Private Roux volunteered on one occasion to stand post on Bobonan Corners in the Pozorrubio sector which was under daily enemy artillery fire. Private Roux' devotion to duty, his willingness to stand post long hours without relief and his personal bravery in remaining on his post during enemy artillery fire were major factors in the successful operation of the detachment in moving supplies and men. Home address: Mrs. Joseph W. Lavoie (sister), 47 Fifth Street, East Norwalk, Connecticut.

Sergeant ROY E. THIEDE (16053723), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 23 March 1945. Sergeant Thiede worked with an officer in charge of traffic and military police control in an area immediately behind the front lines. Sergeant Thiede's devotion to duty was an important factor in the successful accomplishment of the traffic detail which moved supplies and men inland. During this period he was subjected to enemy fire, and on one occasion wounded, but returned to his duty shortly after receiving medical treatment. For nearly a month Sergeant Thiede was the non-commissioned officer in charge of a military police detachment in Angeles, Pampanga Province, conducting his work in an outstanding, efficient manner which reflected greatly to the credit of his organization and the military service. Mrs. Emma Thiede (mother), 920 Bahls, Danville, Ill.

Private First Class JOHN WILLIAMS (31310123), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January 1945 to 4 May 1945. Private Williams' work as a military police patrolman required him to operate alone over lonely roads in close proximity to the front lines. On several occasions reports of Jap patrols behind our lines reached Private Williams. On such occasions, Private Williams unhesitatingly organized a patrol of passing soldiers and led them against the enemy. In one particular instance, Private Williams participated in a patrol which went to search out a group of Japs reported by civilians to number approximately fifty. Acting as scout for this patrol, he repeatedly exposed himself to enemy fire in order to seek out the enemy. In this action Private Williams was credited with killing three Japs. Home address: Mrs. Mary L. Williams (mother), 251 King Street, Cohasset, Massachusetts.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

C. P. ROBBINS  
Colonel, GSC  
Chief of Staff

*H. A. Dosch Jr.*  
HARRY A. DOSCH JR.

Major, AGD  
Adjutant General

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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 officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class WILLIAM C. LAFON (36146048), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy on Hill 600, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Thelma Shirley (mother), 617 Pearl Street, Culver, Indiana.

Technical Sergeant EUGENE O. LIBBY (31027400), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Paete, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jennie Caron (sister), 17 Elm Street, Brunswick, Maine.

Sergeant WALTER W. MANESS (34172365), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Maness (wife), 1108 Center Street, Payetteville, North Carolina.

Technician Grade 5 WILEY B. MC LAURE (38102207), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Orlean McLane (mother) Winters, Texas.

Sergeant HOLLIS C. MORANG (31076621), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude Morang (mother), Hawks Avenue, Eastport, Maine.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM D. NORTON (31027478), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Francis Mercier (sister), 30 West Street, Pittsfield, Maine.

Private First Class HOWARD F. PRATER (33650885), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lula O. Prater (mother), Route #1, Marion, Virginia.

Private First Class JULIAN A. PUSZKIEWICZ (36315029), Infantry, U. S. Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 January 1945. Home address: Miss Toss Puszkiewicz (sister), 6435 Buffalo Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Corporal BURTON D. SEIBERHOLM (31271682), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Sedorholm (mother), 446 Court Street, New Bedford Massachusetts.

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First Lieutenant ED M. SHAMLIN (O-1324583), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 May 1945. Home address: James Monroe Shamlin (father), 1101 Hickory Street, Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

Private First Class FATHEY TOLSON (55872922), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice Tolson (mother), Compton, Kentucky.

Private First Class JOHN TURICK JR. (13061455), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Turick (mother), P #15, Fayette City, Pennsylvania.

Lieutenant Colonel HERBERT E. WELCH (O-280425), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mildred C. E. Welch (wife), 568 New Britain Avenue, Elm Hill, New Britain, Connecticut.

Private First Class DONALD F. WEST (20144327), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Stella A. West (mother), Box #54, South Paris, Maine.

Corporal EARL A. WILLIAMS (38177077), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 January 1945. Home address: Mrs Mildred Laho Williams (wife), RFD #4, Charleston, Arkansas.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

*Harry A. Busch, Jr.*  
HARRY A. BUSCH JR.  
Major, U. S. A.  
Adjutant General

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9410, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin U. WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Sergeant EDMOND A. LAJOIE, (20150291), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 13 March 1945 to 5 April 1945. Home address: Miss Laura P. Lajoie, (sister), 25 Way Street, Gardner, Massachusetts.

Private First Class JOHN R. HARMON, (37414671), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Bulao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 March 1945. Private Harmon's mortar platoon occupied positions in the perimeter of his Battalion Command Post. Under cover of darkness the enemy made a fanatic attack upon the Command Post from the rear. During the attack, the mortars of Private Harmon's platoon were called upon to deliver fire concentrations in support of a rifle company which was also under attack. With total disregard for his personal safety, he remained with his gun throughout the attack, and when not firing the mortars, he continued firing his rifle at the enemy in his own area. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Private Harmon contributed in a great measure to the destruction of the attack with heavy losses to the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Jennie J. Tedger, (mother), 7303 Harney, St. Louis, Missouri.

Private First Class DONALD B. WILLIAMS, (34634787), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Bulao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 March 1945. Private Williams heavy machine gun platoon was supporting the advances of a rifle company in their assault on a hill when they encountered intense enemy fire from another direction. Realizing this threat to the rest of his platoon, Private Williams under heavy enemy machine gun fire moved his gun to a better position. Upon opening fire a stoppage occurred in his gun. While working to correct the stoppage, Sergeant in command of the gun was wounded. With total disregard for personal safety and exposing himself to intense enemy mortar fire, Williams succeeded in correcting the stoppage and opened fire upon the enemy. His machine gun fire was very effective and quickly silenced the enemy gun. He then shifted his gun to its original position in the rifle company. The alertness, initiative, and coolness under fire displayed by Private Williams was an outstanding factor in securing the hill. Home address: Mrs. Allie Mae Williams, RFD # 2, Osyka, Mississippi.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

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

Sergeant EDMOND A. LAJOIE, (20150291), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 13 March 1945 to 5 April 1945. Home address: Miss Laura F. Lajoie, (sister), 25 Way Street, Gardner, Massachusetts.

Private First Class JOHN R. HARMON, (37414671), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Bulao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 March 1945. Private Harmon's mortar platoon occupied positions in the perimeter of his Battalion Command Post. Under cover of darkness the enemy made a fanatic attack upon the Command Post from the rear. During the attack, the mortars of Private Harmon's platoon were called upon to deliver fire concentrations in support of a rifle company which was also under attack. With total disregard for his personal safety, he remained with his gun throughout the attack, and when not firing the mortars, he continued firing his rifle at the enemy in his own area. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Private Harmon contributed in a great measure to the destruction of the attack with heavy losses to the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Jennie J. Tedger, (mother), 7303 Harney, St. Louis, Missouri.

Private First Class DONALD B. WILLIAMS, (34634787), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Bulao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 March 1945. Private Williams heavy machine gun platoon was supporting the advances of a rifle company in their assault on a hill when they encountered intense enemy fire from another direction. Realizing this threat to the rest of his platoon, Private Williams under heavy enemy machine gun fire moved his gun to a better position. Upon opening fire a stoppage occurred in his gun. While working to correct the stoppage, the Sergeant in command of the gun was wounded. With total disregard for his personal safety and exposing himself to intense enemy mortar fire, Private Williams succeeded in correcting the stoppage and opened fire upon the enemy. His machine gun fire was very effective and quickly silenced the enemy gun. He then shifted his gun to its original position in support of the rifle company. The alertness, initiative, and coolness under fire displayed by Private Williams was an outstanding factor in successfully securing the hill. Home address: Mrs. Allie Mae Williams, (mother), RFD # 2, Oska, Mississippi.

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Private First Class WALTER L. KEEN, (34634928), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connections with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Bulao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 March 1945. Private Keen's heavy machine gun platoon was engaged in supporting the advances of two rifle companies, and was under intense enemy fire. With total disregard for his personal safety and in a barely concealed position, Private Keen delivered an intense barrage against the enemy opposing the riflemen. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Private Keen was an outstanding factor in driving the enemy from its positions. Home address: Mrs. Allie S. Keen, (mother), Sumrall, Mississippi.

Technician Grade IV DENNIS D. O'NEILL, (20152089), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 January 1945. The radio of a rifle company in Sergeant O'Neill's Battalion had failed, and it was imperative that the Battalion Commander know the situation before the remainder of the Battalion moved. Sergeant O'Neill, radio operator of the Battalion, volunteered to take the radio across open terrain to the commander of the rifle company. With total disregard for his personal safety and exposing himself to the enemy he successfully carried the radio to the company commander. This action contributed immensely to the success of the Battalion in securing the hills and thus rendering the high ground untenable to the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Janice Stewart, (mother), 33 Boardman Street, Newbury Port, Massachusetts.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING,

OFFICIAL:

*Melvin K. Hass*

MELVIN K. HASS  
Capt, A.G.D.  
Asst Adj General

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

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

Captain JOEL A. ESSIG, (0436464), Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 9 January to 15 February 1945. Captain Essig, medical officer, performed highly efficient and valuable services during this period of combat in the treatment and evacuation of our casualties. He organized capable and speedy litter parties, utilizing the services of cooks, cook's helpers, and mail orderlies, and devised a system for prompt evacuation of the wounded. Those who were wounded during the hours after sunset were evacuated during the hours of darkness; not a single wounded person remained in the forward area overnight. Captain Essig's indefatigable efforts, leadership, and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Clara M. Essig, (mother), 529 East 4th Street, Newport, Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant JOHN T. LINDSEY, (34205125), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 1 April to 16 May 1945. Sergeant Lindsey, during this period as Acting Platoon Sergeant distinguished himself in the performance of his duties. In one particular instance, during operations against the enemy during 6-16 May, while reconnoitering in advance of the battalion, Sergeant Lindsey's platoon discovered and successfully knocked out an ambushed force of six Japs, killing the entire six before the enemy could fire a single shot. The route, cleared of the enemy, was later followed by the battalion. Sergeant Lindsey's heroic actions clearly demonstrated great personal courage, splendid leadership and outstanding devotion to duty. Home address: Mr. John T. Lindsey Sr., (father), Ocoee, Florida.

Captain ROBERT W. PATENGE, (01170130), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Teresa, Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 3 April to 27 April 1945. Captain Patenge, in command of an artillery liaison section, assisted with the conduct and delivery of accurate artillery fires on well defiladed and camouflaged enemy positions. Operating over almost impassable terrain and often subjecting himself to intense and accurate enemy small arms fire and artillery, he gallantly and courageously placed himself in positions of observation and successfully conducted artillery fires on a fanatical enemy located in well emplaced positions, many of which were caves skillfully dug in the sides of hills. As a result of Captain Patenge's brave adherence to duty, important objectives were secured at crucial periods. Home address: Mr. W. C. Patenge, (father), Route #5, Bay City, Michigan.

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First Lieutenant CHARLES H. SCHUBERT, (01170183), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 May 1945. Lieutenant Schubert, in command of an artillery liaison section, successfully conducted an artillery preparation on a vital ridge, which was the objective of an infantry battalion with which he was working. Notwithstanding the excellent enemy observation, Lieutenant Schubert, subjected to intense and accurate enemy mortar, rifle and artillery fire, courageously placed himself on an observation post and successfully accomplished his mission. Lieutenant Schubert's exemplary courage, aggressiveness and devotion to duty contributed immeasurably to the capture of a critical objective. Home address: Mrs. Gladys M. Dacus, (mother), 1116 Third Avenue South, Nashville, Tennessee.

Staff Sergeant STEPHEN J. SZARKOWICZ, (20125172), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 9 January to 17 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Frank Szarkowicz, (father), R.F.D. #39, Killingly, Connecticut.

Technician Grade IV HENRY TENENBAUM, (33265454), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 815, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. During a heavy enemy artillery barrage against our positions, one of the hostile shells hit a tree in the company area and in the resulting tree-burst five (5) men were wounded. Sergeant Tenenbaum unhesitatingly left the comparative safety of his fox-hole to go to the aid of the stricken men. In the midst of falling shells in the immediate area, Sergeant Tenenbaum coolly and expertly rendered medical treatment to the five casualties. Sergeant Tenenbaum's great personal courage and altruistic actions were in keeping with the highest Medical Department traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Lena Tenenbaum, (mother), 614 Strawberry Street, McKeesport, Pennsylvania.

Technician Grade V FRANK J. TRAYGIS, (31042711), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 7 May to 19 May 1945. Corporal Traygis, a member of an artillery forward observer party distinguished himself by his aggressive and above superior ability in the performance of his duties. On May 12th, when the Company perimeter was attacked by the enemy, a hostile hand grenade was directed at knocking out the artillery observer radio set up at the edge of the perimeter. With utter disregard for his own safety, Corporal Traygis, while under heavy fire assisted in the evacuation of the radio to the interior and maintained the radio communications. The resultant artillery fire forced the enemy to withdraw. Corporal Traygis' actions contributed immeasurably to the success of the assigned mission. Home address: Mr. Peter Traygis, (father), Box 82, Tolland Turnpike, Duckland, Connecticut.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

*Harry A. Dosch Jr.*  
HARRY A. DOSCH JR.,

Major,  
Adjutant General

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

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #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 enlisted men:

Sergeant WILLIAM W. COOPER (13153110), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 16 March 1945 to 8 May 1945. It was necessary to organize an all-night highway security patrol to protect our rear areas against attack by enemy infiltration patrols. Sergeant Cooper volunteered for this dangerous mission and has been on this duty throughout the entire period. On several occasions he led his patrol on missions to seek out enemy groups in our rear areas. Sergeant Cooper's courage and leadership were major factors in insuring the success of his platoon in its mission of policing and securing division rear areas. Home address: Mrs. Rebecca E. Cooper (mother), 501 Haverford Avenue, Narberth, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant HAROLD E. DONNAN (36014563), Corps of Military Police, 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 4 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Mae. Donnan (wife), 520 East Cook Street, Mt. Pulaski, Illinois.

Private First Class STERLING D. GOSSETT (35146887), Corps of Military Police, 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 4 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Martha Gossett (mother), 640 Middle Drive, Woodruff Place, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Corporal ARTHUR H. JONES (31042352), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Bobonan Corners, Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 17 January 1945 to 16 February 1945. Corporal Jones was assigned to a traffic control detachment operating in an area immediately behind the front lines. His devotion to duty was clearly demonstrated by the manner in which he performed his hazardous assignments. Corporal Jones willingly stood post for long hours without relief, and his personal bravery in remaining on his post during enemy artillery fire contributed in a large measure to the success of the detachment in moving supplies and men. On one occasion Corporal Jones volunteered for duty in the Pozorrubio sector which was under daily enemy artillery fire. Home address: Mrs. Hilda Tobey (mother), 10 Sable Street, South Norwalk, Connecticut.

Private First Class EDWARD W. KERN JR. (36539460), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January

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(Pfc Edward W. Kern Jr, contd.)

1945 to 4 May 1945. During this period Private Kern was a motor patrolman and his duties continuously required him to spend long hours alone on patrol of highways subject to attack by enemy infiltration parties. On several occasions he participated in patrols against enemy groups in rear areas. In one particular instance, Private Kern volunteered as a member of a patrol which was attacking a six-man Jap demolition party. The Japs were in position in a ditch under excellent cover and concealment, but Private Kern repeatedly exposed himself to their fire in crossing the open rice paddy and assaulting their position. Home address: Mrs. Emma Korn (mother), 612 Lakeview Street, Lakeville, Michigan.

Corporal FRANK W. KUPIS (31038192), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 16 March 1945 to 8 May 1945. It was necessary to organize an all-night highway security patrol to protect our rear areas against attack by enemy infiltration patrols. Corporal Kupis volunteered for this dangerous mission and has been on this duty throughout the entire period. On several occasions he led his patrol on missions to seek out enemy groups in our rear areas. Corporal Kupis' courage and leadership were major factors in insuring the success of his platoon in its mission of policing and securing division rear areas. Home address: Mr. Frank Kupis (father), 129 Summer Street, Central Falls, Rhode Island.

Staff Sergeant PAUL F. POCKOSKI (20125365), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Santa Maria Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 21 April 1945 to 4 May 1945. Sergeant Pockoski was in charge of a traffic section of the military police in areas immediately behind front-line units. On one occasion he was in charge of a traffic section which supported an infantry regiment in its drive against the enemy. Sergeant Pockoski's leadership and foresight in anticipating the traffic control measures which would be necessary to support this operation did much to insure the uninterrupted supply of the combat team over tortuous mountain roads. Home address: Mrs. Kasimua Pockoski (mother), 220 North Main Street, Danielson, Connecticut.

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ORIGINAL ORDER

AWARDS OF THE SILVER 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 by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Sergeant MICHAEL J. BRICK (32859184), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Mt. Tanauan, in the vicinity of Terese, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 March 1945. A formidable Jap pillbox held up Sergeant Brick's company for forty-five minutes. Riflemen succeeded in neutralizing enemy rifle fire but the pillbox remained a problem. Sergeant Brick, without orders, went forward under a terrific hail of enemy machine gun fire and hand grenades, and by working through the machine gun fire, approached one side of the pillbox and destroyed it with grenades and demolition charges. He thus enabled his company to advance. On two other occasions of the same day Sergeant Brick, to the astonishment of his comrades, duplicated an almost identical feat of gallantry. He was pinned down by terrific machine gun fire thirty yards from the second pillbox before he could reach a suitable position to assault the emplacement and destroy it. Sergeant Brick, an elderly man, suffered from heat exhaustion throughout the day as a result of continual exposure, but his gallant deeds in the face of deadly enemy fire were a source of inspiration and encouragement to all the men of his company. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Brick (wife), 1888 Bathgate Avenue, Bronx, New York.

Private First Class HENRY F. WESCOTT (20145810), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Five wounded men lay exposed to terrific enemy machine gun and heavy calibre fire when the enemy was attacking the positions of Private Wescott's company. Private Wescott, with the aid of another comrade, left the protection of his position and inched his way to the wounded men by crawling and succeeded in removing them to safety behind friendly tanks in spite of the still raging battle. During the entire battle, and in the face of point-blank fire from enemy guns, Private Wescott displayed incredible courage and coolness. Home address: Mrs. Annie S. Wescott (mother), 117 Washington Avenue, East Hartford, Connecticut.

Sergeant GLENN L. WISDOM (37142847), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 May 1945. Sergeant Wisdom's company prepared a perimeter defense for the night and the men were constructing shelters because of the heavy rain. At this point an unknown number of Japs attacked the perimeter from the direction of Sergeant Wisdom's position, using machine guns, grenades and knee-mortars. Sergeant Wisdom, a light machine gun squad leader, immediately manned his machine gun, killed four Japs and

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silenced their machine gun. As a result of his well concentrated fire, the enemy attack was repulsed and the remainder of the Japs <sup>was</sup> forced to flee into the jungle. Because of Sergeant Wisdom's alertness and aggressive action the perimeter remained intact and no casualties were sustained by our troops. Home address: Mr. C. R. Wisdom (father), 13th & Rex Crossing, Jopling, Missouri.

Private First Class JACK D. ZABLOSKY (36478725), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Mt. Tananan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 March 1945. Private Zablosky's battalion launched a final assault on Mt. Tananan and a section of the company's heavy machine guns, of which Private Zablosky was a gunner, was slipped into position before daybreak for close support of a rifle company. When the supporting machine guns opened heavy flanking fire ahead of the infantry, Private Zablosky's machine gun was immediately fired upon by enemy riflemen located in front of his position. With no heed to the enemy fire, Private Zablosky remained and continued firing, taking a heavy toll of the enemy as they raised their heads above their holes to fire. The remaining Japs who had become casualties by his fire were so effectively pinned down that two of them committed suicide with hand grenades. Private Zablosky's magnificent work and coolness under fire won him the admiration of his fellow soldiers and materially assisted the battalion in accomplishing its objective. Home address: Mrs. Ruby M. Zablosky (mother), Route #4, Grand Saline, Texas.

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12 June 1945.

SECTION I -- AMENDMENTS OF GENERAL ORDERS #294.  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL.  
SECTION III- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

SECTION I

1. So much of Paragraph 3, Section II, General Orders #294, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 8 June 1945 as reads: In addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to MAJOR JAMES W. RANKIN, (O-410081), Infantry, (then CAPTAIN), by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #31, 4 August 1943, is amended to read: In addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to MAJOR JAMES W. RANKIN, (O-410081), Infantry, (then CAPTAIN), by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #31, 5 August 1944.

2. So much of Paragraph 1, Section I, General Orders #294, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 8 June 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart Medal to Private First Class JOE M. VILLALPANDO, (39018422), Infantry, is hereby 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 Officer and Enlisted Men:

First Lieutenant CHARLES P. SNOW, (O-1292604), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Charlotte Snow, (wife), 49 Marshall Street, Braintree, Massachusetts.

Sergeant GEORGE (REMN) STANTON, (20130429), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary C. Stanton, (wife), 118 Ridge Street, Winsted, Connecticut.

Private First Class DALE F. STODDARD, (38614099), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Flossie McWilliams, (mother), General Delivery, Hext, Texas.

Private First Class FREDERICK W. TRABOLD, JR., (12012962), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bamban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elsa C. Trabold, (mother), Mill Road, Wrightstown, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class JOE M. VILLALPANDO, (39018422), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 4 August 1943. Home address: Mrs. Elutiria Villalpando, (mother), Route #2, Chino, California.

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Private First Class RAYMOND A. VASOFSKI, (32488987), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Vasofsky, (wife), Casper Street, Beverly, New Jersey.

Private WAYNE (BNN) WILLIAMS, (39589657), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lorraine M. Williams, (wife), 2813 Arizona Avenue, Santa Monica, California.

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class JOE M. VILLALPANDO, (39018422), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph 1, Section II, General Order #313, 12 June 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 JOE M. VILLALPANDO (39018422), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elutiria Villalpando, (mother), 136 Central Street, Chino, California.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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12 May 1945

SECTION I---AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL  
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 by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Corporal ARMAND E. AUBIN, (20153652), Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 March 1945. A reconnaissance patrol under the leadership of Corporal Aubin was given the mission of reconnoitering the high ground on either side of the highway leading to the Santa Maria Valley to determine enemy activity, road and bridge condition and to select an assembly area for the movement of friendly troops the following morning. The patrol travelled by night over very difficult terrain to accomplish its mission. It became necessary for Corporal Aubin to return several miles in order to establish radio contact before daylight and report the findings of his patrol and then retraced his route to establish an Observation Post overlooking the enemy positions. With another member of the patrol, Corporal Aubin killed two of the enemy who blocked his route and then returned to his starting point and guided friendly troops to an assembly area. Corporal Aubin's splendid leadership, aggressiveness and devotion to duty reflect great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Rose M. Aubin, (wife), 66 Swift Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #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:

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First Lieutenant MAGDALENO G. TOMANENG, (01302234), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 May 1945. Lieutenant Tomaneng leading a small reconnaissance (unmounted) patrol to investigate a reported enemy position found that it was impossible to get the entire patrol into the enemy area without being observed. Lieutenant Tomaneng, accompanied by two guerrillas, went forward working his way up the steep, rocky hill, through barbed wire entanglement until he heard enemy voices. At this time an enemy sentry approached Lieutenant Tomaneng. Upon being seen, Lieutenant Tomaneng immediately shot the sentry and tossed two hand-grenades behind a bolder a few yards away killing four more of the enemy. Immediately thereafter the enemy in the caves and others opened up with fire causing Lieutenant Tomaneng to withdraw through the wire and to the remainder of his patrol. Undaunted, Lieutenant Tomaneng replenished his supply of hand grenades, and with two others, attempted to work around the

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(1st Lt. Magdaleno G. Tomaneng)

flank of the enemy positions until finally he and his patrol retired to an observation point. Lieutenant Tomaneng's bravery, indomitable fighting spirit and devotion to duty set a splendid example to the men under his command. Home address: Mr. Cristino G. Tomaneng, (brother), Box 155, Forestville, California.

First Lieutenant WILMOT B. OUZTS, (0514314), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Binanolan area, Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 13 January to 18 January 1945. Lieutenant Ouzts, in command of a mechanized reconnaissance platoon distinguished himself unequivocally by demonstrated initiative and aggressive leadership. Operating in enemy held territory with lightly armored vehicles and under harassment by snipers and demolition parties, Lieutenant Ouzts was responsible for gaining much valuable information of the enemy and accounted for the destruction of considerable enemy equipment and personnel. Lieutenant Ouzts' personal courage, fighting spirit and devotion to duty instilled confidence in the men under his command and inspired them to greater effort. Home address: Mr. Wilmot B. Ouzts, Sr., (father), Route A, Tennelle, Georgia.

Technician Grade IV CARLTON A. WOODCOCK, (20151762), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 9 January to 4 June 1945. During this time, Sergeant Woodcock has performed outstanding service on several occasions above and beyond the call of duty. Particularly during period 11-18 January, Sergeant Woodcock, radio operator, worked untiringly in the accomplishment of his tasks. He alone performed the service which was ordinarily done by three operators, remaining on the job during the entire period, working at all hours of the day and night to maintain constant, vital communications between the infantry regiment and the division headquarters. Again on 5 May, Sergeant Woodcock, though himself ill, declined to leave for medical attention because no other radio operator was available. Sergeant Woodcock's loyal and efficient service, his tenacity and devotion to duty contributed substantially to the success of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Octavia Woodcock, (mother), Main Street, Plainfield, Vermont.

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ORIGINAL ORDER

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR  
SECTION II - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (OAK LEAF CLUSTER)  
SECTION III - AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS #283

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 man:

*REV. BY GO 329*  
\* Major ~~WILLIAM L. Latta, Jr.~~ (O-25827) (then Captain), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Kanao; and Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 February 1945. Major Latta, Acting S-3 of an infantry battalion, led an infantry company, an anti-tank platoon, a liaison party and a small detachment to establish a road block between two towns. Enemy disposition and strength were unknown at this time but the road block was established with no interference. During the hours of darkness, the entire perimeter was attacked by the enemy from three sides. The enemy withdrew their artillery battery from a hill and moved toward the road block. Major Latta was extremely active in this engagement and exposed himself repeatedly while assisting in the defense of the perimeter. In the ensuing battle, two tractor-drawn and two horse-drawn artillery pieces were knocked out and the entire accompanying Jap personnel were killed. Major Latta's total disregard for his own safety and valiant actions contributed in a great measure to repulsing the Jap attack and the destruction of the enemy artillery battery. Home address: Mrs. Pauline S. Latta (wife), 226 Maple Avenue, New Martinsville, West Virginia.

Private WALTER E. WOODS (35088189), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 May 1945. A combat patrol consisting of one officer and twenty-six men operated in enemy territory and ran into heavy mortar and machine gun fire of the enemy. Private Woods, a platoon runner, acting as radio man for the patrol, called for and effectively directed artillery fire against the superior enemy force. For a period of twenty-four hours, without sleep or relief, he called for protective fire which prevented the enemy from attacking the patrol's position in force. The following day the patrol attempted to penetrate the enemy line and after advancing 200 yards, the platoon leader was killed and the platoon sergeant became separated. Private Woods immediately assumed command of the disorganized group, skillfully evaded an enemy ambush and led the men to a covered position without further casualties. The courage, coolness under fire and superior leadership displayed by Private Woods were an inspiration to all the men with him, and reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Hammie Woods (mother), Goose Rock, Kentucky.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star Medal awarded to Lieutenant Colonel WILBUR E. BRADT (O-182711), Field Artillery,

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by this headquarters, as published in General Orders #20, dated 7 February 1945, 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 1913 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

Lieutenant Colonel WILBUR E. BRADT (G 132711), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Lumban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 April 1945. Colonel Bradt, driving his own light truck equipped with a radio, advanced at the head of a column for the purpose of directing artillery fire in support of a fast-moving situation. Along with four other vehicles, he became separated from the rest of the column by a jeep road block. Two vehicles directly in front of his were fired upon and disabled, thus blocking his way. In spite of the great danger involved, Colonel Bradt courageously pushed forward through enemy fire in order to secure a vitally important bridge. Knowing that enemy troops occupied the opposite bank, he raced his vehicle to the opposite bank and with a handful of men, established a bridgehead and secured the bridge. With his group now cut off from the rear, with no prospective reinforcements, Colonel Bradt vitally assisted in repelling an enemy counterattack. Immediately after, with his radio he contacted and directed his cub plane pilot to request assistance from friendly troops advancing near the town. Due to the superior enemy forces and the tactical situation, the troops were not in position to render immediate assistance. Colonel Bradt then directed his pilot to land on a nearby road and offer artillery support to the friendly troops. Artillery fire destroyed the enemy forces and allowed our troops to advance. While directing the artillery fire, Colonel Bradt was fired upon by snipers from the rear. During this entire period of several hours, Colonel Bradt remained calm and cool, and displayed outstanding traits of gallantry and utter disregard for danger and his own safety. Home address: Mrs. Norma Bradt (wife), 201 Broadway, Bangor, Maine.

SECTION III

1. In each of paragraph 1, General Orders #283, this headquarters, dated 6 June 1945, pertaining to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Private First Class JAMES T. TYNDALL (31315834), Infantry, as reads, "Home address: Mr. Ernest Crowley (father), Atlantic Highway, Wells, Maine" is amended to read "Home address: Mr. Hubert Tyndall (father), Snow Hill RD #3, North Carolina".

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

*[Signature]*  
MAYNARD BOSCH JR.  
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GENERAL ORDERS  
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SECTION I --- AMENDMENTS OF GENERAL ORDERS #150 & #224.  
SECTION II -- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL  
SECTION III - AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

SECTION I

1. So much of Paragraph I, General Orders #150, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 2 May 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart Medal to Staff Sergeant GUIDO M. MAGGI, (31023113), Infantry, is hereby revoked.
2. So much of Paragraph I, Section II, General Orders #224, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 20 May 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart (Oak-Leaf Cluster) to Staff Sergeant GUIDO M. MAGGI, (31023115), Infantry is hereby 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 Officer and Enlisted Men:

Private CRAIG F. BUFFINGTON, (33952301), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Florence Now, (mother), Rosewood Avenue, Trevoise Heights, Pennsylvania.

Private ROBERT S. CAMPBELL, (39729282), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nettie B. Campbell, (mother), 312 East Hardy Street, Inglewood, California.

Private JOHN L. COTTER, (37646590), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 May 1945. Home address: Mr. James N. Cotter, (father), Route #7, 1635 Mt. Vernon Street, Springfield, Missouri.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM C. GREELY, (0-1318158), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. Home address: Mrs Ella Greely (mother), 880 Hillcrest Boulevard, Millball, California.

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Private First Class JACK L. HAMMOND, (32677680), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nina Hammond, (mother), 502 Ivy Street, Elmira, New York.

Staff Sergeant JAMES E. MAC GREGOR, (31023886), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Macatunao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edith MacGregor, (mother), 26 Hyde Avenue, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

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Private First Class CHARLES E. ROTHERT, (39697663), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bamban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Barbara L. Rothert, (wife), 315 West Padre Street, Santa Barbara, California.

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class JOHN (NMI) DOUTHIT, (38128648), Infantry, by Headquarters XIV Corps, APO #453, as Published in General Orders #98, 26 Jul 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:

Private First Class JOHN (NMI) DOUTHIT, (38128648), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill #355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sallie E. Gross, (mother), 928 South Main Street, Muskogee, Oklahoma.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant GUIDO N. MAGGI, (31023115), (then Corporal), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as Published in General Order #37, 21 November 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:

Staff Sergeant GUIDO N. MAGGI, (31023115), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill #355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Maggi, (mother), East Glastonbury, Connecticut.


3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant GUIDO N. MAGGI, (31023115), (then Corporal), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as Published in General Orders #37, 21 November 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:

Staff Sergeant GUIDO N. MAGGI, (31023115), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Maggi, (mother), East Glastonbury, Connecticut.

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SECTION I---AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL  
SECTION II- AWARDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS #295

SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #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:

Staff Sergeant DANIEL J. CRONIN, (20152582), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 March 1945. Sergeant Cronin, was in command of a small mechanized patrol with the mission to scout out the enemy held town of Baras. Sergeant Cronin, riding in the lead armored Car, drew enemy fire in the approach to the objective. Fearlessly driving on, Sergeant Cronin directed 37 mm gun fire into the town resulting in large explosions and fires. As the patrol advanced, the enemy blew up the bridge over the Baras River. Sergeant Cronin deployed his vehicles and brought terrific fire to bear on the enemy causing the Japs to flee from their positions. Because of the intensity of the fires it was not until the next morning that Sergeant Cronin again led his patrol into town, removing three large mines and travelling over a bypass across the river into the heart of the objective. The patrol captured large quantities of enemy engineer equipment and ammunition and secured the town. Sergeant Cronin clearly demonstrated outstanding leadership, aggressiveness and devotion to duty. Home address: Mr. Daniel J. Cronin Sr., (father), 51 Hicks Street, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

Staff Sergeant TIMOTHY F. HOLLERAN (31038660), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Sergeant Holleran volunteered to lead a three man night patrol into the enemy held town of Urdaneta with the mission of determining enemy strength and armor. By skillful leadership and maneuvering under the cover of darkness, he was able to work his patrol around the flank of one enemy position and then working parallel to a main highway leading to the town, Sergeant Holleran bypassed a 20 man enemy patrol and succeeded in getting into the town itself. Remaining overnight on the edge of town, Sergeant Holleran and his men observed enemy movements, and gained information as to strength and disposition. Just before dawn, Sergeant Holleran led his patrol out of town, making contact with the leading elements of an infantry regiment about to attack the town supplying them with the invaluable data pertaining to the enemy. By his courageous work under extremely difficult and dangerous conditions, Sergeant Holleran contributed immeasurably to the success of the attack against the enemy. Home address: Mr. Martin J. Holleran, 52 Clifford Street, Pawtucket, R. I.

First Lieutenant MELVIN C. PREUSSER, (01030407), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 9 January to 4 June 1945. During this time, Lieutenant Preusser has been conspicuous in excellent

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(1st Lt Melvin C. Preusser)

leadership of several patrols deep into enemy held territory. Particularly, on 12 April, Lieutenant Preusser led a small reconnaissance patrol into the difficult Kalinwan Caves. This area had been under constant observation for several days and every patrol had drawn enemy fire on approaching the cave area. Lieutenant Preusser, by careful maneuvering, fearlessly and determinedly led his patrol into the cave area, succeeded in entering the extension cave and remaining there for two (2) days, destroying many enemy supplies and demolishing the cave entrance. Lieutenant Preusser's tenacity, devotion to duty and indomitable fighting spirit instilled confidence in the men under his command and inspired them to greater effort. Home address: Mrs. Mayme Preusser, (mother), 2830 South Union Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Sergeant NORMAN H. TAYLOR, (31051071), Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 9 January 1945 to 4 June 1945. During this time, Sergeant Taylor has been outstanding in his duties of leadership of a scout section in a reconnaissance platoon, leading small patrols into and beyond enemy held territory. Particularly on 15 March, while with a patrol which had just made contact with about thirty (30) of the enemy, Sergeant Taylor observed a group of them attempting to outflank his patrol. He maneuvered a small number of men to the exposed flank and waited until the enemy was within 15 yards of his position and then personally killed the leader of the enemy group and brought fire on the remainder, dispersing them and allowing other members of his patrol to set fire to a large ammunition dump and withdrew without a single casualty among his men. Eleven of the enemy were killed. Sergeant Taylor clearly demonstrated great personal courage, outstanding leadership and devotion to duty. Home address: Mrs. Barbara Taylor, (mother), 103 Lincoln Street, Esmond, R. I.

SECTION II

1. So much of Section III, Paragraph 1, as reads "In addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Grade V JOHN F. CUDDIHY, (32109321), Infantry, by Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph 1, General Orders #34, dated 3 March 1945" is amended to read, "In addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Grade V JOHN F. CUDDIHY, (32109321), Infantry, by Headquarters, Eighth Army, as published in General Orders #9, dated 26 October 1944."

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.... 308

12 June 1945

AWARDING OF THE SILVER STAR

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

Sergeant SAMUEL L. SCHAFFER (37195197), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Hill 580, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Sergeant Schaffer's battalion was heavily engaged with the enemy on Hill 580. Stubborn enemy resistance resulted in many casualties during the day and it was necessary to treat and evacuate them. Consequently, Sergeant Schaffer, transportation sergeant, received an emergency call during the hours of darkness to send all available blood plasma from the rear aid station to the forward area. Realizing that to entrust this mission to a carrying party of sixty men which had already been sent to the forward area with food and ammunition, would cause a delay, Sergeant Schaffer collected as much blood plasma as he could strap to his back and started out. Because of the perilous and difficult traveling, and the danger of enemy infiltration together with the problem of darkness, the carrying party, heavily guarded, moved slowly. With complete disregard for his personal welfare, Sergeant Schaffer, alone, overtook the carrying party, passed through friendly lines which involved great danger of being fired upon by friendly troops in the darkness, and successfully reached the forward command post. At this point he collapsed from exhaustion and had to be treated himself. In this gallant act, Sergeant Schaffer performed services far and beyond the call of duty, and his untiring efforts had unquestionably saved several lives. Home address: Mrs. Samuel L. Schaffer (wife), 213 East Porter Avenue, Des Moines 15, Iowa.

Second Lieutenant HARRY E. SPILLER (O-2043048), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Hill 470, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 January 1945. With the mission of seizing Hill 470, Lieutenant Spiller's company led the assault when it met intense enemy mortar and machine gun fire. One enemy fortified position contained a 77-mm gun and attempts to knock it out with our mortar fire were unsuccessful. In command of a platoon, Lieutenant Spiller ordered a direct assault on the enemy position. Within 100 yards of the position, Lieutenant Spiller personally tossed several grenades into the forward aperture, killed the gun crew and put the gun out of action. In so doing he was wounded in the shoulder by an enemy bullet but used his good arm to completely destroy the enemy gun position. This act of Lieutenant Spiller was characteristic of his actions in this and previous campaigns where he demonstrated outstanding bravery and exemplary qualities of leadership. Home address: Mr. George Spiller (father), 211 Whitney Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

First Lieutenant KERMIT G. STEWART (O-1319452), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 March 1945. The regimental Intelligence and Reconnaissance platoon, supported by two M-7 tanks, attac-

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(1st Lt Kermit G. Stewart contd).

well-concealed enemy positions. As the attack force moved across open ground they were subjected to heavy machine gun and rifle fire which caused numerous casualties. Lieutenant Stewart, platoon leader in command of two M-7 tanks, supervised the loading of some casualties in the M-7's, under heavy fire, and had them evacuated to the rear. He also supervised the movement of a light truck, flanked by two M-7's, to recover more exposed casualties. This required excellent timing and coordination among all three vehicles to insure maximum protection to the rescue party. Though Lieutenant Stewart was receiving the brunt of the enemy fire from the cliffs, he exposed himself to the fire, and successfully coordinated and directed the forward and rearward movements until all the wounded were evacuated. Lieutenant Stewart's coolness and bravery under this heavy fire aided in a great measure to saving the lives of many wounded men. Home address: Mrs. Muriel V. Stewart (wife), 166 Fitzrandolph Street, Trenton, New Jersey.

Technician Grade IV HARRY L. VOWELS (38171360), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 March 1945. When Sergeant Vowels' company attacked a Jap motor pool, Sergeant Vowels, a clerk in the Personnel Section, volunteered to participate in the action. With total disregard for his own life under enemy sniper, machine gun and mortar fire, he left his sheltered position to assist in the removal of a wounded comrade. In this act he received a wound and after receiving medical aid, he again returned to assist another fallen comrade. Sergeant Vowels' courageous actions and devotion to duty beyond his normal line, contributed immeasurably to the successful progress of the operation. Home address: Mrs. Dola Vowels (mother) 847 Kirby Place, Shreveport, Louisiana.

Private First Class ARVEL J. WILLIAMS (37621748), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 April 1945. Private Williams' company moved to high ground to set up a perimeter for the night. As the men prepared to dig in for the night, the enemy, located nearby and supported by intense machine gun fire, launched a counterattack. Private Williams, a heavy machine gunner, realized his company's plight unless something could be done, immediately dragged his heavy machine gun unassisted to an exposed position from where he could deliver effective fire against the enemy. Even while the enemy now directed its fire against him, Private Williams determinedly remained in his exposed position and continued to rake the advancing enemy with his fire until the counterattack was repulsed. Because Private Williams inflicted extremely heavy casualties on the enemy, the Japs were forced to withdraw and his company was enabled to hold its positions. Home address: Mrs. Ina Williams (mother), Box 407, Parma, Missouri.

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION

APO #43

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.... 306

9 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE SILVER 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 by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant ROBERT E. KENNEDY (33614771), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 March 1945. During an attack against well concealed enemy positions the attacking force was caught in the open in withering enemy machine gun and rifle fire. Sergeant Kennedy, a platoon sergeant, constantly exposed himself to the enemy fire in assisting the evacuation of the many dead and wounded. He displayed fearlessness in volunteering to go to the outermost point forward under heavy enemy fire to recover the bodies of three officers who had been killed, and further assisted in their evacuation. Sergeant Kennedy's voluntary and gallant actions in the face of deadly enemy fire aided substantially in saving the lives of many wounded men. Home address: Mrs. Deoda M. Kennedy (mother), Albany, Illinois.

Sergeant WILLIAM A. LILLY JR. (35432152), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Sergeant Lilly's company attacked and occupied a ridge in the vicinity of Mt. Alava. Soon after, the enemy launched a strong counterattack, supported by artillery fire, against the company's positions. Sergeant Lilly, squad leader, volunteered to lead his squad around to occupy some high ground from which he could observe and determine the location from where the enemy was launching its attack, and to prevent an enemy attack from the rear. He led his squad under heavy enemy fire, destroyed the enemy positions and secured the desired position. From this position, Sergeant Lilly and his squad observed an enemy troop concentration preparing for an attack against the rear of his company. By well-placed fire from his position the enemy proposed attack was frustrated. Again Sergeant Lilly and his squad delivered covering fire from this position while his company moved to more suitable positions. In this action Sergeant Lilly was wounded in his leg but remained in his position until his company had occupied its new positions. The superior leadership, coolness under fire and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Lilly reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Rosemary Lilly (wife), Portsmouth, Ohio.

Private First Class FRED P. LOVELACE JR. (34657355), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bamban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 March 1945. Private Lovelace, an aid man, was with a combat patrol when it was ambushed by an enemy force. The patrol was pinned down by enemy machine gun fire and four members of the patrol were wounded. Private Lovelace, with complete disregard for his

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(Pfc Fred P. Lovelace Jr)

own safety, moved about under this fire and went to the aid of the wounded. Alone and unaided, he made four trips under heavy enemy fire to evacuate the wounded men. After the men had been carried to safety he collapsed from exhaustion but declined to report to the rear for treatment until he could be properly relieved by another aid man. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private Lovelace were principal factors in saving the lives of four men. Home address: Mrs. Edna L. Lovelace, (wife), 1347 South Main Street, Anderson, South Carolina.

Sergeant RICHARD H. MEADE, (36187564), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the hills of Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 March 1945. The Intelligence and Reconnaissance platoon, supported by two M-7's, had the mission of securing an area containing enemy vehicles in the hills. As the attacking force advanced across flat terrain, they encountered heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire from well-concealed positions, causing many casualties. Casualties fell close to the M-7's and restricted their movement for fear of crushing or causing further injuries to the wounded men. Sergeant Meade, in command of one M-7, exposed himself to the heavy fire in order to direct the movement of the M-7, and maneuvered his M-7 along a line of several wounded men and had them removed to the rear. With the aid of the other M-7 he flanked a truck to provide cover for the truck as it advanced forward to pick up the remaining casualties. The gallantry, coolness and courage under fire displayed by Sergeant Meade were major factors in saving the lives of several seriously wounded men. Home address: Mrs. Carol Meade, (mother), Route #2, Van Dalia, Michigan.

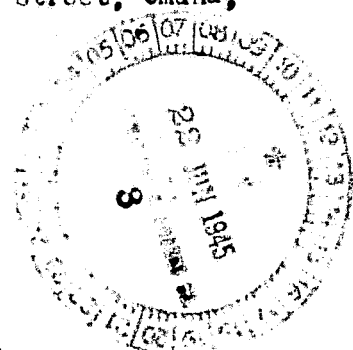
Technician Grade III VINCENT N. SCARPELLO, (37448309), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 March 1945. As a voluntary patrol advanced across an open area to seize and secure an area containing enemy vehicles, a well-concealed enemy opened up with enfilade machine gun and rifle fire. The patrol was pinned down and sustained many casualties. Friendly artillery concentrations were fired upon the enemy positions which were only 75-100 yards in advance of the leading elements of the patrol. Sergeant Scarpello, an aid-man with the patrol, fearlessly and hurriedly moved about under the enemy and friendly fire to render first aid to the wounded. He assisted in organizing litter squads and personally supervised the evacuation of the wounded and dead. The gallantry, coolness under fire, and devotion to duty exemplified by Sgt. Scarpello undoubtedly accounted for the saving of many lives among the wounded men, and served as an inspiration to the men about him. Home address: Mrs. Mary Scarpello, (mother), 3015 Leavenworth Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #13

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....305

9 June 1945.

ORIGINAL ORDER -  
SECTION I -- AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS #244  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL  
SECTION III- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

SECTION I

1. So much of Paragraph 1, Section I, General Orders #244, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 25 May 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart Medal to Staff Sergeant WILLIAM J. MESPELT, JR., (13061414), Infantry, is hereby 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:

Private LAWRENCE K. BONKOSKI, (36986401), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary M. Bonkos (wife), 15818 Stansbury Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class JASON A. BRUNSON, JR., (35933075), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of New Boso Boso, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Florence M. Brunson, (wife), Box 117, DeGraff, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM J. MESPELT, JR., (13061414), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Palac Palac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucille Mespelt, (mother), 1108 Kunkle Street, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant WILLIAM J. MESPELT, JR., (13061414), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Section II, General Orders #305, 9 June 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:

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM J. MESPELT, JR., (13061414), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Luna, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucille Mespelt, (mother), 61 South Main Street, Mt. Airy, North Carolina.

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2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Sergeant JOSEPH A. TERENCE, (31358135), (then Private First Class), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph 1, General Orders #165, 8 May 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:

Sergeant JOSEPH A. TERENCE, (31358135), (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose Terenzio, (mother), 39 Gage Avenue, Revere, Massachusetts.

3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Sergeant JOSEPH A. TERENCE, (31358135), (then Private First Class), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph 1, General Orders #165, 8 May 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:

Sergeant JOSEPH A. TERENCE, (31358135), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bamban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose Terenzio (mother), 39 Gage Avenue, Revere, Massachusetts.

4. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Sergeant JOSEPH A. TERENCE, (31358135), (then Private First Class), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph 1, General Orders #165, 8 May 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:

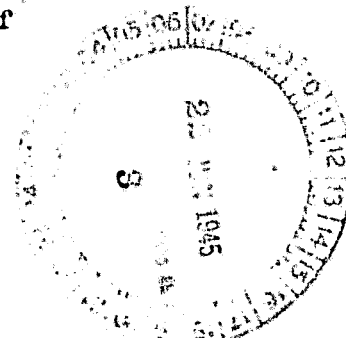
Sergeant JOSEPH A. TERENCE, (31358135), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose Terenzio, (mother), 39 Gage Avenue, Revere, Massachusetts.

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HEADQUARTERS 43d INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #13GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....304

9 June 1945

SECTION I--~~GENERAL ORDER~~ CANCELLMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS #293  
SECTION II--AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR MEDALSECTION I

1. So much of Paragraph 1, General Orders #293, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, dated 8 June 1945, as pertains to the posthumous award of the Silver Star to Second Lieutenant ROBERT W. BURCELL, (03024226), Infantry, 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 men:

Second Lieutenant ROBERT W. BURCELL (03024226) (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Morling Hill, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Lieutenant Burcell's company successfully attacked Morling Hill, siezed it, and prepared to establish its defenses when the enemy, holding a small portion of the hill, delivered heavy machine gun fire on our troops. Lieutenant Burcell, squad leader of the leading squad, took steps to clear the company of its danger. Leading his squad into a draw and up to the top of Morling Hill, his platoon assaulted the enemy with grenades and bayonets. As a result of this action the enemy was driven from its positions, thereby making it possible for Lieutenant Burcell's company to cross with its wounded to the protected slope of the hill. The leadership displayed, the courage shown and the initiative used by Lieutenant Burcell were an inspiration to all his men and an outstanding example of an infantryman in action. Home address: Mrs. Barbara E. Burcell, (mother), Pittville, California.

Private First Class RALPH M. BABER, (35757414), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 March 1945. During an assault for a Company objective, Private Baber, aid-man, heard a call for help from a wounded officer, and unhesitatingly responded by crawling approximately 100 yards under a concentration of heavy enemy machine gun and mortar fire to reach him. Private Baber promptly treated the stricken officer and started to carry him back to safety. In so returning, another soldier in close proximity was shot from enemy fire, Private Baber, again with complete disregard for his own life, treated the casualty and started back with the two wounded men, both receiving support from him. After advancing a few yards, a Jap mortar shell fell to the rear of them wounding Private Baber. In spite of his wounds, Private Baber determinedly kept going until he reached safety with the escorted. Private Baber's indomitable courage, determination and keen devotion to duty undoubtedly saved the lives of the two men. Home address: Mrs. Minnie V. Baber, (mother), Box #15, Craigsville, West Virginia.

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(Awards of Silver Star Medal)

Corporal KENNETH E. BOWTON, (36482821), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy near Bulao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 March 1945. When a force of the enemy launched a frantic counter-attack against the hill in an attempt to overrun our positions by using machine guns, knee mortars, small arms fire and grenades, some of them succeeded in crawling near the edge of our perimeter to a place where they were within hand grenade distance of the foxhole occupied by Corporal Bowton and his comrades. Corporal Bowton and his men determinedly and effectively used their supply of hand grenades against the enemy until the supply became exhausted. The need for more grenades was desperate. Corporal Bowton volunteered to procure an additional supply, and without regard for his own safety, crawled and ran under cross fire to a hole approximately 25 yards away. After obtaining a large number of grenades he fearlessly hurried to his former position where he and his men continued to beat off the Japanese. Corporal Bowton's gallant and selfless action contributed in a large measure to the successful repulse of the enemy attack and accounted for many enemy dead. Home address: Mr. Floyd E. Bowton, (father), W. Locust Street, Limits, Canton, Illinois.

Private First Class MACY O. SMITH, (39696290), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands over period 16-19 March 1945. Private Smith, 1st Scout of his Company, on 16 March volunteered to scout out a Jap machine gun nest. Daringly crossing an open field, his report of the enemy's evacuation enabled the Company to advance without casualty to a better perimeter position. On the nights of 18 and 19 March, Private Smith with indomitable courage exposed himself to the enemy during Banzai attacks in order to successfully repulse the opposition. During this fierce enemy action, Private Smith was credited with killing fifteen (15) Japs. His exemplary bravery, superb combat ability and devotion to duty were an inspiration to all his comrades. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn E. Smith, (wife), Route #1, Box 319, Madiera, California.

Private First Class DANIEL M. TOSTO, (32938950), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 April 1945. During the night of 11 April in the midst of an enemy counter-attack, Private Tosto, a Company Aid-man, without regard for his own safety, left his fox-hole to render aid to a wounded machine gunner. Private Tosto, heedless of the dangers of the enemy mortar and small arms fire, administered blood plasma to the stricken soldier through extremely difficult circumstances. Then, because of the intensity of the enemy fire, Private Tosto was unable to return to the safety of his fox-hole throughout the night. Private Tosto's gallant and altruistic action in willingly risking his life to save that of a comrade was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ida Tosto, (mother), 237 Davis Street, Rochester, New York.

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION

APO #4311

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....703

ORIGINAL ORDER

9 June 1945.

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 BENZEL N. ALLEN, (6570356), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Izotta C. Allen, (wife), Box #129, Idanha, Oregon.

Second Lieutenant LLOYD H. BELL, (O-2007332) Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucy Bell, (mother), Goodland Route, Hugo, Oklahoma.

Private WILBUR E. COCK, (4028625), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Albert N. Cock, (father), 105 James Street, Florence, South Carolina.

First Lieutenant JOSEPH L. HERRINGTON, (O-2043063), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret M. Herrington, (mother), Box 111, Route #2, Lake Charles, Louisiana.

Corporal JAMES T. LEE, (38541427), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Palac Palac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edna Lee, (mother), Box #34, Bullard, Texas.

Private ALBERT (NAN) KAPLES, (38652607), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dolly Mac Kaples, (wife), General Delivery, Harrisonburg, Louisiana.

Second Lieutenant RAYMOND J. MC DONIEL, (O-1321324), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Mesario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Elijah J. McDoniel, (brother), 123 East 22d Street, Owensboro, Kentucky.

Private First Class JAMES G. MAULDER, (34657555), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sarah L. Maulder, (wife), Route #4, Anderson, South Carolina.

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First Lieutenant WARREN E. PRICE, (2-1299105), (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Harold H. Price, 125 North Washington Street, Ottumwa, Iowa, (wife).

Private ELLY G. REEB, (39034954), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. William H. Reeb, (mother), 123d S 10th West, Denver, Utah.

Private MAX S. STREBY, (39950701), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Caymyunan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 April 1945. Home address: Mr. James F. Streby, (father), 2803 Jackson Avenue, Ogden, Utah.

Private First Class LAURENCE (M) V. LEEZ, (36554667), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Caymyunan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Vicenta Liscano, (mother), 2870 San Augustin Avenue, Laredo, Texas.

Private ASHLEY (M) WARD, (35655683), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Martha Ward, (mother), Denver, Kentucky.

Private First Class GODFREY R. WATSON, (39309998), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret L. Watson, (wife), c/o John L. Gary, West Linn, Oregon.

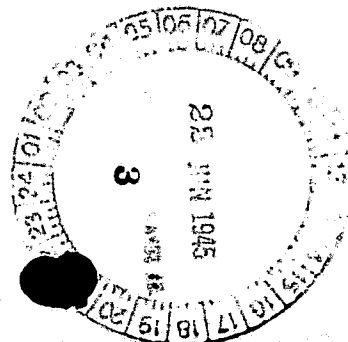
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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER...302

9 June 1945.

ORIGINAL ORDER  
AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Corporal CAYCE I. ELLARD, (38529466), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #135, 28 April 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:

Corporal CAYCE I. ELLARD, (38529466), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Florence L. Magaran, (mother), Box 125, Bizby, Oklahoma.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class MANUEL E. SILVA, JR., (39565377), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division as published in General Orders #164, 8 May 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 MANUEL E. SILVA, JR., (39565377), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Manuel E. Silva, Sr., (father), 353 East 165th Street, Gardena, California.

3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class GEORGE H. SMITH, (38471177), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #9, 25 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 GEORGE H. SMITH, (38471177), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pantay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bortio M. Smith, (mother), Route #2, Wilburton, Oklahoma.

4. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Technical Sergeant HOWARD C. TANK, (36233672), Infantry, by Headquarters, 360th Station Hospital, as published in General Orders #4, 18 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:

Technical Sergeant HOWARD C. TANK, (36233672), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Antipold, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Tank, (mother), 197 South Main Street, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

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5. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Technical Sergeant ROLAND O. WILLEY, (20151630), (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #25, 26 October 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of AR 300-45, as amended. The citation is as follows:

Technical Sergeant ROLAND O. WILLEY, (20151630), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Marikina, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Leda (M) Willey, (mother), 20 Scott Avenue, Newport, Vermont.

6. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant THOMAS J. WILEY, (7081871), Infantry, by Headquarters XIV Corps, APO #453, as published in General Orders #89, 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:

Staff Sergeant THOMAS J. WILEY, (7081871), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Thomas (M) Wiley, (father), Route #5, Lawrenceburg, Tennessee.

7. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant WELDON L. WOODALL, (38478811), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #198, 17 May 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:

Staff Sergeant WELDON L. WOODALL, (38478811), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Calvin Woodall, (father), Route #2, Troup, Texas.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

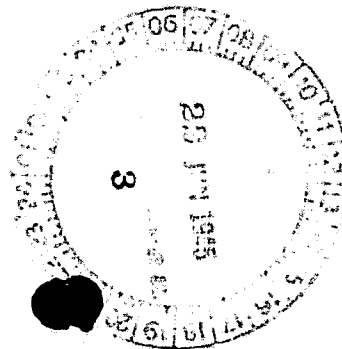
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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION

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AWARD OF THE SILVER 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 by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Private First Class EDGAR R. CORNETT (#8479211), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 January 1945. Private Cornett was a member of an infantry platoon which was given the mission of providing protection for a salvage party sent out to recover a disabled tank and four 57-mm anti-tank guns. While the equipment was being recovered, the patrol encountered and killed an enemy patrol of five Japs. Soon after, an enemy machine gun pinned the patrol down. Private Cornett advanced a distance of twenty-five yards under heavy fire to a suitable position with his BAR but it jammed and he was forced to return to his patrol. He then obtained a sub-machine gun and two hand grenades and returned to his original position from where he destroyed the enemy position and its occupants. By his gallant and daring action Private Cornett enabled the salvage party to successfully complete its mission, and saved his patrol from further casualties. Home address: Mrs. Sarah Cornett (mother), 402 South Walnut Street, Clarksville, Texas.

Private First Class WILLIAM R. DENTON (39331018), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 March 1945. During an attack on well-concealed enemy positions, Private Denton received a bullet wound in the left arm while carrying and operating a heavy radio. Under heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire, and with men falling on every side of him, he continued to expose himself to enemy fire, carrying out his duty of maintaining the only means of contact the attacking group had with the headquarters. He took cover in an M-7 on the order of an officer, after his protest that other ~~more~~ seriously wounded men should have his place. While being given first aid, Private Denton continued to operate his radio until he was evacuated on orders of an officer, despite his objections that he was needed in the action which was still continuing. Private Denton's untiring energy, courage and true devotion to duty reflect the greatest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Robert N. Denton (father), Kila, Montana.

Captain IVY R. GILBERT JR. (O-1291100), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 April 1945. Captain Gilbert, commanding officer of an infantry company, was assigned the mission of seizing and making secure vital enemy-held hill positions. For 36 hours heavy enemy fire had been received from these positions, the approaches to which offered no coverage. Captain Gilbert's willingness and superior leadership inspired his men with the courage to attempt what appeared to be a suicidal effort. Under supporting fire, he led the assault across open terrain and succeeded in occupying his objective

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(Capt Ivy H. Gilbert Jr, contd)

in the face of bitter resistance. The enemy raised its lost positions with heavy machine gun fire but Captain Gilbert encouraged his men to hold their objective. Captain Gilbert's superior leadership, firm determination and devotion to duty were an inspiration to all his men and aided substantially to the successful completion of a difficult mission. Home address: Mrs. Lula H. Gilbert (mother), San Benito, Texas.

Staff Sergeant LLOYD R. HERRON (30129433) (last private), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Fort Stotsenberg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 March 1945. Sergeant Herron's company, given the mission of seizing enemy positions in the hills, reached an intermediate position where they encountered heavy rifle and grenade fire directed from a well-concealed enemy pillbox 15 yards to their front. Supporting fire could not be directed against the pillbox because of its proximity to our troops. Several attempts were made to assault the pillbox and each time our troops were repulsed with heavy casualties. Sergeant Herron, a rifleman, volunteered to advance forward and destroy the pillbox with hand grenades. He crawled a distance of 15 yards under heavy enemy machine gun and grenade fire, to within two feet of the pillbox and, although sustaining a wound, successfully destroyed the enemy position, killing 8 Japs. This act of gallantry performed by Sergeant Herron not only prevented further casualties to our troops and enabled the company to complete its mission, but was also exemplary of a brave infantryman in action. Home address: Mrs. Ellen Herron (mother), Box 734, Lakeport, California.

Private ERNEST G. INGISON (33457426), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. Private Ingison's company attacked strong enemy positions on Hill 355. Private Ingison, first scout in a platoon which was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun fire, advanced forward to within ten yards of the enemy machine gun, killed two Japs with rifle fire and threw a grenade into the enemy position, destroying the gun and the remaining crew. As a result of Private Ingison's courageous and daring action, the platoon was able to resume the advance and accomplish its mission. Home address: Mrs. Alta Ingison (mother), Route #1, Box 47, Marquette, Michigan.

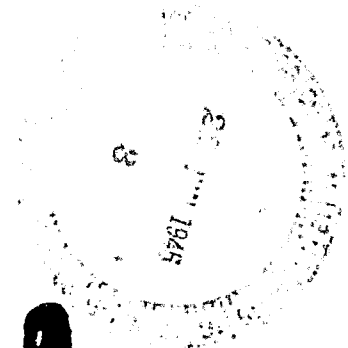
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NUMBER.....300

9 June 1945.

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:

Captain WILLIAM C. FISHER, III, (O-465280), Medical Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Home address: Dr. W. C. Fisher Jr., (father), 3214 Avenue P, Galveston, Texas.

Captain JACKSON S. KING, (O-1288566), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Barbara King, (wife), 441 South Arden Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

Sergeant DALVIN M. LAMER, (33018560), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Lamer, (mother), Box 42, Peshannon, Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant CLINTON F. LEE, (O-1291840), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nona Lee, (mother), Schullsburg, Wisconsin.

Private First Class EUGENE E. LORRE, (39300349), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Grace Lorre, (mother), Sweethome, Oregon.

Sergeant FLORENCE J. MC CARTHY, (32045895), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Palac Palac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 January 1945. Home address: C. June McCarthy, (wife), 8 Clark Street, Massena, New York.

Private First Class TOIVO E. NYI, (37275360), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Olga Nyi, (mother), 4305 Dodge Street, Duluth, (4), Minnesota.

Private JOHN V. A. POTTS, (32928579), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Palac Palac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sara W. Potts, (mother), 57 Severa Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey.

Technician Grade V ERNEST (M.N.) POWELL, (16072873), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ethel M. Hopflo, (mother), 360 South Kellogg Street, Galesburg, Illinois.

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Private First Class STANLEY L. KALLOL, (39916228), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lella Frecco, (mother), Box 404, Vernal, Utah.

Private JAMES L. SALINE, (35465156), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Laura Saline, Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

Private First Class MARCELINO (PUN) SAUSTEO, (39800434), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Nantangalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rosio Lopez, (sister), 36 South 6th Avenue, Glendale, Arizona.

Private First Class IVAN W. SUMBERA, (38157948), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Sumbera, (mother), Route #3, Box 126, La Grange, Texas.

Corporal BILL A. TURLOCK, (38075435), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Turlock, (mother), Bremond, Tex

Private First Class EDWIN F. PIETNER, (36684095), Medical Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Iozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruby Weisner, (wife), Lake Grove Club, Deatur, Illinois.

Private First Class RONALD E. WILLIAMS, (36181000), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Freda Lewis, (mother), 900 Beech Street, Lansing, Michigan.

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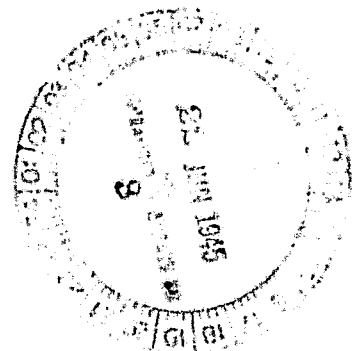
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9 June 1945

RECIPIENTS OF THE SILVER 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 by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Private DANIEL V. ALVAREZ (38678229), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 March 1945. Private Alvarez' platoon attacked enemy positions on a hill, the approach to which was a trail along an exposed portion of a narrow connecting ridge only six feet wide with sheer cliffs on either side. As first scout, Private Alvarez advanced aggressively on the objective under covering fire from friendly machine guns situated on a nearby hill. When the positions were reached, Private Alvarez, without waiting for the remainder of the squad, unhesitatingly attacked the enemy single handedly killing eight Japs with rifle and grenades. Private Alvarez' gallant and aggressive action contributed immensely to the successful capture of the enemy positions and to the killing of twenty-two of the enemy, without a single casualty to our own forces. Home address: Mrs. Sofia V. Alvarez (mother), 111 Olmos Drive, San Antonio, Texas.

Captain ARTHUR A. ARNOLD (O-482233), Medical Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at the Metropolitan Road, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 April 1945. An infantry battalion advanced under cover of darkness to a forward assembly area prior to an attack mission. As the troops crossed the Metropolitan Road, an enemy force armed with machine guns, rifles and grenades attacked the column, cutting it in two in front of the battalion medical section. When the enemy set up a machine gun and began to close in on the heavily-laden medics, Captain Arnold, surgeon, picked up a rifle and killed four of the Japs, including a machine gunner. Captain Arnold's coolness and courage inspired the other members of the headquarters group to move into position and engage the enemy. A rifle platoon, which had been brought up from the rear to destroy the enemy position, found the enemy force had been liquidated and eleven dead Japs were counted within ten yards of Captain Arnold's hastily organized defense. The prompt and gallant action displayed by Captain Arnold was a major factor in the destruction of the enemy force and enabled the battalion to proceed on its mission. Home address: Mrs. Mary L. Arnold (wife), 2860 Terry Road, Laguna Beach, California.

Private J. E. (I.O.) BOWMAN (38711529), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 April 1945. Private Bowman's company was scouting its position and establishing a night position when enemy machine gun fire opened up on the troops from the left front. Several men were wounded as a result of this fire and unable to return to their lines. Private Bowman, a mortar man, ignoring the intense machine gun fire, and with the aid of another, boldly crawled forward across open terrain to rescue a wounded

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comrade. When he reached the wounded man, and as he attempted to drag him to safety, his assistant met instant death. Alone and unaided, Private Bowman succeeded in dragging his wounded comrade to safety under continuous enemy fire. Private Bowman's gallant act and sincere devotion to duty were an inspiration to the men who witnessed him and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Jean LaVerne Bowman (wife), Box 185, Lovelland, Texas.

Technical Sergeant CLYDE M. BROCK (34102103), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Private Brock's company was selected as the assault company in an attack on enemy positions on a ridge. As acting platoon leader, Sergeant Brock led his men to the top of the ridge where they encountered direct artillery fire from a Jap 77-mm gun. Under Sergeant Brock's direction, the gun was destroyed. Meanwhile, several additional enemy artillery pieces opened up on the men and an enemy counterattack was launched under cover of this artillery fire. Sergeant Brock moved about under this fire, placed his men into position and held his ground in the face of heavy odds. When orders were received to move to better positions, Sergeant Brock formed his platoon for rear-guard action and held the counterattack in check until all wounded were evacuated and better positions were occupied. The superb leadership, courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Brock in this action were a source of inspiration to the men with him and reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Octavia Hatchcock Brock (mother), Route 2, Trussville, Alabama.

Technician Grade IV PATRICK J. BRONDER (36706886), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 April 1945. An antitank platoon attached to an infantry battalion was ordered to establish a road block. When the block was established, it was subjected to such intense enemy artillery fire that the men were ordered to seek more tenable positions. Sergeant Bronder, aid man, refused to leave the area and, without regard for his own safety, remained exposed to the heavy fire in order to render medical treatment to the wounded and to supervise in their evacuation. He remained under this fire until all wounded were removed. The courage, gallantry and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Bronder were an inspiration to all officers and men with him, and in a large measure aided in saving the lives of several seriously wounded men. Home address: Mrs. Rose F. Bronder (mother), 3106 North Monticello, Chicago, Illinois.

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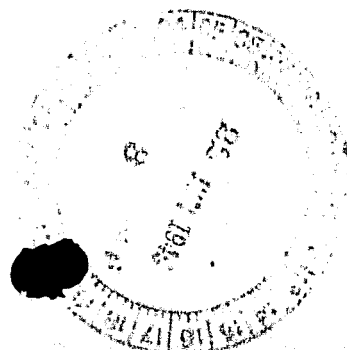
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APO #43

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8 June 1945.

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

Private First Class PAUL F. AARON, (14200014), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara H. Aaron, (mother), 201 Lauderdale Road, Nashville, Tennessee.

Private First Class HENRY (NIN) ABBENSAHL, (32622643), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mr. William Strahl, (Brother-in-law), 526 Evergreen Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

Private First Class CURTIS J. BANKER, (12170742), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sophia Banker, (mother), Schuyler Falls, New York.

Staff Sergeant HORACE (NMN) BEACH, (34205052), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 31 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hester Beach, (mother), 2555 Orion Street, Jacksonville, Florida.

Private First Class ROGER O. BOISSONNEAULT, (31267928), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Natangalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Donnat Boissonneault, (father), 301 Dubuque Street, Manchester, New Hampshire.

Corporal ELMO P. BORGIOLI, (39209317), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle E. Borgioli, (wife), 1907 $\frac{1}{2}$  South Tacoma Avenue, Tacoma, Washington.

Corporal MARVIN E. BOWERSOX, (35555869), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bessie I. Bowersox, (mother), Route #3, Ft Jennings, Ohio.

Private First Class HENRY O. CAMPBELL, (38508451), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Palac, Palac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Robert H. Campbell, (father), General Delivery, Huff, Arkansas.

Sergeant GEORGE R. CHAMBERS, (20144142), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mr. George Chambers, (father), 326 Cumberland Street, Rumford, Maine.

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Private First Class ERNEST M. CHRISTL, (31027647), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maggie Christl, (mother), RFD #3, Gorham, Maine.

Sergeant PETER M. CIPAR, (33075614), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Cipar, (wife), 509 Pearl Street, Reading, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class DOMINICK S. DEFIILLIP, (31027418), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Defillip, (mother), Box 600, Smith Crossing, Rumford, Maine.

Staff Sergeant AMERICUS T. DE NILLO, (20144153), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Antonio Demillo, (father), North Jay, Maine.

Private First Class WALTER T. LMOCHOWSKI, (33230434), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Leo Kadya Lmochowski, (mother), 611 Canal Street, Reading, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class EARL L. FEATHERSON, (31100526), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. Home address: Mr. George H. Featherston, (father), RFD #1, Meddybemps, Maine.

Private First Class WALLACE (NEN) GREGORY, (34657468), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Morong, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 March 1945. Home address: Mr. William B. Gregory, (father), Hemlock Station, Chester, South Carolina.

Corporal PAUL C. KING, (33142701), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Violet M. King, (mother), Route #1, Ford City, Pennsylvania.

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

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8 June 1945

ORIGINAL ORDER

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 soldier:

*Citation made by 30 685 Sept 20 1945*  
Staff Sergeant PATSY L. PALENZA (20129044), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 9 January 1945 to 15 January 1945. Sergeant Palenza, communication sergeant of an infantry battalion, volunteered on numerous occasions to lay wire with the assault company during the assault against enemy positions. On every occasion he exposed himself to enemy fire and traveled over difficult hilly terrain under adverse weather conditions. Sergeant Palenza was killed by a sniper while making a desperate effort to establish communication with the assault company. This devotion to duty is characteristic of Sergeant Palenza's entire period of service in his battalion. Next of kin: Mr. James Palenza (father), 118 Darlin Street, East Hartford, Connecticut.

Technical Sergeant THOMAS C. POLAND JR. (20130037), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. Sergeant Poland, without orders and alone, advanced under enemy machine gun, rifle and knee-mortar fire, approximately 500 yards seeking a route of approach for his company in order to join another company. The company that was being sought was pinned down by heavy enemy fire and unable to move in any direction. Due to Sergeant Poland's action, his company was enabled to advance to the rear of the pinned down company, thereby opening a supply route, and enabling it to evacuate the wounded and be supplied with much needed ammunition. It was due to Sergeant Poland's exceptional leadership and daring that relieved the beleaguered company of its precarious position. Next of kin: Mrs. Gertrude Poland (mother), 191 Bayberry Drive, Bristol, Connecticut.

Sergeant HARRY D. REID (36339745), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Fort Stotsenborg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 March 1945. When our troops attacked a Jap Motor Pool on a hill, Sergeant Reid was leading a light machine gun squad in an assault platoon. The assault platoon became pinned down by enemy automatic and rifle fire from three sides. Sergeant Reid put his gun in action in an exposed position from where he delivered fire on the enemy with such effectiveness that the platoon was enabled to seek more tenable positions and evacuate the wounded. Refusing to withdraw from his exposed position, Sergeant Reid even went forward approximately twenty yards to deliver covering fire for his platoon, and in so doing, was killed by enemy fire. This act of Sergeant Reid was above and beyond the call of duty and exemplified the utmost in courage and keen devotion to duty under fire. Next of kin: Mrs. Blanche Reid (mother), 8128 Evans Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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Lieutenant Colonel HARRY F. SELLERS (O-19975), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 January 1945. Colonel Sellers was Commanding Officer of an infantry battalion with the mission to establish a road block on an important enemy-held highway. While the battalion prepared to organize the road block, Colonel Sellers continuously exposed himself to enemy fire to personally direct the organization of the road block. During an enemy night attack against the block, the battalion perimeter was penetrated and Colonel Sellers, without regard for his own safety, personally led a platoon in an effort to prevent the enemy from exploiting the penetration. He lost his life as a result of his gallant attempt. Colonel Sellers' fearless attitude and self-sacrifice in this gallant action played a conspicuous role in securing a road block on an important enemy-held road. Next of kin: Mrs. Marie M. Sellers, (wife), 3218 North Logan Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Sergeant OZEMA SONNIER (38171098), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Barrio Palacpalac, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 January 1945. When communications with his company headquarters were destroyed, and several casualties were incurred during an enemy attack against the defensive positions, Sergeant Sonnier, a squad leader, volunteered to travel across an open field under heavy enemy fire to company headquarters. Upon returning he was mortally wounded, but managed to reach his platoon with the necessary information concerning the enemy situation, and with blood plasma for casualties, before he died. This act of gallantry on the part of Sergeant Sonnier in a voluntary attempt to obtain information and aid his wounded comrades, reflects the greatest credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Odella Sonnier (mother), Iota, Louisiana.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....296

8 June 1945.

SECTION I --AMENDMENTS OF GENERAL ORDERS #231 & #197  
SECTION II --AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

SECTION I

OK 1. So much of Paragraph 1, General Orders #231, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 22 May 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart Medal to Private First Class CHARLES A. KOONS JR., (37337200), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

OK 2. So much of Paragraph 1, General Orders #231, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 22 May 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart Medal to Private First Class FELIX (MMN) PAGAC., (73157100), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

3. So much of Paragraph 1, Section I, General Orders #197, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 17 May 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart Medal to First Lieutenant JOSEPH L. KRAWCZYK., (O-2043090), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class CHARLES A. KOONS., (37337200), Infantry, by Headquarters XIV Corps, APO #453, as published in General Orders #105, 26 July 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:

Private First Class CHARLES A. KOONS JR. (37337200), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy near Morling Hill, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Charles A. Koons, Sr., (father), 4675 Columbine, Denver, Colorado.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to First Lieutenant JOSEPH L. KRAWCZYK., (O-2043090), (then Staff Sergeant, ASN 20151210), by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division as published in Paragraph 1, Section I, General Orders #34, 12 November 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:

First Lieutenant JOSEPH L. KRAWCZYK., (O-2043090), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bolao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Agnes L. Krawczyk, (mother), RFD #1, Bennington, Vermont.

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3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class FELIX PAGAC, (38157100), Infantry, by Headquarters USN Hospital #2, as published in General Orders #4, 3 August 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:

Private First Class FELIX (NMI) PAGAC, (38157100), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Pagac (mother), Route #1, Temple, Texas.

4. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Technical Sergeant CANDIDO (NMI) RODRIGUES, (32099574), Infantry by Headquarters XIV Corps, APO #453, as published in General Orders #92, 20 July 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:

Technical Sergeant CANDIDO (NMI) RODRIGUES, (32099574), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Kay Ban Ban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Emilia Rodrigues, (mother), 5 Lake Street, Ludlow, Massachusetts.

5. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant WILLIAM H. VERDIN, (34122081), (then Private), by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Section I, General Orders #294, 8 June 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:

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM H. VERDIN, (34122081), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Tweedy S. Verdin, (mother), Route #1, Simpsonville, South Carolina.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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HEADQUARTERS 43d INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....295

8 June 1945

SECTION I---AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS #34  
SECTION II--AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL  
SECTION III-AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

SECTION I

1. So much of Paragraph 1, General Orders #34, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, dated 3 March 1945 as pertains to the Award of the Bronze Star Medal to Technician Grade V JOHN F. CUDDY, (32109321) Infantry is hereby revoked.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #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:

Captain ERNEST B. LAMPRON, (01017653), Air Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 2 April 1945 to 30 May 1945. Captain Lampron was generally required to advance, with his communication equipment, to remote and dangerous observation posts from which to direct air strikes against the enemy. On numerous occasions Captain Lampron was compelled to travel unescorted on roads and cross-country where he was subject to ambush and other enemy action. Fearlessly and courageously, he constantly sought advantageous, forward observation posts. Captain Lampron's fortitude, efficiency and outstanding devotion to duty is exemplified in the skill and precision with which he controlled air strikes in close proximity of friendly troops. Home address: Mrs. Alice M. Lampron, (wife), 14 Webb Street, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

Sergeant OVIDE T. BERGERON, (20125179), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 9 January 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucienne Bergeron, (wife), Box #4, Ballouville, Connecticut.

Technical Sergeant JOHN S. BRODERICK, (31023799), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period 1 December 1942 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Florence F. Broderick, (mother), New Village, Glendale, Rhode Island.

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Private First Class RILL M. NUZUM, (37661615), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 April 1945. In an encounter against an enemy demolition squad consisting of six heavily armed Japs concealed in a large, weed-choked irrigation ditch, Private Nuzum and a companion, members of a combat patrol dispatched to reconnoiter and destroy the enemy, were engaged by fire from a Jap sub-machine gun. A burst of fire hit and wounded Private Nuzum's companion, causing a compound fracture of the soldier's right leg. With utter disregard for his own safety, Private Nuzum left his covered position, firing toward the concealed enemy sub-machine gunner, and quickly reached the side of his wounded comrade and dragged him to a position of safety. Private Nuzum promptly applied a tourniquet to the leg to control the hemorrhage, and after arranging for his companion's safety and comfort, returned to the scene of action and personally accounted for the killing of two of the enemy and wounding two others. Private Nuzum's altruistic action, initiative and courage reflect great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Moreen Nuzum, (mother), 920 41st Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

SECTION III

*award per G.O. #309 - June 12 - 1945*  
\* P. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Grade V JOHN F. CUDDIHY, (32109321), Infantry, by Headquarters, 43d ~~Infantry~~ <sup>8th Army</sup> Division, as published in Paragraph I, General Orders #299 dated 3 ~~21~~ <sup>21</sup> Feb 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order #9119, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technician Grade V JOHN F. CUDDIHY, (32109321), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Dumortis, 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 Ericia F. Cuddihy, (sister), 147-40 24th Avenue, Whitestone, Long Island, New York.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

C. P. ROBBINS,  
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Chief of Staff

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....294

8 June 1945.

SECTION I -- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (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 enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant KENNETH T. ASHEY, (31027538), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Villagas, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 3 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Phoebe Ashey, (mother), 87 Wilmot Street, Portland, Maine.

Private PHILLIP D. JONES, (35627931), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Jones, (wife), 1038 $\frac{1}{2}$  N. High Street, Columbus, Ohio.

Private First Class JOSEPH W. KATZIANER, (33313257), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Luna, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Irene Katzianer, (mother), 641 East Belgrade Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Private GLENN L. KNAPP, (39729479), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Annie D. Knapp, (mother), 644 East 95th Street, Los Angeles, California.

Private First Class LEWIS E. MOORE, (20406880), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 21 July 1943. Home address: Mr. V. S. Moore, (father), Duhoose Park, Camden, South Carolina.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM H. VERDIN, (34122081), (then Private), Infantry. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 14 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Tweedy S. Verdin, (mother), Route #1, Simpsonville, South Carolina.

*Rev by 90#313 - 12 June 45*  
Private First Class JOE M. VILLALPANDO, (39018422), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eluteria Ebarra Villalpando, (mother), 136 Central Street, Chico, California.

Private First Class STANLEY J. VINCENT, (20151641), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ellen Vincent, (mother), Clyde Street, Newport, Vermont.

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SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant KENNETH T. ASHEY, (31027538), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph 1, Section I, General Orders #294, 8 June 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:

Staff Sergeant KENNETH T. ASHEY, (31027538), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Phoebe Achey, (mother), 87 Wilmot Street, Portland, Maine.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Technician Grade V HENRY T. MITCHELL, (20152560), Cavalry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #122, 25 April 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:

Technician Grade V HENRY T. MITCHELL, (20152560), Cavalry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 April 1945. Home address: Mr. David W. Mitchell, (father), 166 Pomona Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island.

*amend per Ho # 313 - June 12, 1945*  
#3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to MAJOR JAMES W. RANKIN, (O-410081), Infantry, (then CAPTAIN), by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #31, 5 August 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:

Major JAMES W. RANKIN, (O-410081), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bamban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 3 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. James W. Rankin, (wife), 39 Main Street, Rocky Hill, Connecticut.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

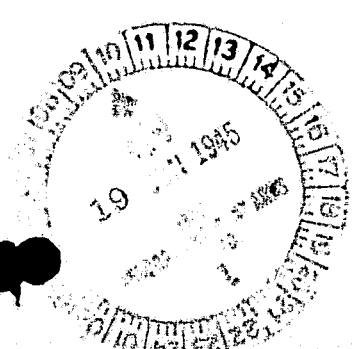
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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION

APO #13

GENERAL ORDERS  
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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 officers and enlisted men:

Second Lieutenant JOSEPH E. BARRETT (O-1531365), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy near Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 May 1945. With the mission to secure some high ground which would be later occupied by the remainder of the company, Lieutenant Barrett, in command of a patrol of 26 men, advanced up a draw. At this point the platoon ran into heavy enemy machine gun and rifle cross fire. By skillful maneuvers, Lieutenant Barrett led his men out of the draw and on to the objective, being followed by and subjected to the enemy fire. His platoon occupied their positions for twelve hours, but due to the shortage of water and the realization that the company was unable to reach them, Lieutenant Barrett, upon orders to return to the company, again displayed superior leadership when he rallied his exhausted men to break through the enemy lines under cover of darkness and through heavy fire. During this breakthrough, Lieutenant Barrett was fatally wounded by an enemy grenade and rifle fire. The outstanding leadership, coolness under fire and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant Barrett were an inspiration to his men and reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Agnes S. Barrett (mother), 526 Trinity Place, Westfield, New Jersey.

*Rev. Ly. G. 304 A. Hunt*  
\* Second Lieutenant ROBERT W. BURCELL (O-2024226) (then Staff Sergeant) Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Morling Hill, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Lieutenant Burcell's company successfully attacked Morling Hill, seized it and prepared to establish its defenses when the enemy, holding a small portion of the hill, delivered heavy machine gun fire on our troops. Lieutenant Burcell, squad leader of the leading squad, took steps to clear the company of its danger. Leading his squad into a draw and up to the top of Morling Hill, his platoon assaulted the enemy with grenades and bayonets. As a result of this action the enemy was driven from its positions, thereby making it possible for Lieutenant Burcell's company to cross with its wounded to the protected slope of the hill. The leadership displayed, the courage shown and the initiative used by Lieutenant Burcell were an inspiration to all his men and an outstanding example of an infantryman in action. Next of kin: Mrs. Barbara E. Burcell (mother), Pittville, California.

Technical Sergeant EUGENE J. DELBENE (20129125), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. A platoon of the Antitank Company supported the infantry in establishing a road block at the road junction of a highway. These positions were under constant enemy surveillance and artillery fire from many positions in the nearby hills. In the fire fight that ensued, Sergeant Delbene, platoon sergeant in the antitank platoon, without regard

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for his own personal safety, exposed himself to the heavy enemy fire to direct the fire of his gun against the enemy force. As a result of his well-directed fire numerous enemy vehicles and personnel were destroyed. After the enemy attack was repulsed, Sergeant Dolbene again exposed himself to enemy artillery fire to administer first aid to the many casualties and, while aiding a seriously wounded comrade, he himself was mortally wounded. The courage, leadership and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Dolbene reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Dolbene (mother), 190 East Main Street, Rockville, Connecticut.

Private First Class RALPH W. HAMMER (35764109), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 January 1945. A platoon of the Antitank Company supported the infantry in establishing a road block at the road junction of a highway. These positions were under constant enemy surveillance and artillery fire from enemy positions in the nearby hills. During the fire fight, the squad leader, gunner and the majority of the crew of the antitank gun were wounded. Private Hammer, ammunition bearer, took command of the gun. While manning the gun he was exposed to heavy enemy artillery fire but successfully destroyed several enemy vehicles and accounted for several machine guns along the road. Private Hammer remained in this exposed position with a pertinacious determination, flushing the enemy positions with his gun until he was mortally wounded. Private Hammer's coolness, bravery and aggressiveness were inspirational to all who observed his action, and provided immeasurable assistance in preventing the enemy from penetrating our perimeter. Next of kin: Mrs. Polly W. Hammer (wife), Glassblow 8, Kentucky.

Private BERNARD J. HILL (33812842), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 April 1945. Private Hill's company was scouting its position and establishing a night position when enemy machine gun fire opened up on the troops from the left front. Several men were wounded as a result of this fire and unable to return to their lines. Private Hill, a mortar man, ignoring the intense machine gun fire, and with the aid of another, boldly crawled forward across open terrain to rescue a wounded comrade. When he reached the wounded man, and as he attempted to drag him to safety, he was mortally wounded. Private Hill's devotion to duty and self-sacrifice in endeavoring to aid a beleaguered comrade was a source of inspiration to all who witnessed his act. Next of kin: Mrs. Ethel Hill (wife), 38 Hillside Avenue, Upper Darby, Pennsylvania.

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER....291

7 June 1945.

SECTION I -- AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS #201  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL

SECTION I

1. So much of Paragraph 1, General Orders #201, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 17 May 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart Medal to Lieutenant Colonel LLOYD E. BARRON, (O-341630), Infantry, is hereby 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:

Private First Class NEAL M. ALFORD, (39477606), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Thelma Alford, (wife), 854 Clark Avenue, Eugene, Oregon.

Private First Class EDWARD (MIM) AYERS, (34924508), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Luna, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ivarco G. Ayers, (wife), Floasnatville, Tennessee.

Private JOSEPH P. CASTEL, (36916409), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy A. Casteel, (wife), 518 East Wheeler Street, Macomb, Illinois.

Private First Class JOS. W. CLARK, (39201549), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Winton W. Clark, (father), Route #1, Zillah, Washington.

Private WESLEY C. COMER, (39598641), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Joyce A. Comer, (wife), 420 Rose Street, National City, California.

Private ROBERT G. LOUGHER, (39109395), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 12 July 1943. Home address: Mr. Thomas H. Lougher, (father), Crescent City, California.

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Staff Sergeant ROSCOE (M.N) MILLER, S.M., (34040748), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Wona E. Reinius, (wife), Route #2, Adamsville, Tennessee.

Private BILLIE J. ROACH, (38636343), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. Home address: Mr. L. B. Roach, (brother), Route #1, Doport, Texas.

Private First Class CARMINE (M.N) RUBRO, (31323539), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Luna, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Anthony Rubbo, (father), 872 North Main Street, Waterbury, (26), Connecticut.

Private BLANK (M.N) TRUJILLO, (38585313), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Augustin Trujillo, (brother), Taos Pueblo, Taos, New Mexico.

Private First Class MATHEW (M.N) WANIELISTA, (36682227), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Wanielista, (mother), 3045 West 40th Place, Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class EDWARD A. ZIMBKO, (31022391), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 January 1945. Home address: Mr. William Zimbko, (father), 145 Smith Street, New Britain, Connecticut.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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7 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE SILVER 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 by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and onlisted men:

Private First Class MARCUS S. HAZEL (54211275), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the hills in the vicinity of Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 March 1945. A voluntary patrol of approximately 45 men were given the mission of securing an area containing a number of enemy vehicles in the hills. As the troops advanced across flat, open terrain, they were met by heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire which pinned them down and caused many casualties. Private Hazel, a truck driver, volunteered to drive a prime mover to recover the wounded men. Flanked by two M-7 guns and traveling a distance of 100 yards under heavy enemy fire in order to reach the wounded men, Private Hazel made two stops to pick up five wounded men, each time descending from the truck to assist with the loading of the wounded. It was necessary for Private Hazel to travel a distance of 400 yards under deadly enemy fire, at a low rate of speed, to an area of safety. The courage and coolness under fire displayed by Private Hazel were principal factors which contributed to saving the lives of several wounded men. Home address: Mrs. Nellie E. Hazel (mother), Route #1, Greenwood, South Carolina.

Captain FRANK E. HELSEL (O-483156), Chaplains Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Hill 560, Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 January 1945. Chaplain Helsel's company met fierce enemy resistance in its assault on Hill 560. Machine gun, mortar and artillery fire was delivered with deadly accuracy by the enemy, causing casualties to mount rapidly. In the performance of his duties to offer words of consolation to the wounded, and a short prayer for those who died, Chaplain Helsel went forward to the position of attack and made fifteen round trips to assist in the evacuation of the wounded. Nearly exhausted due to the intense heat and the rugged terrain, Chaplain Helsel again went forward 700 yards to a ridge line, located the body of the commanding officer who was reported missing, and assisted in bringing it to the rear. Chaplain Helsel even assisted to rush emergency blood plasma to the wounded and personally constructed litters from limbs of trees. Chaplain Helsel's tireless energy, exceptional courage under enemy fire and conscientious concern for the welfare of his company's personnel, earned him the deserved respect of all. Home address: Mrs. Nancy L. Helsel (wife), 802 Jones Street, Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant CLARENCE J. WERY (36451152), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Mt. Alava was taken against slight opposition, but in the early hours of the evening the enemy made a strong counter-attack. The enemy's main attack was made against Sergeant Wery's

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platoon, one squad of which Sergeant Wery was the leader. In the fierce fight that ensued, Sergeant Wery was severely wounded in the head and move to the rear to be treated. In learning that their squad leader was withdrawn, the members of Sergeant Wery's squad left their positions. Aware of this situation, Sergeant Wery immediately left the aid station without receiving medical aid and joined his squad. So skillfully did he lead his squad that the enemy counterattack was repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy. Sergeant Wery's superior leadership and coolness under fire were a great inspiration to his men and prevented an enemy breakthrough. Home address: Mrs. Rose Wery (mother), 311 Somerville Avenue, Menominee, Mich.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM H. WRIGHT (32989609), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 March 1945. When a superior enemy force attacked Sergeant Wright's company using a heavy concentration of mortar fire, the machine gun commanded by Sergeant Wright was knocked out by a knee-mortar shell. The riflemen in his sector became disorganized and, because of the intensity of the fire, were on the verge of moving back. Sergeant Wright, a machine gun section sergeant, took it upon himself to move about under this heavy fire to encourage the men and place them in more suitable defensive positions. He personally supervised and furnished the remaining machine gun and riflemen with an adequate supply of ammunition. Sergeant Wright's coolness under fire and keen devotion to duty contributed in a great measure to the complete destruction of the enemy attack. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude Wright (wife), 97-18 134th Street, Richmond Hill, New York.

Private First Class PHILIP H. HARTZ (31022524), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 January 1945. Private Hartz was a member of an infantry battalion given the mission of seizing Mt. Alava. The troops secured the foothills of the mountain and as they approached a deep draw, the enemy opened up with heavy artillery and machine gun fire. This heavy fire caused heavy casualties and the battalion was forced to seek more tenable positions. Private Hartz, without regard for his personal safety, volunteered to go forward and bring out the wounded. He advanced forward under constant enemy fire, administered first aid and assisted the wounded to safety. This heroic act on the part of Private Hartz saved the lives of many wounded men. Home address: Mrs. Elise Hartz (mother), 31 City Avenue, New Britain, Connecticut.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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Major,  
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SECTION I

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

Private First Class JOHN J. DENNEHY (11052473), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill 867, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 May 1945. Private Dennehy's company sustained four casualties whom it was necessary to evacuate before darkness. Private Dennehy volunteered to guide the litter teams over  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles on a trail which was difficult to follow in the night, and on which there was much enemy activity during the day. Upon returning with the casualties, the litter parties were attacked by guerrillas who mistook our riflemen for enemy snipers. Private Dennehy, with complete disregard for the promiscuous firing, rushed back from the leading party and succeeded in stopping the fire. Although one man was wounded in the incident, Private Dennehy's quick thinking, initiative and courage in performing this act of heroism undoubtedly prevented further casualties. Home address: Thomas Dennehy (brother), 28 Sanhurst Street, Dorchester, Mass.

Staff Sergeant HAROLD R. MANDY (37280278), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 795, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 May 1945. While Sergeant Mandy's company was occupying Hill 795, the enemy subjected the hill to heavy artillery fire. As a result one officer was seriously wounded by a shell fragment. Hearing the cries of the wounded man, Sergeant Mandy, assisted by another comrade, left the protection of his foxhole in the midst of the shelling and rushed to the stricken man who was bleeding profusely through the mouth from internal wounds. He succeeded in applying a bandage which stopped the flow of blood. In exposing himself to the enemy fire at the height of the concentration to assist the wounded officer, constitutes bravery and service rendered beyond the call of duty. Home address: Mrs. Aurora Mandy (mother), Box 286, Bovey, Minnesota.

First Sergeant WALTER E. POTTLE (20145749), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 600, in the vicinity of Pozzorubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 January 1945. In a drive to take the hill, Sergeant Pottle's company was met by a concentration of enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire. Casualties became heavy and a call for litter bearers was made. Sergeant Pottle quickly organized several litter teams and led them on several trips into the barrage to evacuate the wounded. Sergeant Pottle's coolness and efficiency under fire in this emergency were an example and inspiration to

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the men, making it possible to evacuate the wounded in a minimum of time.  
Home address: Mrs. Thelma Pottle (wife), 16 Water Street, Randolph, Maine.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain CHARLES A. WELDT JR. (O-1295963), Infantry, by this headquarters, as published in General Orders #109, dated 19 April 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain CHARLES A. WELDT JR. (O-1295963), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 April 1945. An infantry battalion was inside the enemy's observation post line and faced with the necessity of securing some high ground in order to hold their position for the night. A successful assault was made on a ridge close by and it was hastily organized for defense. Captain Weldt, commanding officer of one company, was given the mission to defend a portion of the position overlooking enemy positions one hundred fifty yards away. Three times during the night the enemy launched "banzai" attacks supported by mortar fire against Captain Weldt's position. Continuously Captain Weldt exposed himself to the fire, supervising the defense of his sector. Because of Captain Weldt's excellent leadership and heroic actions, every enemy attack was repelled and his company was able to establish its line. Home address: Mrs. Mary Weldt (wife), 6107 South Laflin Street, Chicago, Illinois.

SECTION III

1. So much of General Orders #271, this headquarters, dated 3 June 1945, pertaining to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Private First Class LIONEL R. OUELLETTE (31027591), Infantry, is revoked.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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HEADQUARTERS 43<sup>RD</sup> INFANTRY DIVISION  
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SECTION I -- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (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, 43<sup>RD</sup> Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class PHILIP W. CHILSON, (32679523), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Carolyn J. Chilson, (wife), Williamson, New York.

Private First Class SMILEY R. COOPER, (34260529), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 28 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Carrie C. Cooper, (mother), Route #1, Lyndale, Georgia.

Private First Class RAYMOND J. DUBE, (31020356), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 25 July 1943. Home address: Mr. Wilfred Dube, (father), 600 Riverside Avenue, Burlington, Vermont.

Sergeant CARL W. HARRIS, (34082062), (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 13 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Harris, (mother), Route #2, Abbeville, Georgia.

Private First Class JOSEPH J. POLAK, (36315510), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 22 July 1943. Home address: Mr. John Polak, (father), 1820 Augusta Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois.

Sergeant CLIFFORD E. SHARP, (32736570), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Benjamin Sharp, (father), Route #1, Watertown, New York.

Private First Class FLCYD C. SUMNER, (20150623), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Belle L. Foxnor, (mother), 58 Elm Street, Barre, Vermont

Private First Class RAMIRO D. ZAMORA, (39540626), (then Private), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 27 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Victoria Zamora, (mother), 7606 Peter Street, Casa Blanca, California.

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SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Sergeant CARL W. HARRIS, (34081322), (then Private First Class) Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph 1, Section I, General Orders #288, 7 June 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:

Sergeant CARL W. HARRIS, (34081322), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Famy, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Harris, (mother), Route #2, Abbeville, Georgia.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to First Lieutenant FRANK (M.N.) KAY, (O-1306728), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #65, 2 April 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:

First Lieutenant FRANK (M.N.) KAY, (O-1306728), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Famy, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Krznarich, (mother), 417 Newton Street, Iron Mountain, Michigan.

3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class JOSEPH J. POLAK, (36315610), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph 1, Section I, General Orders #288, 7 June 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 J. POLAK, (36315610), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 April 1945. Home address: Mr. John Polak, (father), 1820 Augusta Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

C. F. DOBBINS  
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Chief of Staff

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Major, Inf,  
Acty. Adj. General.

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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6 June 1945.

SECTION I -- AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS #259 & #274.  
SECTION II - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL  
SECTION III- AWARDS TO THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

SECTION I

1. So much of Section II, Paragraph 1, General Orders #259, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 31 May 1945 as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart Medal to Staff Sergeant ROBERT L. BILDEFACK, (36054220), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

2. So much of Section II, Paragraph 1, General Orders #274, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 4 June 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart Medal to First Lieutenant JOHN R. PAVKA, (O-464672), Field Artillery, is hereby 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:

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~~(Private) JOHNIE E. BEARHORST, (37605374), Infantry, United States Army.~~  
For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle Willis, (mother), 2012 Ann Street, St Louis, Missouri.

SECTION III

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private JOHNIE E. BEARHORST, (37605374), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Paragraph 1, Section II, General Order #287, 6 June 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 JOHNIE E. BEARHORST, (37605374), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Daphne E. Bearhorst, (wife), 1503 North 23rd Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class PAUL E. FITZGERALD, (38509250), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Section I, Paragraph 1, General Orders #229, 21 May 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:

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Private First Class PAUL E. FITZGERALD, (3850925), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lula N. Fitzgerald, (mother), Route #1, Hilland, Arkansas.

3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Sergeant GUSTAVE J. MALLY, (20125334), Infantry, by Headquarters XIV Corps, APO #453, as published in Paragraph 1, General Orders #98, 26 July 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 GUSTAVE J. MALLY, (20125334), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Flora Harrison, (sister), 111 New Street, Apartment #8, Newark, New Jersey.

4. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class EDWARD M. PAYNE, (34495590), Infantry, by USN Base Hospital, APO #923, as published in General Orders #4, 9 August 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:

Private First Class EDWARD M. PAYNE, (34495590), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lou Ella Payne, (mother), Route #2, Huntingdon, Tennessee.

5. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Sergeant WILLIE C. YORK, (34821777), (then Private), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #4, Paragraph 1, 19 January 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:

Sergeant WILLIE C. YORK, (34821777), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 May 1945. Home address: Mr. John R. York, (father), Route #2, Clayton, Georgia.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

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

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HARRY A. BOSCH, JR.  
Major, Inf,  
Actg. Adj. General.

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

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6 June 1945

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR  
SECTION II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR (OAK LEAF CLUSTER)

SECTION I

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

Private First Class URBAIN D. LE BLANC (20143351), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo River, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 12-19 May 1945. Private LeBlanc, switchboard operator, had a task which was made most difficult by having to carry his switchboard most of the time, being forced to ford streams and travel over muddy trails. On one occasion the battalion command post moved forward approximately three miles through rain and mud. Private LeBlanc, after carrying his switchboard over this route, set it up and operated it for an extensive period that night due to the shortage of operators. During this entire period Private LeBlanc demonstrated amazing courage, stamina and a keen sense of devotion to duty. Home address: Mrs. Theresa LeBlanc (wife), 3 Kings Avenue, Lewiston, Maine.

Private First Class GEORGE C. RODEARNE (31358680), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 860, in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. During the assault on Hill 860 by Private Rodearne's company, the enemy delivered heavy automatic and sniper fire. As the battle progressed, a friendly soldier became seriously wounded and lay in an exposed area. With total disregard for his personal safety, Private Rodearne left his concealed position, exposing himself to the heavy fire, crawled forward approximately twenty yards in plain view of the enemy and removed the wounded man to safety. For this heroic action in the face of possible death, Private Rodearne had gained the respect and admiration of all the members in his company. Home address: Mrs. Eileen R. Rodearne (mother), 1431 Bluff Drive, Santa Barbara, California.

Technical Sergeant WILLIAM H. THOMAS (7006877), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 805, near Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 May 1945. Sergeant Thomas, a platoon sergeant, was sent out with a five-man patrol to combat five Japs previously reported in the vicinity of his company's area. As the patrol approached the enemy, a 75-mm Jap field gun was detected in a well-fortified position. The patrol was ordered to maneuver to the rear of the gun and attack the position. With total disregard for his personal safety he proceeded with the patrol around to the gun, helped to kill the entire Jap crew and destroy the field gun. The destruction of this gun contributed immensely to the success of the immediate

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operation, particularly because of its position in the rear of friendly lines.  
Home address: Mrs. Sarah Thomas (mother), 455 South Jefferson, Mobile 21,  
Alabama.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Private First Class LIONEL R. OUELLETTE (31027591), Infantry, by this headquarters, as published in General Orders #53, dated 30 March 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, 10, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Private First Class LIONEL R. OUELLETTE (31027591), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Igo Dan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 May 1945. Private Ouellette led the advance of his platoon through enemy territory in the jungle as first scout in the vicinity of the dan. Upon locating an enemy bivouac area he successfully and surprisingly led his platoon to within thirty yards of the bivouac area. When the platoon was in position to attack, Private Ouellette opened fire on the enemy, killing two. After a brief engagement the platoon succeeded in driving the enemy from the bivouac area. On numerous occasions, Private Ouellette, as first scout, led the company into surprising attacks on the enemy during the recent campaign. Private Ouellette performed his duties with enthusiasm and bravery, skillfully applying the element of surprise to beat the enemy, and his actions were both inspiring and encouraging to the men with him. Home address: Mr. Andre Ouellette (father), 937 Sabattus Street, Lewiston, Maine.

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GENERAL ORDER -  
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 Man:

Private First Class PETRA (M N) ARCINIAGA, (39565006), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Petra P. Arcinioga, (mother), 3401 Gleason Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Private THEODORE R. BARBER, (33848260), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Johanna Barber, (wife), 495 Vaughn, Luzerne, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class HAROLD S. BERRY, (31018721), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary A. Berry, (mother), 81 Clinton Street, Brockton, Massachusetts.

Private ROBERT B. BUCK, (33948228), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Pauline Buck, (wife), 16 South Chestnut Street, Palmyra, Pennsylvania.

Private ROY G. CLARK, (37391845), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 30 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Roy Clark, (father), Powersville, Missouri.

Private ARTHUR G. CURTIS, (39728158), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Lon Curtis, (father), Box 14, Panama, Oklahoma.

Private JAMES C. CURTIS, (37775342), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Curtis, (mother), Route #2, Bernard, Iowa.

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~~Private ROLAND S. HYLTON, (6812416), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances Hylton, (wife), 687 Hawthorne Street, Monterey, California.~~

Second Lieutenant ROLAND A. LE CLERC, (O-2007694), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Luna, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alphensine Le Clerc, (mother), 10 Mount Vernon, Augusta, Maine.

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Private First Class FREDERICK R. LEVESQUE, (31027640), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Villegas, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Augusta Levesque, (father), Siegas, New Brunswick, Canada.

Private First Class FRANK J. MARTURANO, (20131857), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucy Marturano, (mother), 20 Liberty Street, New Britain, Connecticut.

Private MAC A. MEEHRY, (37587008), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Byron Ellis, (grandmother), Route #2, Sturteville, Minnesota.

~~Staff Sergeant BYRON D. ROBBINS, (38405553), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edna N. Robinson, (mother), 1001 East Kirk Street, Hugo, Oklahoma.~~ *443 - 7 July 45*

Private JACK H. ROHLFING, (39930572), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bamban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. LaVon M. Rohlfing, (wife), 965 Atkin Avenue, Salt Lake City, Utah.

~~Private EDWARD J. SCHUELLER, (37277587), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bamban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Schueller, (mother), Fransee, Minnesota.~~ *445 - 7 July 45*

Private CLAYTON L. SHOLES, (37271956), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 13 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Dian Sholes, (mother), Ida, Minnesota.

Sergeant JOHN V. WASHBURN, (32277275), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Iva Washburn, (wife), Easton Heights, Rockaway, New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant GUYTON C. WYATT, (34735224), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gussie T. Wyatt, (mother), Route #1, Crossville, Tennessee.

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Major, Inf.  
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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.....284

ORIGINAL ORDER -

6 June 1945.

SECTION I -- AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (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:

First Lieutenant JOHN A. ABBE, (0-1994576), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. J. A. Abbo, (mother), 827 South Monclair Avenue, Dallas, Texas.

Private First Class ROBERT S. ALLEN, (20145328), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea on 19 July 1944. Home address: Mrs. Grace Allen, (mother), 348 North Main Street, Lancaster, Connecticut.

*REV. BY GOVT. 9/25/45*  
~~Second Lieutenant JOHN A. ABBO, (0-2007276), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Lumban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Emma L. Estes, (mother), North Waterford, Maine.~~

*Revoked by Go 727 Sept 26, 1945*  
~~Technician Grade V DONALD L. CLARK, (35895172), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Villogas, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jean Clark, (wife), Route #1, Franklin, Indiana.~~

Private First Class RAY W. CRUM, (35304335), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Lumban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Emmett Crum, (brother), 10612 Elmwood Avenue, Garfield Heights, Ohio.

Sergeant JOSEPH (DAN) DE FAZIO, (32167140), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Lumban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Joseph De Fazio, Sr., (father), 250 Pearl Street, Red Bank, New Jersey.

Corporal ROBERT R. DOE, (11013064), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Cablong, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Max E. Doe, (father), #1 First Avenue, Orleans, Vermont.

Technician Grade V WILLIAM L. FLYNN, (33626388), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Forkridge, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna L. Flynn, (mother), 616 Ferry Street, Easton, Pennsylvania.

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Sergeant JAMES V. FORTUNATO, (33687073), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Kay Ban Ban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rachel Fortunato, (wife), 2778 Zephyr Avenue, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class ABRAHAM GREENBERG, (32933687), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lona Greenberg, (mother), 38 Amboy Street, Brooklyn, New York.

First Lieutenant JOHN W. HANSFORD, (O-1291463), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice Hansford, (mother), 2631 San Jose Avenue, Alameda, California.

Private First Class CRUZ O. PUGA, (38232887), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Villegas, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Carolina Puga, (mother), Route #2, Big Springs, Texas.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Corporal ROBERT R. DOE, (11013064), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Section I, General Orders #284, 6 June 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:

Corporal ROBERT R. DOE, (11013064), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Max Doe, (father), 1-1st Avenue, Orleans, Vermont.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class CRUZ O. PUGA, (38232887), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Section I, General Orders #284, 6 June 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 CRUZ O. PUGA, (38232887), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Katitinga, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Carolina Puga, (mother), Route #2, Big Springs, Texas.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

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

*Henry J. Bosch Jr.*  
HENRY J. BOSCH JR.  
Major, In  
Actg. Adj. General.

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #43

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.... 283

6 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. 71, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class WILLIAM C. SCHRADER (37624666), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitapo, New Guinea and at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 21 November 1944 to 22 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Myra Jane Schrader (wife), 1015 North 4th Street, St. Charles, Missouri.

Corporal MICHAEL E. SINERCHIO (39396179), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January 1945 to 24 March 1945. Corporal Sinerchio, with only one month's experience as armorer-artificer and assistant supply sergeant, took over the duties of supply sergeant when the supply sergeant was injured, and performed in a superior manner. Working with vigor and enthusiasm during actual combat, and in numerous cases running the gauntlet of enemy artillery and sniper fire, he never failed to carry all types of supplies, including ammunition, to the gun sections in the front lines. There were times when the guns were widely dispersed, but Corporal Sinerchio always succeeded in reaching them all. Due to Corporal Sinerchio's courage, his unabated willingness to take upon himself the sole responsibility of a new job, and his untiring efforts, the members of his company even under the most pressing conditions were adequately supplied. Home address: Mrs. Rose M. Sinerchio (mother), 918 "L" Street, Fresno, California.

Technician Grade V TIMOTHY R. THERRIault (31027336), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Pangasinan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 January 1945. Corporal Therriault, a truck driver, drove his truck loaded with mortar ammunition over a long stretch of road under enemy artillery fire in order to supply the front-line men. Because of the intensity of the enemy fire, the two trucks following him were unable to proceed. Corporal Therriault, realizing the dire need for the mortar ammunition at the front, and without regard for his personal safety in the face of enemy fire, successfully reached his destination. The intensity of the enemy fire at this point was so great that the unloading detail was unable to unload the truck. Again Corporal Therriault displayed outstanding heroism when he, with the aid of the ammunition officers, remained and unloaded the ammunition. By Corporal Therriault's heroic performance and keen devotion to duty, he not only aided substantially to the progress of the operation but also saved many lives. Home address: Mrs. Marie Therriault (mother), Larryfield Avenue, Waterville, Maine.

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*Amend by SO # 311 - June 12, 1945*

\* Private First Class JAMES T. TYNDALL (34315834), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 30E, near Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 May 1945. Private Tyndall was a member of a five-man patrol with a mission to combat five Japs previously reported in the vicinity of his company's area. As the patrol approached the enemy, a 75-mm Jap field gun was detected in a well-fortified position. The platoon was ordered to manouver to the rear of the gun and attack the position. With total disregard for his personal safety he proceeded with the platoon around to the gun, helped to kill the entire Jap crew and destroy the field gun. The destruction of this gun contributed immensely to the success of the immediate operation, particularly because of its position in the rear of friendly lines. Home address: ~~Mr. Robert Crowley (father), Atlantic Highway, Wells, Maine.~~ MR. HUBERT TYNDALL, SNOW HILL, RFD # 3, NORTH CAROLINA

Private FRED G. WOLF (42188854), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 30E, near Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 May 1945. Private Wolf was a member of a five man patrol with a mission to combat five Japs previously reported in the vicinity of his company's area. As the patrol approached the enemy, a 75-mm Jap field gun was detected in a well-fortified position. The platoon was ordered to manouver to the rear of the gun and attack the position. With total disregard for his personal safety Private Wolf proceeded with the platoon around to the gun, helped to kill the entire Jap crew and destroy the field gun. The destruction of this gun contributed immensely to the success of the immediate operation, particularly because of its position in the rear of friendly lines. Home address: Mr. Fred G. Wolf Sr. (father), New Circle, Eatontown, New Jersey.

Private 1st Class MARION L. WORKMAN (19060541), Corps of Military Police, U. S. Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 16 March 1945 to 4 May 1945. During this period Private Workman was assigned as driver for the night security patrol which was given the duty of protecting our supply lines and rear areas against night infiltration attacks by the enemy. On several occasions he unhesitatingly participated in the patrols and joined in the fire fight when contact was made with the enemy. Private Workman's work has been characterized by a coolness and courage which has been an inspiration to other members of the command. Home address: Mr. George E. Workman (father), Riffe, Washington.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL KING:

OFFICIAL:

C. P. ROBBINS  
Colonel, GSC  
Chief of Staff

*Harry A. Dorsch Jr.*  
HARRY A. DOSCH JR.  
Major, Infantry  
Actg. Adj. General

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.... 281

5 June 1945

ORIGINAL ORDER # 281  
AWARDS OF THE SILVER 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 by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Sergeant EDWARD R. ADAMS (34019178)(then Corporal), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Hill 665, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19-20 January 1945. Sergeant Adams was a squad leader of a heavy machine gun squad in position on Hill 665. During the night a Jap counterattack developed to the rear of his company's perimeter. Realizing that his machine gun was not in proper position to render effective fire on the enemy, Sergeant Adams, under heavy enemy machine gun fire, and at the constant risk of his life, voluntarily moved his gun to a better but unprepared position. Hence, his machine gun fire was very effective and contributed in a small measure to the successful repulsing of the enemy attack which, if successful, would have seriously impaired our strategic position on the hill. Home address: Mrs. Virginia Adams (wife), Post Office Box 323, Socoomba, Mississippi.

Private First Class HARRY E. BURROW (34808954), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Catazintinzan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 January 1945. With a mission to push through to an important highway, Private Burrow advanced with a platoon until they reached a small village. As they proceeded through the village, the enemy, well-hidden in buildings and hedgogrows, being extremely difficult to observe, ambushed the platoon using machine guns and rifles. Private Burrow, upon seeing one of his comrades fall from an enemy bullet, and without regard for his own safety, exposed himself to the fire and succeeded in dragging the wounded man to safety. He then returned to his platoon to continue in the fire fight. Home address: Mrs. Hettie J. Burrow (mother), Spruce Pine, Alabama.

Private First Class ELISHA L. POPE JR. (34822316), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Asario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. An infantry platoon advanced up a hill without opposition and started reconnoitering before digging in to make it secure. At this time an enemy field piece, located several hundred yards away, fired several rounds point-blank on the hill, causing the platoon to move its position. While in the process of moving, the groaning sound of a wounded man directed Private Pope to the forward slope of the hill where a seriously wounded comrade was left lying in full view of the enemy. With the aid of another, and with total disregard for his own safety, Private Pope quickly ran across the hill and brought the wounded man to safety. It was due to Private Pope's alertness, initiative, and bravery that the wounded man's life was saved. Home address: Mrs. Ethel H. Pope (mother), Copperhill, Tennessee.

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Sergeant ROBERT D. GRANGER (20151399), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 January 1945. An infantry platoon advanced up the hill without opposition and started reconnoitering before digging in to make it secure. At this time an enemy field piece, located several hundred yards away, fired several rounds point-blank on the hill, causing the platoon to move its position. While in the process of moving, the groaning sound of a wounded man directed Sergeant Granger to the forward slope of the hill where a seriously wounded comrade was left lying in full view of the enemy. With the aid of another and with total disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Granger quickly ran across the hill and brought the wounded man to safety. It was due to Sergeant Granger's alertness, initiative and bravery that the wounded man's life was saved. Home address: Mr. Adelard Granger (father), 9 West Street, Winooski, Vermont.

Major EDGAR H. JAYNES (O-36985C), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Hill 585, Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. In preparation for the attack on Hill 585, one platoon of tanks which was to support the infantry attack, had moved up by a covered route of approach to an exposed position. As soon as the tanks emerged from the defilade, enemy artillery fire opened up on them from a previously unknown gun position. The tanks had obviously drawn artillery fire threatening a reserve company of infantry which was, as the tactical situation required, to move forward along the enemy gun-target line. It was necessary to remove the tanks to a covered position. Major Jaynes, in the absence of the tank commander, voluntarily went forward into the enemy artillery impact area where shells were bursting, located a route of withdrawal and successfully directed the tanks to a position of defilade. In so doing, Major Jaynes removed the lucrative artillery target and enabled the infantry to move forward in open formation in comparative safety from the enemy artillery. By this act of gallantry, done at the risk of his life, Major Jaynes maintained the security of the infantry column and contributed materially to the timely success of the attack. Home address: Mrs. Lucy A. Jaynes (mother), 25 Oakwood Road, Fairmont, West Virginia.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

C. P. ROBBINS  
Colonel, GSC  
Chief of Staff

*Harry A. Dosch Jr.*  
HARRY A. DOSCH JR.  
Major, Infantry  
Actg Adj General

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5 June 1945

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SECTION I - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR  
SECTION II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR (OAK LEAF CLUSTER)

SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #3419, 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 enlisted man:

*BY COMMAND* *by command of Major General Wing*

Private ROBERT A. SHUMWAY (39477667), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Pinugay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 March 1945. Private Shumway was a member of a four-man observation post situated approximately two hundred yards from the main perimeter. The orders of the observation post members were to move to the main perimeter in case of an attack. During the morning hours approximately twenty-five well-organized Japs with two light machine guns and two light mortars attacked the observation post. Instead of moving back, Private Shumway chose to remain with his comrades and fight it out. They succeeded in repulsing the attack by killing five Japs and wounding several. The information obtained from the Prisoners of War revealed that the Japs' mission was to destroy the observation post, occupy the hill and await a larger force to attack our main line. There is no doubt that Private Shumway, by choosing to remain with his comrades, in this action contributed substantially to the saving of many lives and the hard-earned position. Home address: Mr. Paul E. Shumway (father), Burton, Washington.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Lieutenant Colonel CHARLES W. CAPRON (O-272617), Adjutant General's Department, by this headquarters, as published in General Orders #28, dated 16 June 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order #3419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Lieutenant Colonel CHARLES W. CAPRON (O-272617), Adjutant General's Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 19 February 1945 to 5 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Charles W. Capron (wife), Orleans, Vermont.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICER:

*Handwritten signature*

BRUCE A. DUSCH, JR.  
Major, Infantry  
Actg Asst Adj Gen

C. P. ROBBINS  
Colonel, GSC  
Chief of Staff

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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NUMBER.....279

5 June 1945.

ORIGINAL ORDER

AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL

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 man:

Technical Sergeant PAUL O. AMEL, (31924232), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edna M. Arcl, (wife), 54 Adams Street, Biddeford, Maine.

Private First Class VERN W. ATWOOD, (39477645), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ada W. Munsch (mother), 2416 King Street, Seattle, Washington.

Private First Class JOHN S. CANINO, (38162766), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bar Ban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Costa Canino, (wife), Route 6 1056, Houston, Texas.

Private ROBERT W. CARVER, (34125541), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Labony, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Robert Carver, (father), Route #4, Madisonville, Tennessee.

Sergeant ANTHONY J. COLLICCHIO, (33312730), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Collicchio, (mother), 1715 South 10th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant REGINALD J. DENNIS, (20144975), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 27 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Mary B. Dennis, (wife), 1110 Adeline Street, Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

Private First Class EDWARD E. DONNELL, (15335894), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lilien M. Donnell, (wife), 118 West North Street, Kokomo, Indiana.

Technician Grade V DEAN E. JOHANSON, (36663620), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Charabel Johansen, (mother), 766 West Cleveland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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Private First Class JOSEPH KOZNAK, (31141832), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 May 1945. Home address: Mr. John Koznak, (father), 89 Ashland Avenue, Norington, Connecticut.

Private First Class LUDWIG C. LOCHRIG, (39299305), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hazel C. Lochrig, (wife), 101 C. Avenue, Coronado, California.

Sergeant HARVEY R. LAGEAU, (20140030), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Fidelise Lageau, (mother), 99 Main Street, Saco, Maine.

Captain PINCUS (NMI) IESSO, (O-1288945), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Baker Iesso, (father), 237 Hamson Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

Private First Class GRANT J. WILLIAMS, (38063934), Medical Department, U. S. Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Laura Williams, (mother), Box 104, Fletcher, Oklahoma.

Private KENNETH O. WRIGHT, (37752984), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna W. Wright, (wife), 631 East 8th. Street, Hutchinson, Kansas.

Private THOMAS NEWMAN JR., (39558200), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Casario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marguerite Newman Jr., (wife), 3119 Dorchester Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL KING:

OFFICIAL:

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

*Harry A. Esch Jr.*  
HARRY A. ESCH JR.  
Major, Infantry  
Act: Asst Adj Gen

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO #13

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER.... 278

5 June 1945

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 7, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Sergeant CHARLES C. MITCHELL (15315338), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Pinugay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 March 1945. Sergeant Mitchell was a member of a four-man observation post situated approximately two hundred yards from the main perimeter. His orders were to move back to the main perimeter in case of attack. During the morning hours approximately twenty-five well-organized Japs with two light machine guns and two light mortars attacked the observation post. Instead of moving back, Sergeant Mitchell chose to stay with his comrades and fight it out. They succeeded in repulsing the attack by killing five Japs and wounding several. The information obtained from the Prisoners of War revealed that the Japs' mission was to destroy the observation post, occupy the hill and await a larger force to attack our main line. There is no doubt that Sergeant Mitchell's decision and action taken saved lives and the hard-earned position. Home address: Mr. John W. Mitchell (father), Hansford, West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant GEORGE E. PARKINSON (39680586), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 14 May 1945. Through all difficulties of a hard campaign, Sergeant Parkinson, as Mess Sergeant, has provided as often as humanly possible hot meals for the members of his company in contact with the enemy. During a recent operation when rain and mud made delivery of hot meals most impractical, Sergeant Parkinson, himself, went for hours without food and sleep to get food and water to the gun crews. Often times roads were impassable and he was forced to travel cross-country, exposing himself to enemy artillery and small arms fire in order to reach the front-line men. Sergeant Parkinson's untiring energy and twenty-four-hour a day supervision of preparation and distribution of food contributed materially to the morale and fighting efficiency of his company. Home address: Mrs. Ruth E. Parkinson (wife), 1008 22nd Street, Santa Monica, California.

Private First Class PETE J. PRESTI (39416324), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Pinugay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 March 1945. Private Presti was a member of a four-man observation post situated approximately two hundred yards from the main perimeter. The orders of the observation post were to move back to the main perimeter in case of an attack. During the morning hours approximately twenty-five well-organized Japs with two light machine guns and two light mortars attacked the observation post. Instead of moving back, Private Presti chose to remain with his comrades and fight it out. They succeeded in repulsing the attack by killing five Japs

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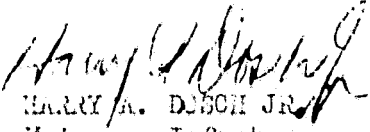
and wounding several. The information obtained from the Prisoners of War revealed that the Japs' mission was to destroy the observation post, occupy the hill and await a larger force to attack our main line. There is no doubt that Private Presti contributed immensely to the saving of many lives and the hard-earned position. Home address: Mrs. Rose M. Presti (mother), Box 334, Loomis, California.

Sergeant CARL E. SCHOMERUS (37125313), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 14 May 1945. Sergeant Schomorus, as Chief of Section of a self-propelled 105-mm Howitzer, M-7, repeatedly brought the fire of his gun to bear against enemy caves and pillboxes which were holding up the advance of the infantry units. On one occasion the battalion commander of an infantry unit assigned Sergeant Schomorus the mission of placing direct fire on Jap-occupied caves on a mountain. His accurate and rapid fire from the M-7 gun completely sealed one cave and routed Japs from adjacent caves enabling a demolition party to go in and blow the remaining caves without a single casualty. It was through Sergeant Schomorus' energetic leadership and prompt engagement of targets that rifle troops were enabled to advance with a minimum of casualties. Home address: Mrs. Anne M. Schomorus (mother), RFD #1, Nebraska City, Nebraska.

Sergeant LEONARD W. SCHONEMAN (37354545), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 14 May 1945. Sergeant Schoneman, as Chief of Section of a self-propelled 105-mm Howitzer, M-7, repeatedly brought the fire of his gun, often at point-blank range, to bear on enemy caves and pillboxes which held up the infantry advance. In one instance he directed the fire of his howitzer on an enemy machine gun position, killing the crew, destroying the position and enabling the infantry to advance. It was made more difficult for Sergeant Schoneman to adjust accurate fire on the targets which were at times completely obscured by dust and smoke from artillery shells falling near the targets, but his knowledge of the situation and terrain was an outstanding factor in the destruction of the enemy positions. Sergeant Schoneman's prompt engagement of targets with astounding accuracy enabled the infantry to advance with a minimum of casualties and his leadership was an inspiration to his own and other gun crews. Home address: Mrs. Bessie G. Schoneman (mother), RR #1, Buena, Colorado.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

  
HARRY A. DISON JR.  
Major, Infantry  
Actg Asst Adj Gen

C. P. ROBINS  
Colonel, GSC  
Chief of Staff

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HEADQUARTERS 43d INFANTRY DIVISION  
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GENERAL ORDERS  
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5 June 1945

SECTION I ~~ORIGINAL ORDER~~  
AMENDMENTS OF GENERAL ORDERS #13, 31 and 133  
SECTION II--AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL

SECTION I

1. So much of Section II, Paragraph 1, General Orders #133, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, dated 27 April 1945 as pertains to the Award of the Silver Star Medal to Colonel JOS. P. CLELAND, (O16239), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

2. So much of Section III, Paragraph 1, General Orders #13, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, dated 27 January 1945 as pertains to the Award of the Bronze Star Medal to Second Lieutenant RALSTON D. MCKEE (O1312963), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

3. So much of Section II, Paragraph 1, General Orders #31, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, dated 28 February 1945 as pertains to the Award of the Bronze Star Medal to Captain DONOVAN T. LICKTEIG, (O1291297), Infantry, is hereby 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 officers and enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant EARLE R. CUNNINGHAM, (31027160), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 April 1945. While Sergeant Cunningham's squad was leading the column toward an objective, it was fired upon by enemy machine guns and mortars. The first scout of the squad was wounded by a burst of hostile machine gun fire causing accompanying forces to take cover and leaving the wounded man unattended. Disregarding his own safety, Sergeant Cunningham unhesitatingly proceeded to go to the man's rescue, crawling 75-100 yards under hostile fire, he successfully reached the wounded man and returned by the same means, bringing the wounded man to a position of partial defilade where Sergeant Cunningham applied a dressing to the stomach wound. The intense enemy fire continued whereupon Sergeant Cunningham carried the casualty farther to the rear where an aid-man took charge. Sergeant Cunningham's prompt action, outstanding gallantry and courage undoubtedly saved the life of a comrade.

Captain DONOVAN T. LICKTEIG, (O1291297), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Manaoag, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 January 1945. 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 succeeding in

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