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Private RAYMOND L. STARK JR. (39477990), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Benchmark #20, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Mae Stark, (wife), East 903 Empire Street, Spokane, Washington.

First Sergeant WILLIAM H. THOMAS, (7006827), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Hill #805, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ida E. Christian, (sister), 54 Alexander Street, Mobile, Alabama.

Technical Sergeant CLEO J. VONIER, (35328429), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hazel Leupp, (mother), RFD #1, Wauseon, Ohio.

Sergeant CPCIL E. WARRELL, (35797639), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Osboy ridge, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eva Warrell, (mother), 543 North Walnut Street, Union City, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant JULIAN WOJCIECHOWSKI, (33692691), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Pantay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Wojciechowski, (wife), 196 46th Street, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

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GENERAL ORDERS
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I. AWARD OF THE SOLDIERS MEDAL. 1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bulletin 8, WD, 1926), a Soldiers Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant JEROME A. WOLFSON, 32314227 (then Private), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For heroism at Bouloupari, New Caledonia on 6 January 1943. While bathing in a river adjacent to the bivouac area a companion of Sergeant Wolfson stepped into a large hole and, being unable to swim, disappeared below the surface of the water. Sergeant Wolfson quickly dove into the water and reached the stricken man who had become entangled in some underwater creepers. Upon pulling him ashore Sergeant Wolfson administered artificial respiration until the arrival of a medical unit. Home address: Mr. Herman Wolfson, (father), 1172 East 14 Street, Brooklyn, New York.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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:

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH G. BALDWIN, 20125552, Signal 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 31 March 1945. Home address: James E. Baldwin Sr. (Father) 440 Wickenden Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN J. FORRESTER, 33200000, Finance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Northern Solomons and New Zealand during the period November 1942 to August 1944. Home address: Mr. John J. Forrester (father) 3026 Westfield Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland.

Technical Sergeant FRANK KINEL, 31021958 (then Staff Sergeant) Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 355, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 January 1945. Sergeant Kinel, squad leader in an anti-tank platoon, volunteered to go to the aid of a wounded officer who lay in an exposed position subject to enemy fire. Without regard for heavy enemy machine gun and mortar fire he crossed approximately 700 yards of open terrain, it being necessary to crawl the last 75 yards due to the intensity of the barrage. Starting back with the wounded officer he was scotted by the enemy and point blank mortar fire ensued. With extreme effort and personal bravery he succeeded in getting the wounded officer to a place of safety. Sergeant Kinel's courageous action undoubtedly saved the officer's life, thereby reflecting great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mr. George Kinel (father) 56 Wellington Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

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Technician Fourth Grade RAYMOND E. MANCINO, 36357865, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Bunday, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. During an assault by our forces, many casualties were incurred. Since heavy enemy fire was being placed in this area it was impossible to evacuate the wounded at that time. Sergeant Mancino volunteered to accompany a litter party to evacuate the men after dark and after working tirelessly through the night successfully completed the mission. Sergeant Mancino's deep devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety was an inspiration to other members of his company and reflects great credit on the military service. Home address: Mrs. A. Mancino (mother), Box #48, Matteson, Illinois.

Sergeant CARL SOLOMON, 38171169, Ordnance, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea, during the period 1 January to 18 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jennie Solomon (mother) 3163 Woodlawn Street, Shreveport, Louisiana.

Technician Fourth Grade JASON WICKS, 36315715, 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 15 February 1945. Home address: Mr. Arnold Wicks (father) 1116 Valencia Street, Los Angeles, California.

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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, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class KEITH C. BASHOR, (37336856), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 April 1945. Private Bashor and two companions were riding in a "peep" toward the Battalion Command Post, when their conveyance hit three well concealed road mines. The driver was wounded by shrapnel and lost control of the vehicle. With strong presence of mind, although badly shaken up, Private Bashor immediately grasped the wheel and regained control of the "peep", thus preventing its overturn. Private Bashor then drove his injured companions to the Battalion Aid Station for medical treatment. The alertness and resourcefulness shown by Private Bashor are exemplary. Home address: Mrs. Edith M. Bashor (wife), 3132 West Twenty Third Avenue, Denver, Colorado.

Staff Sergeant FRANCIS M. CLARK, (31020036), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 10 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ella Watson (grandmother), RFD #1, Bennington, Vermont.

Technician Fourth Grade LEONARD A. DOWE, (35306559), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January 1945 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eleanor Dowe (wife), 300 East Friendship Street, Medina, Ohio.

Sergeant RAWLSTON E. DUDLEY, (20151995), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 10 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Orene Dudley (mother), 58 Main Street, Orleans, Vermont.

Technician Fifth Grade EDGAR L. GLOVER, (36029519), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 1 March 1944 to 1 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Roxy Glover (mother), Front Street, Hopkinton, Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN IVARRA, (37208555), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period 21 July 1944 to 15 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sally Ivarra (wife), 547 Gillis Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

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Private First Class MATTY J. ROBIDEAU, (20150812), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 May 1945. Private Robideau was in command of a radio set and crew. His Battalion was on the attack. Private Robideau spotted an enemy machine gun which threatened the rear of our assault Platoon. Instantly he gave his radio to his assistant operator. Then Private Robideau hastily placed into operation an idle machine gun and directed effective counter fire on the Japanese position. If Private Robideau had not taken this quick and direct action, our assault Platoon might have been cut off by the enemy. Because of Private Robideau's fearless response to the situation, his Battalion successfully accomplished its mission. Home address: Mrs. Nora A. Robideau (mother), 33 National Street, Windsor, Vermont.


Private First Class ROBERT W. SHOVER, (20150068), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 May 1945. Private Shover was a member of a carrying party which was sent out with a patrol to recover bodies and equipment, lost in a previous engagement. When they had approached to within four hundred yards of their objective, enemy machine gun fire prevented further advance. Mortar concentrations neutralized the hostile fire. Under cover of smoke Private Shover and his companions worked about thirty minutes, recovering the bodies and much valuable equipment. During this time another Japanese machine gun placed fire upon the area from a different direction. Heedless of the risk involved, Private Shover applied himself assiduously and energetically until his appointed mission was completely accomplished. Home address: Mrs. Eva Jeffords (mother), Enosburg Falls, Vermont.

Private First Class PAUL G. SLEBODNICK, (33019376), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period 15 July 1943 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Slebodnick (mother), 158 Portage Street, Lilly, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class ARTHUR H. WARMUTH, (33230147), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period 15 July 1943 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Katie Warmuth (mother), Mertstown, Pennsylvania.

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GENERAL ORDERS
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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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:

Technical Sergeant GEORGE J. SCIRANKA, (35326972), (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 March 1945. On this date, Sergeant Sciranka demonstrated exceptional gallantry in action when, on his own initiative and with complete disregard for his personal safety, he was solely responsible for repelling a fierce hostile counter-attack. From a position completely exposed to concentrated enemy small-arms fire, Sergeant Sciranka manned a machine gun with such effectiveness as to kill many of the enemy and completely disrupt their attack. Sergeant Sciranka's heroic action is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Barbara Sciranka, (mother), 1042 South Union Street, Lima, Ohio.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL-OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star Medal awarded to Technical Sergeant GEORGE J. SCIRANKA, (35326972), (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, by this Headquarters, as published in Section I, General Orders #576, dated 12 August 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded 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:

Technical Sergeant GEORGE J. SCIRANKA, (35326972), (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the Bolac Area near Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 May 1945. During an advance by our troops against well-entrenched Japanese forces, Sergeant Sciranka, realizing the need for covering fire, personally moved his machine gun through intense fire to a position from which he could cover this advance. Although under continuous hostile artillery, machine-gun, and sniper fire, Sergeant Sciranka with utter disregard for his life continued to furnish support until the advance was completed. The coolness under fire and indomitable courage displayed by Sergeant Sciranka reflect great credit to himself and to the Armed Forces. Home address: Mrs. Barbara Sciranka, (mother), 1042 South Union Street, Lima, Ohio.

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III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL-POSTHUMOUS. 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 posthumously awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class DONALD R. LARSON, (36753075), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Dabertis-Rosario Area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 January 1945. Private Larson's Company was given the mission of capturing enemy artillery guns and furnishing cover for a demolition party. Before reaching the objective the forward assault troops met strong hostile action consisting of a heavy artillery barrage from well-entrenched positions, firing point-blank into the face of our troops. Disregarding the intense shelling, Private Larson continued to move aggressively toward the enemy emplacements, and was killed while still attempting to penetrate the almost impenetrable defense. This single display of extreme courage was such an inspiration to his comrades that they were imbued with a new determination to emerge victorious against a ferocious enemy. His Company's success on this and other occasions serves as a tribute to the supreme sacrifice of Private Larson. Next of kin: Mr. Russell Larson, (father), Route #7, Decatur, Illinois.

IV. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 Third Grade THOMAS ANDERSON, (36339695), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 10 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sybil Roos, (aunt), 8225 Prairie Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant VIRGIL M. DEFIELDS, (35306357), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 27 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. V. M. Defields, (wife), RFD #2, Wellington, Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH E. MICHALAK, (36233523), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 31 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Joseph Michalak, (father), 2727 South Grooley Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

I. 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 MERLE C. BAILLY, (20150205), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 March 1945. When a Carrying Party of Litter-Bearers was formed to evacuate casualties sustained by our troops in an assault on Sugar-Loaf Hill, Sergeant Bailey, a Mess Sergeant, unhesitatingly volunteered his services, even though warned of possible Japanese observation and fire. Enroute to the casualties, the Party attracted heavy machine-gun fire but reached its destination safely. On the return trip, carrying the wounded men on litters, the Party again encountered hostile machine-gun and mortar fire. Sergeant Bailey, with the aid of his companions, crawled 150 yards along the ground, pushing and pulling the litters to avoid the heavy enemy fire and succeeded in safely evacuating the casualties. Sergeant Bailey's courage, coolness under fire, and keen devotion to duty were a constant source of inspiration to the men serving with him. Home address: Mrs. Walter Guyer, (mother), 138 Portland Street, Saint Johnsbury, Vermont.

Technician Fourth Grade RAYMOND O. BRODE, (33313281), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea and Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 8 October 1944 to 6 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Amelia Brode, (mother), 1567 East Montgomery Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Master Sergeant JAMES M. GREVIE, (36345906), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 31 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. George W. Hink, (sister), 406 Fairview Avenue, Alhambra, Illinois.

Technical Sergeant JOSEPH GRZESIK, (31038825), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 31 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Stefania Grzesik, (mother), 60 Parker Street, Central Falls, Rhode Island.

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Staff Sergeant THEODOR E. KAY, (36341985), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Augusta Kay, (mother), 4207 South Campbell Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Technical Sergeant GEORGE W. LYONS, (31042600), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bertha Lyons, (mother), 255 Glenbrook Road, Stamford, Connecticut.

Platoon Sergeant GERALDO OLPINDO, (4308), Infantry, Philippine Guerrilla Forces. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 7 May to 22 May 1945. During this time, Sergeant Olpindo led his men in the performance of several difficult and hazardous missions. On one occasion while leading a five-man patrol in hostile territory, he engaged an enemy force in a fierce fire-fight. He maneuvered his men with such calmness, audacity, and tactical skill, that the Japanese were forced to make a disorganized retreat, leaving behind three dead. On another occasion while in Ipo Dam Tunnel, he found two armed Japanese whom he instantly killed in close combat. On the following day while leading a scouting patrol, Sergeant Olpindo located an enemy installation. With rare courage and vigor Sergeant Olpindo attacked the position so forcefully that the foe fled, leaving behind radio equipment and other materiel. Home address: Mrs. Luz Olpindo, (sister), 65 Int. 6 Zamora, Pandacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands.

Staff Sergeant CHARLES S. PIASECKI, (31923974), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 31 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Amelia Piasecki, (mother), 165 Dexter Street, Valley Falls, Rhode Island.

Technician Fourth Grade HENRY G. SCHUMACHER, (32205735), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Fifi Schumacher, (wife), 108-25 72nd Avenue, Forest Hills, New York.

Sergeant HARRIS TYLER, (31027420), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 15 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. H. Tyler, (mother), RFD #1, Bethel, Maine.

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**HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION
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14 August 1945

SIGNAL ORDER - 117

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I. AWARDS OF 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 men:

Private First Class ISY S. BASS, (31137581), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Hyman Bass, (father), 64 Chambers Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant THOMAS S. BRADWELL III, (33414544), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Morling Hill, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Henrietta Bradwell, (mother), 422 Chestnut Street, Carnegie, Pennsylvania.

Private JACK H. CLAUDER, (38671257), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Teresa, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. M. Q. Clauder, (mother), Route #10, Box #767, Houston, Texas.

First Lieutenant FARRIS LUCAS, (O-1306611), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Bitulock, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nora Lucas, (mother), Route #1, Wilson, North Carolina.

Private First Class J. P. PEEK, (34355331), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Palac Palac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ora D. Peek, (mother), Winstead, Georgia.

II. AWARDS OF PURPLE HEART OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant THOMAS S. BRADWELL III, (33414544), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #578, 14 August 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 THOMAS S. BRADWELL III, (33414544), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Henrietta Bradwell, (mother), 422 Chestnut Street, Carnegie, Pennsylvania.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant THOMAS S. BRADWELL III, (33414544), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #578, 14 August 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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Staff Sergeant THOMAS S. BRADWELL III, (33414544), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Henrietta Bradwell, (mother), 422 Chestnut Street, Carnegie, Pennsylvania.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Major EDWARD I. CHAPPELL, (O-424800), Infantry, by Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #14, 26 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:

Major EDWARD I. CHAPPELL, (O-424800), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at San Juan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Pracilca E. Chappell, (wife), 360 Center Street, Milton, Massachusetts.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant ALEX K. GOODMAN, (36511122), Infantry, by Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #33, 8 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 ALEX K. GOODMAN, (36511122), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Goodman, (mother), 3824 Tyler Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

III. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS. So much of Section I, Paragraph I, General Orders #95, 14 April 1945, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 14 April 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart Medal to Staff Sergeant THOMAS S. BRADWELL III, (33414544), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION
APO #43

GENERAL ORDERS:
NUMBER 579:

14 August 1945

ORIGINAL ORDER # 117

AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR METAL

I. 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:

Private First Class ROBERT E. BACKUS, 20151821, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period October 1942 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eunice D. Getchell (mother) 17 Sumner Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

Private First Class JAMES E. BANKSON, 34016547, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 May 1945. In an operation to take a series of hills, Private Bankson and four other men were assigned to relieve a rifle platoon holding one hill. While advancing up the slope, the men were subjected to withering enemy machine gun fire. Despite the danger involved, Private Bankson crawled to a position from where he could observe enemy activity. Repeatedly exposing himself to enemy fire to carry out his observation, he continued to hold this position throughout the operation and withdrew only when ordered to do so. By his continued bravery under fire and his extreme alertness, Private Bankson was highly instrumental in the successful completion of the mission of his company. Home address: Mrs. Ozema Bankson (mother) Route #1, Menlow, Georgia.

Captain CHARLES M. CARTY, O-399735, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 June 1944 to 31 July 1945 at Aitape, New Guinea, and Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice E. Carty (wife) 60 New Farmer Avenue, Cranston, Rhode Island.

Private RALPH A. DADIGAN, (20907770), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Caymayman, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 April 1945. Private Dadigan and a companion volunteered to go on a two man patrol to establish contact with a company which had been pinned down and isolated by enemy automatic and small arms fire. Although they were fired upon constantly by the Japanese, Private Dadigan and his comrade crawled three hundred yards across open terrain to the isolated company. They obtained the location of the enemy installations and then returned, giving the positions of the hostile pillboxes to our artillery who directed neutralizing fire on these emplacements. Private Dadigan's deep devotion to duty and outstanding courage is in the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Mahon Dadigan (father) Route #2, Box 60, Kingsburg, California.

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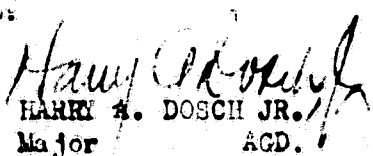
Sergeant ROBERT W. DE VRIES, (36196996), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period July 1943 to the present time on New Georgia, Solomon Islands and Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Minnie De Vries (mother) Route #7, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant RALPH R. EDDINGER, (33230133), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 March 1945. On this date, Sergeant Eddinger was litter guard to a group of wounded enroute to an aid station. During the march, the party was ambushed and the officer in charge was seriously wounded. Without hesitation and displaying the outstanding qualities of a good soldier, Sergeant Eddinger took charge of the party and by a skillful maneuver was able to get all of the wounded to safety. Sergeant Eddinger's deep devotion to duty and outstanding leadership in an emergency reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Estella H. Eddinger (mother) Post Office, Oley, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class ROBERT B. GRICE JR., (14124053), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Pantay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 April 1945. On this date, Private Grice moved forward to a hill held by an infantry company and started to dig in when two enemy machine guns pinned the company down. A reinforced enemy rifle platoon attempted to outflank the position by moving in a defiladed area at the base of the hill. Under heavy machine gun and rifle fire and at the constant risk of his life, Private Grice put his heavy machine gun into action in the hastily prepared position and repulsed the flanking attack, killing four Japanese and wounding several more. Through his quick action and quick thinking, Private Grice's actions aided immeasurably in securing the position. Home address: Mrs. Sue Grice (wife) 130 Magnolia Avenue, Charleston, South Carolina.

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

Private JESSE L. COBB, (44012833), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 May 1945. When the patrol of which Private Cobb was a member was ambushed by the Japanese, it was forced to withdraw quickly under heavy enemy mortar and machine-gun fire. As a result of this action, Private Cobb and a companion became separated from the remainder of the patrol in the ensuing confusion. Learning that his comrade was unable to move as he had sustained a gunshot wound which fractured his leg, Private Cobb, although himself wounded in the arm by shell fragments, elected to stay with his fellow soldier rather than rejoin the patrol. He remained with his stricken companion all night in hostile territory, administering first-aid and constantly moving him to places of concealment from active enemy patrols. The following morning he was able to reach the safety of his line. The indomitable courage and altruistic action displayed by Private Cobb were undoubtedly responsible for saving the life of his comrade. Home address: Mrs. Dora T. Cobb, (mother), Route #1, Farmville, North Carolina.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM E. KING, (01306857), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of New Bosoboso, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 April 1945. While Lieutenant King was leading an assault platoon across a stretch of open terrain, three enemy machine guns opened fire, cutting it off from escape. With utter disregard for his personal safety, Lieutenant King fearlessly advanced through the withering fire to an exposed position in order to locate the hostile weapons. From his new vantage point he directed high explosive and smoke shells upon the Japanese emplacements, which action resulted in neutralizing the machine guns. Reorganizing and maneuvering his platoon to a more favorable position, Lieutenant King then personally assisted in the evacuation of three wounded men. By his altruistic action and superior leadership Lieutenant King undoubtedly saved the lives of many of his men and contributed materially to the combat success of his organization. Home address: Mrs. Gladys M. King, (wife), Route #, Box 160, Olympia, Washington.

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

Technician Fourth Grade MAX BOGDONOWITZ, (32342191), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Tillie Bogdonowitz, (mother), 1954 - 62nd Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN V. FARLEY, (36315663), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the South and Southwest Pacific Area, during period 6 October 1942 to 20 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances A. Craig, (mother), 1723 West 77th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

First Sergeant JAMES R. GREANEY, (12088169), (then Corporal), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 January 1945. Sergeant Greaney was a member of a Battalion occupying a road-block at a road junction near the town of Sison. During the early morning hours the position was attacked by superior enemy forces and numerous casualties were inflicted on our troops. Sergeant Greaney, although wounded in the leg by grenade fragments, quickly organized two litter parties, led them across ground covered by heavy enemy machine-gun and mortar fire and effected recovery of two seriously wounded men. Still under heavy enemy fire, he assisted in leading the stricken soldiers on vehicles for subsequent evacuation to rear areas. Sergeant Greaney's physical stamina, coolness under fire, and superb leadership were an inspiration to the men serving with him. Home address: Mrs. Eleanor A. Greaney, (wife), Box 818, East Hampton, Long Island, New York.

Sergeant JOSEPH H. HAZEN, (36635818), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Inez Hazen, (mother), 8049 Clyde Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant ALFRED C. WEINZER, (20809635), Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 13 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Weinsor, (wife), 4612 Memorial Drive, Waco, Texas.

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I. AWARDS OF 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 enlisted men:

Private ALBERT AGRAB, (31384910), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Michael Agrab, (father), 39 Locust Street, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

Private First Class WILLIAM D. EVERETT, (34873003), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pantay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Minnie S. Everett, (mother), Box #26, Yazoo City, Mississippi.

Private KENNETH R. MEADOWS, (35784253), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pantay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rhelda V. Meadows, (wife), Jumping Branch, West Virginia.

Private WILLIE E. RENN JR. (44012790), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Kay Bamban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Willie E. Renn, Sr. (father), Route #4, Henderson, North Carolina.

Private NATHAN W. SMITH, (38472971), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Kay Bamban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Grace L. Smith, (mother), Route #1, Lawton, Oklahoma.

Private PAUL G. WEBSTER, (31351324), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Muzon, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Webster, (mother), Route #1, Springfield, Maine.

Private BASIL F. ZIMMERLEE, (39477556), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Zimmerlee, (mother), Shady Cove, Oregon.

II. AWARDS OF PURPLE HEART OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant CHARLES C. MITCHELL, (15315338), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #196, 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:

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Staff Sergeant CHARLES C. MITCHELL, (15315338), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 May 1945. Home address: Mr. John W. Mitchell, (father), Eastbank, West Virginia.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant GEORGE D. SMITH JR. (13113039), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #270, 2 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 GEORGE D. SMITH JR. (13113039), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 March 1945. Home address: Mr. George D. Smith Sr. (father), 116 Summit Avenue, Darby, Pennsylvania.

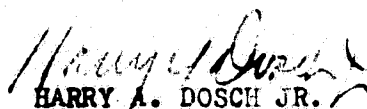
By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant WELTON B. WOODARD, (20812214), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #270, 2 June 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended. The citation is as follows:

Staff Sergeant WELTON B. WOODARD, (20812214), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Taciban Hill, Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Benjamin W. Woodard, (father), Route #3, Winnboro, Texas.

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION
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15 August 1945

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF

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, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Fourth Grade GLEAVES ANDERSON, (39394513), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Bobonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 January 1945. Shortly after his unit had arrived at a new position, the area, in which Sergeant Anderson was setting up a radio, was subjected to a fierce and concentrated enemy artillery barrage. Realizing the importance of maintaining communication and without regard for his own safety, he continued his work. Although exposed at all times to Japanese artillery, Sergeant Anderson maintained contact with higher and lower echelons until dug in positions could be completed. The courage and devotion to duty shown by Sergeant Anderson in this action are worthy of the highest traditions of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ellen J. Anderson (mother) General Delivery, Overton, Nevada.

Technician Fifth Grade ANTON A. CHOJNACKI, (36223953), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. While subjected to constant, intense enemy mortar and artillery fire, Corporal Chojnacki voluntarily left the safety of his fox hole and with the help of a comrade extricated a six by six truck which was deeply mired and which was being used to evacuate some casualties. Although heavy enemy artillery fire was falling all through the area, Corporal Chojnacki remained exposed until all casualties were evacuated. This heroic action by Corporal Chojnacki was in the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mary Chojnacki (mother) 3461 South 15th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade LEON A. FOGG, (31020047), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period October 1942 to July 1945. Home address: Mr. Merton Fogg (father) West Milan, New Hampshire.

Technician Fifth Grade ANDREW C. LAMM, (35385371), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 27 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. M. L. Lamm (mother) 620 Parkoliff, Youngstown, Ohio.

Technical Sergeant GEORGE J. MAKOWSKI, (36339715), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mt. Ayass, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 June 1945. During a reconnaissance patrol, Sergeant Makowski heard enemy voices and halted his platoon. After a cautious search of the area he discovered Japanese on a

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hill to his right flank. Leaving the bulk of his platoon to cover his advance, Sergeant Makowski proceeded cautiously to his objective, although it was practically surrounded by the enemy. While scouting the area he located several machine gun and mortar installations. About fifty of the enemy were dug into a network of fox holes surrounding the hostile emplacements. Sergeant Makowski's aggressiveness and audacity in the penetration of the hostile areas contributed greatly in the subsequent success of the action to overrun this area. Home address: Mrs. Mary Makowski (mother), 1418 West 61st Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade WALTER J. TAGGART, (20149362), Infantry, United States Army. For his heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January to 11 January 1945. Throughout the Lingayen landing operation Sergeant Taggart was in command of a radio crew and a vehicle mounted set. Though the Japanese were subjecting the beach to artillery fire, Sergeant Taggart landed with his equipment. After quickly contacting Division Headquarters, he continued to operate his radio while skillfully maneuvering his equipment and men inland to the initial Regimental Command Post. All during the night, although the enemy shelled the area constantly, Sergeant Taggart stayed at his post so that his Regiment could receive and transmit information on the changing battle situation. Sergeant Taggart's coolness under fire and deep devotion to duty are in the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. James H. Taggart (father) Castleton, Vermont.

Private First Class ROBERT J. WILLIAMS, (33 22818), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 900, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Private Williams, ammunition bearer for a light machine gun squad, upon realizing that his weapon could not effectively be used due to the difficult terrain, and upon his own initiative, began moving the gun to another position. During this maneuver some casualties were inflicted on our forces. Private Williams immediately began evacuating some of these casualties to a point of safety. Private Williams' courageous action inspired the other men in his unit and contributed immensely to the success of the subsequent attack. Home address: Mrs. Minnie L. Williams (mother) 971 1/2 East Stewart Avenue, Flint (5) Michigan.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (Exec. 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:

Warrant Officer (JG) EVERETT W. CHILDS, (W-2116210), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from October 1942 to the present time. Home address: Mrs. Florence E. Childs (wife), 93 Green Street, Brattleboro, Vermont.

Second Lieutenant EDWARD T. DREYER, (C-1299217), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Lingayen Gulf area, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 11 January to 13 February 1945. Lieutenant Dreyer was the communications officer for his battalion, whose objective was the establishment of road blocks and capture and occupation of Hill 600. By personal reconnaissance and supervision under heavy enemy artillery and sniper fire and in spite of frequent infiltration by enemy wire cutting parties, Lieutenant Dreyer maintained continuous communications between Command and Observation Posts, subordinate Companies, and higher headquarters. The fast moving action necessitated constant changes in wire lines over the hilly terrain. It was also necessary for him to re-supply batteries, repair parts, and issue operation instructions. Lieutenant Dreyer's superior efficiency, deep devotion to duty under fire and aggressiveness greatly facilitated the success of the battalion's mission. Home address: Mrs. Ethel J. Dreyer (wife) 506 South Collins Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland.

Technician Fourth Grade ALLEN O. HUTCHINSON, (31020174), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 March 1945. During an assault by the company of which Sergeant Hutchinson was a member many casualties were incurred. Although Sergeant Hutchinson was a cook, with disregard for his personal safety, he volunteered to join a litter party to evacuate these wounded men. Although under enemy observation and with machine gun and mortar fire all around them Sergeant Hutchinson continued on the mission until all casualties were evacuated to safety. Sergeant Hutchinson's deep devotion to duty under such hazardous conditions, although greatly outside his normal duties, was an inspiration to the other members of the company and reflects greatest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Laura Hutchinson (mother) Maple Street, Bradford, Vermont.

First Lieutenant ROBERT S. PINGREE, (O-888682), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 11 January and 31 January 1945. In the period mentioned, Lieutenant Pingree demonstrated a personal disregard of danger by flying numerous missions through intense hostile ground fire and precipitous mountain terrain. As a result he located well-hidden enemy installations which were inflicting serious casualties on

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ground units. His identification of large caliber enemy guns and conduct of battalion missions against them, although subject to heavy ground fire, enabled his battalion to neutralize two 12-inch guns and to destroy great quantities of ammunition in the vicinity. In addition, Lieutenant Pingree coordinated the flights of his associate pilots and supervised the ground maintenance so well that two planes were continuously in flight during daylight hours, thereby maintaining the only effective observation in the area during the ten days prior to securing commanding terrain by ground troops. The exceptional courage, professional skill, and aggressiveness, characteristic of Lieutenant Pingree, are worthy of the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Spencer Pingree (mother) 4420 Pampas Avenue, Oakland, California.

Technician Fifth Grade MANUEL SELIGMAN, (39400307), 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 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sam Seligman (mother) 3100 Griffith Park Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

Technician Fourth Grade HARLEY R. SHEPARD, (20151467), 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 15 June 1945. Home address: Mr. James E. Barnes (brother) 44 Catherine Street Burlington, Vermont.

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I. AWARDS OF SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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 STANLEY CHOPP, (36199185), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 May 1945. During the last phases of the Ipo Dam operation, Sergeant Chopp's platoon assaulted the final Japanese-held hill and succeeded in gaining control of one end of it. At that instant, Sergeant Chopp spotted an enemy attempt to place into operation a machine gun at the high point of a ridge. With utter disregard for his life, Sergeant Chopp fearlessly charged the gun emplacement and neutralized the enemy position before hostile fire could be brought to bear upon his platoon. The indomitable courage and altruistic action displayed by Sergeant Chopp were undoubtedly responsible for saving the lives of many of his comrades. Home address: Mr. Fred Chopp, (father), Route #9, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Corporal DIEGO DE LA CRUZ, (ASN unknown), Infantry, Philippine Guerrilla Forces. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 May to 18 May 1945. During the Ipo Dam operation, Corporal de la Cruz participated in every engagement against the enemy. In numerous assaults against hostile positions, he was constantly in the forward elements of attacking parties. On one occasion, when his forces were engaged in securing a hostile position, Corporal de la Cruz gallantly started the entrenched Japanese with his automatic rifle and succeeded in killing five of the enemy single-handedly. The superb leadership and exemplary courage displayed by Corporal de la Cruz reflect great credit to himself and to the Filipino people. Home address: Patrocinio Vilesquez, (guardian), Santa Maria, Laguna, Luzon, Philippine Islands.

II. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 ROBERT C. BURCH, (16098213), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 12 April to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marie K. Burch, (mother), 1037 South Douglas Avenue, Aurora, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant WINFIELD P. GATES, (20151199), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 10 January to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Julia O. Gates, (mother), North Branch Street Extension, Bennington, Vermont.

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Staff Sergeant RAYMOND R. HARE, (39027096), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the South and Southwest Pacific Area, during period 17 March 1943 to 11 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara Hare, (mother), Main Street, Monticello, Maine.

Sergeant RODOLFO NOVENO, (ASN unknown), Infantry, Philippine Guerilla Forces. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 May 1945. Sergeant Noveno, as a Squad Leader performed his duties in a courageous and skillful manner. While leading his advance patrol toward Kabuyao Mountain, Sergeant Noveno encountered two Japanese reconnaissance patrols. Despite the superior number of the enemy, Sergeant Noveno fearlessly launched a surprise attack against the foe. Using smoke grenades to confuse and force the enemy into the open, he directed fire skillfully and maneuvered his patrol, causing heavy losses to the hostile forces and forcing the remainder to flee in disorder. In this action he personally killed two of the enemy. The superb leadership and rare courage exhibited by Sergeant Noveno were a constant inspiration to the men serving with him. Home address: Mrs. Carmen Puela, (mother), Polillo, Tayabas, Luzon, Philippine Islands.

Sergeant NUNILON SOLARES, (4306), Infantry, Philippine Guerrilla Forces. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 May 1945. During this time, Sergeant Solares, acting as a guide and patrol leader, successfully accomplished many difficult missions. On one occasion when our forces were surrounded by the Japanese and urgently needed vital information and telephone apparatus, Sergeant Solares undertook to penetrate the enemy lines. Although often faced with certain death, he pressed forward with indomitable courage and arrived safely at his destination with the messages and equipment entrusted to him. Sergeant Solares' courage, fidelity and keen devotion to duty reflect great credit to himself and to the Filipino people. Home address: Adelaida de Leon, (wife), 1249 Int. 12 Arlegue Street, Quiapo, Manila, Philippine Islands.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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:

Technical Sergeant JOHN J. FINN, (20120377), (then Private), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Sergeant Finn and three companions occupied a sector of a road-block near the town of Sison. A superior enemy force launched a fanatical assault which succeeded in penetrating our lines. Isolated and surrounded by frenzied Japanese, Sergeant Finn and his comrades bravely smashed their way to a large culvert through which the foe was trying to penetrate our perimeter. Skillfully using fragmentation grenades and point-blank carbine fire, Sergeant Finn repulsed many desperate attacks. When an enemy grenade landed near him, he fearlessly pounced on it and threw it back in the face of the attacking Japanese. Later another grenade, thrown by the enemy, seriously wounded Sergeant Finn. By his intelligent and aggressive use of his weapons against the hostile charges, Sergeant Finn undoubtedly saved the lives of many of his fellow soldiers and greatly aided our successful defense of our perimeter. Home address: Mrs. Anna M. Finn (mother), 24 Highland Street, Newington, Connecticut.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #8419, 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:

First Sergeant JOHN F. HILL, (20119458), (then Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Dumban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 March 1945. Sergeant Hill was in command of a machine gun section which was supporting the advance of his Company. An urgent call was sent out from the front lines for litter bearers. Since the assigned carrying party was at the rear, Sergeant Hill organized an eight man detail and led them under heavy enemy sniper and machine gun fire to the location of the casualties. With great difficulty and grave risk of injury, Sergeant Hill aided in evacuating three wounded men who were near death because of excessive loss of blood. On account of this prompt and decisive action by Sergeant Hill in the face of severe enemy fire, the lives of the injured men were saved. Home address: Mrs. John F. Hill (wife), 33 North Fairmont Street, Marlboro, Massachusetts.

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Private First Class TOIVO I. JALONEN, (36193439), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period 1 July 1942 to 1 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alda Jalonen (mother), 405 Houk Street, Ironwood, Michigan.

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Staff Sergeant WILBUR B. JORGENSEN, (37256567), 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 26 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Harry A. Jorgensen (father), Norman, Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant STANLEY E LORE, (35432153), 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 26 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Walter Lore (father), Portsmouth, Ohio.

Corporal ROGER C. NORRIS, (35457234), 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 26 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Charles Norris (father), Owingsville, Kentucky.

Private First Class KENNETH E. RAMEY, (37265434), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 7 May to 19 May 1945. Private Ramey was assigned to assist in supplying ammunition and evacuating the wounded during the fighting near Ipo Dam. Because of ceaseless torrential rains, only tracked vehicles could move over the terrain. As a protection against sniper fire and possible ambush, Private Ramey volunteered to ride a tractor which was carrying seriously injured men to the Battalion Aid Station for treatment. On two occasions Private Ramey bravely volunteered to guide litter parties over hilly and slippery trails during the night despite the danger from infiltrating Japanese. At one time when it appeared that removal of the wounded from the front was impossible because of mud and jungle, Private Ramey organized Filipino carrying parties, which under his inspiring direction succeeded in transporting the injured soldiers to the rear. Home address: Mrs. Bonnie Jean Ramey (wife), Box 61, Northmoor, Missouri

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SILVER STAR MEDAL--Award..... I
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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Act No. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43rd Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

~~Captain WILLARD R. BURNS, (041291069), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Camazuman, Luzon, P.I. on 22nd March 1945. Captain Burns' company was in the process of reorganization after having secured its objective, when several enemy machine guns and mortars opened fire on his new position. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, Captain Burns without regard for his own life, moved forward through the withering fire and crawled to an exposed position in order to direct artillery and mortar fire against the hostile positions. This timely action forced the enemy to withdraw, leaving behind 7 abandoned machine guns and 70 enemy dead. Captain Burns' initiative, quick thinking and rare courage reflect great credit to himself and to the Military Service. Home Address: Mrs. Emma E. Burns (Mother), 1425 Elm-dale Avenue, Chicago, Ill.~~

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VI. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 Fourth Grade ROBERT BEZIO, (20152364), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, PI, on 25th January 1945. Sgt. Bezio's rifle company was launching an attack against a strongly fortified enemy hill, and had called for supporting fire from the Mortar Platoon. Learning that there was a shortage of personnel in the Platoon, Sgt. Bezio, although Company Aid Man, unhesitatingly volunteered his services. He assisted in carrying ammunition and a Mortar 900 yards, over difficult and hazardous terrain. Upon reaching their position Sgt. Bezio aided in placing effective mortar fire against the enemy emplacements. Sgt. Bezio's fidelity, and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit to himself and to the Military Service. Home Address: Mr. Roy Bezio, (Father), 67 Lakeside Avenue, Burlington, Vermont.

Technician Fifth Grade DANIEL M. BUBLITZ, (37174046), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, PI, on 10 February 1945, Tec 5 Bublitz, while laying a barbed wire entanglement in front of

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their defensive position on the Rosario roadblock, when they were seen by enemy observers and were subjected to mortar fire. Realizing the seriousness of the situation and with complete disregard for his own personal safety, Tec 5 Eublitz crawled forward so as to determine the location of the Japanese weapon. By gaining a better vantage point, he was able to spot the enemy to his immediate front. Without hesitation, Tec 5 Eublitz, with great determination opened fire with his automatic rifle and quickly dispersed the foe. By his quick thinking and immediate action, he undoubtedly prevented many casualties among the members of his platoon. Home Address: Mr. Fred Eublitz, (Father), Route # 1, Sentinel Butte, North Dakota.

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~~Technician Fifth Grade JOHN R. COLE, (33395272), Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious and outstanding service and devotion to duty during the Iwo Jima operation of the Luzon, P.I. Campaign, May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Betty Jean Cole (Mother), 46 Meade Avenue, Bellevue, Pa.~~

Private First Class PAUL E. KOSMAN, (37147839), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 January 1945 to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mr. Antone Francis Kosman (Father), RTD # 4, Hiawatha, Kansas.

Corporal CLARENCE W. PETERSON, (57170325), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement against the enemy near Rosario, Luzon, P.I. on 9 February 1945. During the night, C-1 Peterson was manning a machine gun, set up in a road block, when he detected what appeared to be an enemy demolition party moving up a heavily wooded area several yards in front of his position. Realizing that their mission was probably the blowing up of a large concrete bridge near his position. Cpl. Peterson immediately opened up with harassing fire, sweeping the draw in the direction of the raiders. He continued the harassing fire at regular intervals during the night, denying the enemy the opportunity of reaching the bridge. Upon searching the draw the next morning 2 enemy dead were discovered with demolition charges strapped to their backs. Cpl. Peterson's indomitable fighting spirit and devotion to duty greatly contributed in repulsing the hostile attack. Home Address: Mr. John W. Peterson, (Father), Isle, Minnesota.

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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:

Sergeant EUGENE W. LOVE, (34231980), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 March 1945. Sergeant Love, a clerk in Regimental Headquarters volunteered to assist the Intelligence and Reconnaissance Platoon in the capture of a Japanese motor pool. During the ensuing action two members of the platoon were wounded. Immediately and with disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Love unhesitatingly moved forward and aided the evacuation of these men. Sergeant Love's deep devotion to duty and outstanding courage reflect the highest credit to the military service. Home address: Mr. J. R. Love, (father), 119 Corinne Street, New Iberia, Louisiana.

Second Lieutenant ANDREW PACKO JR., (O-2007750), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Sinalcan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 April 1945. Lieutenant Packo, totally ignoring enemy fire and at great risk to his own life, left the cover afforded by his Battalion Aid Station to render aid to a wounded man and evacuate him from the danger area. During this attempt he was hit by enemy fire and as a result was unable to accomplish his mission. Lieutenant Packo's example of courage in the face of fire and attention to the needs of his men at great personal risk was an inspiration to the men of his Battalion. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Packo, (wife), Ellisville, Mississippi.

Private First Class CYRUS W. SKINNER, (20150255), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January 1945 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Miss Persis Skinner, (sister), 22 Concord Avenue, St. Johnsbury, Vermont.

Private First Class THURMAN L. SMITH, (34354244), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nettie P. S. Smith, (mother), Box #46, Scott, Georgia.

Private First Class ROBERT C. SMITH, (33093322), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Jones Smith, (mother), Route #4, Louisa, Virginia.

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Sergeant VERNON W. THAMES, (38074576), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 March 1945. Sergeant Thames, a clerk in Regimental Headquarters volunteered to assist the Intelligence and Reconnaissance Platoon in the capture of a Japanese motor pool. During the ensuing action two members of the platoon were wounded. Immediately and with disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Thames unhesitatingly moved forward and aided the evacuation of these men. Sergeant Thames' deep devotion to duty and outstanding courage reflect the highest credit to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Madeline E. Thames, (mother), Kenedy, Texas.

Private First Class IRA E. TROUT, (35506743), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 January 1945. Private Trout, skillfully and courageously performed his duties as a member of a forward Observation Post. The communications wire having been burned out it became necessary to repair this vital line. With total disregard for his own safety, Private Trout crossed an open rice paddy, in the face of withering machine gun and sniper fire, laying the valuable telephone line on the way. As a result, effective mortar fire was brought to bear on the enemy positions. Private Trout's heroic actions were an inspiration to all who saw him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Alice Trout, (mother), Carl, West Virginia.

First Lieutenant WILLARD C. WOOLVERTON, (O-1312830), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 January 1945. The Company to which Lieutenant Woolverton was assigned was attached to an Infantry Battalion during an attack on Japanese positions. During the ensuing action heavy enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire was encountered. The communications men with Lieutenant Woolverton were wounded and the connections disrupted. Realizing the necessity for constant communications, Lieutenant Woolverton dashed across the open terrain repaired the broken line and then directed mortar fire on the enemy position thus destroying it. Lieutenant Woolverton's aggressiveness, courage and deep devotion to duty reflect great credit to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Lucy R. Woolverton, (mother), 2629 Portland Street, El Paso, Texas.

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SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Withdrawal of General Orders

1. So much of General Orders 587, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, dated 16 August 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Ira B. Trout, 35 506 748, is withdrawn.

2. The Bronze Star Medal was previously awarded to the above-named individual by General Orders 43, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, dated 20 March 1945.

By Order of Wilber M. Brucker, Secretary of the Army:

Adjutant General

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

Captain RICHARD W. CLUKEY, (O-407665), 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 21 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Laurette Clukey (wife) 21 Western Avenue, Waterville, Maine.

Technical Sergeant JAMES E. CONNELL, (32038020), Signal 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 27 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Edward Connell (father) Route Number 2, Chittange, New York.

Private First Class JOSEPH M. FITZHARRIS, (37275813), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea and Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 1 August 1944 to 1 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marjorie Fitzharris (wife), 723 1/2 South Street, Brainerd, Minnesota.

Technician Fifth Grade DONALD E. FOSTER, (20149647), Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 28 January to 29 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mollie M. Foster (mother) R.F.D. #2, Killington Avenue, Rutland, Vermont.

Sergeant WILLIAM A. GELINAS, (20125623), Signal 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 27 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Loo J. Gelinas (father) 91 Staples Street, Apponaig, Rhode Island.

Sergeant PAUL L. HOOTEN, (37248336), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia; Aitape, New Guinea and Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 1 July 1943 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Geraldine M. Hooten (wife) 808 South Washington, Junction City, Kansas.

Captain HENRY F. JOHNSON, (O-1291284), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea during the period 8 October 1944 to 28 December 1944. Home address: Mr. Henry F. Johnson (father) 1519 West 19th Avenue Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

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Second Lieutenant JOHN A KEENAN, (O-2007289), Signal 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 31 March 1945. Home address: Miss Anna Madden (aunt) 103 Ledger Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

Corporal BOYD W. LUCKADO, (34596647), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia; Aitapo, New Guinea and Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 1 July 1943 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Joyce B. Luckadoo (wife) General Delivery, Avondale, North Carolina.

Technician Third Grade ARTHUR A. MALO, (20125590), Signal 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 27 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Arthur Malo (father) 347 New York Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island.

Master Sergeant JOSEPH MANSOLLILO, (20125591), Signal 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 27 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nancy Mansollilo (mother) 26 1/2 Beasel Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Private First Class CHARLES M. MC CARTHY, (20133222), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitapo, New Guinea and Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 1 March 1944 to 1 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Thomas V. McCarthy, (brother) George Street, Bristol, Connecticut.

Technical Sergeant JOHN PYLYPCIW, (32280014), Signal 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 27 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice Pylypciw (mother) 92 Joy Street, Johnson City, New York.

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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, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH F. BELIS, (32303417), 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 2 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Joseph Belis (mother), 23 West Forty First Street, Bayonne, New Jersey.

Private First Class VINCENT M. DEWHURST, (12066137), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 10 January to 11 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anita Optyke (sister), 93 Beekman Street, Port Richmond, Staten Island, New York.

Private First Class LESTER DICKERSON, (35330632), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Danmap, New Guinea on 15 September 1944. Home address: Mrs. Erma Scott (sister), RFD #3, Cadiz, Ohio.

Private First Class DELMAR G. HENGLEFELT, (17054365), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 10 January to 11 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Albert Henglefelt (father), Gering, Nebraska.

Private First Class ROBERT J. HERKERT, (32165035), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period 30 June 1943 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances Joly (sister), 3733 Sixty Third Street, Woodside, Long Island, New York.

Technician Fifth Grade GILBERT A. JOHNSON, (37112113), 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: Mr. Ora A. Johnson (father), Piatt, Illinois.

Private First Class WILLIAM D. KLINETOBE, (37123155), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 10 January to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Florence May Klinetobe (mother), Verdel, Nebraska.

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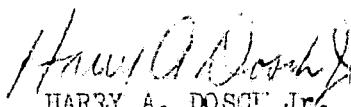
Technician Fifth Grade PAUL T. PETERSON, (37176237). Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period 1 October 1942 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Martha Peterson (mother), 11 East Hale Street, New Hampton, Iowa.

Sergeant MAROLD ROSENTHAL, (36315903), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period 15 October 1942 to 1 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Irene Rosenthal, (wife), 2141 North Central Park Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class MARTIN A. WEHREND, (36053904), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pantay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 March 1945. On that day Private Wehrend's Company was pinned down by severe enemy small arms fire. During the ensuing fire-fight, one man was seriously wounded and required immediate first aid treatment to save his life. Because of the concentrated Japanese fire, the Company Aid Man could not reach the badly injured soldier. Risking his life by exposing himself to enemy fire, Private Wehrend hastily set up a Mortar and placed direct fire so effectively upon the hostile positions that the enemy ceased firing. By his courage and aggressive action Private Wehrend enabled the Company Aid Man to administer life saving treatment to the injured soldier. His Company was able to withdraw with a minimum of casualties, and the life of his injured comrade was saved by reason of Private Wehrend's fearless and skillful response to the situation. Home address: Mr. August Wehrend (father), RFD #1, Owensville, Missouri.

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I. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 RAYMOND J. BURNS, (36339413), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mount Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 January 1945. Private Burns, in company with another member of his Machine Gun Section, volunteered to proceed into enemy-held territory in an attempt to destroy a hostile machine gun previously observed during the day. Traversing over rugged and hazardous terrain, he managed to reach the location safely. Before any attempt could be made to destroy the weapon, heavy Japanese sniper fire was brought to bear upon his position. Realizing the value of the gun to the foe, Private Burns with utter disregard for his personal safety fearlessly exposed himself to the hostile fire and, with the aid of his companion, succeeded in dragging the heavy weapon to a sheltered defilade. Then while still under the sniper fire, he assisted in carrying the machine gun intact to the safety of his lines. Private Burns' altruistic and courageous act reflects great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Victoria Burns, (mother), 7018 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade WALLACE E. GEISTHARDT, (37273385), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Hot Corners, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 May 1945. Learning that an ambulance carrying seriously wounded men had bogged down on a muddy road one mile distant, Corporal Geisthardt immediately organized a five-man patrol to rescue the stranded group from possible enemy capture. Traversing over difficult and hazardous terrain where Japanese patrols were known to be lurking, he fearlessly and skilfully led his men to their destination safely. Disregarding the constant danger of possible hostile sniper fire, Corporal Geisthardt assisted in getting the ambulance back on the road, making it possible for the wounded men to continue the journey to the aid-station where prompt emergency medical treatment was rendered. Corporal Geisthardt's unselfish and courageous act contributed immeasurably toward saving the lives of his fellow soldiers. Home address: Mrs. Emma Geisthardt, (mother), Cambria, Minnesota.

Technician Fourth Grade MILLAR J. GRANVILLE, (37123287), (then Technician Fifth Grade), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Fozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 January 1945. Sergeant Granville was a member of a Litter-Bearer Squad engaged in the difficult

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task of evacuating wounded men from a Battalion Aid-Station to vehicles on a road near Pozorrubio. This entire sector was under heavy enemy artillery and sniper fire. When the artillery barrage steadily increased, Sergeant Granville and his Squad, carrying the wounded men, were forced to seek cover. Despite the difficult situation and disregarding his own safety, he fearlessly remained with the casualties and successfully assisted in evacuating them to their destination. The courage, aggressiveness, and deep devotion to duty exhibited by Sergeant Granville were a constant inspiration to the men serving with him. Home address: Mrs. L. T. Granville, (mother), 315 South 15th Street, Apartment #6, Omaha, Nebraska.

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH J. RILEY, (31042375), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the South and Southwest Pacific Area, during period 1 March 1944 to 1 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Joseph J. Riley, (father), 66 Pleasant Street, Bristol, Connecticut.

Private First Class RAY E. SHUFF, (38171393), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the South and Southwest Pacific Area, during period 1 July 1943 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Janie Shuff, (mother), Elton, Louisiana.

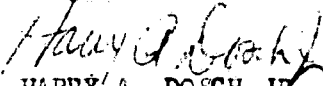
Technical Sergeant GARDNER R. WILLIAMS, (31042167), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea and Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 8 October 1944 to 6 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Raymond Williams, (father), 47 Williams Street, Kensington, Connecticut.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL--OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain GEORGE E. SKELTON, (01635339), Signal Corps, by this Headquarters, as published in General Orders #21, dated 11 May 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain GEORGE E. SKELTON, (01635339), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 31 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marian E. Skelton, (wife), 116 Electric Avenue, East Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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5. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9417, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3 WD, 1944), a Bronze Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men.

Sergeant ROBERT S. ERICKSON, (37421615), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Cainta, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 March 1945. Sergeant Erickson was a member of a Command Post situated in a stone building. During an enemy shelling a direct hit was made on the position. Sergeant Erickson observed two comrades pinned beneath blocks of stone. Disregarding the hostile artillery fire, he assisted in extricating his companions and continued to render first aid to other members of the group throughout the intense barrage. Sergeant Erickson's heroism and indomitable courage were an inspiration to all who witnessed his act. Home Address: Mr Anton E. Erickson, (father), 303 East Eighth-Street, Spencer, Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade DERMEL H. FRAZIER, (38305327), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 January 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Jennie E. Frazier, (wife), Route #2 Perry Boston, Texas.

2nd Lieutenant STANLEY F. HOLDEN, (O-2023624), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 7 May to 22 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Olga F. Holden, (mother), West River Road, Brattleboro, Vermont.

~~Captain ADAM C. LABENSKI, (O-430281), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period of 9 January 1945 to 15 July 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Victoria A. Labenski, (mother), 19 Brook Street, Norwalk, Connecticut.~~

Private First Class DANIEL A. PLAYER, (34304134), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 May 1945. Private Player along with six other men willingly responded to a call for a litter party to return three wounded men, their destination being about one mile away from where fighting was still in progress. Over an unfamiliar path through enemy territory, there was constant danger of ambush and sniper

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fire together with great uncertainty about receiving fire from friendly troops. The terrain was extremely difficult and hazardous and in places the rain had rendered steep hill-sides almost impassable. Without regard for his own safety Private Player succeeded in safely evacuating the wounded men. Private Player's indomitable courage and aggressiveness contributed immeasurably to the successful evacuation of his companions. Home Address: Mr. Alex Player (father), Route # 3, Box # 12, Fayetteville, North Carolina.

Captain NATHAN I. SHARE, (O-1286907), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period of 22 May to 23 July 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Genevieve Share, (wife), 421 Ellis Street, Syracuse, New York.

Sergeant ALEXANDER J. SOTIROS, (34315404), Infantry, United States Army for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Hill 900, near Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 January 1945. The Rifle Company which Sergeant Sotiros' Mortar Section was supporting was given the mission of capturing and securing Hill 900. During the attack the Company encountered intense small-arms, machine-gun, and mortar fire. Sergeant Sotiros, from his position, observed a group of about ten Japanese approaching the right flank of the Company. On his own initiative and without regard for his own safety, Sergeant Sotiros immediately put a mortar into action from an exposed location and successfully brought effective fire to bear upon the enemy group. As a result of this act two Japanese were killed and the remainder forced to withdraw. The courage and coolness under fire exhibited by Sergeant Sotiros in this engagement was largely responsible for the success of his Company's mission. Home Address: Mrs. Helen C. Sotiros, (mother), 929 West 53rd Place, Chicago, Illinois.

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I. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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:

Second Lieutenant JOSEPH F. BLAKE, (O-2026886), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 9 January to 17 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Wanda Blake, (mother), 14447 Young Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant; GORDON W. BORTH, (16091675), (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 January 1945. Sergeant Borth distinguished himself by the performance of outstanding service under heavy enemy fire. His Machine Gun Section was supporting an Infantry Company in an attack on Hill #700 and was constantly subjected to intense artillery, mortar and machine gun fire. During this action the Section Sergeant was seriously wounded and Sergeant Borth fearlessly and without regard for his own safety took command of the heavy Machine Gun Section and directed effective fire upon the enemy while exposing himself to their return fire. During the entire attack Sergeant Borth exhibited leadership of the highest caliber which won him the respect and admiration of the men in his section. Home address: Mrs. Martha Borth, (mother), 2932 North Palmer Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Captain JAMES F. GROTE, (O-389711), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January 1945 to 29 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Louise M. Grote, (wife), Post Office Box #467, San Angelo, Texas.

Staff Sergeant ANTHONY L. MATARESE, (35312757), 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 22 May 1945. When his Platoon's position was attacked by approximately twenty of the enemy Sergeant Matarese without regard for his personal safety, stood up in his foxhole and encouraged some of the men in his squad to hold their positions even though part of the Platoon had withdrawn. He then left his cover and under enemy fire, was able to bring a light machine gun from the rear and place devastating fire to bear on the enemy. This act aided greatly in the frustration of the attack, as well as making secure his Platoon's position on commanding ground. Home address: Mrs. Mary Matarese, (mother), 1027 Mountain Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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Staff Sergeant JOHN F. TAYLOR, (20133391), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 9 January to 28 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Moses Taylor, (father), 104 Grassy Plain Street, Bethel, Connecticut

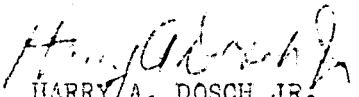
Sergeant WILLIAM J. WHITE, (34205175), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 January 1945. In the initial attack on Hill #600 it was necessary to cross an open valley approximately fifty yards in width. Heavy concentrations of enemy machine-gun and mortar fire completely covered the floor of the valley. Sergeant White was called upon to bring his heavy Machine Gun Squad forward to support a Company during the attack. Many men were wounded in unsuccessful attempts to cross the open valley which now was subjected to intense Japanese artillery fire. Sergeant White thinking only of his men and the mission that he must carry out, fearlessly and with complete disregard for his own safety exposed himself to enemy fire to lead his squad across the exposed area without casualties, thus contributing greatly to the success in securing the hill. Home address: Mrs. Nettie L. White, (mother), Route #2, Fitzgerald, Georgia.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL-OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Private First Class ROYAL E. ROBIDEAU, (20150820), Infantry, by this Headquarters, as published in General Order #36, dated 15 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, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Private First Class ROYAL E. ROBIDEAU, (20150820), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 April 1945. When the Infantry Company, of which Private Robideau was a member, became pinned down by intense enemy fire his Platoon Sergeant was seriously wounded, requiring immediate evacuation. With the aid of a companion, Private Robideau unhesitatingly volunteered to carry his stricken comrade to the Battalion Aid Station. Enroute, hostile machine-gun fire was encountered but Private Robideau fearlessly continued to move forward and finally succeeded in reaching his destination safely. The courage, coolness under fire, and fidelity displayed by Private Robideau reflect great credit to himself, and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Robideau, (mother), 29 National Street, Windsor, Vermont.

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In the direction of the President, under the provision of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43rd Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Sergeant EUGENE C. BLUMEYER, (87180705), 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 June 1945. Home Address: Mr. Eugene G. Blumeyer, (Father), 5527 Pershing Avenue, Saint Louis, Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade RICHARD D. BOYLAN, (35306147), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Buada, New Georgia, on 20 July 1945. Corporal Boylan was a member of a mortar section supporting a Rifle Company during its attack on Mortar Hill when telephone communications between the two units were disrupted. The telephone line stretched through thick jungle for a distance of 700 yards which concealed enemy snipers and ambush parties. Corporal Boylan, in company with a guard, unhesitatingly volunteered to locate the break in the wire in order to re-establish communications. Although subjected to hostile small-arms fire, he bravely moved forward and succeeded in finding the severed line, which he quickly and skillfully repaired. Corporal Boylan's courageous and altruistic act enabled the Rifle Company to successfully complete its mission. Home Address: Mrs. Gertrude Boylan, (mother), 107 Furnace Street, Elyria, Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade ORVILLE H. DICKMAN, (55539445), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Ester Dickman, (wife), 112 North Grant Street, Ottawa, Ohio.

1st Lieutenant HAROLD A. FRENCH, (O-2007692), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 7 April to 3 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Arline E. French, (wife), 103 Babcock Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Captain CHARLES T. KILPATRICK, (O-1291135), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 25 March 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Evelyn T. Kilpatrick, (wife), 3304 18th Avenue South Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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Private First Class STERLIN TROXELL, (35486736), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 May 1945, at Luzon, Philippine Islands. Private Troxell was a member of a party evacuating litter patients over terrain that was under constant enemy artillery and machine-gun fire. While in the process of carrying one of the wounded men Private Troxell was himself struck by a fragment from an exploding shell. As he was slightly wounded he was advised not to continue evacuation of the wounded. Realizing there was a shortage of litter-bearers, Private Troxell disregarding his wound, courageously and with strong determination continued his difficult task and succeeded in safely reaching the aid-station with his stricken companion. The unselfish and heroic act exhibited by Private Troxell was a constant inspiration to the men serving with him. Home Address: Mrs. Mollie Troxell, (mother), Bell Farm, Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade HOWARD O. ROBB, (35380611), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 600, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 January 1945. Corporal Robb was a member of a Battalion Aid Station when an urgent call arrived to evacuate several seriously wounded men from the front lines. As there was a shortage of litter personnel, Corporal Robb unhesitatingly volunteered his service. Reaching the forward positions in the face of heavy enemy machine-gun and mortar fire, Corporal Robb, with the aid of a companion proceeded to move the wounded men to comparatively safe positions. Even still under the heavy hostile fire, he assisted in carrying the stricken men to the Aid Station where urgently needed medical attention was rendered. Corporal Robb's heroic and unselfish act contributed immeasurably in saving the lives of his fellow soldiers. Home Address: Mrs. Hazel Robb, (mother), 239 E. Warren Street, Cudiz, Ohio.

Captain MARLOWE C. ROGERS, (O-1291334), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 29 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. M. C. Rogers, (wife), 802 Plum Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

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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:

Staff Sergeant JOHN L. ALLEN, (34231526), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Sergeant Allen was in charge of a Section of Machine Guns which was assigned the mission of protecting the left flank of his Battalion. The enemy was trying to penetrate our positions with the support of continuous and concentrated mortar, machine-gun and sniper fire. During this action Sergeant Allen noticed that one of the guns of his Section had ceased firing because the gunner was killed and the rest of the crew were pinned down by the heavy hostile fire. Since the morale of the enemy was exceedingly high, Sergeant Allen realized that the enemy would try to assault the idle gun position, wipe out the crew and capture the gun. Sergeant Allen exposed himself to the dangerous Japanese fire in order to observe the actions of the enemy against the idle gun. He soon spotted a hostile squad at a range of seventy yards preparing to charge the inactive gun position with fixed bayonets. By rapid, accurate rifle fire, Sergeant Allen succeeded in killing two of the enemy and dispersing the remainder. This heroic action by Sergeant Allen was undoubtedly responsible for saving the lives of the rest of his gun crew and preventing the capture of the machine gun. Home address: Mrs. Effie C. Allen (mother), RFD #1, Box 133, Coushatta, Louisiana.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM W. CLARK, (02043031), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period 15 August 1944 to 29 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Barbara Clark (wife), 5633 North Kenmore Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Captain MICHAEL I. HANNA, (0389247), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 14 February to 2 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Joyce H. Hanna (wife), Box 79, Covington, Virginia.

Private First Class FREDERICK LAWLER Jr., (31033090), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Binalonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 26 January to 30 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marion B. Lawler (wife), 19 Langdon Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

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First Lieutenant GERALD N. MULHOLLAND, (01321 54), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pozzurubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 January 1945. As leader of a Heavy Weapons Platoon Observation Party, Lieutenant Mulholland was assigned the mission of observing known enemy defense positions. The original Observer had been lost and his telephone line severed by enemy fire. Despite hostile machine gun and sniper fire, Lieutenant Mulholland led his party through an open rice paddy, laying wire to the base of the hill on which the Japanese were located. In order to advance against the heavy fire of the enemy-dominated hill he passed many elements of his Battalion which were pinned down and unable to move until covered by darkness. With communication restored, Lieutenant Mulholland continued forward to a position from which he was able to direct effective mortar fire upon the hostile installations. As a result the Japanese fire was neutralized and a Rifle Company of the Battalion was able to secure and consolidate positions on the enemy hill. Home address: Mr. William L. Mulholland (father), 437 North Ardmore Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Technician Fourth Grade PETER C. PAULSON, (57268457), 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 7 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Peter C. Paulson (father), Fleming Route, Aitkin, Minnesota.

Captain JOHN E. QUINN, (0364573), 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 29 March 1945. Home address: Mrs John E. Quinn (wife), 224 North Central Avenue, Wollaston, Massachusetts.

Sergeant JACK STEUERWALD, (35330700), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Apangat, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 13-14 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ethel Steuerwald (mother), 23 Florist Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio.

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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, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade SAMUEL N. BELTRAMI, (20152885), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Cobleng, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. During a Japanese artillery shelling of his Command Post, Corporal Beltrami observed a soldier seriously wounded and unable to move. With full knowledge of the risk involved in leaving cover during a period in which enemy shells were bracketing the immediate area, he moved forward toward the injured man in order to render emergency treatment. Finding the soldier's condition beyond the limits of first aid, Corporal Beltrami quickly made his way to a nearby aid station and procured the services of stretcher bearers, leading them personally to the stricken soldier and evacuating him. Corporal Beltrami's voluntary action in the face of great personal danger is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Samuel N. Beltrami, (wife), 23 Buchanan Street, Kingsland, S.W. 1. Auckland, New Zealand.

Sergeant JACOB K. CHAMBERS, (34276519), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Navangalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Sergeant Chambers was assisting his Company in holding the defensive perimeter of a hill, when a group of enemy, estimated at thirty men infiltrated their positions. Sergeant Chambers aware of their presence opened fire. During the ensuing fight one of his comrades was seriously wounded and required medical aid. With utter disregard for his own safety and in the face of intense enemy small arms fire, Sergeant Chambers left his foxhole to administer first aid to the wounded soldier. The outstanding courage of Sergeant Chambers in placing the life of his wounded comrade above his own, is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Dixie D. Chambers, (mother), Woodville, Mississippi.

Technician Fifth Grade JARED K. MEACHAM JR. (35229925), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 January 1945. Corporal Meacham, as a member of a Regimental Personnel Section was engaged with his comrades as a Command Post Security Guard. During the night the enemy registered an intense artillery barrage on the area, severely wounding five men. While still under intense artillery fire, without regard for his own safety, he assisted in carrying the wounded men to the aid station, and remained to give further aid until relieved. On two other occasions he served courageously under extremely dangerous conditions thereby contributing immeasurably to the success of his unit's operation. Home address: Mrs. Mary A. Meacham, (wife), 848 Carpenter Street, Columbus, Ohio.

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Captain JOHN R. PAVKA, (O-464672), 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 on 8 May 1945. Captain Pavka was performing the duties of Artillery Forward Observer on an Observation Post, when suddenly the Japanese opened fire with artillery; the first round landing just a few feet from his foxhole. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Captain Pavka exposed himself to the enemy fire, directing counter artillery fire on the enemy position, thus destroying the hostile gun. During the entire operation he was continually with the front line troops directing artillery fire from exposed positions, and because of his personal bravery and superior technical skill he was able to quickly bring down accurate fire on enemy positions causing heavy casualties and silencing their artillery. His courageous actions and untiring attention to duty reflect great credit to himself and to the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Pavka, (wife), East River Road, Oswego, New York.

Sergeant HOWARD R. WYLIE, (31142579), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pozoryubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Sergeant Wylie, and his Machine Gun Section were given the mission of taking the forward slope of a hill and forming a perimeter to hold it for the night. While he and his men were digging in, the enemy began an intense artillery barrage, knocking out one heavy machine gun and killing the gunner. In order to hold the position at all costs, Sergeant Wylie placed heavy effective fire upon the enemy positions until ordered to withdraw. He continued his fire long enough to enable the men to effect an orderly withdrawal. By his outstanding performance of duty in the face of deadly enemy fire, and his utter disregard for his personal safety, Sergeant Wylie undoubtedly saved the lives of many men of his company. His courageous acts reflect great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mr. William Wylie, (father), 29 Lilac Street, Manchester, Connecticut.

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1. CAPT RICHARD F. STEVENS 0428627 Inf, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, is hereby announced as Division Instruction and Education Officer.

2. MAJ JOSEPH WELKER 08-6954 GSC, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, is relieved as Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, and is hereby announced as Assistant to the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3.

3. LT COL JAMES R. MOLEY 0360769 GSC, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, is hereby announced as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3.

CAPT MAJOR C. WILLIAM 01301940 Inf, Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, is relieved as Acting Assistant to the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

First Sergeant KENNETH J. HASSELL, (20153442), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 22 June to 4 July 1945. Home Address: Mr. Eric Hassell, (father), 19 Sumac Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island.

Private First Class ROYL J. JOHNSON, (54012285), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Santa Cruz, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 April 1945. Private Johnson was an Artillery Forward Observer serving with an Infantry Assault Company, during its attack against enemy forces. He remained with the advance elements of the Company in order to observe the source of hostile artillery fire. While thus engaged he became separated from the major portion of the unit because of sustained fire from the foe. Rather than abandon his radio equipment and retreat to a position of safety, he elected to engage the enemy and held them at bay until reinforcements arrived. Private Johnson's heroic action reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Alma Blalock Johnson, (mother), 111 Robinson Street, Greenville, South Carolina.

Technician Fifth Grade JAMES L. REESE, (54333722), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 January 1945. Corporal Reese, while serving as a Radio Operator on a forward observation mission with a Combat Team, volunteered to lay wire to the advance elements of the unit, when all other means of communication had failed. With complete disregard for his safety in the face of intense hostile artillery and small-arms fire, he fearlessly accomplished his task and succeeded in re-establishing communications. As a result of this action friendly artillery fire was brought to bear upon the foe. Corporal Reese's coolness under fire, courage, and aggressiveness reflect great credit upon himself and to the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Cora Reese, (mother), Route # 5, Box # 24, Laniston, Alabama.

Second Lieutenant QUINTON J. SCHOTT, (O-2026884), (then Technician Fourth Grade), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 25 January to 14 February 1945. Home Address: Mrs. E. L. Schottal, (mother), Cosby, Missouri.

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Captain WALTER K. STRECKWALD, (O-1292609), (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 January 1945. The enemy weapons Company which Captain Streckwald commanded was given the mission of supporting a Rifle Company during its attack on Hill 10. The enemy troops were defending their positions so stubbornly and tenaciously that the Rifle Company was unable to advance further. (Realizing the necessity of supporting fire, Captain Streckwald, accompanied by his Mortar Platoon Leader, fearlessly moved forward to an exposed observation point and began adjusting accurate mortar fire upon the hostile forces, despite the fact that enemy small-arms and mortar fire was being directed at him. A fragment from an exploding shell wounded the Platoon Leader. Captain Streckwald personally directed the evacuation of the stricken officer, and then courageously continued adjusting the fire of his mortars in spite of the constant rain of enemy shells in his proximity. As a result of Captain Streckwald's heroic act the Rifle Company was able to successfully complete its mission. Home address: Mr. George Streckwald, (father), 116 Sherran Avenue, New York City, New York.

Technician Fifth Grade WALTER M. WICHLINSKI, (3M470116), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 January 1945. The artillery battery, of which Corporal Wichlinski was a member, was bivouaced in a thickly wooded area along Limpon beach. During the night of January 10th the enemy began shelling the bivouac area with intense artillery fire. He noticed his truck loaded with ammunition in proximity to the shelled area. Corporal Wichlinski, with complete disregard for his personal safety, courageously rushed forward in the face of the enemy barrage, reached his vehicle and succeeded in moving it to a comparatively safe position. Corporal Wichlinski by his quick thinking, initiative and coolness under fire undoubtedly prevented the battery from sustaining serious damage. Home address: Mr. Stephen Wichlinski, (brother), 1206 Beech Street, Wilmington, Delaware.

First Lieutenant SHERRAL L. WINGET, (O-1170254), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 May 1945. Lieutenant Winget, as an artillery forward observer, was serving with an Infantry Assault Company during its attack on Twin Peaks. In order to place himself in an advantageous position to successfully conduct accurate artillery fire on enemy troops and installations, he constantly remained with the forward elements. Under hostile surveillance and continuous Japanese artillery, mortar, and small-arms fire, Lieutenant Winget bravely performed his task with such effectiveness and accuracy that the Assault Company was able to complete its objective with a minimum of losses. Lieutenant Winget's extraordinary courage, coolness under fire, and aggressiveness were an inspiration to all who witnessed his heroic act. Home address: Mrs. Sherral Winget, (wife), 21 East 5th Street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

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NUMBER.....598

18 August 1945

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SOLDIERS MEDAL--Award..... I
BRONZE STAR MEDAL--Awards..... II

I. AWARD OF SOLDIERS MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bulletin 8, WD, 1926), a Soldiers Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class CHESTER J. GUIDILLI, (32294537), Infantry, United States Army. For heroism at Aitape, New Guinea on 6 November 1944. Private Guidilli was a member of a training group crossing the Laws Creek when the river became unusually rough, creating a very treacherous under-current. After successfully reaching the opposite bank, Private Guidilli began assisting other members of the group who were still working their way across the guide rope. Suddenly he noticed one of his men being carried away by the force of the current. Unable to swim and weighed down with his pack and rifle, the drowning soldier disappeared below the surface of the water. Private Guidilli, himself weighed down with full combat equipment, with complete disregard for his own life quickly dove into the water, grasped his stricken companion and succeeded in pulling him to safety. Private Guidilli's heroic act was undoubtedly responsible for saving the life of his fellow soldier. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Guidilli, (mother), 721 Columbia Street, Utica, New York.

II. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9429, 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 WAYNE H. BRENDENIHL, (36233771), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Zombales Sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 March 1945. The Patrol of which Private Brendenihl was a member was assisting a Civilian Carrying Party in transporting ammunition and supplies to a forward Rifle Company. Following a river-bed through enemy-infested areas, eleven Japanese were suddenly encountered. While the civilians sought all available cover, Private Brendenihl, displaying unsurpassed courage, advanced with his men and assisted in killing all eleven of the foe. Proceeding several yards farther, another group of hostile forces was discovered. Exhibiting the same display of courage, Private Brendenihl, with several companions, fearlessly moved forward and aided in killing thirty-five of the surprised enemy and forcing the remainder to flee. Private Brendenihl's heroic acts and complete disregard for his personal safety are in keeping with the high traditions of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Alice Brendenihl, (mother), Parrish, Wisconsin.

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Technical Sergeant WILLIAM D. CHANCELLOR, (37065142), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Ipo Dam Sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 May 1945. At approximately 2300 hours on Hill 1400, twenty Japanese soldiers, using demolition charges and rifles, launched a fanatical attack against elements of Sergeant Chancellor's Platoon. Some casualties were inflicted on our troops, forcing them to withdraw from the crest of the hill. Realizing that this gap afforded the enemy an opportunity of penetrating the Company perimeter, Sergeant Chancellor skilfully maneuvered his two reserve squads forward and succeeded in regaining the crest of the hill. In the ensuing action, under his brilliant leadership and constant encouragement, the enemy attack was repulsed and the position secured. This heroic and timely act on the part of Sergeant Chancellor is exemplary and reflects great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Ada Chancellor, (mother), RFD #2, Bismarck, Arkansas.

Private First Class WILLIAM C. MCCOY, (57349806), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Arundel Island, British Solomon Islands, on 12 September 1943. The Combat Patrol of which Private McCoy was a Machine Gun Squad Leader and Gunner, was given the mission of destroying a group of Japanese pill-boxes. When the Patrol contacted the enemy, the two lead scouts were wounded and unable to move to safety because of intense machine-gun fire from the hostile positions. Private McCoy was immediately called forward to silence the enemy weapons with his machine gun. As long-range fire was ineffective in the thick jungle, Private McCoy with utter disregard for his own safety fearlessly crawled forward under the heavy fire until he was less than twenty-five yards from the enemy before opening fire. His fire was so accurate and steady that he succeeded in destroying one Japanese machine gun and silencing the other, thereby enabling the evacuation of the wounded men. Private McCoy's heroic and altruistic act was undoubtedly responsible for saving the lives of his wounded comrades. Home address: Mrs. Rosemary McCoy, (mother), 305 Patterson Street, Monte Vista, Colorado.

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION
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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, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade CLIFFORD F. DIXON, (37202631), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 11 March to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Amelia Dixon (wife) 20 Murdock Road, Grey Linn, Auckland, New Zealand.

Technician Fourth Grade FRED L. EUVARD, (20133400), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Lingayen Beach, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945. On this night Sergeant Euvard's energy and keen judgment were largely responsible for the successful unloading of his organization's guns and ammunition trailer. Although under intermittent enemy artillery fire and working against time to get the equipment onto the beach and into position, Sergeant Euvard aggressively and zealously worked tirelessly to finish the job. Sergeant Euvard's deep devotion to duty, disregard for his own personal safety, and his aggressiveness were in a large measure responsible for the efficient and speedy handling of this equipment. Home address: Mrs. Grace Euvard (Mother) 31 Main Street, Bethel, Connecticut.

Private First Class LOUIS A. FIRMANI, (35353923), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 January 1945. On this date Private Firmani, as a member of a wire communications party, had the job of extending wire to an observer section which was located far in advance. Completely disregarding his own personal safety, he ran his wire reel through an extremely dangerous area which was covered by enemy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire. As a direct result of Private Firmani's courageous and aggressive action, the communications were made and heavy friendly artillery fire was laid down on the enemy forces. Private Firmani's display of courage, devotion to duty and zealousness reflect great credit upon himself and upon the military service. Home address: Mrs. Latzia Firmani (mother) 1229 Erie Street, Logansport, Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade MORRIS GOODMAN, (33319511), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 January 1945 and 27 January 1945. On the night of 25 January 1945 Corporal Goodman and his party were attacked by a large force of infiltrating enemy troops. While under heavy enemy mortar, rifle, and grenade fire, Corporal Goodman disregarded his own personal safety and exposed himself while administering first aid to a wounded comrade. On the night of 27 January he again distinguished himself. Towards dusk, the forward observation party and the

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nearby Infantry were fired upon at point blank range by a hidden enemy artillery piece which resulted in the wounding of some of our own soldiers. Amidst the resulting confusion Corporal Goodman displayed coolness, bravery, and deep devotion to duty by exposing himself to the enemy fire in order to set up and establish communication by radio with his artillery unit. Corporal Goodman's aggressiveness and coolness under fire enabled our artillery to knock out the enemy gun and the subsequent capture of the fortified hill. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Goodman (mother); 4621 North 5th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Chief Warrant Officer JOSEPH E. HORGAN, (W-2116198), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Eugene F. Morgan (father), 32 Leading Street, Johnston, Rhode Island.

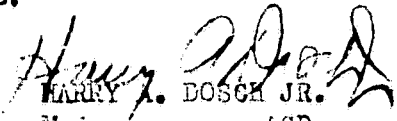
Staff Sergeant FRANK K. ILLK (35354370), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 15 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Pearl D. Illk, (mother) 426 West Washington Street, Dunkirk, Indiana.

Staff Sergeant ULIES F. KINNEY, (34174332), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of the Budd River, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. On this date the wire party of which Sergeant Kinney was a member was attached to an infantry battalion advancing on Hill 355. After the battalion had crossed the river, it was subjected to violent enemy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire. The forward observer was cut off from communications with the infantry. Realizing the desperate need of communication with the supporting artillery battalion, Sergeant Kinney, with initiative and courage, worked under heavy enemy fire to lay a line to the forward observer. Sergeant Kinney's courage and devotion to duty was in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Hattie H. Kinney (mother) Burlington, North Carolina.

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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, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class WILLIAM F. BENDER, (33019471), 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 30 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Bender (mother) Box #92, Patton, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN H. BROOKS, (52233323), 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 11 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Peter E. Brooks (brother) Airport Road, R. D. #4, Binghamton, New York.

Technician Fifth Grade WILBERT R. CRIST, (55306467), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Alacan and Cataquintaban, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 14 January to 18 January 1945. As Artificer of an infantry company, Corporal Crist was established at the battalion forward supply depot which was under almost constant enemy artillery and sniper fire. Corporal Crist displayed bravery and deep devotion to duty by making several trips daily to his company's position on the line in order to keep them supplied with ammunition and necessary weapons replacements. Corporal Crist's devotion to duty under adverse conditions was of immeasurable assistance at this time and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Lillian Crist (mother) RFD 3 Griswold Road, Elyria, Ohio.

Sergeant WILLIAM E. HUBBS, (52313392), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 10 January to 11 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna M. Hubbs (mother), 135-01 101st Avenue, Richmond Hill, Queens, New York, New York.

Corporal DALLAS M. KITSON, (35327646), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 2 January to 6 January 1945. The company of which Corporal Kitson was a member was on line near Agat against a well dug-in enemy force. It was necessary for all vital supplies to be brought from Pozorrubio over a highway covered by intense and accurate enemy artillery fire. Disregarding his personal safety he made many trips during the day and then volunteered to drive at night in order to keep the supplies moving to those forward elements. Corporal Kitson's coolness under fire and his exemplary performance of these hazardous missions reflect great credit to himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Kitson (mother) Syracuse, Indiana.

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Private First Class JOHN NUZZO, (35380697), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Angat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 May 1945. On this date, when a Japanese counter-attack was launched against the company positions, Private Nuzzo, a member of that company displayed outstanding bravery and aggressiveness. At about 2200, a small group of the enemy struck at another part of the perimeter to draw our fire there. Private Nuzzo, watchful and alert, discovered the small infiltration party closing in on the other sector. Alerting his comrades, Private Nuzzo proceeded to fire at the enemy and completely routed them. The watchfulness and quick thinking of Private Nuzzo was a direct cause of a minimum of casualties and reflects credit on himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Anna Laccioni (mother) 327 Catherine Avenue, Brownsville, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant GEORGE D. SMITH, (13113039), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Rosario sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 January 1945. On this date, the company of which Sergeant Smith was a member, assaulted a hill held by the enemy but the third platoon of that company was forced back by intense enemy small arms fire and hand grenades. During the action some casualties were inflicted upon our forces. Although wounded himself, Sergeant Smith did not hesitate to go forward under the enemy fire to remove a wounded comrade to medical care and safety. Sergeant Smith's disregard of personal safety and deep devotion to duty was an inspiration to his men and reflects great credit to himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Dewey G. Smith (father) 116 Summitt Avenue, Darby, Pennsylvania.

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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, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant EDWARD S. AITKEN, (O-1545094), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the South and Southwest Pacific area, during period 12 October 1944 to 7 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sadie A. Aitken, (mother), 127 Kenmore Avenue, Carnegie, Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant THOMAS A. BURKE, (20132076), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Cainta, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 March 1945. During an enemy shelling a direct hit was made on the Artillery Command Post, which was located in the remains of a church building, causing heavy casualties. Sergeant Burke immediately left his Aid Station to help in extricating the dead and injured who were caught beneath the huge blocks of stone. With complete disregard for his own safety in the face of the enemy fire, he continued to aid and evacuate the injured men. Sergeant Burke's heroic actions were undoubtedly responsible for saving the lives of many of his fellow soldiers. Home address: Mr. Thomas Burke, (father), 244 White Street, Danbury, Connecticut.

Captain ALBERT C. GLANOLI, (O-183788), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 22 January to 21 March 1945. Home address: Mr. E. Glanoli, (father), Box #624, Ely, Nevada.

Staff Sergeant LOUIS S. RIVERA, (36511122), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Fork Ridge, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 May 1945. During the attack by his Company on Fork Ridge, Sergeant Rivera with a reinforced Squad led his men under intense enemy fire to the forward slope of the hill. Spotting an enemy mortar position that could bring fire upon his men, Sergeant Rivera with utter disregard for his own safety in the face of intense rifle and machine-gun fire, crawled forward to within hand grenade distance, neutralizing the hostile emplacement and killing six escaping Japanese with his rifle. He then returned to his original position and directed such accurate and effective automatic-rifle fire on the enemy troops that they were unable to halt our attacking forces. Sergeant Rivera's superb leadership and indomitable courage reflect great credit to himself and to his military service. Home address: Mr. Florentino S. Rivera, (brother), Gen. Del., Canoga Park, California.

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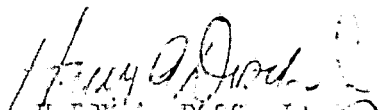
Private First Class ROBERT A. SCHANZENBACH, (37249511), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pantay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 April 1945. Private Schanzenbach was a member of a Mortar Section supporting a Rifle Company during its assault against Flat Top Hill. In the ensuing fire-fight an enemy machine gun opened fire on his mortar position. Disregarding the harassing fire, he fearlessly remained at his gun, placing very effective and accurate fire upon the hostile forces which resulted in severe losses to the enemy. Private Schanzenbach's heroic action contributed immeasurably to the success of the Company's mission. Home address: Mr. August Schanzenbach, (father), Route #1, Selby, South Dakota.

Private First Class LEROY SHEPPARD, (37087454), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 May 1945. Private Sheppard, a member of a Carrying Party, was sent out with a patrol to recover bodies and equipment lost in a previous engagement. As the patrol neared its objective it suddenly came under heavy machine-gun fire which prevented its advance. The patrol called for and received smoke concentrations to cover its movement. Under cover of the smoke screen, Private Hanks and his comrades worked for about thirty minutes recovering bodies and equipment including radios, rifles, and automatic weapons. During the entire period the group was under intermittent enemy fire. Private Sheppard's indomitable courage and devotion to duty were largely responsible for the recovery of several bodies and much valuable material. Home address: Mr. Benton Sheppard, (father), Chaffee, Missouri.

Technician Fourth Grade CLARENCE A. THOMAS, (17059520), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period of January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose I. Thomas, (mother), Glendb, Wyoming.

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I. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS. So much of Section I, General Orders #586, this Headquarters, 43d Infantry Division, August 1945, as pertains to the award of the Silver Star Medal to Captain WILLARD R. BURNS, (01291069), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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:

Major WILLARD R. BURNS, (01291069), (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Arundel, New Georgia, British Solomon Islands on 16 September 1943. Major Burns, as Operations Officer for his Battalion, displayed the highest devotion to duty in co-ordinating a tank and infantry assault against the enemy near Kolumbangara. The enemy defense was determined and earlier fruitless attempts in reducing this Japanese installation had resulted in heavy losses to our forces. The attack plan directed two waves of light tanks to advance toward the enemy followed closely by the infantry assault troops. But when the tanks advanced, hostile anti-tank and interlocking machine-gun fire forced the infantrymen to take cover. The entire attack was in jeopardy, since our tanks, without infantry support, were in grave danger. In the face of withering fire from the enemy, Major Burns crawled to his left flank and, calling volunteers from the troops whose advance had been halted, led an enveloping movement to the north of the hostile emplacements and neutralized their fire at this point with hand grenades and well-directed machine-gun and rifle fire. Inspired by the courage and bravery of Major Burns and aided by the break in the enemy defenses, the main assault pressed forward and achieved complete conquest of the main Japanese installations on the Island. This gallantry in action was characteristic of the courage, the tactical judgement, and leadership of Major Burns throughout the campaign. Home address: Mrs. Emma E. Burns, (mother), 1425 Elmdale Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

III. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 GEORGE AKERS, (35430060), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 9 January to 10 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ethel Akers, (mother), Pigeon, Kentucky.

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Private First Class ALVA E. ANDERSON, (15116037), 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 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Delia Anderson (mother), Kidds Crossing, Kentucky.

Private First Class ERIK S. H. ANDERSEN, (37189833), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 15 March to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Ernest H. Andersen (father), North Shore, Clear Lake, Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade MATHIAS A. DRILL, (12065707), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9-11 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Drill (mother), 957 Shutter Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, New York.

Technical Sergeant EDWARD P. KING, (20151057), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Guagua, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 March 1945. On that day Sergeant King voluntarily led a combat patrol whose mission was to clear out Japanese along a river in that area. Enroute Sergeant King received notification that another patrol further down the river had been pinned down by strong enemy forces and had suffered several casualties. Sergeant King obtained a motor launch from a civilian and hurried his patrol to the location of the fire-fight. Making a sharp bend in the river the patrol was fired upon by an estimated thirty Japanese, armed with rifles and light machine guns. From his exposed position on the boat Sergeant King directed fire toward the concealed enemy installations on shore. Finally the enemy set fire to Sergeant King's boat so that he and his men were forced to swim to the opposite shore. Covered only by grass Sergeant King then directed fire against the enemy which was so effective that the Japanese were forced to flee. Sergeant King then supervised and assisted in the evacuation of his wounded comrades. By his voluntary and heroic action Sergeant King undoubtedly saved the lives of the men caught in the enemy ambush. Home address: Mrs. Maude King (mother), Fairfax, Vermont.

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

Staff Sergeant OLIVER J. CESA, (33270691), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 May 1945. Sergeant Cesa, accompanied by six companions, willingly responded to a call for a litter party to return three wounded men, their destination being about one mile from the front line. Traveling over an unfamiliar path through territory which had not been cleared of the enemy, there was constant danger of ambush and sniper fire together with great risk that friendly troops would fire upon the party. The terrain was extremely difficult and hazardous and in places the rain had made steep hill sides almost impassable. Without regard for his own safety Sergeant Cesa succeeded with the help of his companions in safely evacuating the wounded men. Sergeant Cesa's indomitable courage and aggressiveness contributed immeasurably to the successful evacuation of his wounded comrades. Home address: Mrs. Rose Cesa (mother), Box #52, Kersey, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM O. DEKLE, (34269252), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of New Boso Boso, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 April 1945. On that day Corporal Dekle displayed marked heroism, when he encountered an enemy road block, while transporting hot food to the front lines. This Japanese installation fired upon Corporal Dekle and his companions, while they were crossing a dry river bed in a truck containing the prepared meal. The terrain was generally open with little cover or concealment so that hostile observation was unimpaired. In spite of the danger Corporal Dekle jumped off the vehicle taking to a depression in the ground for protection. He pinned down the enemy by throwing hand grenades and accurately firing his rifle. The Japanese lost four dead and one light machine gun captured in the engagement. Because of Corporal Dekle's brave and aggressive action the vehicle, cargo, and his companions were undoubtedly saved. Home address: Mrs. William O. Dekle (wife), Cairo, Georgia.

Private First Class KENNETH F. SCHEHR, (3600734), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. Private Schehr was advancing with his Battalion to attack a hill which was fiercely defended by the enemy. Always alert Private Schehr killed several Japanese snipers who were inflicting casualties upon our troops. Later Private Schehr's Platoon suffered several casualties from murderous enemy machine-gun fire and was forced to withdraw. To cover the withdrawal of his Platoon

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and the evacuation of his wounded companions, Private Schehr and a comrade bravely remained behind, laying down a devastating fire upon the hostile forces. While he was covering the withdrawal, it was necessary for Private Schehr to hold off single-handedly a small enemy counter attack until the arrival of other troops to assist him. During this action Private Schehr burned out his automatic rifle but borrowed another from a wounded comrade and continued his defense. Private Schehr's outstanding courage in the face of determined enemy action undoubtedly was responsible for the orderly withdrawal of his Platoon and the safe evacuation of his wounded comrades. Home address: Mrs Hannah Schehr (mother), Endeavor, Wisconsin.

Private First Class ROBERT J. WICKER, (34304122), 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 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret S. Wicker (mother), Box #363, Carthage, North Carolina.


Sergeant CARLIE B. WILHOIT, (34304088), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 May 1945. Sergeant Wilhoit, accompanied by six companions, willingly responded to a call for a litter party to return three wounded men, their destination being about one mile from the front line. Traveling over an unfamiliar path through territory, which had not been cleared of the enemy, there was constant danger of ambush and sniper fire together with great risk that friendly troops would fire upon the party. The terrain was extremely difficult and hazardous and in places the rain had made steep hill sides almost impassable. Without regard for his own safety, Sergeant Wilhoit succeeded with the help of his companions in successfully evacuating the wounded men. Sergeant Wilhoit's indomitable courage and aggressiveness contributed immeasurably to the safe and speedy evacuation of his wounded comrades. Home address: Mrs. Sophronia Wilhoit (mother), RFD #1, Norwood, North Carolina.

II. REPEALMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS. So much of Section I, General Orders #402, this Headquarters, 30 June 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Staff Sergeant OLIVER J. CESA, (33270691), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

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HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION
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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1913 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1913), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant ARLIND SARNICOLA, (32533636), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. On that day Sergeant Sarnicola and three companions noted suspicious movements at the base of the hill, which they were defending. By investigating they discovered an undetermined number of Japanese, armed with automatic weapons and concealed in thick undergrowth. Sergeant Sarnicola shot and killed the nearest enemy soldier and then, he and his companions were immediately pinned down by the fire of three hostile machine guns. Undismayed, Sergeant Sarnicola directed the throwing of grenades and the fire of an automatic rifle and rifles so effectively that the enemy guns were silenced. During this engagement one of Sergeant Sarnicola's companions was wounded. Sergeant Sarnicola immediately applied first aid and dragged the injured soldier to a place of safety. After this, he ordered his remaining comrades to withdraw to a place at which they would have protection from the enemy bullets. By their movements they attracted renewed hostile machine-gun fire and were both wounded. Responding fearlessly to their call for help, Sergeant Sarnicola crawled toward them, despite the intense machine gun fire which the Japanese were now placing on the area. Reaching his injured companions, he found them unable to throw grenades so he took their grenades and attempted to silence once again the hostile guns. He failed in this object and while attempting to drag the most severely wounded soldier to safety, the enemy hit the injured man twice more killing him instantly. Then while assisting his remaining wounded comrade to a safer place, Sergeant Sarnicola was wounded himself in the chest and arm. Home address: Mrs. Lavinia Sarnicola (mother), 6 Dayton Street, Auburn, New York.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #6419, 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 Fifth Grade LEO V. ATHERTON, (20133443), 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 to 27 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Minnie L. Atherton (mother), 12 Bank Street, Danbury, Connecticut.

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Sergeant CHARLES C. FOX, (33163417), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 7-21 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rosaldeen Jones (sister), 1029 Glenn Avenue, Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade ANTHONY P. GROSSE, (32343425), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945. On that day Sergeant Grosse displayed superior skill and heroic coolness under fire in maintaining vital communications during the establishment of a beachhead at Lingayen Gulf. Arriving on the beach with the first assault wave, Sergeant Grosse struggled under enemy fire through a waist-deep sand, in which footing was extremely treacherous and arrived promptly with his radio at the pre-arranged assembly point. During this time he kept his radio constantly operating, transmitting and receiving messages for higher and lower echelons. Later during the heat of battle two radios, which were vitally needed to maintain the planned communication network in operation, stopped working. Undertaking to repair the two damaged sets in spite of intense enemy shelling of the area, Sergeant Grosse located replacement parts in the confusion of supplies and coolly set to work at the delicate task of replacing the imperative parts. Quickly adjusting the repaired sets, Sergeant Grosse sent them back to their operators in perfect working order. By his skill and heroic devotion to duty, Sergeant Grosse undoubtedly contributed to the combat success of his Battalion. Home address: Mrs. Anna Grosse (mother), 300 York Avenue, New Brighton, State Island, New York.

Staff Sergeant PAUL J. TALNO, (33013373), 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 13 February 1945. Home address: Mr. Paul J. Talno (father), 195 Portage Street, Lilly, Pennsylvania.

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I. AWARDS OF 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 officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class APRIL A. AUGUSTINE, (35404132), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Roveana, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 29 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Rafie Augustine, (mother), 95 West Sixth Street, Mansfield, Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade VERNON L. BAKER, (34237237), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at San Fabian, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Treva W. Baker, (wife), Dickson, Tennessee.

Private First Class KEITH C. BASHOR, (37336856), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bosa Bosa, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edith M. Bashor, (wife), 3132 West 23rd Avenue, Denver, Colorado.

Sergeant BERNIE BYALL, (34284723), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Luma, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 May 1945. Home address: Miss Jennie Byall, (sister), 923 Hawthorne Street, Memphis, Tennessee.

Private First Class JOSEPH M. CRAWFORD, (31115220), Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Conception, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Tirrell, (sister), 41 Marshall Street, Winthrop, Massachusetts.

Technical Sergeant JOSEPH H. HAZEN, (36635818), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Arundel, New Georgia Group, Solomon Islands on 15 September 1943. Home address: Mrs. Inez Hazen, (mother), 8049 Clyde Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Captain R. V. MASTERSON, (O-1291851), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gwyndoline I. Masterson, (wife), 511 North Main Street, Shamrock, Texas.

First Lieutenant ELWYN W. ROSELLE, (O-1323357), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pot Pot, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth G. Roselle, (wife), 1145 Samuel Street, Louisville, Kentucky.

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Private THOMAS A. ROTONDO, (32237479), Medical Department, 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 A. Rotondo, (wife), 110 West Main Street, Rockaway, New Jersey.

Technician Fifth Grade WALTER A. SYLVESTER, (31020337), Medical Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Ned Sylvester, (father), 36 Farmington Avenue, Plainville, Connecticut.

Private First Class GORDON V. VETTESON, (39208891), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 February 1945. Home address: Mr. Louis H. Vetteson, (father), Box #1132, Route #2, Eremerton, Washington.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT LEE P. WILKINSON, (37527400), Medical Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 1 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Everett Wilkinson, (mother), Allendale, Missouri.

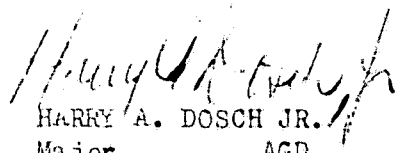
II. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Technical Sergeant JOSEPH H. HAZEN, (36635818), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #605, 19 August 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is 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 JOSEPH H. HAZEN, (36635818), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Inez Hazen, (mother), 8049 Clyde Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

80-7 } III. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS. So much of Section I, Paragraph I, General Orders #478, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 18 July 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart Medal to Technical Sergeant JOSEPH H. HAZEN, (36635818), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

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ORIGINAL ORDER

SILVER STAR MEDAL--Awards..... I
BRONZE STAR MEDAL--Awards.....II

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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, 43rd Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant LOUIS S. RIVERA, (39261378), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 April 1945. While retreating in the vicinity of Antipolo, Sergeant Rivera's first scout was wounded behind the enemy lines. His rescue was threatened by intense Japanese machine-gun and rifle fire. Sergeant Rivera, promptly ordering his man to deliver protective fire, with utter disregard for his own safety, courageously dashed toward his stricken companion and succeeded in moving him to a comparatively safe position. In placing the life of the wounded soldier above his own, Sergeant Rivera exemplifies the highest traditions of the United States Army. Home Address: Mr. Florentino T. Rivera, (brother), General Delivery, Canoga Park, California.

Staff Sergeant GEORGE D. SMITH, JR., (13113039), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action in connection with military operations against the enemy at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 March 1945. A Rifle Platoon, completing a reconnaissance patrol, was returning through Sergeant Smith's defense perimeter. A Japanese Machine Gun Squad which apparently had been closely trailing the Platoon suddenly opened fire on our troops. Observing a soldier wounded in the legs and unable to move, Sergeant Smith, at the risk of his life, fearlessly dashed forward in the face of the withering fire, grasped the stricken man and succeeded in pulling him to safety. Sergeant Smith's outstanding and gallant action in willingly risking his life to aid his helpless comrade is in accord with the finest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Dewey . Smith, (Father), 250 West 7th Street, Chester, Pennsylvania.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 ROBERT W. GEIST, (35327135), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 14 January to 18 January 1945. Sergeant Geist, Supply Sergeant for an

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(Sergeant Robert W. Geist cont'd)

Infantry Company performed numerous and hazardous tasks in an exemplary manner. With utter disregard for his personal safety, and under constant hostile artillery and sniper fire, he made daily trips to forward elements of his Company delivering vitally needed supplies and rations to the troops. Sergeant Geist's untiring efforts, courage and resourcefulness throughout this period contributed to the successful completion of his company's missions. Home Address: Mrs. Anna C. Geist, (mother), 1122 East Victoria Street, South Bend, Indiana.

Private FRED J. HRIBAR, (35306435), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia, on 25 July 1945. Private Hribar, learning there was a shortage of Litter-Bearers, volunteered his services in recovering a seriously wounded soldier who was still under enemy observation and fire. Enroute Private Hribar fearlessly led his men safely to their destination through enemy-infested areas. Returning with the stricken man, hostile machine-gun and sniper fire was encountered. By skilful maneuvering on the part of Private Hribar the party succeeded in reaching the Battalion Aid Station where prompt medical attention was rendered to his wounded comrade. Private Hribar's altruistic and heroic act was undoubtedly responsible for saving the life of his companion. Home Address: Mrs. Louise Marie Hribar, (mother), 1214 East 71st Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH F. JOH. ECK, (36434217), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea and Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 15 December 1944 to 14 August 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Catherine M. Johnick, (wife), 2130 South Jefferson Street, Peoria, Illinois.

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Captain LEONARD M. KLEIN, (2158237), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hot Corners, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 7 May to 12 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Helen L. Klein, (mother), 145 Townsend Street, Roxburg, Massachusetts.

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I. AWARDS OF 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 enlisted men:

Private First Class GEORGE L. BAGLEY, (35341141), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bolac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth F. Bagley, (mother), RFD #1, Green Springs, Ohio.

Private First Class JOSEPH C. CHELL, (32631105), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at New Boso Boso, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Sam Chell, (father), 423 79th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Private WILLIE W. CHILDRESS, (34635332), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy on Hill #385, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Veron W. Childress, (father), RFD #2, Como, Mississippi.

Private GEORGE A. DABAKEY, (36986373), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bolac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen M. Dabakey, (wife), 1119 Alexander, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Private First Class FLORIAN A. HYREK, (32669702), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bolac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Celia Hyrek, (mother), 54 Moselle Street, Buffalo, New York.

Private First Class HERBERT S. KINDSFATER, (39617166), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bolac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Andrew Kindsfater, (father), Box #1161, Laurel, Montana.

Private First Class WILLIAM F. McINARNAY, (34788186), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bolac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Dan McInarnay, (father), Route #7, Box #724, Jacksonville, Florida.

Private First Class JOSEPH J. ONDREJKA, (35306227), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bolac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Ondrejka, (mother), 5110 Hamm Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

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Private First Class FRED C. RUTLEDGE, (36400948), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bolac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Myra Rutledge, (mother), 414 Highland Avenue, South East, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Private LOUIS A. SMITH, (35243627), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Kay Ban Ban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marguerite T. Smith, (wife), Chilli, Indiana.

II. AWARDS OF PURPLE HEART OAK-LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Major AARON LEVY, (O-349442), Medical Corps, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #43, 20 December 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:

Major AARON LEVY, (O-349442), Medical Corps, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Laura Levy, (wife), 444 Central Park, West, New York, New York.

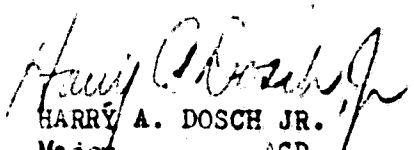
By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class ALDO P. PISCIA, (36433937), Infantry, by Headquarters Island Command, as published in General Orders #120, 9 October 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended. The citation is as follows:

Private First Class ALDO P. PISCIA, (36433937), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Assunta Piscia, (mother), 221 East First Street, Ogleby, Illinois.

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL--OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star Medal awarded to Major WILLARD R. BURNS, (01291069), (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, by this Headquarters as published in section II, General Orders #602, 19 August 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, "D", 1918). The citation is as follows:

Major WILLARD R. BURNS, (01291069), (then Captain), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mount Camazuran, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 March 1945. Captain Burns' company was in the process of re-organization after having secured its objective, when several enemy machine guns and mortars opened fire on his new position. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, Captain Burns without regard for his own life, moved forward through the withering fire and crawled to an exposed position in order to direct artillery and mortar fire against the hostile positions. This timely action forced the enemy to withdraw, leaving behind seven abandoned machine guns and seventy enemy dead. Captain Burns' initiative, quick thinking and rare courage reflect great credit to himself and to the Military Service. Home address: Mrs. Emma E. Burns (mother), 125 Elmdale Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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:

Private First Class EDGAR L. KAISER, (20516667), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Santa Cruz, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 6 April 1945 to 8 April 1945. Throughout this period, Private Kaiser's Battery supported an Infantry Assault Company which was constantly attacking the enemy positions. As a member of an Artillery Observation Party, Private Kaiser advanced with the forward elements of the rifle Company in order to more accurately obtain firing data for his Battery. When a fierce enemy counter-attack threatened to penetrate our defenses, Private Kaiser and his companions defended a sector by engaging in a fire-fight, causing heavy casualties among the Japanese. At another time when Private Kaiser and his companions were cut off by the attacking force, in order to protect their vital radio they engaged the enemy and held them off until re-enforcements arrived. The remarkable courage and intelligence which Private Kaiser devoted to securing accurate firing data for his Battery merit the highest praise from the men who fought beside him. Home address: Mr. Edgar L. Kaiser (father), RFD #1, Dover, Ohio.

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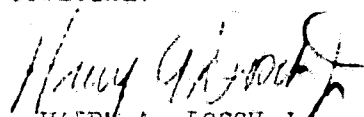
Corporal JOHN W. ROUND, (35305452), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 2 February 1945 to 6 February 1945. Throughout this period, Corporal Round drove several trips daily over a road, which was under very heavy and accurate enemy artillery fire, in order to transport vitally needed supplies of ammunition and rations to the front line troops. In spite of the danger from a road pitted with shellholes and from enemy raiding parties, which attacked lone vehicles, Corporal Round made many trips at night without lights, when supplies could not otherwise be carried to the combat areas. By his coolness under fire and his tireless devotion to duty, Corporal Round has won the respect and admiration of those with whom he worked. Home address: Mrs. Liza Round (mother), 54 Pleasant Avenue, Niles, Ohio.

III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL--OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant OLIVER J. CESA, (33270691), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #603, dated 19 August 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:

Staff Sergeant OLIVER J. CESA, (33270691), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14-15 May 1945. Sergeant Cesa, in command of a group of ten men, was engaged in defending a sector, greater than one hundred yards, of his Company's perimeter. Throughout the night, the perimeter was attacked repeatedly by an enemy force using heavy mortars, machine guns, grenades and small-arms fire. During each attack, Sergeant Cesa rallied his men by words of encouragement, and by his superior leadership succeeded in repulsing the enemy attacks killing seven of the enemy. Sergeant Cesa's superior leadership, outstanding courage, and exemplary performance of duty reflect great credit to himself and to the Military Service. Home address: Mr. Joseph O. Cesa (father), Box 52, Kersoy, Pennsylvania.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL INF.

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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, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant BINFORD B. GRIFFIN, (6925571), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Igo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 May 1945. Sergeant Griffin was ordered by his Company Commander to undertake the hazardous mission of relieving a squad which had suffered many casualties because of direct fire from Japanese installations. In spite of the fearful enemy machine-gun fire, Sergeant Griffin led his party by crawling to the location of the wounded men. While others of his party were evacuating their wounded comrades, Sergeant Griffin exposed himself to enemy fire in order to observe the enemy for possible counter-attacks. Having remained on guard until all the injured were evacuated, Sergeant Griffin withdrew safely under the enemy fire. Sergeant Griffin's courageous action undoubtedly saved the lives of several of his wounded companions. Home address: Mr. Judge G. Griffin (father) Box 73, Monroe, North Carolina.

Technician Fifth Grade BERTRAM P. MILES, (37185683), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Finis Miles (father), Bevier, Missouri.

Sergeant EDWARD A. PEASE, (59232298), 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 1945 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Miss Althea Julia Pease (sister), 659 Saint John Avenue, Pasadena, California.

Technician Fifth Grade FRED C. SABETTO, (35306619), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Cataguintingan, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 14 January 1945 to 16 January 1945. Corporal Sabetto established a field kitchen at a forward supply depot which was under almost continual enemy artillery and sniper fire. He located the kitchen as close to the front as possible, in spite of the danger, to expedite the transportation of hot food to the weary and hungry troops on the line. Corporal Sabetto and his companions had no protection, except their own weapons, but because of his inspiring leadership, they were able to beat off several enemy night patrols. In addition, disregarding the danger from enemy artillery and sniper fire directed at the route he must follow, Corporal Sabetto made many trips to the most forward areas, bringing hot food to the fighting men. Corporal Sabetto's selfless devotion to the welfare of the men in his unit is worthy of the highest praise and admiration. Home address: Mrs. Maddalona Sabetto (mother), 2083 Random Road, Cleveland, Ohio

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Staff Sergeant STEVE S. SENVISKY, (35380764), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 2 February 1945 to 4 February 1945. Sergeant Senvisky's Mortar Platoon was given the mission of supporting a Rifle Company which was so located that the enemy was able to approach unobserved until nearly upon the Company. During two days and nights his mortar Platoon directed continuous fire upon the enemy directly in front of our troops. This mortar shelling, with such a slight margin for error, was accomplished without injury to friendly troops because of very expert adjustment of fire. In spite of extreme fatigue, Sergeant Senvisky continued the direction of the fire during the entire time, ignoring enemy fire, and at times relieving his gunners to allow them to rest. Sergeant Senvisky's devotion to duty and expert technical skill, under trying conditions of terrain, fatigue, and danger, were a large factor in our successful defense against the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Susiana Senvisky (mother), 606 Audubon Street, Youngstown, Ohio.


Technical Sergeant JOSEPH F. WYZKOSKI, (33401728), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January 1945 to 11 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Wyzkoski (wife), 3306 Vessel Street, North Side Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant JOHN H. ZEISEL, (35403328), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area during the period 15 October 1942 to 15 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. F. H. Snyder (sister), 9 Murray, Willoughby, Ohio.

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

Private WESTLEY D. LONERGAN, (37125227), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Private Lonergan was a Radio Operator of an Artillery Liaison Party, serving with an Infantry Battalion. After marching twenty-two hours through muddy rice paddies, rain, and across swollen rivers, Private Lonergan immediately set up his radio for the adjusting of night artillery fire. In order to secure better observation and reception he moved the radio approximately one hundred yards east of the Battalion Perimeter. While thus engaged he was besieged by a reinforced Company of Japanese. Private Lonergan realizing the desperate need of artillery fire, fearlessly remained exposed to the fierce enemy fire until his radio was rendered useless by a bursting hostile mortar shell. With utter disregard for his personal safety, he proceeded to drag the radio into the perimeter and under hostile artillery and mortar fire set about repairing the radio. By morning the radio was sufficiently repaired to permit sending messages for reinforcements and artillery fire. His bravery, initiative and resourcefulness aided immeasurably in enabling friendly troops to maintain this important ground. Private Lonergan's quick thinking, initiative and rare courage reflect great credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Lonergan, (mother), 3809 South 24th Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

II. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 Fifth Grade KENNETH W. DURAND, (31020087), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the South and Southwest Pacific Area, during 30 June 1943 to 10 July 1945. Home address: Miss Carrie Bates (Aunt), Main Street, Richmond, Vermont.

Technician Fourth Grade ERNEST B. HAYLOR, (35306126), Medical Department, 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. Sergeant Haylor, in charge of a Battalion Aid Station during an assault on a hill by an Infantry Battalion, set the Aid Station in operation quickly and efficiently in spite of intense small arms and artillery fire. Disregarding the heavy fire and with no thought of

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personal safety, he courageously placed the wounded in locations providing some cover and administered plasma and first aid as needed. By his coolness under fire and his efficient instituting of necessary action, Sergeant Haylor undoubtedly saved the lives of many of his comrades. Home address: Mrs. Ernest B. Haylor, (wife), 521 East Avenue, Elyria, Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade STEVE LASAVICH, (35380765), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the South and Southwest Pacific Area, during period 30 June 1943 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Pauline Lasavich, (mother), RFD #2, Cadiz, Ohio.

Technical Sergeant VERNON F. LEBLANC, (20151411), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 1 April to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ester Huard, (grandmother), 200 Main Street, Winooski, Vermont.


Private First Class LEO PRAZER, (35380800), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the South and Southwest Pacific Area, during period 15 September 1943, to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Veronica Anna Screezzi, (sister), 1510 Stark, Avenue, Canton, Ohio.

Private First Class JAMES W. SMITH, (33190803), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bessie C. Smith, (mother), Morrisville, Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT A. WHICKER, (34504177), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the South and Southwest Pacific Area, during period 30 June 1943 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rosa C. Whicker, (mother), Route #1, Walkertown, North Carolina.

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I. AWARDS OF GENERAL STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 1 February 1944, (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, 20, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man,

Captain ANTHONY J. VIGLIELLO, (O-1292519), (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southern Philippine Area, Main Force 21 June to 21 September 1945. Home address: Mrs. Grace M. Vigliello, (wife), 70 Fifth Avenue, New York City, New York.

Private First Class THEODORE H. STIVER, (83919179), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 2 January to 21 February 1945. Private Stiver as a Scout and Observer for his battalion, distinguished himself by his superior and courageous performance of duty throughout this period. He volunteered to go forward into dangerous territory to carry wounded and sheltered areas for medical treatment. On these carrying parties, he was constantly subjected to hostile small-arms and heavy artillery fire, but by his courageous and aggressive spirit succeeded in evacuating many wounded comrades. His activities took him into the heaviest fighting and most hazardous areas. On 21 January Private Stiver made a vital breakthrough through enemy lines to secure information concerning Japanese dispositions. Without covering friendly fire or other prohibition, and with total disregard for his own safety, he investigated enemy occupied huts and buildings to secure numerous papers and documents which proved to be of extreme importance in subsequent operations. Private Stiver's rare courage, reliability, and keen devotion sets him aside as an excellent and well-trained soldier. Home Address: Mrs. Rose Stiver, (mother), 331 East Fourth Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania.

II. AWARDS OF GENERAL STAR MEDAL-ONE-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain ANTHONY J. VIGLIELLO, (O-1292519), Infantry, by this headquarters, as published in General Orders #611, dated 21 August 1945, the Bronze One-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 1 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, 20, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain ANTHONY J. VIGLIELLO, (O-1292519), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 January 1945. Captain Vigliello as Headquarters Company Scout and Infantry lieutenant. Throughout the last 24 hours, the enemy conducted a series of attacks on the concentration camp. Just before dark, the Japanese, using mortars and machine guns, reached in force a point within the defenders to

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withdraw to the comparative safety of the Command Post perimeter. In leaving the supply point, an American heavy machine gun and a large supply of belted ammunition in operational condition, were abandoned. Captain Guglielmo, quickly realized that its employment by the enemy would render his position untenable and jeopardize the entire Command Post. Accompanied by another officer, he left the perimeter and, under heavy hostile machine-gun and mortar fire, fearlessly crawled across the open terrain and retrieved the abandoned weapon. The machine gun was immediately set up on the perimeter and was effectively employed against the enemy, repelling the fanatical attack. Captain Guglielmo's superb leadership, rare courage, and admirable action are in accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Grace B. Guglielmo, (wife), 20 Fifth Avenue, New York City, New York.

By Special Order of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technical Sergeant LANCEST B. HAYLER, (35206126), Medical Department, United States Army, as published in General Orders #610, dated 21 August 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 43rd Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944 (Act. II, Bulletin 3, AD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technician Fourth Grade LANCEST B. HAYLER, (35206126), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 January 1945. Sergeant Hayler was a member of a Battalion Aid Station when an urgent call arrived to evacuate several seriously wounded men in the front lines. As there was a shortage of litter personnel, Sergeant Hayler unhesitatingly volunteered his services. Reaching the forward positions in the face of heavy enemy machine-gun and mortar fire, Sergeant Hayler with the aid of a companion proceeded to help the wounded men to comparatively safe positions. Even still under the heavy hostile fire, he assisted in carrying the stricken men to the Aid Station where our only needed medical attention was rendered. Sergeant Hayler's heroic and unselfish act of gallantry is immeasurable in saving the lives of his fellow soldiers. Home Address: Mrs. Margaret Hayler, (mother), 444 Adams Street, Alvina, Ohio.

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I. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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:

Second Lieutenant WERTHOOD D. ABBOTT, (02026854), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 May 1945. Lieutenant Abbott was ordered to deploy his Platoon in defensive positions to protect his company's right flank. While occupying its position on a hill, the Platoon was subjected to fierce and concentrated enemy artillery fire, forcing our men to dig in on the reverse slope. During the night the Japanese attacked the Platoon with mortar fire, hand grenades and satchel charges. Inspired by Lieutenant Abbott's superb leadership, the men were able to resist the savage attack until their only automatic rifle ceased to operate and their supply of hand grenades was exhausted. Lieutenant Abbott ordered his men to withdraw to an adjacent Platoon. During the withdrawal, he delivered single-handedly, devastating protective fire upon the enemy forces until his men were safely evacuated. While he was holding off the foe, Lieutenant Abbott received a painful throat injury from an enemy mortar shell burst. By coolness under fire and courageous leadership in effecting a night withdrawal, Lieutenant Abbott undoubtedly saved the lives of many of his men. Home address: Mrs. Pessie W. Abbott (mother) RFD #2, Box #112, Claremont, New Hampshire.

Staff Sergeant CLEMENTS V. MURRAY, (38139421) Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 April 1945. A patrol, of which Sergeant Murray was a member, was pinned down by enemy machine-gun fire and one man was seriously wounded. They were unable to evacuate him because of the severity of the Japanese fire. In spite of grave danger to his life, Sergeant Murray led a portion of the patrol to an exposed position from which fire could be effectively delivered upon the enemy. With accurate fire from two automatic rifles, Sergeant Murray's men forced the enemy to withdraw. By his alertness and fearless response to the situation, Sergeant Murray was undoubtedly responsible for saving the life of a comrade and for his unit's successful accomplishment of its mission. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Murray (mother), RFD #2, Uby, Michigan.

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Technician Fifth Grade ROY A. BASTIAN, (12098299), 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 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edna Bastian (mother), Lyons, New York.

Private First Class AUGUST G. GAINVORS, (33019384), 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 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose Gainvors (mother), 1437 Fourth Avenue, Juniata, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant ALGERNON J. MOHR, (37090449), 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 1 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hilda N. Mohr (mother), 2520 Twelfth Avenue, South Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Private First Class THEODORE F. OLSZEWSKI, (35306372), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Agat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 2-4 February 1945. Private Olszewski displayed outstanding qualities of courage and devotion to duty under most trying conditions, throughout the two day period, when his Mortar Platoon was constantly firing in support of a Rifle Company. During this time the Rifle Company was subjected to frequent, fierce enemy attacks. In spite of torrential rain storms and Japanese counter fire, Private Olszewski kept operating his mortar to maintain continuous, close fire support for the rifleman. Private Olszewski's selfless heroism and unwavering devotion to duty greatly aided in repulsing the fanatical enemy attacks. Home address: Mrs. Bertha Olszewski, (mother), 13701 Milan Avenue, East Cleveland, Ohio.

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

Staff Sergeant STANLEY S. DAY, (20150797), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt. Esoboso, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 1 April 1945. During the night, the Japanese launched a fierce counter-attack in force against the Rifle Company of which Sergeant Day was a member. As the attack increased in fury several of our soldiers were forced to withdraw, leaving a gap which afforded the enemy an opportunity of penetrating the defense perimeter. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, Sergeant Day with utter disregard for his life left the comparative safety of his foxhole, and although exposed to both friendly and hostile fire advanced to the crest of the hill and courageously held off the enemy with hand grenades and rifle fire. This gallant act allowed elements of his Company sufficient time to reorganize a counter-attack, which succeeded in repulsing the fanatical Japanese attack. The indomitable courage and extreme fortitude exhibited by Sergeant Day reflect great credit to himself and to the military service. Next of Kin: Mrs. Carrie E. Day, (mother), Etna, New Hampshire.

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

Private First Class VICTORIO O. PAREDES, (4340), Infantry, Philippine Guerrilla Forces. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 May 1945. Private Paredes distinguished himself by a demonstration of peerless courage, and exemplary devotion to duty throughout the Ipo Dam Campaign. On 18 May Private Paredes was confronted suddenly by three armed Japanese soldiers. Without thought of cover or retreat, Private Paredes charged the enemy group, firing his rifle so effectively that he killed them all and escaped without injury to himself. By unswerving devotion to duty and inspiring courage in the face of the enemy Private Paredes aided, materially, the combat success of his unit. Home address: Mrs. Epifania Paredes de Escobar, (sister), Bobon, Samar, Philippine Islands.

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III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL-POSTHUMOUS. 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 posthumously awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant STANLEY S. DAY, (20150797), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 May 1945. At this time, Sergeant Day, while leading a combat patrol, displayed rare courage and exceptional bravery in the face of enemy rifle fire. Before the patrol reached its objective, four armed Japanese soldiers, who were concealed in a bamboo thicket, fired upon the patrol. Without thought of cover or concealment, Sergeant Day, fearlessly charged the enemy position in order to locate and destroy the ambushing Japanese. While he was running toward the hostile installation, a bullet from a Japanese rifle hit and killed Sergeant Day. The outstanding bravery of this act which was so characteristic of Sergeant Day's military service, permitted his platoon to recover from the surprise and to successfully wipe out the ambush. Home address: Mrs. Carrie E. Day, (mother), Etna, New Hampshire.

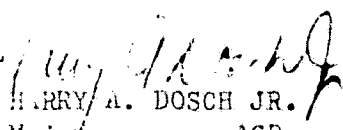
IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944, (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry, Division, to the following named officer:

First Lieutenant BERNARD ZIMMER, (O-1168991), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Arundel, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 16 September 1943. At 0420 on this date, an enemy bomb exploded in the ammunition dump of the Field Artillery Battalion, setting fire to a quantity of powder. Lieutenant Zimmer, then Battalion Ammunition Officer, at great personal risk and with complete disregard for his own safety, dashed among the burning powder stacks with a fire extinguisher in an attempt to prevent the flames from reaching the high-explosive shells stored in the immediate vicinity. He had to be twice ordered from the dump before he withdrew to safety. Lieutenant Zimmer's courageous act was the means of saving not only the lives of the personnel on duty near the dump, but also several vehicles parked nearby as well as the shells. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice Sheridan, (sister), 1950 Andrews Avenue, New York City, New York.

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

Staff Sergeant EARSEL CHRISTIAN, (6984588), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 April 1945. Sergeant Christian volunteered to lead a combat team with the mission of destroying several heavy Japanese machine guns, which were dug into caves and were inflicting many casualties on Battalion Supply Parties. Reaching the foot of the hill on which the enemy was located, Sergeant Christian deployed his men to provide covering fire while he crawled toward the caves. At the first cave he surprised the occupants and killed them. Then he shot and killed a machine gun operator who had started firing on the members of his squad from another cave. With two companions Sergeant Christian approached the next cave. The explosion of two hand grenades thrown from the hostile emplacement, wounded one of his companions. Sergeant Christian fearlessly exposed himself and drove the foe to cover with accurate rifle fire while his wounded companion was evacuated. Collecting another approach, he crawled to this cave and killed nine Japanese with hand grenades. Sergeant Christian then directed the successful demolition of the rest of the caves on the hill. By this gallant action in the face of determined enemy resistance, Sergeant Christian a serious threat to our supply route. Home address: Mrs. Maggie C. (mother), Morehead, Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant WELTON B. WOODARD, (20812214), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. On that day Sergeant Woodard's Platoon was leading an attack on enemy emplacements, when a well-concealed Japanese force placed surprise flanking fire upon the Platoon sector, inflicting several casualties. Among the casualties was Sergeant Woodard, who was seriously wounded in his ankle and thigh by an exploding grenade. In spite of his serious injuries and a devastating enemy fire, Sergeant Woodard, seizing an automatic rifle from a wounded comrade, fired at the hostile positions so effectively that the enemy was forced to withdraw, leaving two dead and several wounded. Gallantly Sergeant Woodard continued on his Company's mission until ordered to submit to medical treatment. Home address: Benjamin B. Woodard, (father), RFD #3, Quitman, Texas.

II. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944, (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, ED, 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 First Class PHILIP R. CAMPBELL, (31282148), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the South and Southwest Pacific Area, during period 30 June 1943 to 10 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Barbara Campbell, (wife), 4B Chaplain Street, Long Creek Twice, South Portland, Maine.


Private ROBERT O. GODERSKY, (36224358), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 March 1945. On that day, Private Godersky was sent as one of a detail of guards to accompany a party of Filipinos, carrying food and water to the front lines. Enroute the Party Leader was warned that a friendly Patrol had been ambushed and one man killed by Japanese concealed in a densely-wooded gulch. In spite of the danger Private Godersky and his companions pressed forward. At the point of the ambush Private Godersky discovered that the man, thought to be dead, was only badly wounded and was calling for help. Noticing an enemy soldier crawling toward the injured man, he killed the foe with well aimed rifle fire. While his comrades returned enemy small arms fire which had developed, Private Godersky crawled to the wounded man, applied first aid, and assisted him to a place of safety. For his unselfish devotion to the welfare of an injured comrade, as exemplified in this action under fire, Private Godersky is worthy of high praise and admiration. Home address: Mrs. Marie Godersky, (mother), 1211 Summit Avenue, Waukesha, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade MERLE R. MOORE, (37254907), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Everett E. Moore, (father), 319 North Poplar, Wellington, Kansas..

Private First Class DONALD C. RYAN, (36199131), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 7 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edna E. Ryan, (mother), 1344 Maplewood Avenue, North West, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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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, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant EDWIN A. ANDERSON, (12031074), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Sugar Loaf, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 March 1945. The Platoon, of which Sergeant Anderson was a member, was given the mission of destroying an enemy pill box impeding the advance of his Battalion. The Platoon's position on a finger of a ridge overlooked the hostile emplacements, but further advance was impossible because of heavy fire from Japanese machine guns. Rifle grenades were brought into use and it was then that Sergeant Anderson displayed great determination and courage by standing erect in a position exposed to enemy rifle and machine-gun fire in an effort to place his shots well. He tried time and again to shoot his grenades into the pill box, all the while making an excellent target for Japanese fire. When enemy machine guns opened up on the Platoon's right flank, an order was given to withdraw. Sergeant Anderson continued his valiant efforts, withdrawing only after being ordered to do so the second time. The determined bravery and aggressive courage with which Sergeant Anderson met the enemy situation won for him the respect and admiration of the men with whom he served. Home address: Mrs. Jennie Anderson (mother) 62 Mineral Spring Road, Buffalo, New York.

Technician Fourth Grade MAX D. COFFEY, (37202490), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 January 1945. Sergeant Coffey, disregarding his personal safety, refused to leave his duties as Battalion Computer, even though his position was directly exposed to shrapnel from enemy artillery, which several times narrowly missed him. Realizing that the Battalion might be called upon at any time to deliver fire, Sergeant Coffey elected to continue performing his duties rather than take cover in a foxhole. In addition, Sergeant Coffey has been largely responsible for the speedy and accurate delivery of artillery fire on enemy forces. By notable courage and devotion to duty under dangerous situations, Sergeant Coffey has been worthy of the highest traditions of the Military Service. Home address: Mrs. Vlasta Coffey (mother) 418 West 17th Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

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Technician Fifth Grade FLOYD MIZE, (38205158), 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 12 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cora Mizo (mother) 217 Cooper Avenue, Nederland, Texas.

Private First Class ALDO P. PISCIA, (36433937), 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 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Assunta Piscia (mother) 221 East 1st Street, O'Leary, Illinois.

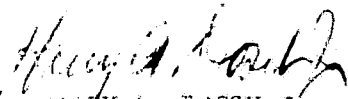
Captain ERNEST L. SAUL, (01170177), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9 January to 11 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Frances Saul (mother), Box 925, Elmwood, Kansas

Private First Class FRANCIS H. STALEY, (35384823), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pinugay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 March 1945. While on a mission of eliminating scattered pockets of enemy resistance, several guerrillas accompanying Private Staley's Platoon were wounded by a devastating explosion from an enemy-held cave. Private Staley, with the aid of his companions, immediately began the difficult task of evacuating the injured Filipinos. Over hazardous terrain and under both hostile and friendly fire, Private Staley worked all afternoon and late into the night carrying the wounded through enemy lines to an aid "poep" one mile distant. Private Staley's indomitable courage and altruistic actions were undoubtedly responsible for saving the lives of many of the wounded guerrillas. Home address: Mrs Della Staley (mother) Box 55, Zoarville, Ohio.

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

Staff Sergeant ROBERT G. JOHNSTON, (20306359), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Sugar Loaf Hill, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 2 March 1945. Sergeant Johnston, Squad Leader of a Rifle Platoon, was a member of a Patrol, consisting of a Platoon of his Company, which had been given the mission of establishing a possible route to the Company's objective. When the Patrol encountered an enemy strong point, well-dug-in and expertly camouflaged, Sergeant Johnston and his squad attempted to flank the position. In the face of overwhelming odds, he succeeded in pinning down the enemy long enough to allow the patrol to withdraw. Seven of the Japanese were killed in this encounter. While covering this withdrawal, Sergeant Johnston was mortally wounded by enemy sniper fire. His courageous determination to protect the members of his patrol, even at the cost of his life, and his devotion above and beyond the call of duty are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Marilyn L. Johnston, (wife), Fountain Green, Illinois.

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

Private First Class THOMAS L. HART, (36986138), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Big 1, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 April 1945. On that day Private Hart's Company was subjected to a heavy barrage of large caliber enemy artillery. Because of the intense shelling the Company received, permission to withdraw. In spite of the devastating hail of shrapnel, Private Hart refused to abandon his machine gun but instead securing the heavy tripod and cradle, struggled bravely through the shell torn terrain and flying shrapnel to a place of safety. Subjecting himself again to the terrors of the enemy barrage, Private Hart returned to the former position of the gun and secured the ammunition and equipment necessary to put his gun in action. Because of Private Hart's courage and unselfish devotion to duty, his Section was able to continue its mission of supporting the forward elements of his Company. Home address Mrs. Geraldine M. Hart, (wife), Box #242, White Hall, Illinois.

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III. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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, CLIFTON M. BAUGHAN, (33123764), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area, during the period 26 December 1944 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth G. Baughan, (mother), Keysville, Virginia.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM GROCCO, (39920330), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operation against the enemy in the vicinity of Sugar Loaf Hill, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 2 March 1945. On that day, Sergeant Crocco was leading a Patrol which had the mission of establishing a route from his Company's perimeter to Sugar Loaf Hill. Sergeant Crocco displayed his superior qualities as a leader and his ability to make correct decisions under adverse conditions, when the enemy placed concentrated machine-gun fire upon the Patrol. With his Patrol pinned down in an exposed position by enemy automatic weapons, Sergeant Crocco collected white phosphorous grenades from the men near him and crawled to an advance position. Using the grenades to form a smoke screen from that point he enabled his Patrol to withdraw to the protection of a slight ridge. The action of Sergeant Crocco in unhesitatingly exposing himself to protect his companions in arms is worthy of high praise and respect. Home address: Mr. John Crocco, (father), Kenilworth, Utah.

Chief Warrant Officer EDWARD J. KOSINSKI, (W-2116199), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Arundel Island, New Georgia Group, Solomon Islands during period 15 September to 25 September 1943. Home address: Mrs. Julia Kosinski, (mother), 134 Birch Street, Manchester, Connecticut

Technician Fifth Grade MARVIN W. WIERENGA, (36199144), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the South and Southwest Pacific Area, during period 1 October 1942 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Wierenga, (mother), 114 North 5th Street, Grand Haven, Michigan.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918, (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918) a Silver Star medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43rd Infantry Division, to the following named officer.

Brigadier General JOSEPH P. CLELAND, (O-16239), (then Colonel), United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 April 1945. General Cleland, Commander of a Regimental Combat Team, held a bridge-head for over two hours for the advance of his troops toward his regimental objective. General Cleland, in company with 9 others, knew that the bridge-head was held by the enemy at the far side of his Regiment's route, advanced, routed the enemy, and then held the bridge-head until his own troops could be rushed forward. During this time the enemy launched a counterattack, and General Cleland killed one Japanese with his revolver while directing the fire and the positions of his own small force in a superior manner. The bridge-head was secured and was saved for our troops by his courageous personal action and superior leadership. General Cleland's gallant actions undoubtedly saved the lives of many of his men and were an inspiration to all who witnessed his deed. Home address: Mrs. Florence L. Cleland, (wife), 185 Columbia Road, Northwest, Washington, D.C.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: 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 5th Grade GEORGE W. ATKINS, (34496124), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Ipo Dam area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 1 April to 31 April 1945. While his Company was engaged with the enemy, Corporal Atkins, a truck driver, was advised by his Battalion Commander that it was too dangerous to continue bring in hot meals to the front line troops. Upon learning that the mess Sergeant was still willing to go forward with the mess, Corporal Atkins immediately volunteered to drive one of the trucks to bring in the food. The route was narrow, twisting, and flanked by hills which could easily have hidden an enemy ambush. Undaunted although he was repeatedly, he bravely volunteered again and again to drive his vehicle to the front. This act of devotion to duty on the part of Corporal Atkins was to a large extent responsible for maintaining the morale of his Company at a high peak. Home address: Mrs. Evangeline A. Atkins, (wife), 311 Walla Walla, Nashville, Tennessee.

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Staff Sergeant Edwin N. DAVIS, (39563395), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Ipo Zam area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 4 April to 21 April 1945. While his company was engaged with the enemy, Sergeant Davis, a mess sergeant, was advised by his Battalion Commander that it was too dangerous to continue bringing hot meals to the front line troops. Sergeant Davis, acting on his own initiative, secured the voluntary aid of the Company drivers and each day, brought the regular meals to the troops in the forward positions. The route taken was narrow, twisting, and flanked by hills which could easily have hidden an enemy ambush. Undaunted, although sniped at repeatedly, he bravely volunteered a aim and again to bring food to the front. This act of devotion to duty on the part of Sergeant Davis was to a large extent responsible for maintaining the morale of his Company at a high peak. Home address: Mrs. Etta M. Davis, (mother), 2300 Silver Street, Los Angeles, California

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN M. DOMANSKI, (12081702), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 27 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Veronica Domanski, (mother), 24 Latour Street, Buffalo, New York.

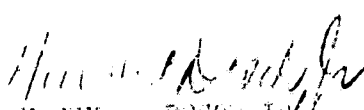
Private First Class EDWIN P. GASIOROWSKI, (33379088), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 15 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Frank Gasiorowski, (father), 1617 Lancaster Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

Private First Class GARLAND E. GROSS, (53529361), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 15 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Leticia Gross, (mother), Box 104, Lott, Texas.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL - POSTHUMOUS. 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:

Sergeant THOMAS R. JOHNSON, (38479496), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 May 1945. At a position south of Ipo Dam, Sergeant Johnson displayed exemplary courage and devotion to duty in the face of heavy concentration of enemy machine-gun fire. Sergeant Johnson was Squad Leader with the mission of cleaning out a heavily fortified Japanese position. He was to lead his Squad to the enemy left flank, while another Squad of his Platoon would close in from the left rear of the enemy machine guns. Sergeant Johnson knew there were three Japanese machine guns in front of him. With coolness and utter disregard for his own life and safety, he alone advanced toward the enemy position through heavy bamboo and underbrush. Unhesitatingly he pressed forward into the enemy rifle and machine-gun fire. He was able to kill one Japanese, before another, who was well concealed, mortally wounded him. He died almost instantly. This act of heroism and bravery is characteristic of Sergeant Johnson's unflinching concern for the safety of his comrades while disregarding his own. Next of kin: Mrs. Blanche Johnson (mother) 1117 Vernon Street, Texarkana, Texas.

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

Private First Class FRANK L. QUINN, (38509178), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 April 1945. On that day Private Quinn's Company was subjected to a heavy barrage of large caliber enemy artillery. Because of the intense shelling, the Company received permission to withdraw. In spite of the devastating hail of shrapnel, Private Quinn refused to abandon his machine gun but instead, securing the heavy weapon, struggled bravely through the shell-torn terrain and flying shrapnel to a

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place of safety. Subjecting himself again to the terrors of the enemy barrage, Private Quinn returned to the former position of the gun and secured the ammunition and equipment necessary to put his gun in action. Because of Private Quinn's courage and unselfish devotion to duty, his Section was able to continue its mission of supporting the forward elements of his Company. Home address: Mrs. Thay Quinn (mother) Apartment #37, Silver City Courts, Little Rock, Arkansas.

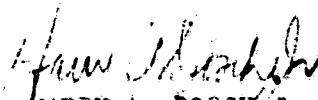
III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9429, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, V.L., 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class WILLIAM P. SPEARMAN, (57397002), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Cason, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Private Spearman and three companions occupied a sector of a road-block near the town of Sison. A superior enemy force launched a fanatical assault which succeeded in penetrating our lines. Isolated and surrounded by frenzied Japanese, Private Spearman and his comrades bravely smashed their way to a large culvert through which the foe was trying to penetrate our perimeter. Skillfully using fragmentation grenades and point-blank carbine fire, Private Spearman repulsed many desperate attacks. Later a grenade, thrown by the enemy, seriously wounded Private Spearman. By his intelligent and aggressive use of his weapons against the hostile charges, Private Spearman undoubtedly saved the lives of many of his fellow soldiers and greatly aided the successful defense of his perimeter. Home address: Mrs. Mary A. Spearman (mother) 3241 McGeo Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

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I. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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 EMIL G. SCHARNOWSKE, (35942133), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 April 1945. On that day Private Scharnowske's Company was subjected to a heavy barrage of large caliber enemy artillery. Because of the intense shelling the Company received permission to withdraw. In spite of the devastating hail of shrapnel, Private Scharnowske refused to abandon his machine gun but instead, securing the heavy tripod and cradle, struggled bravely through the shell-torn terrain and flying shrapnel to a place of safety. Subjecting himself again to the terror of the enemy barrage, Private Scharnowske returned to the former position of the gun and secured the ammunition and equipment necessary to put his gun in action. Because of Private Scharnowske's courage and unselfish devotion to duty, his section was able to continue its mission of supporting the forward elements of his Company. Home address: Mrs. Virginia R. Scharnowske, (wife), 306 Birch Street, Anderson, Indiana.

Sergeant ALVIN A. TOWERS, (37195226), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 March 1945. Sergeant Towers, an assistant squad leader, and another man volunteered to go to the aid of a wounded comrade, who lay in an exposed position. As they crossed the open terrain, they were subjected to heavy machine-gun and rifle fire by the enemy, but despite this heavy flow of fire, they continued to the wounded man. As they were removing him to a covered position, Sergeant Towers was struck in the chest and was severely wounded. Unable to travel any further, Sergeant Towers ordered his comrade to continue to a covered position with their injured comrade. Realizing the danger that other men would risk if they tried to aid him, Sergeant Towers would not call for help but instead crawled into a place of cover. The courage and self-sacrifice displayed by Sergeant Towers in this action, reflects the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Walter J. Towers, (father), 2019 3rd Avenue, Fort Dodge, Iowa.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 JULIO S. ACOSTA, (35122973), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 January 1945. On

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that day Private Acosta was charged with preparation of ammunition for an M-7 tank, which was leading the attack on the Company's objective. In spite of very rough terrain and enemy small-arms fire, which made it difficult to perform his task, Private Acosta persisted in preparing ammunition for use in the tank guns. At the appointed time his crew was well supplied with shells with which to lay down a swift and accurate concentration on the enemy prior to the assault by the foot troops. After shelling the enemy, the tank was hit by a hostile shell which set fire to its ammunition and caused several casualties. Private Acosta, bravely exposing himself to fierce Japanese concentrations, proceeded to lay down protective rifle fire while his wounded comrades were removed to a place of safety. Home Address: Mrs. Maria L. Acosta, (wife), Box 1418, Fort Stockton, Texas.

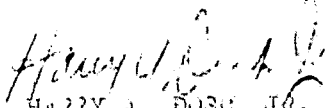
Sergeant ERNEST G. INGISON, (36457426), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 April 1945. Sergeant Ingison, who was the First Scout on a patrol, saw one Japanese officer and three men on a small island, in the creek bed south of San Jose. The foe took cover amid the large boulders which dotted the island before Sergeant Ingison and a comrade could fire upon them. To remove the danger of injury to the rest of the men in the patrol, Sergeant Ingison and his comrade, on their own initiative and with complete disregard for their personal safety, rushed the enemy and killed them with rifle and pistol fire. This act of aggressiveness and bravery undoubtedly saved the lives of several men of the Patrol and permitted the group to continue on its mission without loss of personnel and much needed time. Home address: Mrs. Alta Ingison, (mother), Route 1, Box 47, Jefferson, Marquette, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant ANDREW A. MOLYN, (20134632), Ordnance, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at San Jacinto, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 13 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Myra Berkowitz, (cousin), 57 Howard Street, New Britain, Connecticut.

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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, 43rd Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

First Lieutenant JACK G. HORNE, (O-1109628), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 May 1945. The Infantry Battalion, to which Lieutenant Horne was attached, was given the mission of capturing the Palisades, an imposing rock formation over one-hundred feet high. The enemy held excellently fortified positions in that area, offering unlimited observation of all routes of approach and protected by cleverly concealed anti-tank devices and mines. A bulldozer tank, leading the attack, was destroyed at the first obstacle by an exploding land mine. Realizing that the assault would fail without a tractor to clear the way Lieutenant Horne, after climbing on his D-7 bulldozer, proceeded to push over the obstacles impeding the advance. During this action Lieutenant Horne, lacking armored protection, became the object of concentrated Japanese automatic-weapon fire. Fully cognizant of the risk involved, Lieutenant Horne continued leading the attack until the enemy's powerful fortifications were successfully reduced. The exceptional gallantry and aggressiveness, exemplified by Lieutenant Horne in this action, reflects great glory on himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Thomas W. Horne, (father), San Jon, New Mexico.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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, 43rd Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Technician Fourth Grade RAY L. BLACK, (39014538), (then Private First Class), 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 15 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Josephine D. Black, (mother), Des Moines, New Mexico.

Corporal PAUL CHESKEY, (36508737), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 9 January to 6 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose Cheskey, (mother), 5294 Conner Avenue, Detroit, 13, Michigan.

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Technician Fourth Grade MARTIN L. COHEN, (13079096), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 22 February to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Selma Cohen, (wife), 1818 Widener Place, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Captain WOLFE J. FULLAN, JR., (O-1533059), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 20 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alice M. Fullan, (wife), 27 Balmain Road, Birkenhead, North 1, Auckland, New Zealand.

Private First Class EARL C. GLASSCOCK, (33-57925), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Glasscock, (mother), 1207 Belmont Street, Joliet, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant WELLS E. SCHILLINGER, (39006534), (then Technician Fourth Grade), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 13 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Schillinger, (mother), Vida, Montana.

III. AIRD OR ACFT. STAR MEDAL- OAK-LEAF CLUSTER, by direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain MATTHEW J. GUGLIEMMO, (O-1292515), Infantry, by the Adjutant General 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #611, 21 January 1945, this Headquarters, a second 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 MATTHEW J. GUGLIEMMO, (O-1292515), 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 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Grace B. Guglielmo, (wife), 40 Fifth Avenue, New York City, New York.

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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 ROBERT P. MILLER, (36986328), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 April 1945. On that day, Private Miller's Company was subjected to a heavy barrage of large caliber enemy artillery. Because of the intense shelling, the Company received permission to withdraw. In spite of the devastating hail of shrapnel, Private Miller refused to abandon his machine gun but instead, securing the heavy weapon, struggled bravely through the shell-torn terrain and flying shrapnel to a place of safety. Subjecting himself again to the terrors of the enemy barrage, Private Miller returned to the former position of the gun and secured the ammunition and equipment necessary to put his gun in action. Because of Private Miller's courage and unselfish devotion to duty, his Section was able to continue its mission of supporting the forward elements of his Company. Home address: Mrs. Sarah E. Miller (wife) 109 Saratoga Street, Peoria, Illinois.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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:

Corporal JAMES B. BEMISS, (57240451), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. On that day, Corporal Bemiss' position was attacked by a superior enemy force which succeeded in penetrating the Company perimeter. Although his position was isolated and surrounded by the enemy, Corporal Bemiss fought with great fury to prevent the enemy from exploiting their penetration. The following morning, without regard for his own personal safety, he exposed himself to heavy artillery and mortar fire to assist in evacuating casualties. While so doing he was severely wounded by a shell fragment. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Corporal Bemiss in the face of great odds, reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Winifred Bemiss (wife) 1229 School Street, Augusta, Kansas.

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Technical Sergeant LLOYD W. DODSON, (38530913), Infantry United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 April 1945. While patrolling along a creek bed, Sergeant Dodson, the second scout, saw one Japanese officer and three enlisted men on a small island. The enemy, seeing Sergeant Dodson and a comrade approaching, immediately took cover amid the large boulders that dotted the island. To save his fellow soldiers from danger, Sergeant Dodson and his comrade, on their own initiative and with complete disregard for their personal safety, rushed the hostile group killing them with rifle fire. This act of aggressiveness and bravery undoubtedly saved the lives of several men in the Patrol. The courage, daring and combat proficiency that Sergeant Dodson and his comrade displayed are worthy of the high traditions of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Christine Dodson (mother) Route 1, Ivanhoe, Texas.

Corporal EARL K. HEISLER, (37464388), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Corporal Heisler and three companions occupied a sector of a road-block near the town of Sison. A superior enemy force launched a fanatical assault which succeeded in penetrating our lines. Isolated and surrounded by frenzied Japanese, Corporal Heisler repulsed many desperate attacks. When two of his companions were wounded, Corporal Heisler and his one remaining comrade continued to defend their position against great odds until the attacking force was destroyed. By his intelligent and aggressive use of his weapons against the hostile charges, Corporal Heisler undoubtedly saved the lives of many of his fellow soldiers and greatly aided the successful defense of his perimeter. Home address: Mr. Earl Heisler (father) 1607 Olive Street, Sioux City, Iowa.

Chief Warrant Officer RICHARD F. POTTER, (W-2116204), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the South and Southwest Pacific Area during the period 1 October 1943 to 20 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gwendolyn Potter (wife) East Woodstock, Connecticut.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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:

Sergeant WESLEY R. DAVID JR., (36801427), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 March 1945. On that day Sergeant David's Company attacked strong enemy positions and during the course of the attack several of our men fell wounded in an open area exposed to enemy fire. Among the wounded was, Sergeant David's Squad Leader. Turning his machine gun over to a companion, Sergeant David and a comrade went to the aid of their injured leader who lay in a dangerous spot thirty yards away. As they advanced across the open terrain they were subjected to heavy and accurate machine-gun fire by the enemy, but nevertheless, Sergeant David and his comrade pressed forward until they reached the wounded man. While removing the wounded man, Sergeant David was hit in the arm by enemy fire. Although painfully wounded, he continued on his mission until his stricken comrade was again shot and killed by the Japanese. Sergeant David's daring and courageous act in the face of heavy enemy fire and his disregard for his personal safety in an attempt to save the life of a wounded comrade, reflects the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Olga David, (mother), 3359A North, Green Bay Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

II. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 79419, 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 Fifth Grade WATSON E. BENNETT, (33388755), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Malasan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 January 1945. On that day, in spite of intense enemy machine-gun and mortar fire, Corporal Bennett succeeded in constructing a vital telephone line to a Company on the fighting front. Later he volunteered to drive a "peep" beyond our most forward elements to evacuate wounded personnel who were isolated by enemy fire. Corporal Bennett's devotion to duty and extraordinary bravery was undoubtedly responsible for saving the lives of many of his comrades. Home address: Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bennett, Flintstone, Maryland.

Sergeant CHARLES E. BRIMBERRY, (36621980), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. On that day, Sergeant Brimberry's Battalion, supported by one platoon of M-7 tanks, established a road block at a road junction near Sison. During the early morning hours, the position was attacked by a superior enemy force, which succeeded in penetrating the perimeter. Sergeant Brimberry, Chief of Section

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of an M-7 crew, occupied a foxhole on the sector of the perimeter that received the brunt of the enemy attack. Although his hole was isolated and surrounded by many Japanese, Sergeant Brimberry, with the aid of his section, fought on and prevented the enemy from exploiting their penetration. His actions were a great contribution in preventing his M-7 from being destroyed even though it was in the hands of the enemy for a time. Sergeant Brimberry's courage and persistence was an inspiration to his men and reflects high credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Pearl Brimberry, (mother), 503 West Franklin Street, Palestine, Illinois.

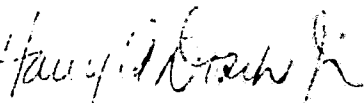
Private First Class LEE THOMAS, (34355435), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 15 January 1945 to 1 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. D. W. Hood, (sister), Vienna, Georgia.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT TURMAN, (38219522), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pantay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 March 1945. Sergeant Turman was in charge of a carrying party which was transporting rations, ammunition, and spare parts needed immediately for a machine gun reported out of action. As the party was approaching the idle gun position, it was fired upon by enemy snipers, and pinned down. Sergeant Turman, armed only with a pistol, took the machine gun barrel and started up the steep and rugged trail toward the damaged gun. Unheeding the bullets hitting all around him, he crawled nearer yard by yard until he was able to reach the inoperative weapon and immediately place it in action. Sergeant Turman was at all times calm and cool-headed. Sergeant Turman's acts of courage, bravery, and quick thinking, contributed greatly to the combat success of his Company. Home address: Mrs. Cora J. Turman, (mother), 1514 Carson Street, Dallas, Texas.

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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 Fifth Grade CHARLES J. GARRITANO, (32140474), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 January 1945. On that day Corporal Garritano displayed qualities of heroism and bravery beyond the call of duty, while subjected to enemy fire. Corporal Garritano, driver of a communication vehicle for his Battalion, braved the dangers of enemy artillery and small-arms fire to deliver vitally needed signal equipment to the Battalion which was at this time separated from all friendly units by two miles of the Japanese controlled draw. After reaching the Battalion area, Corporal Garritano was forced to remain there because of enemy activity on the route back, but at dusk, the necessity of quickly evacuating litter patients was so great that Corporal Garritano offered to drive them through to Regimental Surgeon. He made three trips without armed protection, two of the trips being made after dark under blackout conditions. The vehicle was fired upon by hostile machine guns, but all the patients were safely delivered to the rear point where they could receive treatment to save their lives. Corporal Garritano's selfless heroism and courage beyond the call of his duty during most dangerous conditions is worthy of the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Garritano, (mother), 34 Mohaw Street, Rochester, New York.

Technician Fifth Grade EMIL A. GRADHANDT, (39043866), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 January 1945. Corporal Gradhandt was a member of a Litter-Bearer Squad engaged in the difficult task of evacuating wounded men from a Battalion Aid-Station to vehicles on a road near Pozorrubio. This entire sector was under heavy enemy artillery and sniper fire. When the artillery barrage steadily increased, Corporal Gradhandt and his squad, carrying the wounded men, were forced to seek cover. Despite the difficult situation and disregarding his own safety, he fearlessly remained with the casualties and successfully assisted in evacuating them to their destination. The courage, aggressiveness and deep devotion to duty exhibited by Corporal Gradhandt were a constant inspiration to the men who were serving with him. Home address: Mrs. Valborg Gradhandt, (mother), 165 Judson Avenue, San Francisco, California

Technical Sergeant CARL J. HORVATH, (35111892), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 January 1945. Sergeant Horvath was a member of a Litter-Bearer Squad engaged in

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the difficult task of evacuating wounded men from a Battalion Aid-Station to vehicles on a road near Posorrubio. This entire sector was under heavy enemy artillery and sniper fire. When the artillery barrage steadily increased, Sergeant Horvath and his squad, carrying the wounded men, were forced to seek cover. Despite the difficult situation and disregarding his own safety, he fearlessly remained with the casualties and successfully assisted in evacuating them to their destination. The courage, aggressiveness and deep devotion to duty exhibited by Sergeant Horvath were a constant inspiration to the men who were serving with him. Home address: Mrs. Arnes Horvath, (mother), 426 South Edison Avenue, South Bend, Indiana.

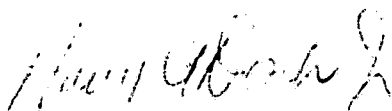
Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT F. KIBLER, (36253310), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 16 April to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Kibler, (mother), WFD A, Marshau, Wisconsin.

Corporal DOMA I. PAPPAS, (36732509), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 January 1945. On this date Corporal Pappas' battalion occupied a road block at a vital junction in an area receiving intense and accurate Japanese large caliber rifle and mortar fire. During this enemy concentration several men were severely wounded and lay exposed to further enemy fire. Without regard for his personal safety, Corporal Pappas, an Anti-Tank Gunner, left the safety of his foxhole and with the aid of another corporal and to the assistance of the seriously wounded men. While under heavy enemy fire he administered first aid and securing a litter, with the help of his companion, evacuated the wounded men to an aid station. This act on the part of Corporal Pappas was to a large extent responsible for saving the lives of the wounded men and reflects the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Violet Pappas, (mother), 2324 Clifton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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I. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, FD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class JOHN R. COLE, (35395272), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 January 1945. On that day, Private Cole was a radio operator attached to a Forward Observation Post for a Battalion at which the Japanese were directing severe artillery, mortar, and sniper fire. Since Private Cole's position was exposed to enemy observation, it was the object of the shells from one hostile gun. In the face of the devastating fire, Private Cole continued adjusting accurate artillery fire until the enemy gun was silenced. Later, when a number of the party were injured, Private Cole assisted in the evacuation. In addition, he stood guard over the radio and telephone equipment all through the night, both protecting it from the enemy and maintaining communication with the Battalion Command Post. Private Cole's skill, courage, and dependability are in keeping with the high standards of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Betty Jean Cole (wife) 46 Meado Avenue, Bellevue, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class JAY COX, (35430344), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of New Boso Boso, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 April 1945. On that day, Private Cox manned a machine gun on the forward slope of a hill northwest of New Boso Boso with the mission of stopping a developing Japanese attack on his left flank. Spotting a position from which the assault could be more effectively halted, in spite of flying shrapnel and lead from hostile mortars and machine guns, Private Cox carried his heavy weapon twenty yards over exposed terrain and hastily placed it in operation at the more favorable location. With a field of fire which fully covered the area over which the Japanese were attacking, Private Cox was able to break up the charge and inflict several casualties on the enemy. By his prompt and brave response to the battle situation, Private Cox contributed materially to the success of his unit in accomplishing its mission. Home address: Mrs. Martha B. Cox (mother) Route #2, Louisa, Kentucky.

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Private First Class ROSCOE C. MILLER, (38064955), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Munda, New Georgia, British Solomon Islands during the period 10 July to 25 August. Home address: Mrs. Clara Miller (mother) Route #1, F. M.

I. Bronze Star Medal - Oak-Leaf Cluster. By direct order of the Commanding General, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Fifth Grade JOHN R. COLE, (33395272), (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, United States Army, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in Section I, General Orders #624, this date, 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:

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN R. COLE, (33395272), 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 during the period 7-11 May 1945. Corporal Cole was sent out as a radio operator with a Forward Observer Party on the morning of 7 May. Its mission was to go 3500 yards into Japanese territory, take and secure a hill that the Japanese were using as an observation post, and to hold the position until the balance of the Infantry Battalion could move up. The objective was taken, but for the next five days and nights, the entire Party was subject to intensive artillery, mortar, and small-arms fire. On the evening of 10 May, the Japanese made a concentrated effort to dislodge the Party from its position. Throughout the attack, Corporal Cole continued to operate his radio, sending through accurately the fire commands given him by the Artillery Forward Observer. This artillery fire was largely responsible for breaking up the enemy attack. Home address: Mrs. Betty Jean Cole (wife) 46 Meade Avenue, Bellevue, Pennsylvania.

III. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS. So much of Section II, General Orders #586, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 16 August 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Bronze Star Medal to Technician Fifth Grade JOHN R. COLE, (33395272), Field Artillery, is hereby revoked.

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I. AWARDS OF 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 officers and enlisted men:

Second Lieutenant RICHARD D. BACON, (O-2024233), (then Staff Sergeant), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Christine V. Bacon, (wife), 322 St. Paul Street, Burlington, Vermont.

Private First Class JAMES M. BUCHANAN, (14092368), Medical Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Sugarloaf Hill, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. James Buchanan, (mother), 22 Marion Street, Knoxville, Tennessee.

Staff Sergeant CARL E. DEEDS, (33067358), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lula Ann Rider, (mother), 125 McComas Street, Hagerstown, Maryland.

Corporal BROADUS A. DUNCAN, (34516338), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hattie Duncan, (mother), Route #1, Six Mile, South Carolina.

J. GARNER *AMEND. BY GO #648-28 August 1945*
Second Lieutenant HENRY G. GARNER, (O-2046981), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nancy A. Garner, (wife), Black Creek, North Carolina.

Private First Class RICHARD G. JEWETT, (31262156), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Cabalong, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Phyllis Jewett, (wife), 1982 Commonwealth Avenue, Brighton, Massachusetts.

Private First Class PERLIE P. LEMERY, (20150605), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Rendova, New Georgia, Solomon Islands 2 July 1943. Home address: Mrs. Ada Lemery, (mother), East Granville, Vermont.

Private First Class WOODROW MILES, (34907866), Medical Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Bin Bay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mavis L. Miles, (wife), 334 1/2 Madison, Memphis, Tennessee.

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Private First Class JULIUS TOZER JR., (33811534), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Freda L. Tozer, (wife), 305 South Keystone Avenue, Sayre, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade RICHARD H. TYACK, (33492901), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Richard Tyack, (wife), 103 East Sunbury Street, Shamokin, Pennsylvania.

II. AWARDS OF PURPLE HEART OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class KURT KADDEN, (31358588), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #148, 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 First Class KURT KADDEN, (31358588), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Alfred Kadden, (father), 52 Lanark Road, Brighton, Massachusetts.

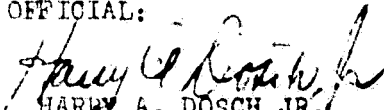
By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class WOODROW MILES, (34807866), Medical Department, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division as published in General Orders #625, 24 August 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended. The citation is as follows:

Private First Class WOODROW MILES, (34807866); Medical Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mavis L. Miles, (wife), 334 1/2 Madison, Memphis, Tennessee.

III. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS. So much of Section I, Paragraph I, General Orders #225, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 20 May 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart Medal to Private First Class WOODROW MILES, (34807866), Medical Department, is hereby revoked.

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I. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, ID, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43rd Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class WILLIAM T. ARMSTRONG, (34393595), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Ipo Dan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 May 1945. Private Armstrong, on that day, bravely volunteered to assist in the hazardous task of evacuating sixteen seriously wounded men, who were cut off by devastating Japanese machine-gun fire and infiltrating enemy foot-soldiers. The route to the injured men was across terrain which provided no cover or protection from hostile mortar and machine-gun concentrations. In spite of the fearful risk, Private Armstrong pressed forward through the flying lead and shrapnel to the location of his injured comrades and with the aid of several companions removed the stricken soldiers to a safe place, and later to the Battalion Aid-Station. By this brave and generous action Private Armstrong was undoubtedly instrumental in saving the lives of several men. Home address: Mrs. Willie Grace Armstrong, (wife), RD # 2, Vina, Alabama.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 2 February 1944, (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, ID, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Fourth Grade FRANCIS R. BERUBE, (31134699), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 May 1945. Sergeant Berube was a member of a Litter-Bearer Squad engaged in the difficult task of evacuating wounded men from a Battalion Aid-Station to a Collecting Station. The entire sector was under heavy enemy artillery and sniper fire. When the artillery barrage steadily increased, Sergeant Berube and his Squad, carrying the wounded men, were forced to seek cover. Despite the difficult situation and disregarding his own safety, he fearlessly remained with the casualties and successfully assisted in evacuating them to their destination. The courage, aggressiveness, and deep devotion to duty exhibited by Sergeant Berube were a constant inspiration to the men serving with him. Home address: Mrs. Lumina Berube, (mother), 34 Rowe Street, Lawrence, Massachusetts.

Sergeant JOHN P. LONG, (34303484), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Effie S. Long, (mother), RFD # 2, Nashville, North Carolina.

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Technician Fifth Grade SYLVIO C. VERDI, (18329847), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 January 1945. Corporal Verdi was a member of a Litter-Bearer Squad engaged in the difficult task of evacuating wounded men from a Battalion Aid-Station to vehicles on a road near Pozorrubio. This entire sector was under heavy enemy artillery and sniper fire. When the artillery barrage steadily increased, Corporal Verdi and his Squad, carrying the wounded men, were forced to seek cover. Despite the difficult situation and disregarding his own safety, he fearlessly remained with the casualties and successfully assisted in evacuating them to their destination. The courage, aggressiveness, and deep devotion to duty exhibited by Corporal Verdi were a constant inspiration to the men who were serving with him. Home address: Mrs. Rose V. Verdi, (mother), 1534 East 127th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

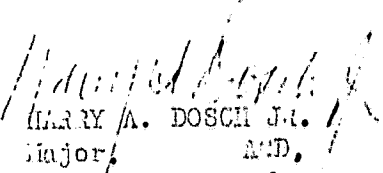
Technician Fifth Grade MARTIN F. WIEDNER, (33257304), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Bison, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 January 1945. Corporal Wiedner, a recipient of an H-7 Cross, occupied a sector of his company's perimeter which received the brunt of frenzied Japanese attacks throughout the night. At one time the enemy succeeded in penetrating the perimeter and surrounded Corporal Wiedner's position. Without thought of retreat, Corporal Wiedner directed devastating fire at the foe. He repeatedly exposed himself to enemy shells in order to halt the advancing Japanese. Corporal Wiedner's courage and persistence in the face of great odds contributed much to the success of the operation and reflects the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Regina Wiedner, (mother), 200 Logan Boulevard, Altoona, Pennsylvania.

Corporal CHARLES V. WOODWORTH, (56445153), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 12 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Florence Woodworth (mother), 320 East Pierce Street, Macomb, Illinois.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL-POSTHUMOUS. 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 posthumously awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private ERNEST V. ADAMS, (31358037), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Throughout the night, Private Adams, a driver of an M-7 tank, occupied a sector of his Company's perimeter which was receiving the brunt of frenzied Japanese attacks. At one time the enemy succeeded in penetrating the defenses and surrounded Private Adams' position. Without thought of retreat, he directed devastating fire at the foe. When last seen Private Adams was standing without any protection blazing away with his sub-machine gun killing eight of the enemy before mortally wounded by the hostile fire. Private Adams' courage in the face of almost hopeless odds and his determination in defending his position to the end, contributed to a large extent to the successful defense of the perimeter and reflects the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Ernest V. Adams Sr., (father), 724 Broadway, Haverhill, Massachusetts.

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

Private First Class JAMES O. TONEY, (34196926), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 March 1945. During a fierce enemy counter-attack, Private Toney was a member of an Infantry Company which was receiving the brunt of the assault. In the ensuing action, one of our men was seriously wounded. Observing that the stricken soldier lay in an exposed position, Private Toney with utter disregard for his life in the face of the withering hostile fire, fearlessly rushed forward, picked up his wounded companion and carried him across the enemy-infested terrain to an aid station. Private Toney's heroic and altruistic act in placing the life of a fellow soldier above his own, is in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ruby Wallace Toney, (mother), Route #1, Jefferson, Georgia.

III. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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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Technician Fourth Grade HORACE ALLEN, (33338293), Finance, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea, during period 19 November 1944 to 30 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Horace Allen, (wife), Secane, Pennsylvania.


Sergeant CLARENCE E. BURNS, (37236391), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area, during period 15 October 1942 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. LaVonn B. Burns, (wife), Route #1, Ottawa, Kansas.

Staff Sergeant LOWELL C. PAYTON, (37012115), (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Palao Palao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 January 1945. On that day Sergeant Payton and his Heavy Mortar Squad were attached as a supporting element to a Company which was attacking commanding positions held by the Japanese surrounding Pozorrubio. Early in the assault, the enemy using heavy mortar, machine-gun and small arms fire, pinning down the entire Company and inflicting many casualties, halted the advance. Among the wounded was Sergeant Payton's Section Leader who had been directing fire from an exposed location. Although exposed to hostile artillery and rifle fire Sergeant Payton advanced voluntarily and directed mortar shelling of the entrenched foe so effectively that the enemy was forced to withdraw. As a result his Company advanced confidently and eagerly taking the powerful fortifications with slight casualties. Throughout the engagement Sergeant Payton, while continuously exposing himself to Japanese fire, demonstrated exceptional skill and courage worthy of the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. William Payton, (father), Route #2 Dearborn, Missouri.

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1919), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant JIM L. TRIMBLE, (37527961), (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Fort Sotsenberg, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 March 1945. During an advance against enemy positions, Sergeant Trimble, acting Squad Leader, and his squad were pinned down by accurate and heavy enemy machine-gun fire. Sergeant Trimble immediately dispersed his squad with instructions to remain in position until further orders. In spite of the risk involved from heavy enemy fire, he crawled approximately fifty yards to a vantage point from which he could better observe the enemy installations. After careful planning, Sergeant Trimble led a charge against the enemy machine-gun nest, wiping out the crew single-handedly with hand grenades and rifle fire. Sergeant Trimble captured the enemy machine gun intact and used the additional fire-power to aid his company in seizing its objective. The initiative, gallantry and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Trimble were to a large extent responsible for the successful completion of his Company's mission and reflects the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Ray R. Trimble, (father), Cherryvale, Kansas.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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:

Staff Sergeant WILBUR O. JORGENSEN, (37256567), (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Arundel, New Georgia Group, 19 September 1943. On this date Sergeant Jorgensen was assigned as rifle security for a machine gun crew to refill a gap in the Company defense caused by casualties inflicted by repeated fanatical Japanese attacks. In reaching the assigned position the Squad Leader and the runner were fatally wounded, leaving only the assistant runner and the riflemen, including Sergeant Jorgensen, to hold off the foe. Realizing that an enemy penetration would be fatal to the Company perimeter, Sergeant Jorgensen, in spite of hostile fire, organizing and inspiring the replacement riflemen, held off the Japanese until the next day when the entire unit was withdrawn. Sergeant Jorgensen by his coolness and keen sense of duty in engaging the enemy has made himself worthy of the high traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Harry A. Jorgensen, (father), Norman, Nebraska.

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III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant WILBUR O. JORGENSEN, (37256567), (then Private First Class), Infantry, W HELLGRAFFEN, 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Order #2, this Hq, dated 25 August 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:

Staff Sergeant WILBUR O. JORGENSEN, (37256567), Infantry, United States Army. For his heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 26 June 1945. Home Address: Mr. Harry A. Jorgensen, (father), Norman, Nebraska.

IV. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS. So much of Section II, General Orders #612, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, dated 21 August 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Technician Fifth Grade ROY A. BASTION, (12098299), Medical Department, as reads, "Technician Fifth Grade ROY A. BASTION, (12098299), Medical Department," is amended to read, "Technician Fifth Grade ROY A. BASTIAN, (12098299), Medical Department."

So much of Section II, General Order #585, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, dated 15 August 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Staff Sergeant WILBUR O. JORGENSEN, (37256567), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

So much of Section II, General Order #592, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, dated 25 July 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Private First Class CHARLES SIMON, (37179381), Infantry, as reads "Bronze Star Medal is awarded" is amended to read "Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded."

So much of Section I, General Order #412, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, dated 1 July 1945, as pertains to the award (Posthumous) of the Bronze Star Medal to Technical Sergeant ROBERT J. VOGLER, (36233676), Infantry, is hereby revoked.

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I. AWARDS OF SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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:

Second Lieutenant ROBERTO BAYLOSSIS, (ASN unknown), (then Sergeant), Philippine Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 January 1945. Lieutenant Baylossis volunteered to penetrate the enemy lines to secure positive information as to the location of Japanese artillery pieces which had registered heavy fire on elements of a United States Infantry Regiment. Under cover of darkness he traveled through the Japanese lines and established a concealed observation post some ten miles within enemy-held terrain. Operating from this observation post he made detailed reconnaissance of gun positions and bivouac areas making panoramic sketches of many of the hostile installations. On his return to the United States Infantry Regimental Command Post he was fired upon by an enemy patrol which unsuccessfully pursued him for a period of eight hours. The information secured by Lieutenant Baylossis aided materially in the accurate bombardment and destruction of highly lucrative enemy targets. Lieutenant Baylossis also directed artillery fire from an artillery observation plane on the targets he had developed from his detailed ground reconnaissance, securing several direct hits. Home address: (unknown).

Staff Sergeant ERNEST A. RICHER, (20151462), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Sugar Leaf Hill, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 March 1945. The Rifle Company of which Sergeant Richer was a member had secured their objective, a hill, and had begun to dig in for the night. While the men were digging in, two enemy machine guns opened fire causing serious casualties. The Company Commander called for mortar fire, which Sergeant Richer, a light machine gun Section Leader, volunteered to observe and adjust. Adequate surveillance was impossible from the first position that he tried, so he then subjected himself to the heavy enemy fire and moved to an exposed location where observation was excellent. He quickly adjusted the friendly mortar fire remaining in his exposed position until the enemy gun emplacements were neutralized and his Company could continue their preparation for the night. Sergeant Richer's total disregard for his personal safety, his aggressiveness, and devotion to duty, were a constant inspiration to the men serving with him. Home address: Mrs. Anita Barcomb, (sister), 24 Blakesley Avenue, Brattleboro, Vermont.

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II. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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:

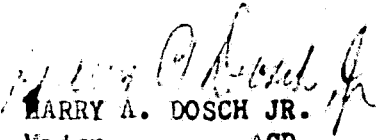
Private First Class TRINIDAD L. BORREGO, (38363935), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Sugar Loaf Hill, Bulao, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 March 1945. Acting as scout of a six man Patrol sent to make contact with a Platoon cut off from our troops by the enemy, Private Borrego was leading them through bamboo thickets when ambushed from front and rear. Under direction of the Patrol Leader he and another scout led the Patrol to a point where, by killing seven of the enemy, they were able to escape and return without a casualty. Private Borrego, by his alertness, initiative and coolness under fire, was largely instrumental in preventing the destruction of the Patrol. Home address: Mrs. Serapia Borrego, (mother), 619 South Concho Street, San Antonio, Texas.

Private First Class CARL W. SCHROEDER, (38141817), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 April 1945. Private Schroeder on that night was serving with a Section of heavy mortars which had the mission of supporting a Rifle Company against expected fanatical attacks by the Japanese. The enemy was harassing the Section with machine-gun fire, making it necessary to silence the hostile weapons, which were preventing full support for forward Infantry Elements in repelling the customary night-time charges of the desperate foe. In the fury of the battle requiring the launching of many shells, the supply of ammunition became dangerously low. Although the reserve dump was located in an area liable to fire from both enemy and friendly troops, Private Schroeder, in spite of the risk involved made many trips between the dump and the mortar pits successfully building up an adequate supply of ammunition which was materially responsible for repelling later fierce assaults by Japanese foot-soldiers. Home address: Mrs. Bhuela Schroeder, (mother), 421 East 9th Street, Leadville, Colorado.

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1. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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:

Technician Fifth Grade PAUL C. CUNNINGHAM, (37062145), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bamban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 March 1945. Corporal Cunningham, with one companion, volunteered to relieve the pressure on a friendly Patrol, which was pinned down by enemy automatic weapon ambush, by carrying a machine gun to an exposed knoll and firing at the hostile position. While his comrade led the way pulling and pushing his gun along the ground, Corporal Cunningham crawled after him bearing ammunition and covering him with his M-1 rifle. Enroute his partner was hit and disabled, leaving Corporal Cunningham to carry on alone. Fully aware of the risk in the exposed terrain, but without hesitation, he crawled to the wounded man and successfully removed him to a protected place. Quickly returning to the abandoned weapon, Corporal Cunningham bravely engaged the enemy single-handedly, neutralizing the Japanese installations and permitting the Patrol to withdraw without further casualties. He then dismantled and dragged the heavy weapon with him, thereby preventing it from falling into the hands of the enemy. The exceptional concern for the lives of others, and disregard for his own, displayed in this action by Corporal Cunningham, reflects great credit on himself and the Military Service. Home address: Mrs. Alice C. Cunningham (mother) Route #3, Mona, Arkansas.

Sergeant FORREST E. THEURET, (39713210), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bamban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 March 1945. Sergeant Theuret, acting as squad leader for the leading element of his Company, advanced his squad down a hill onto a bush-covered ridge where they were fired upon from a camouflaged enemy pillbox housing two machine guns. Although badly wounded in the left shoulder, Sergeant Theuret immediately deployed his men into positions covering the immediate terrain feature to the front and brought fire upon snipers who were harassing the operation. Disregarding his wound and his personal safety, Sergeant Theuret, springing from his position, rushed the pillbox with hand grenades, killing seven Japanese and destroying the installation. Sergeant Theuret's devotion to duty, sterling leadership and swift, fearless actions against the enemy were an inspiration to his men and are in keeping with the highest standards and traditions of the Military Service. Home address: Mrs. Anna M. Theuret (mother) 164 Flower Street, Costa Mesa, California.

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II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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:

Staff Sergeant CHARLES ALEX, (20131827), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Saecobia Ridge, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 March 1945. Sergeant Alex was an Observer for a Mortar Platoon supporting an Infantry Company during its assault against enemy emplacements. The positions occupied by our troops afforded very limited observation, and adequate surveillance could be obtained only from exposed positions at which several riflemen had been killed by hostile mortar, machine-gun and rifle fire. Fully aware of this fact, Sergeant Alex, crawling fearlessly forward, succeeded in directing accurate mortar fire on the Japanese emplacements, killing twelve of the foe and enabling his Company to complete its mission with slight opposition. Sergeant Alex's devotion to duty, sterling courage and professional skill under fire, reflects great credit upon himself and the Military Service. Home address: Mrs. Lillian Alex (mother) 706 Stanley Street, New Britain, Connecticut.

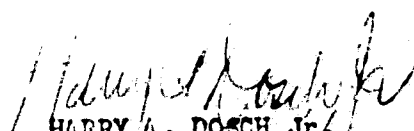
Private First Class VITO H. ANGELUCCI, (38700700), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 10 March to 2 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clotilda Angelucci (mother) 1012 Flanders Road, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

First Sergeant JOHN P. MORAN, (33358015), 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 31 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret P. Moran (wife) 55 Myers Street, Forty Fort, Pennsylvania.

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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 ROBERT P. QUINN, (O-448768), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Rosario, Luzan, Philippine Islands, on 17-18 January 1945. In the early morning, the Battalion to which Captain Quinn was assigned as Planning and Operations Officer, intercepted and engaged a Battery of medium enemy artillery as it was withdrawing from the vicinity of Dumortis. During the exchange of fire the Battalion Commander was killed by the explosion of a hostile artillery shell. In order to reorganize the Battalion defenses Captain Quinn, leaving the comparative safety of his fox-hole, and finding communications disrupted, immediately dispatched crews to re-establish contact with the Forward Company Commanders. By logical and timely estimate of the Japanese situation Captain Quinn quickly developed a new plan of defensive fire, resulting in such effective concentration on the attacking force that the foe was dispersed abandoning four medium caliber guns and seventy-seven killed. The exceptional gallantry, inspiring leadership and skillful tactical appreciation demonstrated by Captain Quinn in this action are worthy of the highest traditions of the United States Army. Home Address: Mr. William F. Quinn, (father), 31 Emerald Street, Hingham, Massachusetts.

II. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL - OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star Medal awarded to Captain ROBERT P. QUINN, (O-448768), Infantry, by this headquarters as published in Section I, General Orders #631, dated 25 August 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:

Captain ROBERT P. QUINN, (O-448768), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Ipo Dam, Luzan Philippine Islands, during the period 7 May to 20 May 1945. Throughout this period Captain Quinn displayed exceptional courage and exemplary leadership in the planning and successful execution of his Company's operation. During battle Captain Quinn insisted on occupying an Observation Post, subject to enemy artillery and sniper fire, so that he could more effectively direct and co-ordinate the operations of his forward elements. Although wounded in the arm by a hostile sniper, Captain Quinn refused to leave his Company for necessary medical treatment until the entire mission was successfully concluded. By his gallant conduct and stubborn determination Captain Quinn inspired his men to prevail successfully against tremendous odds. Captain Quinn's professional skill, tactical appreciation and unusual bravery are worthy of the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. William P. Quinn, (father), 31 Emerald Street, Hingham, Massachusetts.

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III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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:

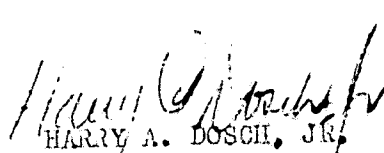
Staff Sergeant CHARLES H. IZOR, (34283969), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 January 1945. On this day Sergeant Izor's Battalion occupied a road-block at a road junction 300 yards east of Sison, which was subject to intense enemy artillery and mortar fire. During this concentration several men were severely wounded and lay exposed to further hostile fire. Without regard for his own safety, Sergeant Izor, left the safety of his fox-hole and with another comrade went to the aid of the seriously wounded men. While exposed to heavy enemy fire he administered first aid and after receiving a litter, with the help of his companion, evacuated the wounded man to an aid-station. This act on the part of Sergeant Izor was to a large extent responsible for saving the life of one of his seriously wounded comrades and reflects the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Mabel Izor, (mother), 1200 Howard Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee.

Private First Class WALDO NAPIER, (35464383), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 January 1945. On that day Private Napier's Battalion established a road-block and was immediately attacked by a superior enemy force which succeeded in penetrating the Battalion defenses. Private Napier, a cannoner on an M-7 crew, occupied a position in a sector which received the brunt of the Japanese assault. Isolated and surrounded by the hostile force, Private Napier with three companions shot their way to a nearby culvert which the foe was trying to use as a means of infiltrating the perimeter. Although two of his comrades were wounded Private Napier repelled many fanatical charges and continued to defend their culvert against great odds until the assaulting force was broken up and withdrew. Home address: Mrs. Fishie Napier, (wife), Saylor, Kentucky.

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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL-POSTHUMOUS. 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 posthumously awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Technical Sergeant ROBERT W. VOGLER, (3625008), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 12 February 1945. Next of Kin: Mr. Frank Vogler, (father), Hotel Blodgett, Marshfield, Wisconsin.

II. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 man:

Captain ADAM C. LABENSKI, (O-430281), (then First Lieutenant), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands, during 1 June to 1 August 1943. Home address: Mrs. Victoria Labenski, (mother), 19 Frook Street, Norwich, Connecticut.

Staff Sergeant HAROLD E. SHIFRIN, (36315583), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. During an engagement with the enemy, Sergeant Shifrin was called upon to lead his Squad around the left flank of the foe and reinforced another Squad which had suffered heavy casualties. He skillfully deployed his men into position under hostile rifle, machine-gun, and grenade fire. In the ensuing action Sergeant Shifrin sighted an excellent location from which grenades could be effectively used. Without regard for his personal safety, he unhesitatingly moved to this exposed point and with the aid of the rifle fire from his Squad succeeded in neutralizing the enemy "dugouts" with his grenades. After a short mortar barrage, Sergeant Shifrin skillfully and fearlessly led his men in an assault against the desperate foe, killing or wounding many of the Japanese and forcing the remainder to flee. Sergeant Shifrin's superb leadership and rare courage contributed immeasurably to the successful completion of his Squad's mission. Mrs. Molly Shifrin, (mother), 4159 Gladys Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR-OAK-LEAF CLUSTER-POSTHUMOUS. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded posthumously to Technical Sergeant ROBERT W. VOGLER, (36233676), Infantry, by this headquarters, as published in General Orders #632, dated 25 August 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded posthumously 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:

Technical Sergeant ROBERT W. VOLGER, (36233676), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Malusag, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 March 1945. Sergeant Volger was a member of a 14-man Patrol sent out on a mission by motor boat. As the Patrol proceeded it suddenly ran into a Japanese ambush which resulted in several casualties. A member of the Patrol received a bullet wound in his head and was lying unconscious in four feet of water. Sergeant Volger immediately went to his assistance and with the help of two comrades, removed the casualty approximately 2000 yards over a difficult trail under enemy fire to a route of evacuation. In placing the life of a wounded comrade above his own, Sergeant Volger performed a heroic act which is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mr. Frank Volger, (father), Hotel Blodgett, Marshfield, Wisconsin.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL-OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain ADAM C. LABENSKI, (then First Lieutenant), (O-430281), Medical Corps, by this headquarters, as published in General Orders #632, dated 25 August 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 ADAM C. LABENSKI, (O-430281), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 15 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Victoria A. Labenski, (mother), 19 Brook Street, Norwich, Connecticut.

V. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS. So much of Paragraph I, Section I, General Orders #591, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 16 August 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Captain ADAM C. LABENSKI, (O-430281), Medical Corps, is hereby revoked.

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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:

First Lieutenant FRANK W. CRICHTON, (O-1201506), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 January 1945. During the early morning Lieutenant Crichton, Cannon Company Platoon Leader, occupied a defense sector which was receiving the brunt of repeated night assaults by numerically superior hostile forces. Although surrounded and cut off by Japanese foot-soldiers, Lieutenant Crichton, inspiring his companions by peerless courage and leadership, prevented the enemy from exploiting his initial advantage. In spite of constant fanatical attacks, wearing and seriously wounding Lieutenant Crichton and several of his men, he repeatedly exposed himself, consolidating and strengthening the position of his Platoon and, as a result, killed twenty-six of the foe and disabled an unknown number. Ordered to withdraw Lieutenant Crichton, exposing himself once again to devastating enemy fire, disregarding his serious injury, organized the evacuation of the wounded men and all serviceable equipment. The rare courage, professional skill, and stubborn resistance shown by Lieutenant Crichton are worthy of the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Inez M. Crichton, (mother), 529 Lya Street, Eureka, California.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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:

Technician Fifth Grade RALPH E. HUMPHREY, (37182630), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 12 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ola Underwood, (sister), Aid, Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT H. RAFFERTY, (36732501), (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Bigti, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 April 1945. Because a terrific enemy artillery barrage was inflicting serious casualties, Corporal Rafferty's Company was ordered to withdraw from positions on a hill near Bigti. In traversing the rugged, heavily wooded terrain enroute to the designated assembly point, members of two platoons were separated from the main group. Given the task of searching for the lost soldiers, fully cognizant of the danger, Corporal Rafferty re-entered the impact area, and locating the lost elements, organized and

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guided them safely to the Company Command Post. Corporal Rafferty's actions, placing the welfare of his comrades above his own safety, are worthy of the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Laura Rafferty, (mother), 530 east Jefferson Avenue, Freeport, Illinois.


First Lieutenant PORTER C. SMITH-PETERSEN, (O-1292078), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Highway #3, near Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 February 1945. On that day the Infantry Battalion to which Lieutenant Smith-Petersen's Cannon Company was assigned as support, was stopped in its attack by devastating artillery and mortar fire from Japanese caves and hillside installations commanding the route of advance. In spite of the serious risk Lieutenant Smith-Petersen personally reconnoitered the hostile emplacements on foot locating and marking them for destruction. Then leading two self-propelled Howitzers into the teeth of the enemy, striking the positions of the foe violently with canister and high explosive shells, he demolished numerous cave positions, killed many of the Japanese, blew up an ammunition dump, and inspired the Battalion so that it successfully accomplished its mission. The sterling bravery, unusual aggressiveness, and professional skill displayed by Lieutenant Smith-Petersen won the respect and admiration of all the men who served under him. Home address: Mrs. Emily Smith-Petersen, (wife), Box # 6, Madiera, Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade RAYMOND WEBER, (36448770), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 3 April to 7 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Henry Weber, (father), Fallon, Illinois

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I. AWARD OF SOLDIERS MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bulletin 8, WD, 1926), a Soldiers Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant AMBROSE B. TOTH, (35306336), Infantry, United States Army. For heroism in the vicinity of Bamban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 March 1945. On this date, in the Bamban area of the Zambales Mountains, Sergeant Toth and a party of men were returning to the Battalion Command Post after being sent out on a patrol the previous day. The men were climbing a steep, rocky hill when the enemy was contacted. During the fire-fight that followed, a large boulder near the top of the hill, was dislodged by a member of the group. As the massive rock came crashing down the mountainside, Sergeant Toth, disregarding his own personal safety, bravely thrust his arm and rifle in front of the boulder, thereby changing its course and preventing it from smashing into his fellow men below. Sergeant Toth's heroic act undoubtedly was responsible for saving his comrades from possible injury. Home address: Mrs. Rose Toth (mother) RFD #4, Wellington, Ohio.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 MANLON W. BECK, (20150300), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 January 1945. On this date, after all supporting units were withdrawn, Private Beck, with the aid of two companions, crawled forward dragging a heavy machine gun to protect the forward slope of a hill from a possible enemy assault against our troops. Although in an exposed and unprotected position, Private Beck continued firing his weapon at the hostile installations, in spite of the great danger from enemy artillery and mortar shells falling in the area. The indomitable courage and stubborn resistance displayed by Private Beck in the face of devastating Japanese fire, reflects great credit on himself and the Military Service. Home address: Mrs. Ronnie B. Beck (mother) 4 West Place, Saint Johnsbury, Vermont.

Private First Class CHARLES BUGAJSKY, (36043148), (then Staff Sergeant), 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 15 May 1945. Home address: Mr. John Bugajsky (brother) 1806 North Mozart Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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Staff Sergeant OTIS B. LOMAX, (34040714), (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pantay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 March 1945. During an engagement with the enemy, the Company, of which Sergeant Lomax was a member, was pinned down by heavy machine-gun and rifle fire. Sensing the importance of quick action, Sergeant Lomax went forward and, with utter disregard for personal safety and in the face of devastating enemy fire, proceeded to locate the hostile emplacements. He then set up his mortar and, quickly bringing accurate fire on the enemy positions, silenced them long enough for the Infantry Company to move forward, attack their objective, and successfully accomplish their mission. This courageous deed was an important factor in routing the Japanese from this area. Sergeant Lomax's outstanding courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit to himself and the Military Service. Home address: Mr. William R. Lomax (father) Route #2, Bath Springs, Tennessee.

Sergeant ORVILLE A. NELSON, (6920126), 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 9 May 1945. On this date, the Platoon, in which Sergeant Nelson was an Assistant Squad Leader, was ordered to attack an enemy observation post near Ipo Dam. The Platoon advanced against the hostile position and, in the resulting battle, one man was killed and another seriously wounded. During the fight, the only route to the rear was subjected to heavy artillery, mortar and rifle fire, making the evacuation of wounded, in daylight hours, extremely hazardous. Realizing that any delay in relieving his wounded companion might be fatal, Sergeant Nelson volunteered to assist in carrying his stricken comrade to the Battalion Aid Station for medical treatment. In doing so, weighted down by the heavy burden, Sergeant Nelson bravely crossed an exposed area one thousand yards wide, which was constantly receiving severe Japanese mortar and machine-gun fire. The courage and devotion to duty by Sergeant Nelson was to a large extent responsible for saving the life of a seriously wounded man, and reflects high credit upon himself and the Military Service. Home address: Mr. Elmer O. Nelson (father) Route #3, Westby, Wisconsin.

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bulletin, 43, D, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43rd Infantry Division to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class BRIEST RUDMAN, (35023114), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 May 1945. The Platoon, of which Private Rudman was a member, was ambushed by an enemy force near Ipo Dam. From cleverly concealed positions, the Japanese opened up with intense machine-gun and rifle fire, forcing the Platoon to withdraw, one man at a time. One of Private Rudman's companions, the last to withdraw, was hit and seriously wounded. Hearing his piteous cries for help, Private Rudman with utter disregard for his life in the face of fierce hostile fire, courageously dashed across one hundred yards of open terrain, picked up his stricken comrade and carried him to a place of safety. Private Rudman's gallant and altruistic act was undoubtedly responsible for saving the life of his fellow soldier. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Rudman, (wife), 3645 East 54th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 Officer and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant CUBERT B. BRINKLEY, (38507549), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 May 1945. On this date, the Platoon in which Sergeant Brinkley was a Squad Leader, was ordered to attack an enemy observation post near Ipo Dam. The Platoon advanced against the hostile position and, in the resulting battle, one man was killed and another seriously wounded. During the fight, the only route to the rear was subjected to heavy artillery, mortar and rifle fire, making the evacuation of wounded, in daylight hours, extremely hazardous. Realizing that any delay in removing his wounded companion might be fatal, Sergeant Brinkley volunteered to assist in carrying his stricken comrade to the Battalion Aid-Station for medical treatment. In doing so, weighted down by the heavy burden, Sergeant Brinkley bravely crossed an exposed area one thousand yards wide, which was constantly receiving severe Japanese mortar and machine-gun fire. The courage and devotion to duty by Sergeant Brinkley were to a large extent responsible for saving the life of a seriously wounded man, and reflects high credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Sudie Brinkley, (mother), RFD # 1, Quitman, Arkansas.

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Technician Fifth Grade ROSS G. MUNGALL, (37420167), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 20 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude T. Mungall, (wife), 2222 Pratt Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Captain ROBERT E. SLEDGE, (O-352329), (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Abundel, New Georgia, Solomon Islands, during 1 July to 15 August 1943. Home address: Mrs. Eva L. Sledge, (wife), 1613 Lawrence Street, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL-OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to First Lieutenant WALTER BRODACKI, (O-1686336), Quartermaster Corps, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded 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:

First Lieutenant WALTER BRODACKI, (O-1686336), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea, and Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 26 August 1944 to 12 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Alexander Brodacki, (father), 37 Day Street, North Newington, Connecticut.

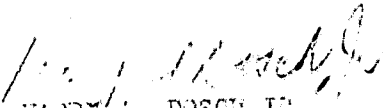
By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain ERNEST C. HERBERT, (O-1167028), (then First Lieutenant), Field Artillery, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944, (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain ERNEST C. HERBERT, (O-1167028), (then First Lieutenant), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Aitape, New Guinea, and Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 19 November 1944, to 7 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ernestine Herbert, (mother), 115 71st Street, New York City, New York.

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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:

Sergeant HENRY CAPITONI, (33413017), (then Corporal), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. On this day, Sergeant Capitonni's Battalion, under heavy artillery and mortar fire, secured an important road junction near Sison. The Japanese launched a fierce counter-attack and were repulsed, only after inflicting three casualties in the Heavy Machine-Gun Squad, in which Sergeant Capitonni served. The loss of these men left a serious gap in our defenses, one section of which was protected only by Sergeant Capitonni's heavy machine gun. The enemy, sensing this weakness, reorganized and launched three more concentrated attacks, all of which were repulsed by Sergeant Capitonni's squad. During this action, Sergeant Capitonni crawled back and forth across 150 yards of fire-swept terrain, with complete disregard for his personal safety, carrying vitally needed ammunition for his gun. This brave and daring act of heroism was a prime factor in successfully repulsing the repeated fanatical attacks. Sergeant Capitonni's rare courage, fortitude, and coolness under fire are in keeping with the high traditions of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Olga Capitonni (mother) Box 107, Masontown, Pennsylvania.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 ROY J. KIRKHOVEN, (39459087), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. The Platoon, of which Sergeant Kirkhoven was a member, was supporting a Battalion in establishing a road-block at a junction near Sison. During the early morning hours, the position was attacked by a superior enemy force which succeeded in penetrating the perimeter. Sergeant Kirkhoven occupied a location on the sector of the perimeter that received the brunt of the hostile attack. Although his unit was isolated and surrounded by the Japanese, he fought with great fury and inspired his men to remain in their positions and prevent the enemy from exploiting their penetration. Greatly outnumbered, Sergeant Kirkhoven and his men fought courageously until the enemy force was completely routed. The following morning, without regard for his personal safety, he exposed himself to heavy artillery and mortar fire to assist in evacuating the casualties sustained in the battle. While thus engaged, he was seriously wounded by a shell frag-

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ment. The courage, leadership, and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Kirkhoven, in the face of a superior hostile force, was largely responsible for the complete defeat of the foe. Home address: Mrs. E. W. Beatty (mother) 801 Hickory Street, Sandpoint, Idaho.

Private First Class HENRY P. PUNISZKO, (36677925), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. The Platoon, in which Private Puniszko was a cannoneer of an M-7 crew, was supporting a Battalion in establishing a road-block at a junction near Sison. During the early morning hours, the position was attacked by a superior enemy force, which succeeded in penetrating the perimeter. Private Puniszko and three other men occupied a foxhole on the sector receiving the brunt of the hostile attack. When their location became isolated, Private Puniszko and his comrades remained at their position and rendered material aid in repulsing the first Japanese attack. When it became necessary to abandon the foxhole, Private Puniszko volunteered to remain behind, in the face of devastating enemy fire, and provide protective cover for the movement of his comrades before he moved to the new position. The rare courage, stubborn determination, and the keen devotion to duty displayed by Private Puniszko were, to a large extent, responsible for the utter defeat of the Japanese force. Home address: Mrs. Sophie Puniszko (mother) 8 Mill Street, Pittston, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class BARNEY A. STERLING, (38283380), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 1 May to 25 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruby Sterling (wife) Box 106, RFD #3, Groesbeck, Texas.

Private First Class JAMES H. TISDALE, (38101315), 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 15 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Harold G. Tisdale (brother) Midland, Texas.

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ORIGINAL ORDER # 211

AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL..... I
AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL..... II

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bulletin 43, D, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant PLATE SANTIBANEZ, (39543951), (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 January 1945. In the early morning a numerically superior enemy force attacked a defense sector, occupied by Sergeant Santibanez's Platoon, penetrating the perimeter, inflicting many casualties, and leaving only two men to operate a heavy machine gun, one of whom was Sergeant Santibanez. Hoodless of the terror caused by roving Japanese assault troops and flying shrapnel, Sergeant Santibanez skillfully operated his weapon repelling charge after charge of the fanatical Japanese. During this time he repeatedly exposed himself to better observe the activity and location of the foe. The gallant reaction to determined enemy assaults, as demonstrated by Sergeant Santibanez in this hectic battle, exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Frances Santibanez, (mother), 112 S. Vine Street Anaheim, California.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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:

Second Lieutenant CARL R. MARK, (O-2007375), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 9 January to 9 May 1945. Home address: Miss Catharine L. Mark, (sister), 207 Jefferson Street, Hyde Park, Reading, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant GLEN A. SHEAR, (37322660), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on the Shinku Line, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 23 March to 21 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Effie Shear, (mother), White Earth, Minnesota.

Technical Sergeant WILLY C. SMITH, (34253433), Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 27 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Leona S. Smith, (mother), RFD #2, LaGrange, North Carolina.

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Captain THOMAS R. SMITH, JR., (O-1312725), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 January 1945. On that night a heavy enemy artillery barrage was beating the area in which Captain Smith's Motor Pool was located, causing much damage and inflicting several casualties. Realizing that the men and equipment must be dispersed to minimize the losses, Captain Smith left the safety of his dugout and by sterling leadership and organizing ability inspired the available drivers so that they spread the equipment over a wide area. Although Captain Smith and his men were several times forced to cover, they returned to their work each time when the flying shrapnel had subsided. Captain Smith's initiative, alertness to the situation and fearless action contributed materially in reducing losses of men and equipment. Home address: Mrs. Thomas R. Smith, (mother), 2719 Magaline Street, Louisville, Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant MILO M. TJOLAND, (37317608), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Sugar Loaf Hill, Rizal Province, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 March 1945. On that day a comrade of Sergeant Tjoland was instantly killed by the Japanese and was lying in a place exposed to withering enemy fire. With loyal regard for his deceased fellow soldier Sergeant Tjoland, accompanied by two other comrades, fearlessly volunteered to reclaim and bring back the body for respectful internment. Crawling forward, seeking cover in the bare ground, keeping low to avoid injury from hostile machine-gun fire, Sergeant Tjoland was able to obscure the vision of the enemy with smoke grenades and with the assistance of his companions withdraw, carrying the body of their friend with them. Sergeant Tjoland's heroic disregard for his own safety and loyalty to the memory of a fellow soldier marks him worthy of the highest traditions of the United States Army. Home address: Mr. John Tjoland, (father), Route # 1, Box # 65, Round Lake, Minnesota.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

OFFICIAL:

Melvin K Hass

MELVIN K. HASS
Captain, AGD
Asst Adj General

C. P. ROBBINS
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I. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 CLARENCE E. APFLEGATE, (35773208), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. On this day, Private Applegate's Company had the mission of seizing and holding Hill #900, which was strongly defended by the enemy. Private Applegate was in a Mortar Section whose duty was to give supporting fire for the attack. During the ensuing battle, the ammunition for his mortar became critically low. Private Applegate on his own initiative and without regard for his personal safety, ran through intense hostile mortar and rifle fire to a supply dump several hundred yards distant. Obtaining the needed shells he fearlessly returned to his mortar and courageously continued to place effective fire on the foe. Private Applegate's rare courage, fidelity, and coolness under fire contributed immeasurably to the successful completion of his Company's mission. Home address: Mrs. Bertha A. Applegate, (mother), Vanceburg, Kentucky.

Private First Class WOODROW W. HENDRIX, (36671679), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 May 1945. Private Hendrix, a member of a Carrying Party, was sent out with a Patrol to recover bodies and equipment lost in a previous engagement. As the Patrol neared its objective it suddenly came under heavy machine-gun fire which prevented its advance. The Patrol called for and received smoke concentrations to cover its movement. Under cover of the smoke screen, Private Hendrix and his comrades worked for about thirty minutes recovering bodies and equipment including radios, rifles, and automatic weapons. During the entire period the group was under intermittent enemy fire. Private Hendrix's indomitable courage and devotion to duty were largely responsible for the recovery of several bodies and much valuable material. Home address: Mrs. Mary Hendrix, (mother), RFD #2, Marshall, Illinois.

Private First Class WALLACE E. MILLER, (39425910), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 May 1945. Private Miller, a member of a Carrying Party, was sent out with a Patrol to recover bodies and equipment lost in a previous engagement. As the Patrol neared its objective it suddenly came under heavy machine-gun fire which prevented its advance. The Patrol called for and received smoke concentrations to cover its movement. Under cover of the smoke screen, Private Miller and his comrades worked for about thirty minutes recovering bodies and equipment including radios, rifles, and automatic weapons. During the entire period the group

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was under intermittent enemy fire. Private Miller's indomitable courage and devotion to duty were largely responsible for the recovery of several bodies and much valuable material. Home address: Mrs. Carrie Miller, (mother), 209 English Street, Petaluma, California.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL-OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Fourth Grade SIDNEY KORNBLUM, (32513539), Infantry, by this Headquarters, as published in Paragraph 1, General Orders #407, dated 1 July 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded 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:

Technician Fourth Grade SIDNEY KORNBLUM, (32513539), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. During heavy fighting near Concepcion, Sergeant Kornblum volunteered to rescue several wounded men and help carry them back across enemy infested terrain to the Battalion Aid Station. Because the only route of approach to the casualties went through dense undergrowth, containing snipers, and a narrow, exposed pass covered by hostile machine-gun fire, earlier parties were unable to reach the injured soldiers because of heavy casualties inflicted by the Japanese. Fully cognizant of the danger, Sergeant Kornblum and his companions pressed forward but were pinned down at the crest of a hill enroute. Sergeant Kornblum and one comrade succeeded in crossing the sky line, reaching the wounded men, removing them to a protected place for treatment, and later carried them over the exposed crest of the hill through enemy fire to the point at which the rest of the party was waiting. By his heroic efforts on behalf of his fellow soldiers, Sergeant Kornblum has won the respect and praise of all who served with him. Home address: Mr. Max Kornblum, (father), 2133 62nd Street, Brooklyn, New York.

87C } Sect. III. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS. So much of Paragraph 1, General Order #616, this Headquarters, dated 21 August 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Captain LEONARD M. KLEIN, (O-2047067), Medical Corps, as reads, "Captain LEONARD M. KLEIN, (O-2047067), Medical Corps", is amended to read, "Captain LEONARD M. KLEIN, (O-1685939), Medical Corps".

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

Lieutenant Colonel WILLIAM A. SMITH, (O-411338), (then Captain), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Munda, New Georgia, British Solomon Islands on 15 July 1943. At that time, following an artillery preparation, Colonel Smith's Company assaulted Horseshoe Hill near Munda. The initial assault reached one nose of the hill, but the position was not tenable because of very heavy Japanese automatic weapon and mortar fire. The Company withdrew temporarily. Colonel Smith promptly reorganized his Company, requested additional artillery on those Japanese installations which were discovered by his attack, and personally led a successful assault on the hill. At a critical moment in the attack, an enemy machine gun opened fire at less than ten yards from Colonel Smith. Without consideration of his own safety, he, with two comrades, rushed the gun and killed the crew so quickly, that the momentum of the assault was not lost. When the objective was reached late in the evening, Colonel Smith hastily organized his defenses for the night. The foe occupied trenches and emplacements not more than twenty yards distant through the tangled jungle. During the night, all wire communication to the rear was cut and the Japanese launched a heavy counter-attack. Throughout this action, Colonel Smith repeatedly exposed himself to maintain the confidence of his men and to inspire them on to greater efforts. The next morning, 102 of the enemy were counted dead outside the perimeter. Largely because of the continued heroic actions of Colonel Smith, and the splendid example he set for his men, this important hill was secured and the first penetration of the north flank Japanese final defenses of Munda Airstrip, was accomplished. Home address: Mr. Herbert I. Smith (father) 284 Pine Street, Forestville, Connecticut.

Private JOHN J. STANTON, (32699495), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. During an attack on a Battalion Command Post, Private Stanton, using a machine pistol, left his position of comparative security, and charged a location where the enemy had succeeded in setting up two machine guns. Despite two leg wounds, he remained upright and kept up constant fire. After silencing one machine gun, killing and wounding the crew, he maintained fire upon the other gun, enabling the moving of the Battalion Aid Station and our wounded to a position of greater safety. Only after receiving two severe abdominal wounds, was he forced to cease his covering fire. By his complete disregard for his personal safety, his cool thinking, and quick action, Private Stanton undoubtedly saved the lives of several of our wounded and aid-men, reflecting great credit upon himself and the Military Service. Home address: Mrs. Della Stanton (mother) 501 111th Street, New York, New York.

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II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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:

Sergeant JOHN RUZEVICH, (36017960), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Sison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Sergeant Ruzovich, an M-7 gunner, was defending a position on a perimeter when a numerically superior force of the enemy attacked and succeeded in penetrating our defenses. Though isolated by the surrounding enemy, Sergeant Ruzovich, knowing the necessity for placing accurate fire upon the Japanese, exposed himself without thought of personal safety, and located many hostile groups. The heavy fire, thus provided, made possible the complete rout of the enemy and enabled our troops to hold the position. By his courage and persistence in the face of danger, and his tenacity in maintaining his position, Sergeant Ruzovich reflected great credit upon himself and the Military Service. Home address: Lt. Steven Ruzovich (brother) Livingston, Illinois.

First Lieutenant CLARENCE O. SOLOM, (O-1300013), (then Second Lieutenant), 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 to 15 June 1945. Home address: Mr. O. O. Solom (father) Madison, Minnesota.

Major ALBIN C. STEVENS, (O-336010), (then Captain), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 1 May to 15 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret S. Stevens (wife) 2 Lowell Street, Cranston, Rhode Island.

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I. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL-POSTHUMOUS. 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 posthumously awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class WALTER GULA, (36602062), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 May 1945. On that day Private Gula was advancing with his Company on Osby Ridge near Ipo Dam, carrying a heavy load of signal equipment for a Forward Observer Party. En route the Company was ambushed, suffering many casualties. Private Gula, weighed down by his heavy load was unable to take cover quickly enough and as a result was seriously wounded in one leg so that he could not escape. Realizing that he would endanger the lives of others if he asked for help Private Gula bore his injury in silence until he was killed by another enemy bullet. Such fortitude and regard for the welfare of his fellow soldiers as shown by Private Gula is worthy of the highest traditions of the military service. Next of Kin: Mrs. Katie Gula, (mother), 3226 West 38th Place, Chicago, Illinois.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 EMERSON B. BACKUS, (30164513), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 20 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. May Backus, (mother), Route #1, Charlotte, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade EDWIN N. CASE, (32023454), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during 9 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Florence Case, (mother), 5903 South Salina Street, Syracuse, New York.

First Lieutenant VALERE H. DEWEY, (O-2007 37), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17-19 January 1945. During this period Lieutenant Dewey's Company, occupying a hill near Rosario, was suffering casualties from enemy fire and infiltrations on its right flank, which considerably hampered its mission of supply so forward elements attacked in hostile installations. Lieutenant Dewey bravely volunteered to locate the

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enemy emplacements and patrols, crawled to an exposed point in the face of withering fire and adjusted a mass barrage of friendly artillery on the hostile elements, killing many of the foe and forcing the rest to withdraw. By this heroic action Lieutenant Dewey was largely instrumental in stopping the enemy's harassing action and as a result facilitating the uninterrupted flow of supplies to the front. By his courage and unselfish devotion to duty Lieutenant Dewey has won great credit for himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Maude Dewey, (mother), 13 Broadway Street, Cortland, New York.

Private First Class MIRVIN J. McGUIRE, (33131708), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 15 March to 10 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Agnes McGuire, (wife), Clifffield, Virginia.

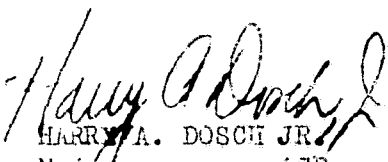
Private First Class EDWARD J. RIDEL, (31141194), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, 20-22 January 1945. As a member of a Forward Observation Party, Private Ridel displayed heroic devotion to duty and personal initiative in the face of withering fire throughout this period. Working in an area constantly subjected to intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, Private Ridel pushed through communications at all costs without regard for his own safety. Many times Private Ridel voluntarily exposed himself to the great hazards beyond the necessity of the situation in order to more accurately direct artillery fire on the enemy. Private Ridel's rare courage, aggressiveness and skill contributed materially to the success of his unit and are in keeping with the high traditions of the United States Army. Home Address: Mrs. Rose Ridel, (mother), 56 North Street, Windsor Locks, Connecticut.

III. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS. So much of Section I, General Orders #625, Hq 43d Inf Div, 24 August 1945, as reads "Second Lieutenant HENRY G. GARNER, (O-2046931), Medical Administrative Corps", is amended to read "Second Lieutenant HENRY J. GARNER, (O-2046931), Medical Administrative Corps".

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I. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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:

Technician Fifth Grade JAMES H. DE LODDER, (36513427), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 January 1945. That evening, Corporal DeLodder's Battery, established in a bivouac area near the front, was receiving intense artillery shelling from Japanese installations. A direct hit set fire to a hut, a one-quarter-ton truck, and a stack of white phosphorus rounds, which began exploding in the Ammunition Dump Area. The fire threatened to blow up two thousand rounds of high explosives nearby, which would have caused such damage, many casualties, and left friendly artillery short of ammunition. To prevent this, Corporal DeLodder, braving the blasts of burning shells, and the intermittent shrapnel from hostile guns, jumped from the safety of his foxhole and attempted to extinguish the holocaust. Corporal DeLodder's disregard for personal safety was a source of inspiration to his comrades and is in keeping with the high standards of the Military Service. Home address: Mrs. Sylvia DeLodder (mother) 8768 Kercheval Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Captain WARD F. MACDONALD, (O-1170067), Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam on 17 May 1945. Captain MacDonald, Artillery Liaison Officer, with a Battalion attacked Gaboy Ridge near Ipo Dam, responded to a dangerous battle situation with rare courage and professional skill. Japanese action had pinned down the landing assault platoon, inflicted numerous casualties, and subjected the Battalion Observation Post to vicious anti-aircraft fire. To withdraw the Assault Platoon, and evacuate the casualties safely, accurate counter-fire was urgently needed. In order to direct accurately the necessary artillery shelling, Captain MacDonald hurried to a point at which four men had been injured and, disregarding the great danger, boldly delivered firing data which was largely instrumental in silencing enemy installations. By his heroic bravery and calm military conduct, Captain MacDonald was undoubtedly responsible for the safe evacuation of the wounded and the later successful storming of the hostile position by our assault troops. Home address: Mr. Douglas MacDonald (father) RFD #3, Fremont, Michigan.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944 (S. O. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

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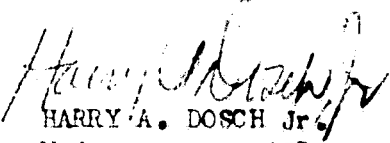
Sergeant PETER COCORES, (20133504), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 20-22 January 1945. Assigned as a member of a Forward Observer Party, Sergeant Cocores always performed his duties in a superior manner. While under constant artillery and mortar shelling, Sergeant Cocores, by untiring efforts and mechanical skill, was instrumental in maintaining excellent communications with friendly Batteries. On one occasion, Sergeant Cocores bravely volunteered to accompany an observer to the top of a ridge which was under severe enemy artillery and machine-gun fire, to assist in the adjustment of counter shelling of the hostile positions. By his cool courage and initiative, firing data was transmitted which resulted in quickly destroying the enemy emplacements. Without regard for his personal safety, Sergeant Cocores faced many hazards beyond the necessities of the situation, and by his excellent service, materially contributed to the success of his unit. Home address: Mrs. Bortha Cocores (mother) 22 East Walnut Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

First Lieutenant ROBERT J. VILYUS, (0-1170233), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Pantay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 March 1945. Lieutenant Vilyus, a Forward Observer with the most advanced Infantry elements in the vicinity of Pantay, displayed rare courage and calculating skill in the face of terrific enemy action. Terrible concentrations from Japanese artillery, mortar, and sniper positions pinned down our assault troops, inflicting many casualties and disorganizing the attack. Lieutenant Vilyus resolutely exposed himself in order to obtain accurate data on the hostile emplacements and foot soldiers. Coolly transmitting data on the enemy situation, Lieutenant Vilyus was able to direct and adjust counter fire so effectively, that the enemy installations were for the most part silenced, and as a result, the Infantry elements were able to reorganize and overrun their objective. His heroic disregard of danger and professional skill, has won for Lieutenant Vilyus the praise and admiration of his fellow soldiers. Home address: Mrs. Joseph B. Vilyus (mother) 11129 Continental Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

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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, 43rd Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant ROBERT D. KEMPHUES, (O-549436), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 May 1945. Lieutenant Kempfues, an Artillery Forward Observer assigned to the most advanced elements of an Assault Company, displayed exceptional professional skill in spite of devastating enemy shelling near Ipo Dam. During the advance across almost impassable terrain in blinding rain against fearful concentrations from Japanese artillery, mortar, and sniper positions, the attacking troops were in danger of losing their momentum. Realizing that the hostile emplacements must be immediately silenced, Lieutenant Kempfues resolutely exposed himself in order to obtain accurate firing data and coolly transmitted it to friendly batteries which immediately neutralized the enemy installations and permitted the Infantrymen to overrun their objectives. By his heroic conduct and professional skill under the stress of battle, Lieutenant Kempfues has made himself worthy of the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Clara Kempfues, (mother), 2519 Stratford Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Sergeant JACK W. KILLEN, (35652337), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 1200 near New Bosooso, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 April 1945. Sergeant Killen, a Radio Operator, with the Infantry Forward Elements, displayed exceptional courage and initiative in response to enemy action, which was inflicting numerous casualties on friendly troops and threatening to force a withdrawal. Fully cognizant of the risk, Sergeant Killen hurried to an exposed position, spotted hostile guns by their flash, transmitted firing data to friendly mortar units which, as a result, quickly silenced the Japanese installations and permitted the Infantry elements to reorganize and successfully hold their position. By his determination and brave assumption of risk Sergeant Killen won the gratitude and praise of the men in his unit. Home address: Mrs. Margaret C. Killen, (wife), 1023 Central Avenue, Charleston, West Virginia.

First Lieutenant GEORGE A. SNAVELY, (O-1310162), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 1500, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 February 1945. During this period Lieutenant Snavely an Observer with the most Forward Elements of the Assault Troops, displayed outstanding bravery and professional skill under the confusion of changing battle situations and the flying shrapnel from enemy positions. In spite of fearful concentrations from hostile artillery and mortars, inflicting many casualties, Lieutenant Snavely bravely exposed himself

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on a vantage point, located the Japanese installations, and coolly transmitted firing data simultaneously to friendly artillery and mortar batteries, so effectively, that the hostile weapons were destroyed, and the crews forced to withdraw leaving several wounded. Lieutenant Snavelly's rare courage and cool aggressiveness in the face of devastating enemy shelling were exemplary and worthy of the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Irene Snavelly, (mother), 52 South 6th Avenue, LeLanion, Pennsylvania.

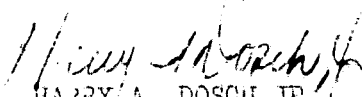
Technician Fifth Grade CLAUDE H. WINEMILLER, (35292166), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 January 1945. During an enemy artillery barrage placed on the beach-head at Lingayen Gulf, Corporal Winemiller on his own initiative operated an unarmed bulldozer under direct Japanese shelling, hauling out vehicles and howitzers which had bogged down in deep water. Although he had received instructions to proceed with his machine to a comparatively safe area, Corporal Winemiller rescued these vehicles and howitzers because they were in immediate danger of destruction unless removed. With complete disregard for his own safety, Corporal Winemiller continued to assist in the moving of equipment until it was all moved to a protected area. Corporal Winemiller's deep devotion to duty and bravery under fire saved much equipment and was an inspiration to the men with whom he served. Home address: Mrs. Annie L. Winemiller, (mother), RFD # 1, Alexander, West Virginia.

First Lieutenant TOM W. WOODARD, (O-1170253), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 February 1945. Lieutenant Woodard, an Observer with the most forward elements of the Assault Troops occupying a vital ridge which was subjected to terrific Japanese mortar fire and infantry assaults, displayed exceptional courage and cool professional skill in spite of the danger and confusion of the battle situation. Lieutenant Woodard fearlessly exposed himself to friendly and hostile cross-fire and adjusted close in artillery support so accurately that the enemy emplacements were largely destroyed or silenced and organized enemy infantry charges dispersed. Lieutenant Woodard's courageous devotion to duty and excellent professional skill in the face of great hazards reflects great credit on himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. W.L. Woodard, (father), 6724 21st Avenue, Kenosha, Wisconsin.

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I. AWARDS OF SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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 EDWIN C. BAYNE, (33398183), Infantry, (then Private First Class), United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on Mt. Alava, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Sergeant Bayne's Company, with the remaining Companies of the Battalion, was given the mission of seizing the north slope of Mt Alava, which the enemy occupied in well- dug-in positions. Intense enemy machine-gun, mortar, and artillery fire inflicted many casualties on the leading Company as it reached the hill and forced it to withdraw. Sergeant Bayne, an automatic Rifleman, though wounded, chose to remain on the hill to render what aid he could to his wounded comrades. Securing medicinal supplies from an aid man, he crawled from one wounded man to another, and in the course of one hour, succeeded in treating three badly-injured soldiers. Then, realizing that to leave the men to the mercy of the enemy fire would result in their deaths, Sergeant Bayne carried each of the three men off the hill, under continual enemy shelling. Sergeant Bayne's heroic action, his utter disregard for his own safety, and his willing service far above and beyond the call of duty, undoubtedly saved the lives of his three fellow-soldiers. Home address: Mrs. Irene bayne, (mother), Route #1, Amity, Pennsylvania.

Private LYLE G. BREIMON, (37772892), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Mt Oro, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 June 1945. Private Breimon's Platoon, while attacking a ridge held by the Japanese, came into concentrated enemy machine-gun fire, and were unable to proceed. Realizing the serious situation, the Platoon Leader ordered his men to withdraw. In so doing, a soldier was seriously wounded and lay exposed to the direct fire of three enemy machine guns. Unhesitatingly and with utter disregard for his personal safety, Private Breimon fearlessly crawled forward in the face of grazing machine-gun fire and pulled his wounded comrade back to safety. The prompt and gallant action of Private Breimon undoubtedly saved the life of the stricken soldier, and was a source of inspiration to all his fellow soldiers. Private Breimon's heroic deed reflects the highest credit to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Agnes C. Schwartz, (mother), Davenport, North Dakota.

Staff Sergeant CHARLES R. DOUGLAS, (34372987), (then Private First Class) Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. On that day, Sergeant Douglas, a Platoon Scout, led the attack on a well fortified, Japanese-held ridge near Ipo Dam. As they reached their objective, an enemy

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force over one hundred in number placed a vicious concentration of mortar and small arms fire on the Assault Platoon and every route of withdrawal, cutting it off and inflicting several casualties. One of the wounded, the Platoon Leader, was helpless and lay unprotected from the constant hostile machine-gun fire. Disregarding his own safety out of loyalty to his stricken leader, Sergeant Douglas crawled to him and safely dragged him to a place of safety and medical treatment. By this gallant act in the face of withering enemy fire Sergeant Douglas undoubtedly saved the life of his critically injured leader. Home address: Mrs. C. V. Douglas, (mother), Mahan Mississippi.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 ALVIN W. CAMPBELL, (39347002), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 May 1945. Private Campbell, a member of a Carrying Party, was sent out with a Patrol to recover bodies and equipment lost in a previous engagement. As the patrol neared its objective it suddenly came under heavy machine-gun fire which prevented its advance. The patrol called for and received smoke concentrations to cover its movement. Under cover of the smoke screen, Private Campbell and his comrades worked for about thirty minutes recovering bodies and equipment including radios, rifles, and automatic weapons. During the entire period the group was under intermittent enemy fire. Private Campbell's indomitable courage and devotion to duty were largely responsible for the recovery of several bodies and much valuable material. Home address: Mrs. Hattie H. Campbell, (mother), Route #1, La Grande, Oregon.

Private First Class JAMES J. JACKSON, (36363314), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 1 April to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Habel Jackson, (mother), Dozier, Alabama.

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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:

Sergeant ERNEST C. ELLIOTT, (34653827), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 1500, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 January 1945. Sergeant Elliott, an Observer, accompanied the most forward elements of his Battalion while attacking an enemy defended hill, and displayed outstanding courage and military ability in the face of severe Japanese counter charges. In the course of the enemy assault Sergeant Elliott's Observation Post was subjected to direct shelling by a hostile large caliber gun. In the face of the terrible rain of flying shrapnel, Sergeant Elliott fearlessly continued adjusting friendly artillery from his unprotected vantage point, even though wounded by a shell fragment during the action, until the enemy emplacements were either destroyed or silenced. Only when the mission of defense was successfully accomplished did Sergeant Elliott permit himself to be evacuated for treatment. Sergeant Elliott's courage and devotion to duty are worthy of the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Annie Elliott, (mother), 1213 King Avenue, Florence, South Carolina.

Corporal JOHN E. IVEY, (20146539), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16-17 January 1945. Corporal Ivey, assigned to carry one-half of a large radio set in addition to much other signal equipment for a Forward Observer Party, displayed outstanding courage and physical strength in overcoming the hazards of difficult terrain and the terrors of fierce enemy artillery fire. The approach to the designated vantage point was five miles long over extremely rough and slippery terrain in an area constantly subjected to hostile artillery and mortar shelling. Arriving at the chosen position, although almost exhausted, Corporal Ivey bravely exposed himself to locate more accurately Japanese installations and consequently was seriously wounded by an enemy shell fragment. Corporal Ivey's courage, physical endurance and fidelity to duty won the admiration of all with whom he served. Home Address: Mrs. Nellie Ivey, (mother), Banjo Street, Houlton, Maine.

Corporal LAWRENCE J. JACKSON, (20146635), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 7 May 1945. Home Address: Mr. Theodore Jackson, (father), 1 Braden Street, Presque Isle, Maine.

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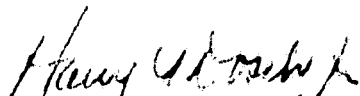
Corporal JOHN J. McALOON, (31051299), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Concepcion, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16-17 January 1945. Corporal McAloon, assigned to carry one-half of a large radio set in addition to much other signal equipment for a Forward Observer Party, displayed outstanding courage and physical strength in overcoming the hazards of difficult terrain and the terrors of fierce enemy artillery fire. The approach to the designated vantage point was five miles long over extremely rough and slippery terrain in an area constantly subjected to hostile artillery and mortar shelling. Arriving at the chosen position, although almost exhausted, Corporal McAloon bravely exposed himself to locate more accurately Japanese installations and consequently was seriously wounded by an enemy shell fragment. Corporal McAloon's courage, physical endurance and fidelity to duty won the admiration of all with whom he served. Home address; Mr. Thomas McAloon, (father), 72 Washburn Avenue, Rumford, Rhode Island.

1st Lieutenant WILLIS D. RICHARDSON, (O-547488), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6-10 May 1945. Lieutenant Richardson, assigned as Observer with the most forward elements of his Battalion which was attacking the enemy near Ipo Dam, displayed exceptional professional skill and responsiveness to the changing battle situation. In the approach to the objective the leading group was pinned down and suffered numerous casualties from concentrations of mortar and artillery shelling by the Japanese. Swiftly sensing the situation Lieutenant Richardson called for accurately directed friendly pin-point artillery fire which silenced the hostile emplacements and permitted the safe evacuation of the casualties and the strategic withdrawal of the remainder of the group to a protected place. Lieutenant Richardson's energetic action, in spite of hostile shelling, was largely responsible for minimizing casualties among the Infantrymen. Home Address: Mrs. Betty Richardson, (wife), 307 Colonial Lane, Algonac, Michigan.

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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, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain EDWARD J. BRICHTA, (O-1180435), (then First Lieutenant), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 29 January to 4 February 1945. At that time, Captain Brichta was assigned as an Artillery Forward Observer with an Infantry Battalion. His Observation post, set up on a hill within the defense perimeter, was subjected to constant enemy artillery fire. The following evening, the Japanese staged a desperate counter-attack, pinning down the Infantry with heavy mortar, grenade, and machine-gun fire. The intensity of the hostile action prevented Captain Brichta from observing the fire, thus forcing him to adjust by sound. Using this method, his extremely accurate adjustment of artillery fire aided in repulsing the assault, without inflicting casualties on friendly troops from our own artillery. During the battle, Captain Brichta was wounded, but valiantly remained at his post until the enemy forces were completely routed. This display of outstanding courage and unusual devotion to duty upholds the high traditions of the Military Service. Home address: Mrs. Sieglinde Brichta (wife) 12320 Corbett Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Corporal DONAT J. BROCHU, (31038991), 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 to 6 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Louise Brochu (mother) 40 Providence Street, West Warwick, Rhode Island.

Private First Class HENRY A. EBENTHUEER, (44032009), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of South Luna, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 May 1945. Private Ebenthueer, a member of a Heavy Machine-Gun Squad assigned to a Platoon defending a vital ridge against repeated fanatical Japanese attacks, set a fine example of physical endurance and rare courage under hostile fire. Many ferocious assaults were broken up and repelled by Private Ebenthueer's Platoon, but being greatly outnumbered, it suffered numerous casualties. Evacuation of the most seriously wounded was immediately necessary, but the hazards of extremely rugged and slippery terrain and a concentrated enemy artillery barrage presented grave difficulties. In spite of his weariness and battle fatigue, Private Ebenthueer offered his services, and worked tirelessly removing his injured comrades to a Medical Station for treatment. Private Ebenthueer's display of heroic courage and remarkable physical endurance reflect great credit on himself and the Military Service. Home address: Mrs. Elsie Ebenthueer (mother) Elberta, Baldwin County, Alabama.

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First Lieutenant GEORGE V. TAYLOR, (O-1181778), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Storm King, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 May 1945. On this day, near storm king, Lieutenant Taylor performed an extremely difficult task as an Artillery Forward Observer with an Infantry Assault Company. In spite of excellent enemy observation, and although subjected to intense and accurate hostile mortar, rifle, and artillery fire, Lieutenant Taylor courageously placed himself on an Observation Post and boldly adjusted accurate artillery fire on the objective. As a result of his accuracy, the Battery was able to successfully neutralize enemy installations, thereby making an important contribution in the capture of a critical point. Lieutenant Taylor's daring, superb courage, and coolness in the face of intense enemy action, are in keeping with the high traditions of the United States Army. Home address: Mr. Cassel R. Rullman (uncle) South Main Street, Pennington, New Jersey.

Sergeant JAMES J. WATSON, (34118060), 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 5 February 1945. Sergeant Watson, in command of local security for his Battery, set an example of outstanding alertness and aggressive courage throughout this period, in breaking up and repelling the attacks of infiltrating Japanese Patrols. On one occasion, an enemy group succeeded in knocking out one of Sergeant Watson's machine guns and penetrating within four yards of the Battery Perimeter, when Sergeant Watson, with the help of a companion, repelled the attack, killing two of the Japanese and routing the others. The exceptionally able defense of the Battery, inspired and coordinated by Sergeant Watson's leadership, was a material factor in the high standard of performance rendered by the members of the Howitzer Section. Home address: Mrs. Ella F. Watson (mother) 2225 Chapel Hill Road, Durham, North Carolina.

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AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order #9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942), in addition to the Air Medal awarded to the following named officers, by the Commanding General 43d Infantry Division, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded them by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights on Luzon, Philippine Islands during period 26 February 1945 to 30 June 1945.

With unsurpassed technical knowledge of their assignments as Field Artillery Liaison Pilots, the following named officers of the Division Artillery have devoted many strenuous combat hours to their artillery missions with superior results. Called upon continually to provide solutions for missions not normally within their sphere of operations, their sound judgement and aggressive employment of their wide combat experience have met each test in turn. All pilots have repeatedly chosen to ignore small-arms and automatic weapons fire, however intense, to accomplish their missions. Their efforts in directing counter battery fire in the Shimbu Line Operation were instrumental in the disastrous results inflicted upon the Japanese artillery emplaced in the area. Volunteering to lead bomber missions to gun-point targets in the Iwo Jima Operation, they developed a technique which quickly produced the desired results. Their enthusiasm and continued devotion to duty, their expert appraisal and discharge of combat missions, have been a source of inspiration to all who have worked with them, and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the service.

First Lieutenant RAYMOND C. CHAPMAN, (O-1183327), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Charles A. Chapman, (father), Route #1, Manlius, New York.

First Lieutenant DUNCAN E. DCOLITTLE, (O-514702), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mary M.H. Dcolittle, (mother), 31 Cabot Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

First Lieutenant THOMAS G. HARDIE, (O-514391), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Harry Hardie, (father), 1017 Winding Way, Baltimore, Maryland.

First Lieutenant RAYMOND W. LEYDEN, (O-1184099), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Raymond W. Leyden, (wife), 5751 Carpenter Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

First Lieutenant MACDONALD LOWE, (O-1184101), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Fred Eiggs, (friend), 345 Linden Avenue, Highland Park, Illinois.

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First Lieutenant JULIAN H. MARSHALL, JR. (O-514415), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Julian H. Marshall, (mother), 818 West 40th Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

Captain ROBERT D. MARTZ, (O-410285), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Dr. D. Marts, (father), 6232 Northwood Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

First Lieutenant BERNARD E. W. MEAD, (O-1183729), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Doris E. Meadows, (wife), 608 South 11th Avenue, Yakima, Washington.

First Lieutenant ELMER F. MINDEDAHL, (O-1173388), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Doris M. Mindedah, (wife), 2935 North 17th Street, Kansas City, Kansas.

Captain RALPH E. NEWBY, (O-1170113), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Tracy L. Newby, (wife), 1752 Vinona Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

First Lieutenant JOHN W. WYNE, (O-524183), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Betty L. Wyne, (wife), Friend Avenue, Maple Heights, Ohio.

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL-POSTHUMOUS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bulletin 43, D, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is posthumously awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class CYRIL J. CURRAN, (33275134), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 January 1945. On that day Private Curran's Platoon, assigned to a mission of Reconnaissance Patrol near Pozorrubio, was ambushed by a superior enemy force armed with machine guns and rifles. The platoon was caught in a withering surprise fire of all the hostile weapons. Private Curran bravely remained exposed, firing his Automatic Rifle as rapidly as possible and so effectively that many Japanese were forced to take cover or the remainder to aim inaccurately. In spite of the still considerable volume of hostile fire, Private Curran refused to seek protection and continued his heroic defense, killing many of the foe until he was finally killed by machine-gun fire. Private Curran's brave conduct and outstanding aggressiveness in the face of devastating enemy fire permitted the rest of the patrol to withdraw safely, and was a material factor in saving the lives of many of his comrades. Private Curran's gallant conduct and exceptional loyalty to duty remain an inspiration to his fellow soldiers and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Next of Kin: Mrs. Mary J. Curran, (mother), 389 Walnut Street, Homestead, Pennsylvania.

II. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL-OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant EMIT ELLISON, (38305354), Infantry, by this Headquarters as published in General Orders 34, dated 14 February 1945, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bulletin 43, D, 1918). The citation is as follows:

Staff Sergeant EMIT ELLISON, (38305354), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 March 1945. On that day Sergeant Ellison, seriously wounded, was being carried in an ambulance to the Battalion Aid-Station over a road subject to enemy artillery shelling and infiltrating patrols. Enroute the vehicle ran into a Japanese road-block and was attacked with grenades and small-arms fire, wounding and making helpless the driver and another already wounded man who attempted to drive the ambulance forward. In spite of his weakness from loss of blood, Sergeant Ellison immediately rose from his litter, removed his unconscious comrades from the wheel and successfully drove the vehicle through the obstacles and the entrenched foe to a safe place, thereby undoubtedly saving the lives of his comrades and also his own. The intrepid valor displayed by Sergeant Ellison in this action reflects great credit on himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. W.C. Ellison, (father), Route #2, Box #79, Mineola, Texas.

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III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9219, 4 February 1944, (Stat. 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 EUGENE E. LOREE, (35200549), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 400, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 31 January 1945. Private Loree, member of a Heavy Machine Gun Squad assigned to support riflemen in defending a newly-won hill against expected counter-attacks by the Japanese, exemplified the best qualities of an Infantry Soldier in the confusion of close-quarter fighting with assaulting enemy forces. Under cover of early morning darkness and fog, hostile foot-soldiers charged Private Loree's sector in great force and succeeded in penetrating the defensive positions. Bravely, Private Loree exposed himself, located many enemy groups, and directed the fire of his gun so effectively that the foe suffered many casualties and was finally routed. The rare courage and military skill shown by Private Loree in this action merits the praise of all the men who served with him. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Loree, (mother), Sweethome, Oregon.

Sergeant MAROLD J. LYNKWILER, (35239041), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Ibo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 May 1945. Sergeant Lynkwiler, leader of a Heavy Machine Gun Squad assigned to support with overhead fire two advancing Rifle Companies near Ibo Dam, demonstrated remarkable leadership and personal bravery in the confusion of the changing battle situation. When enemy emplacements hindered the advance of the Infantrymen, Sergeant Lynkwiler exposed himself to flying shrapnel and bullets from hostile installations, moved his gun and crew to a better position, located the foe's strong points, and directed fire upon them so effectively, that they were silenced, thereby enabling the Infantrymen to overrun their objective with a minimum of casualties. The individual initiative and rare courage with which Sergeant Lynkwiler met the military situation, reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Lora Lynkwiler, (wife), 517 Locust Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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I. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 BILLY J. BRUTON, (37396721), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mabel D. Bruton, (mother), Bowling Green, Missouri.

Staff Sergeant JESSE M. CLAYBROOKS, (13121304), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Laguna de Bay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 April 1945. Sergeant Claybrooks had located positions for his Platoon to set up Heavy Mortars in support of a projected attack on enemy installations, and then took his men forward to reconnoiter additional locations for his unit along the intended route of advance. As the group returned to the point originally chosen for the Mortars, Sergeant Claybrooks spotted three armed Japanese lying in ambush. Reacting quickly, he shot and killed each of the hostile soldiers. As a result Sergeant Claybrook undoubtedly prevented several casualties, and many important documents were found on the bodies of the Japanese. This alert and aggressive action reflects great credit on Sergeant Claybrooks and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle Z. Claybrooks, (mother), Box #120, Price, North Carolina.

Technician Fifth Grade HARRY VOLINSKI, (31042833), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area, during period 1 May 1943 to 9 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Joseph F. Volinski, (father), Sherman RFD #1, Gaylordsville, Connecticut.

II. AWARDS OF AIR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order #9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

First Lieutenant JOHN H. FLANAGAN, (O-2023877), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights on Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 10 January to 1 June 1945. During this period Lieutenant Flanagan many times rode a "Piper Cub" as an Air Observer for Artillery Units. Although frequently subjected to enemy

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anti-aircraft and small arms fire, Lieutenant Flanagan coolly and accurately located the most carefully concealed hostile emplacements and skillfully transmitted firing data which permitted friendly units to quickly place high explosive shells on the Japanese installations, causing much damage to men and materiel. Lieutenant Flanagan's calm judgement under fire and expert knowledge of Field Artillery technique were invaluable to the pilots with whom he flew. The remarkable success of the missions in which Lieutenant Flanagan participated was largely the result of his courage and professional ability under fire. Home address: Mr. John H. Flanagan, (father), 510 Walcott Street, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

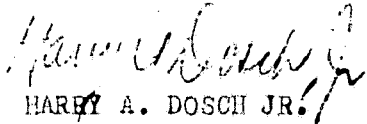
Captain JAY C. YOUNG, (O-1167706), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights on Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 30 June 1945. Throughout this period Captain Young rendered outstanding service as Battery Commander and in addition, often performed exceptionally well in the capacity of Air Observer. While working as Air Observer, often subjected to heavy enemy anti-aircraft fire, Captain Young, calmly and skillfully scrutinizing and locating well concealed hostile installations, swiftly transmitted firing data to his unit and, as a result, brought devastating fire on Japanese troops and military facilities. Because of Captain Young's remarkable fortitude and calm professional skill under fire, friendly forces were able to accomplish missions with a minimum of casualties during the critical phase of the Luzon operation. Home address: Mrs. C. R. Young, (mother), Angier, North Carolina.

III. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS. So much of Section I, General Orders #16, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, dated 1 February 1945, as pertains to the award of the Silver Star Medal to Private First Class THADIS D. CAMPBELL, (34102889), Infantry, as reads "Silver Star Medal is awarded" is amended to read "Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded."

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I. AWARDS OF SILVER STAR MEDAL - POSTHUMOUS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant LE ROY MOFFITT, (34276615), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. On that day, Sergeant Moffitt, directing his Mortar Squad executing a vital fire mission, displayed heroic bravery and fidelity to duty in the face of certain death from a Japanese artillery barrage. Located on unprotected high ground, toward which, hostile, large caliber shell explosions were creeping irresistably, Sergeant Moffitt, although urged to cease firing and take cover, fearlessly continued his mission until mortally wounded by an enemy round. Sergeant Moffitt's gallant, fighting example, in complete disregard for his life, left an inspiring memory in the minds of all who knew him. Next of Kin: Mrs. Kittie C. Moffitt (mother) Route #3, Ripley, Mississippi.

Private First Class TRUITT A. MOSLEY, (59333695), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. Private Mosley's Squad was hit with a fanatical Japanese attack, wounding one of the members who laid helplessly in an exposed position. In spite of the fierce fire, Private Mosley crawled to his comrade, rendered first aid, and remained with him throughout the night, administering to his comfort and protecting him from the foe. In the early morning, Private Mosley found it necessary to move the wounded man to a more protected position. As he attempted to carry his helpless comrade, Private Mosley was mortally wounded, but in spite of his agony, he successfully evacuated his injured companion to a place of safety. Private Mosley's gallant sacrifice of his life in behalf of a fellow soldier, will long remain an inspiration to the men who fought beside him. Next of Kin: Mrs. Oma L. Mosley (mother) Box 115, Depot Bay, Oregon.

First Sergeant WALTER E. FOTTLE, (20145749), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy near Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 May 1945. Sergeant Fottle, while leading a Patrol with a mission of destroying certain enemy cave positions which threatened his Company's supply lines, gallantly sacrificed his life to save the lives of his comrades. After deploying his men to protect him, Sergeant Fottle crawled forward alone to investigate the hostile hillside excavations. Seeing him enter one cave, hearing scuffling and several shots in quick succession, his men rushed to his aid, but Sergeant Fottle suddenly appeared at the entrance and motioned them back, shouting "Look out men!". A moment later a terrific explosion shook the mountainside, destroying the Japanese emplacements and

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Killing Sergeant Pottle instantly. Sergeant Pottle's heroic sacrifice in behalf of the lives of his comrades, will remain a lasting inspiration to those men who fought beside him. Next of Kin: Mrs. Thelma Pottle (wife) 16 Water Street, Randolph, Maine.

Private First Class KENNETH O. RECTOR, (39299724), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy near Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. After dark on that day, Private Rector, an Automatic Rifleman defending a road-block, gallantly stood and fought a large force of attacking Japanese, sacrificing his life while protecting his comrades. The enemy assault, led by a tank and supported by an artillery barrage, threatened to overrun the Company Perimeter, but Private Rector bravely held his ground, firing his automatic weapon swiftly and accurately, so that the hostile charge was broken up and many of the foe killed and wounded. During the action, Private Rector was urged to take cover, but realizing the danger of an enemy penetration, stubbornly fought on until mortally wounded. Private Rector's gallant conduct in the face of fearful Japanese assaults, will long be remembered as a superb example of self-sacrifice in behalf of his fellow soldiers. Next of Kin: Mrs. Virgil L. Rector (mother) 152 West 80th Street, Los Angeles, California.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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:

First Lieutenant ROBERT W. TOMLIN, (O-2049126), Medical Administrative 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 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jessica Tomlin (wife) 15 West Rosemond Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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I. AWARDS OF SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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:

Major OLLIE A. HOOD, (O-421839), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill #600, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. On that day Major Hood's First Battalion was making, in unison with the Third Battalion, a coordinated attack on an enemy held hill. During the assault, contact was lost between the two units, and the extreme danger of the Third Battalion firing on the First became evident. Major Hood, realizing the precarious situation, with disregard of his life and with extreme courage, made his way to his left front Line Company, then pinned down on the crest of the hill, and though subjected to artillery, small-arms, and mortar fire, which had killed at least three officers, ten men, and wounded others, personally directed the coordination of the two forces. He remained exposed during the afternoon with this Company and by his coolness, and fine example of courage, in full view of his men, saved a critical situation and without question made it possible for both Battalions to capture their objectives. Major Hood, by his heroism, in this action, demonstrated beyond question of a doubt, that he possessed the highest qualifications of a courageous leader. Home address: Mrs. Nettie Farnhan, (mother), 39 Roosevelt Avenue, Waterville, Maine.

First Lieutenant DONALD I. RAMSEY, (O-1315616), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Malison, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. In the evening of that day, Lieutenant Ramsey's Platoon, defending a vital road block, was attacked in force by Japanese, who were supported by numerous field pieces. During the raging fight at close quarters, lasting for several hours, Lieutenant Ramsey had to redeploy and reorganize his men frequently because of many casualties and enemy infiltration. In order to better direct and control the defensive maneuver, Lieutenant Ramsey fearlessly exposed himself to hostile fire and observation throughout the long battle. Finally because of his inspiring leadership and the bravery of his men, the Japanese assault troops were forced to withdraw leaving numerous casualties and much destroyed equipment including two tanks, two tracked vehicles, eleven horses, and two ammunition carts. Lieutenant Ramsey's display of courage and professional skill reflects great honor and credit, both to himself and to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Alice Ramsey, (mother), New Berlin, New York.

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II. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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:

First Lieutenant ELWYN ROSELLE, (O-1323357), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of New Basoboso, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 March 1945. During the night Lieutenant Roselle, in command of a Heavy Mortar Section, demonstrated military skill and exceptional courage in the face of severe enemy mortar and machine-gun fire. Japanese positions on a dominating ridge were subjecting a Forward Company, to concentrations of shells and lead, inflicting several casualties and threatening to force a withdrawal. Answering the call for assistance Lieutenant Roselle crawled to a vantage point, exposed to enemy observation from his front and both flanks, and locating the hostile emplacements, transmitted firing data with which his section quickly placed fifty high explosive rounds on the targets, completely silencing the Japanese. Lieutenant Roselle's fine example of bravery and fighting spirit remains an inspiring memory to his men and undoubtedly was responsible for preventing many casualties for the Forward Company. Home address: Mrs. Ruth G. Roselle, (wife), 1145 Samuel Street, Louisville, 4, Kentucky.

First Lieutenant EUGENE C. SHAULL, (O-1305657), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 29 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Kathleen M. Shaull, (wife), 1301 West Kalamazoo Street, Lansing, Michigan.

First Lieutenant BENJAMIN J. SCRIN, (O-1292775), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 7-15 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Isador Scrin, (father), 20 Homer Street, Brockton, Massachusetts.

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I. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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:

Captain PINCUS PESSO, (O-1288945), (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945. Captain Pesso, Company Executive Officer assigned to reconnoiter and establish a road-block near Malasin, exemplified the qualities of courage, responsiveness to a changing battle situation, and exceptional professional skill, when his defenses were attacked in strength by a Battalion of Japanese field artillery. Approaching to point-blank range, the enemy placed a large volume of large-caliber shell in the Company area, killing Captain Pesso's Commander, inflicting many casualties, and penetrating the perimeter with assault troops. Captain Pesso, taking full command immediately, exposing himself fearlessly to the withering hostile fire, reorganized his right flank troops and successfully repelled the Japanese penetration. Throughout the night, Captain Pesso endlessly encouraged his men in a long and exhausting fire-fight. At daylight, reorganizing his depleted Company, Captain Pesso gallantly led a skillful attack on the opposing forces, forcing them to withdraw. Captain Pesso's initiative and peerless leadership undoubtedly prevented disastrous defeat for his Company. Home address: Mr. Bohor Pesso (father) 237 Remsen Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

Private First Class CURTIS M. SHRUM, (39858688), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 May 1945. During a fierce enemy counter-attack, one of the members of Private Shrum's Squad was critically injured and fell in an area constantly exposed to hostile machine-gun fire. Realizing that his helpless companion was in grave danger of further injury, Private Shrum bravely left the safety of his foxhole, crawled under the hostile pattern of bullets, and dragged his wounded comrade to a protected place for treatment. Private Shrum's gallant disregard for his own life in aiding his fellow soldier, reflects great credit on himself and the Military Service. Home address: Mrs. Orah H. Miller (mother) RFD #1, Marlowe, Oklahoma.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 man:

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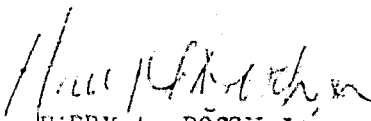
First Lieutenant ROBERT A. RORIE JR., (O-1111338), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 4 April to 18 May 1945. During this period, Lieutenant Rorie displayed outstanding professional skill and exceptional courage while directing the construction of bridges and roads under enemy artillery fire. On 4 April 1945, combat operations being impeded by lack of river crossings, Lieutenant Rorie moved his men and equipment into the open, and swiftly constructed necessary bridges in spite of heavy Japanese shelling which inflicted several casualties on his small group. Throughout the period 7-18 May 1945, Lieutenant Rorie, initially as Platoon Leader and later as Company Commander, worked tirelessly both night and day under constant hostile artillery fire, supervising the designing and maintenance of a vital supply road through extremely rugged, hilly terrain. Lieutenant Rorie's accomplished engineering ability and determined leadership, contributed in large measure to the success of the difficult enveloping movement executed by the Combat Team to which his unit was attached. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy G. Rorie (wife) 106 Northeast Seventh Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Private First Class JCE H. ROSENKRANZ, (38075431), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 May, 1945. Private Rosenkranz, serving as a gunner in a Machine-Gun Squad, responded to a severe enemy attack with commendable speed, physical endurance, and skill. His Company's position was in grave danger of being overrun by the Japanese. A knoll, several hundred yards distant from Private Rosenkranz's location, provided a much better field of fire on the hostile forces. In spite of the many snipers infesting the terrain to be crossed, Private Rosenkranz, picking up his heavy weapon, hurried to the new firing point and hastily going into action, materially aided in repelling the Japanese assault by inflicting many casualties on the foe. Private Rosenkranz demonstrated, by splendid physical endurance and implicit devotion to duty, the finest qualities of a Combat Infantryman. Home address: Mrs. Theresa Rosenkranz (mother) Box 317, Mumford, Texas.

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I. AWARDS OF SILVER STAR MEDAL-POSTHUMOUS. By direction of the President under the provision of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bulletin 40, ID, 1913), a Silver Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant ROBERT J. CAREY, Jr. (C-1271231), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Lumban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 April 1945. On that day Lieutenant Carey was leading his machine-gun Platoon in the approach march following a Rifle Company when suddenly his ranks were split by enemy ambush which killed several of his men, injured many more, and helplessly pinned down the remainder. Lieutenant Carey quickly decided to disengage in order to unite his forces and take up a more advanced position. While boldly exposing himself to deliver the necessary instructions and rally his Platoon, Lieutenant Carey was shot and killed by a hail of Japanese machine-gun bullets. Lieutenant Carey's gallant devotion to duty in the face of withering hostile fire will always remain an inspiring memory in the minds of those who fought under his leadership. Next of Kin: Mrs. Anna K. Carey, (wife), 33-24 Crescent Street, Astoria Long Island, New York.

Private First Class ANDREW REID, (33465253), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 January 1945. On that day Private Reid was dug in as part of a Perimeter defense of a recently won hill, when he noticed a force of thirty Japanese which had infiltrated inside the perimeter and were in a position to inflict heavy casualties. Hastily, Private Reid jumped from the safety of his foxhole, alerted the rest of his squad, and drew the attention of the hostile group to himself by firing at them rapidly with his carbine. While the enemy concentrated on Private Reid, a machine-gun crew and supporting riflemen were able to reverse their field of fire, and go into action against the foe at their rear, killing eleven, and routing the remainder. During the action, Private Reid, scornful of protection, remained fully exposed to the Japanese and succeeded in killing two of them before he fell, mortally wounded by a hostile bullet. By his alertness, quick thinking and gallant conduct, in the face of severe enemy fire, Private Reid impressed the minds of all who fought beside him with an inspiring memory. Next of Kin: Mrs. Eliza Reid, (mother), Burning Springs, Kentucky.

Private First Class JACK S. ROTH, (14176346), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Hill 1000, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 January 1945. During an enemy attack on Hill 1000 in the vicinity of Palaopalao, Private Roth left the security of his foxhole and, without orders from his squad leader, crawled through heavy enemy machine-gun and sniper fire to go the aid of the Platoon Guide, who was mortally wounded while attempting to retrieve a radio. Private Roth, with complete disregard for his personal safety made a desperate attempt to drag the Platoon Guide out of the line of enemy fire, exposing himself all the while to grave risk of death from enemy

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action. Being unable to aid the wounded man to the safety of his own lines without attracting a greater volume of bullets, Private Roth further exposed himself in an attempt to engage the enemy in a fire-fight, in so doing he was shot and killed. The courage and loyalty displayed by Private Roth was an inspiration to his comrades, and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Next of Kin: Mr. Harry I. Roth, (father), 29 East 54th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

First Lieutenant WILLIE B. ROY, (O-1233656), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 January 1945. Lieutenant Roy, a Company Commander defending a vital road-block near Malasin, exemplified the military qualities of courage and professional skill when attacked by the enemy in full strength. His defense was penetrated by hostile foot-soldiers and one field piece. To observe the Japanese in the darkness, Lieutenant Roy bravely crawled to a vantage point very close to the enemy and directed friendly fire on the foe in front of him. Remaining at his exposed location beneath the fire of his own and the hostile weapons, Lieutenant Roy continued adjusting the shelling against the enemy, and also reported the progress of the battle to his Battalion Commander until he was mortally wounded by a tree burst. The steadfast courage and military skill displayed by Lieutenant Roy in this hectic action left an inspiring memory in the hearts of the men who fought under his leadership. Next of Kin: Mrs. Evelyn L. Roy, (wife), 2211 Crockett Street, Greenville, Texas.

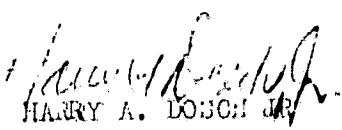
II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provision of Executive Order #9219, 4 February 1944, (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, AD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Captain ELMER CLVIN, (O-425163), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 29 March 1945. Home address: Mr. L. N. Day, (uncle), 2720 Scenic Highway, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

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I. AWARDS OF 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 officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant BLASE A. D'AMICO, (O-1292483), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Chocolate Drop, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Angela D. D'Amico, (wife), 1650 East 4th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Private First Class TERRY R. FAULK, (38022134), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Pinugay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cora L. Faulk, (mother), General Delivery, Kingston, Oklahoma.

Private ALLISON P. JOLLY, (38731666), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Tacbihan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn Geraldine, Jolly, (wife), 1204 Parker Street, North, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Captain JAMES W. MOORE, (O-441665), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Joseph A. Moore, (father), Milledgeville, Georgia.

Private ROBERT M. ROTH, (36804193), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy at Arundel Island, New Georgia Group, Solomon Islands on 14 September 1943. Home address: Mrs. Rhessa Roth, (mother), 540 Hickory Street, Mauston, Wisconsin.

Private First Class MAURICE W. SMART, (31317842), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Earl J. Smart, (father), Milo, Maine.

First Lieutenant JOHN A. TOMARCHIO, (O-1318236), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Pantay, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nancy Santoro, (mother), 113 Pond Lane, Syracuse, New York.

Technical Sergeant BARNETT A. YOUNG, (37143277), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Falac Palac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Russell A. Young, (father), 417 West 7th Street, Maryville, Missouri.

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II. AWARDS OF PURPLE HEART OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Technician Fifth Grade BERCHAL L. McNEELY, JR. (34659553), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #42, dated 20 March 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 Fifth Grade BERCHAL L. McNEELY, JR. (34659553), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Apugan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Blanche C. McNeely, (mother), Rethune, South Carolina.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded to Private First Class JAMES K. SMITH, (34648544), Infantry, by Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, as published in General Orders #41, dated 28 January 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended. The citation is as follows:

Private First Class JAMES K. SMITH, (34648544), Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Kay Bam Ban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Millie Smith, (mother), RR #5, Greer, South Carolina.

III. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS. So much of Section I, General Orders #71, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, 6 April 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Purple Heart Medal to Staff Sergeant Ira L. Morris, (38176135), Infantry, as reads "a Purple Heart Medal is awarded" is amended to read "a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded".

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL - POSTHUMOUS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class EMILIO A. STOLZ, (34803251), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy near San Juan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 April 1945. Private Stolz, while leading a Reconnaissance Patrol, located a group of Japanese in bivouac and, on his own initiative, undertook to surprise the vastly larger force and thereby kill and disperse the enemy. Acting as lead scout, Private Stolz succeeded in killing a hostile sentinel, and then gallantly led a charge through the bivouac area, blazing away with his sub-machine gun until he was mortally wounded by the foe. Bleeding badly, and with his clothes burning, Private Stolz staggered to a protected spot and collapsed. After rendering first aid, his comrades carried him to medical attention, but Private Stolz died of his wounds upon reaching a hospital. Private Stolz, by his exceptional coolness and fighting determination throughout this encounter with the enemy, won great credit for himself and the military service. Next of Kin: Mrs. Barbara Stolz (mother) 1516-125th Street, College Point, New York, New York.

II. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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:

Staff Sergeant JESS C. ORTIZ, (39113195), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 March 1945. Sergeant Ortiz, a Squad Leader in his Platoon, advanced against strong enemy positions on a heavily fortified hill. Sergeant Ortiz's Squad was the first to come in contact with the enemy. One of the men in his unit, caught in a lane of heavy machine-gun fire, was badly wounded. Sergeant Ortiz, with utter disregard for his personal safety, crawled through the severe machine-gun and mortar fire from Japanese installations to the side of his wounded comrade and immediately rendered first aid. After successfully evacuating the stricken soldier to a safe place and being slightly wounded himself, Sergeant Ortiz reorganized his Squad and continued the attack against the enemy. This heroic act, on the part of Sergeant Ortiz, undoubtedly contributed to a large degree to the saving of the wounded man's life. Home address: Miss Liduvina Ortiz (sister) Box 53, Carpinteria, California.

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III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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:

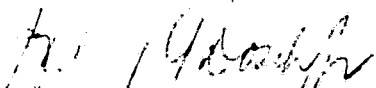
Staff Sergeant SAMUEL E. SHEALY, (3407771), (then Corporal), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 May 1945. On that day, Sergeant Shealy, in command of a Rifle Squad with the mission of taking an enemy hill under fire, exemplified the courage and physical endurance expected of a Combat Infantryman. Sergeant Shealy personally preceded his Squad up the steep hillside and, arriving on top, placed each man in the best position to repel any counter-attacks. Throughout the digging-in process and the night that followed, Sergeant Shealy constantly exposed himself to enemy artillery and observation while moving men, his men raising their morale and improving their deployment. Sergeant Shealy's courageous and spirited leadership was undoubtedly responsible for repelling the enemy attack which occurred during the night. Home address: Mrs. Sarah Shealy (wife) Route #2, Leesville, South Carolina.

First Sergeant ROBERT A. THOMAS, (20514851), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. Sergeant Thomas and two other men were patrolling the area adjacent to the Battery Artillery position for possible enemy demolition parties which were active in that sector. A concealed enemy force placed surprise small arms fire on the patrol. Sergeant Thomas, displaying skill and sound judgement in coping with the situation, dispersed his men and then engaged the enemy in close quarter combat. This foray resulted in the killing of thirteen enemy enlisted men and one officer without injury to the patrol. Hand grenades, considerable demolition equipment, and small arms were captured. This courageous act exemplified the high character and leadership of Sergeant Thomas, who with utter disregard for his personal safety, made it impossible for the enemy to accomplish his mission of destroying the artillery pieces. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Fatchko (mother) 538 West 13th Street, Elyria, Ohio.

B. COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WING:

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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, 43rd Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class LICELL F. TAYLOR, (34653047), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 January 1945. During heavy hand to hand fighting near Malasin, Private Taylor's Squad Leader was critically wounded and fell in a place unprotected from the enemy. Although the area was receiving fearful artillery and rifle fire from Japanese forces, Private Taylor, bravely left the safety of his fox-hole, crawled to his helpless leader and dragged him to a place of safety. All through the night Private Taylor attended the injured soldier, staunching the flow of blood and making him as comfortable as possible. Without Private Taylor's gallant act and patient treatment his stricken comrade undoubtedly would have bled to death before morning. Home address: Mrs. L. F. Taylor, (mother), Gaston, South Carolina.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL-POSTHUMOUS. 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 posthumously awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class JESSIE D. ADAMS, (34572679), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Matangalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 January 1945. As Cannoneer on a 105mm Howitzer M-7, Private Adams immeasurably assisted in placing speedy and accurate fire on enemy installations, hindering the advance of the foot troops. During an attack on hill 200, although realizing he was exposing himself to enemy fire, Private Adams fired his machine gun continuously, bringing close-in covering fire for the attacking foot troops. When it was necessary to fire his howitzer, Private Adams took up his duties as a cannoneer, placing accurate fire on targets of opportunity. Prior to the final assault on the hill, Private Adams saw that automatic weapons were holding up our troops. Using his own initiative he quickly manned his machine gun, and fearlessly gave supporting fire. While courageously performing his duties in this manner, his M-7 was hit by enemy anti-tank fire killing him instantly. Private Adams displayed great courage and devotion to duty, and by his skillful use of the howitzer and machine gun was a contributing factor to the success of the attacking troops. Next of Kin: Mrs. Maggie F. Adams (mother), Route #1, Goodsprings, Tennessee.

Sergeant CLOUDIAN E. AUSTIN, (20145901), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 May 1945. Sergeant Austin's Platoon

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was in the middle of a marching column of troops moving out to enemy held terrain. enroute a fearful barrage of hostile artillery struck Sergeant Austin's Platoon, splitting the Company, causing several casualties and creating much confusion. In spite of explosions and shell fragments all about him, Sergeant Austin moved about in the open reorganizing and deploying his men. While thus fulfilling the responsibilities of leadership Sergeant Austin was killed by a hostile shell, exploding near by. His exceptional courage and fidelity to duty reflects lasting glory on Sergeant Austin and are worthy of the high traditions of the military service. Next of Kin: Mrs. Mina Marie Austin, (wife), 167 Main Street, Paris, Maine.

Corporal ANTHONY L. AVEGGIO, (39030447), Infantry, United States Army. for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Batangalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 January 1945. Corporal Avesgio was a runner on a M-7 which was moving well forward of the attacking troops. He displayed unquestionable courage and aggressiveness in seeking out and destroying enemy installations with accurate shell fire. Just prior to the final assault of the foot troops, Corporal Avesgio, using his own initiative, in company with his Section Leader, guided their vehicle through hostile shell fire and across almost impassable terrain to a position from which Corporal Avesgio brought to bear extremely accurate and speedy fire on the objective, but in so doing was verbally wounded by the enemy. Corporal Avesgio's great courage and good judgment without a doubt were a great help in silencing Japanese installations, thus making it possible for the foot troops to move forward with a minimum of casualties. Next of Kin: Mrs. Rose M. Avesgio, (mother), 61 East Melthe Street, Daly City, California.

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I. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL-POSTHUMOUS. 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 posthumously awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class THOMAS V. JONES, (16053634), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Pozorrucio, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9-30 June 1945. In carrying out his duties as a member of a Battalion Intelligence Section, Private Jones repeatedly led patrols across terrain under continuous sniper fire to contact a friendly Company holding an adjacent hill. On a number of these occasions he killed several Japanese who harassed the patrol from caves. Fully realizing the danger, he frequently entered caves to search for documents of value to the Battalion. He was killed by enemy artillery fire as he returned to the Battalion Command Post from one of these patrols. By his conscientious devotion to duty and his courageous leadership of the men in his patrols, Private Jones reflected great credit upon himself and the military service. Next of Kin: Mr. Walter Jones, (father), Shelbyville, Illinois.

Sergeant SAM J. TERRACINA, (20613962), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Natangalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 January 1945. Sergeant Terracina, a Section Chief on a 105mm Howitzer, M-7, while directing his crew in an attack on Hill 200, guided his gun through shell fire and extremely difficult terrain to a position from which point-blank fire upon the enemy was possible. While directing this fire he was instantly killed. Sergeant Terracina's devastating fire was a great factor in the completion of his company's mission. Sergeant Terracina's superb leadership, and dauntless courage in guiding his men was an inspiration to all who knew of his actions. Next of Kin: Mrs. Anna Terracina, (mother), 2444 North Austin Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 ELI P. PHAIAH, (20125564), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Clark Field, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 4 March 1945. Private Phaiah, a rifleman in his Platoon, took over the duties of Company Aid-Man after the regular Company Aid-Men had either been killed or wounded. Private Phaiah moved out with his Platoon, which was attacking strongly enemy

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positions on a hill. During the advance, heavy opposition was encountered, and two men were badly wounded. Intense machine-gun and mortar fire forced the remainder to take cover further down the slope of the hill. To get to the location of the two stricken soldiers it was necessary to cross a ridge covered by fierce enemy gun-fire. Private Phaiah, with utter disregard for his safety, immediately volunteered to go forward and give first-aid. He succeeded in dressing the wounds and evacuating his helpless companions to safety. This heroic act on the part of Private Phaiah was to a large extent responsible for saving the lives of the two seriously injured soldiers. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Phaiah, (mother), 65 Railroad Street, Danielson, Connecticut.


Staff Sergeant JACK SANDEROFSKY, (33312667), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Natanalon, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 January 1945. Sergeant Sanderofsky was leader of one Squad of a Platoon on patrol when it engaged in a fire-fight with the enemy. Sergeant Sanderofsky led his Squad to attack the foe from the left flank. Disregarding rifle fire from an opposite ridge and without thought for his personal safety, he led an assault on a pillbox and succeeded in killing several Japanese and destroying a light machine gun emplacement. By his calm courage and competent leadership, Sergeant Sanderofsky enabled his Squad to accomplish its mission. Home address: Mr. Samuel Sanderofsky, (father), 1662 South Lawrence Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class THOMAS L. TAYLOR, (34100334); Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill 815, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 May 1945. Acting as Squad Leader, Private Taylor directed his Squad in providing covering fire for two advancing rifle companies. Despite the obstacle of enemy machine-gun and rifle fire, he placed his heavy machine gun in position to deliver the necessary overhead fire. When the enemy counter-attacked, the fire power of his gun aided in repulsing the attack. During the entire operation, the competent leadership, and unfailing courage exhibited by Private Taylor inspired his men and made possible the successful fulfillment of their mission. Home address: Mrs. C.F. Taylor, (mother), RFD #1, Leeds, Alabama.

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I. AWARDS OF SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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 CLEO VONIER, (35328429), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Hill #10, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 January 1945. Sergeant Vonier's Platoon, after reaching it's objective, was then immediately attacked from the rear by the enemy supported by machine-gun fire from well concealed locations. The first burst of surprise fire mortally wounded the Platoon Leader, pinned down his men in an uncovered area, and disorganized the defense. Sergeant Vonier, taking over command, fearlessly exposed himself as he moved about organizing counter-fire and improving the positions of his fighting soldiers. But since the enemy, superior in numbers and protected by well chosen cover and concealment, had the advantage and threatened to destroy the Platoon, Sergeant Vonier gallantly subjected himself to hostile observation and fire as he directed his men to a more suitable terrain for engaging the Japanese. While moving his troops Sergeant Vonier was hit in the leg by sniper fire but in spite of pain and shock he continued at the head of his Platoon until all had reached a protected place. Sergeant Vonier's heroic courage and fortitude are worthy of the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Lloyd Vonier, (brother), Wausen, Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade RICHARD A. WESTERGREEN, (39191111), (then Private - First Class), Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 May 1945. Sergeant Westergreen, an Aid-Man, was assisting with the numerous casualties sustained by his Company while assaulting Hill #815. Approximately one hundred Japanese held the high ground and our forces suffered heavily. Without regard for his personal safety, Sergeant Westergreen volunteered to go to the scene of the engagement through heavy mortar and rifle fire to aid the wounded sufficiently to permit being handled by the litter bearers. The aid he provided undoubtedly helped to save the lives of sixteen severely wounded men. By his personal courage under fire and generous actions in aid of his comrades Sergeant Westergreen inspired the men to the completion of their task. Home address: Mrs. A. P. Westergreen, (mother), Route #1, Sumas, Washington.

II. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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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Captain WILLIAM H. BALLARD, (O-446953), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Albert W. Ballard, (father), Route #2, Frankston, Texas.

Staff Sergeant TONY GIRRATONO, (37231413), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 11-20 May 1945. During that period, Sergeant Gerratono, in charge of civilian carrying parties, was responsible for the steady flow of supplies to his Company's forward position and the immediate evacuation of wounded personnel of the Battalion. He daily guided the carrying parties forward over trails made almost impassable by heavy rains and subjected to intense enemy artillery fire. On one occasion, when his party was fired upon by hostile snipers, the coolness and initiative displayed by Sergeant Gerratono prevented panic among the civilians and the abandonment of supplies along the trail. Sergeant Gerratono's courage and exceptional devotion to his duty contributed in a large measure to the successful accomplishment of his Battalion's mission in the capture of Ipo Dam. Home address: Mrs. Dominic Gerratono, (father), 3021 Chestnut Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

Private First Class ELMER R. GUSTAFSON, (32669786), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area, during period 1 August 1943 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ethel Gustafson, (wife), 200 Hazeltine Avenue, Jamestown, New York.

Captain JACKSON S. KING, (O-1288466), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 28 June to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jackson S. King, (wife), 441 South Arden Boulevard, Los Angeles, 5, California.

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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 officer:

First Lieutenant GEORGE E. COHN, (O-1313684), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Lumban, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 April 1945. Lieutenant Cohn, Commander of a Company which was Battalion Advance Party during the attack that day, displayed outstanding leadership and military skill when his Company was cut off by a strong enemy force armed with many automatic weapons, including one anti-tank gun. Although the Japanese were well concealed in high ground which dominated the area, Lieutenant Cohn immediately engaged them with his reduced Company of forty men. Establishing a base of fire with the remnants of his Weapons Platoon, Lieutenant Cohn, personally leading his riflemen in a series of enveloping maneuvers, succeeded in killing over thirty of the foe and capturing such enemy materiel. In spite of pain, shock, and profuse bleeding from a wound received in this battle, Lieutenant Cohn persisted in his attack until the hostile force was overrun. Only when ordered to evacuate himself, did Lieutenant Cohn seek medical treatment and recuperation from his injury. Lieutenant Cohn's daring and skillful leadership undoubtedly contributed materially to the combat success of his unit. Home address: Mrs. Ann Cohn, (mother), 1830 South Christiana Avenue, Chicago, (23), Illinois.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL-POSTHUMOUS. 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 posthumously awarded by the Commanding General, 43rd Infantry Division, to the following named unlisted man:

Staff Sergeant EDWARD R. GRANT, (31024291), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 March 1945. Sergeant Grant was leading a Reconnaissance Patrol when it was ambushed by a well concealed Japanese force pinning it down and inflicting casualties. Realizing the serious situation, Sergeant Grant, in spite of deadly hostile fire, bravely charged the enemy, wounding several of them with grenades, and in the ensuing action fell mortally wounded by a burst from a hostile machine gun. This fearless and aggressive action of Sergeant Grant exemplified the leadership, loyalty, and devotion to duty, expected of a Combat Infantryman. Next of Kin: Mrs. Elizabeth Grant, (wife), Box # 391 York Village, Maine.

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III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944, (Sec. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43rd Infantry Division to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant JOHN J. PINELLI, (32033105), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 January 1945. On that day Sergeant Pinelli was a member of a light field artillery battery in position near Rosario, which was subjected to intense shelling by enemy medium caliber guns, setting a trailer of ammunition and some fuel for one truck on fire. With complete disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Pinelli left his shelter and proceeded, under severe bombardment, to undertake the hazardous task of extinguishing these fires. With the help of four comrades this was accomplished. Because of Sergeant Pinelli's initiative, skill and prompt action, and exceptional courage, much valuable material and many of his comrades were saved from injury. Home address: Mrs. Helen I. Pinelli, (wife), 105 East Washington Avenue, Elmira, New Jersey.

Sergeant LEONARD L. VASOFSKI, (32483937), (Given Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 313, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 12 January 1945. Sergeant Vasofski, a machine gunner in a Company assaulting the enemy hill, displayed outstanding courage and initiative when a well concealed enemy automatic weapon opened fire on the Company from its left flank and inflicted many casualties. Realizing that the Japanese fire must be quickly silenced, Sergeant Vasofski, bravely moved forward across open terrain with his machine gun until he located the hiding place of the hostile weapon. Hastily placing his gun in operation, Sergeant Vasofski killed four of the foe and silenced the gun, although he was wounded during the action. Sergeant Vasofski, in spite of his suffering from shock and pain, refused medical attention or relief until the remainder of his Squad moved forward and organized a defense. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Vasofski, (wife), Cooper Street, Beverly, New Jersey.

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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 (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 W. C. ADDISON, (34123551), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at New Georgia, British Solomon Islands during the period 31 June to 23 September 1943. During this period, Private Addison distinguished himself by superior achievement and devotion to duty while engaged in combat against the enemy at New Georgia. Private Addison, then an ammunition bearer in an 81 mm Mortar Squad, made many trips under fire through swamps and jungles carrying heavy loads of ammunition to the gun positions. At one time during the campaign, Private Addison's unit was completely cut off from its base for three days, and subjected to frequent fierce attacks. Recognizing the dangers due to their small numbers, Private Addison volunteered to man a position on the outer perimeter, where his courage and steadfastness contributed greatly to the successful defense of the position until other units could get through to them. Private Addison's physical endurance, unswerving dependability, and excellent courage reflects great credit on himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Ron C. Addison (father) RFD #3, Landcaster, South Carolina.

Technician Fifth Grade ELMER COLEMAN, (34125721), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 2 February 1945. Corporal Coleman, a member of a Field Artillery Battery which was supporting Infantry Elements in the hills north of Rosario, displayed exceptional physical endurance and courage when it was necessary to replace a forward Observation Post's radio, which had been destroyed by enemy shell fire. Because of the lack of communication between Corporal Coleman's Battery and the forward position, the Infantry troops were being fiercely shelled by enemy light field pieces. Although he had worked hard all day long, Corporal Coleman voluntarily carried a heavy radio across rough and difficult terrain to the forward observation point. He accomplished his task after dark without being detected by enemy patrols. By his initiative and bold spirit, Corporal Coleman was largely instrumental in silencing the hostile batteries. Home address: Mrs. Elmer Coleman (mother) Unaka, North Carolina.

Private First Class LEONARD L. FIVEASH, (34125522), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Unaka, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 9-13 January 1945. During this time, Private Fiveash was serving as a leader on a 105 mm Howitzer Battery. In this capacity, he displayed outstanding courage and fortitude. Despite the fact that his Battery was

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constantly under intense counter-fire from enemy field pieces, Private Fiveash unflinchingly exposed himself in performing his duties. By his coolness and courage under fire, he spurred the members of his Section to superb accomplishments in combat with the enemy. Private Fiveash's devotion to duty and complete disregard for his own safety during battle were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Ellen Fiveash (mother) Grand Junction, Tennessee.

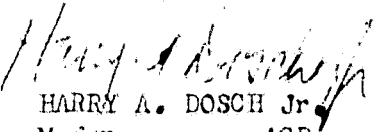
Private First Class ROBERT M. STEFANDEL, (35354436), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 January 1945. At that time, Private Stefandel was a member of a light Field Artillery Battery in position near Rosario when it was subjected to intense shelling by enemy medium caliber guns, destroying communications about fifty yards from the heavy gun locations. With complete disregard for his own safety, Private Stefandel left the security of his foxhole and proceeded under severe hostile shelling to undertake the hazardous task of repairing the broken line. In spite of the danger, Private Stefandel soon had the telephone in operation, thus permitting his unit to continue on its mission. By his courageous initiative and mechanical skill under fire, Private Stefandel has merited the admiration of all with whom he served. Home address: Mrs. Mary Poynter (sister) 1615 H Avenue, New Castle, Indiana.

First Sergeant RUSSELL E. PLACE, (20152713), (then Staff Sergeant), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 January 1945. At that time, Sergeant Place was a member of a light Field Artillery Battery in position near Rosario, when it was subjected to intense shelling by enemy medium caliber guns, setting a trailer of ammunition and some fuel in the truck park on fire. With complete disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Place left his shelter and proceeded under severe bombardment to undertake the hazardous task of extinguishing these fires. With the help of four comrades, this was accomplished. Because of Sergeant Place's initiative, bold and prompt action, and exceptional courage, much valuable materiel and many of his comrades were saved. Home address: Mrs. Alice L. Place (wife) 9 Pembroke Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island.

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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, 43d Infantry, Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Corporal RICHARD E. ANDERSON, (35551336), (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9-13 January 1945. During this period, in the vicinity of Alacan, Corporal Anderson was acting as gunner in a 105mm howitzer Section. In this capacity he displayed outstanding courage and fortitude and qualities of leadership. Despite the fact that his battery was under intense counter fire from enemy field pieces, Corporal Anderson unflinchingly exposed himself in performance of his duties. By his coolness, courage, and determination under fire he spurred the members of his section to superb accomplishments in combat with the foe. Corporal Anderson's conscientious devotion to duty and complete disregard for his own safety were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Leon Anderson, (father), R.R. #6, Crawfordville, Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade VITO A. ARCURI, (32370333), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 February 1945. Corporal Arcuri, member of a Field Artillery Battery which was supporting Infantry elements in the hills north of Rosario, displayed exceptional physical endurance and courage when it was necessary to replace a forward Observation Post's radio which had been destroyed by enemy shell fire. Because of the lack of communication between Corporal Arcuri's Battery and the forward positions, rifle troops were being shelled without mercy by Japanese light field pieces. Although he had worked hard all day long, Corporal Arcuri voluntarily carried a heavy radio across rough and difficult terrain to the forward observation point. He accomplished this task after dark without any protection from enemy patrols. By his initiative and bold spirit, Corporal Arcuri was largely instrumental in silencing the hostile batteries. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice Arcuri, (mother), 1201 Hammer Street, Utica, New York.

Staff Sergeant JAMES E. KEARNS, (17050332), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 January 1945. Sergeant Kearns, a Squad Leader with a Platoon in contact at Lingayen Gulf, demonstrated great bravery and military skill when enemy mortar concentrations injured the Platoon Sergeant and six fellow soldiers. Taking command, Sergeant Kearns quickly reorganized the remaining men. In order to obtain better surveillance of the hostile installations, Sergeant Kearns bravely moved forward, exposed to Japanese shell-
ing, until he was able to locate the enemy weapons. Then expertly directing;

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and controlling the fire of his unit, Sergeant Kearns succeeded in silencing the entrenched fire. Sergeant Kearns' high degree of combat proficiency and outstanding courage were a constant inspiration to the soldiers who served under him. Home address: Mrs. Jack Kearns, (mother), Box 362, Bott, North Dakota.

Private ROBERT E. LaVALLEY, (20153341), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Casario, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 January 1945. A light Field Artillery Battery, of which Private LaValley was a member, was in position near Casario, when it was subjected to intense shelling by enemy medium caliber guns, setting a trailer of ammunition and some fuel in the truck park on fire. With complete disregard for his own safety, Private LaValley left his shelter and proceeded under severe bombardment to undertake the hazardous task of extinguishing these fires. With the help of four comrades this was accomplished. Because of Private LaValley's initiative, bold and prompt action, and exceptional courage, much valuable material and many of his comrades were saved from injury. Home address: Mr. Albert S. LaValley, 5 Salisbury Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Private First Class JOHN G. McFARLAND, (36006020), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Casario, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 January 1945. A light Field Artillery Battery, of which Private McFarland was a member, was in position near Casario, when it was subjected to intense shelling by enemy medium caliber guns, setting a trailer of ammunition and some fuel in the truck park on fire. With complete disregard for his own safety, Private McFarland left his shelter and proceeded under severe bombardment to undertake the hazardous task of extinguishing these fires. With the help of four comrades this was accomplished. Because of Private McFarland's initiative, bold and prompt action, and exceptional courage, much valuable material and many of his comrades were saved from injury. Home address: Mrs. Label McFarland, (mother), R. 1, #1, Allen Dale, Illinois.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #5419, 4 February 1945, (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 Fifth Grade FRANCIS J. CREAMER, (20153287), (then Sergeant), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 January 1945. On that day Corporal Creamer was a member of a light Field Artillery Battery in position near Rosario, when it was subjected to intense shelling by enemy medium caliber guns, setting a trailer of ammunition and some fuel in the truck park on fire. With complete disregard for his own safety, Corporal Creamer left his shelter and proceeded under severe bombardment to undertake the hazardous task of extinguishing these fires. Corporal Creamer's initiative, bold and prompt action, and exceptional courage saved many of his comrades from injury. Home address: Mrs. Mary Creamer, (wife), 87 Lydia Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Private First-Class HENRY W. DAVIS, (31268218), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 February 1945. On this date, Private Davis's Company was holding a hill north of Rosario, and was under severe enemy mortar fire. During the process one of the Company Officers was hit in the forearm by shrapnel, which almost severed his hand above the wrist. In order to save his hand and quite possibly his life, it was necessary to get him to the rear for immediate medical treatment. In spite of the approaching darkness and the fact that they were under enemy observation, Private Davis unhesitatingly and immediately volunteered to lead and protect the litter bearers while effecting the evacuation. The route was across a trail over very rough terrain, which was infested with Japanese snipers. Private Davis exhibited great leadership by leading the group in such a way that it avoided injury from these hostile soldiers. Private Davis' generous action and unflinching courage, in placing the life of a wounded comrade above his own, reflect great credit on himself and the United States Army. Home address: Mr. James Bradley Davis, (father), Cairo, Georgia.

Corporal ADAM S. JODLOWSKI, (37125170), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9-13 January 1945. During this period in the vicinity of Alacan, Corporal Jodlowski was acting as Chief of Section in a 105mm Howitzer unit. In this capacity he displayed outstanding courage, fortitude, and qualities of leadership. Despite the fact that his battery was constantly under intense counter fire from enemy field pieces, Corporal Jodlowski unflinchingly exposed himself in performing his duties.

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By his coolness, courage, and determination under fire he spurred the members of his section to superb accomplishments in concert with the Pfc. Corporal Jodlowski's conscientious devotion to duty and complete disregard for his safety were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Valoria Jodlowski, (mother), 4327 South 36th Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Private First Class CHESTER H. MOTT, (51033372), (then Technician Fifth Grade), Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 26 January 1945. On that day Private Mott was a member of a light Field Artillery Battery in position near Rosario, when it was subjected to intense shelling by enemy medium caliber guns, setting a trailer of ammunition and some fuel in the truck park on fire. With complete disregard for his own safety, Private Mott left his shelter and proceeded under severe bombardment to undertake the hazardous task of extinguishing these fires. With the help of four comrades, this was accomplished. Private Mott's initiative, bold and prompt action, and exceptional courage saved many of his comrades from injury. Home address: Mr. Walter J. Mott, (father), 9 Leona Court, East Greenwich, Rhode Island.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH P. YACOBOWSKY, (33361263), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 March 1945. On that day Sergeant Yacobowsky's Company was **out** in two by surprise enemy machine-gun fire which pinned down the men and stalled the attack. Sergeant Yacobowsky, swiftly meeting the situation, bravely exposed himself while selecting defilade locations in the terrain and directing his men to the available protected areas. Then Sergeant Yacobowsky expertly organized the movement of his troops to join companion units and resume their **assault** on the Pfc. Sergeant Yacobowsky's spirited initiative and personal courage inspired and calmed his men in spite of the enemy fire and thereby aided the speedy accomplishment of the Company's mission. Home address: Mrs. Anna C. Yacobowsky, (mother), Green Street, Brockton, Pennsylvania.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL-POSTHUMOUS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Corporal LEO F. BENZ, (1607577, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Malasin, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 January 1945. During that night Corporal Benz, gunner of an M-7 crew which was protecting the rear of a road block perimeter against repeated enemy attacks, demonstrated exceptional bravery and military proficiency under fire. Although the Japanese charged the position in great force Corporal Benz and his companions stubbornly defended their gun and position. When the momentum of the hostile attack penetrated to the anti-tank weapon itself, Corporal Benz gallantly engaged the enemy in hand to hand combat at the shield of his gun. Corporal Benz was killed in this battle but his fearless defense was largely instrumental in successfully protecting the position against the enemy. By his exemplary conduct in the face of great odds, Corporal Benz instilled a lasting memory of his bravery in the minds of his comrades. Next of kin: Mrs. Frances Benz, (mother), RFD #5, Quincy, Illinois.

II. AWARDS OF SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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 THOMAS F. BURKE, (33257594), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Habitac, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 April 1945. On that morning Sergeant Burke's Company was surprised by an enemy force which inflicted many casualties with machine-gun and small-arms fire, forcing the Company to withdraw. During the movement, one of Sergeant Burke's companions was wounded in both legs and fell at a point which was fully exposed to constant hostile automatic-weapons fire. Quickly volunteering to rescue his helpless comrade, Sergeant Burke crawled about two hundred yards with bullets kicking up dust all around him, administered first aid and then dragged the injured soldier to safety. Gallantly risking his life to save his injured companion, Sergeant Burke made himself worthy of the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. T. F. Burke, (wife), 611 Bell Avenue, Altoona, Pennsylvania.

Corporal CHARLES E. ROTHERT, (39697663), (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Hill #318, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 January 1945. On that day, Corporal Rothert's Platoon was given the mission of assaulting a strongly held enemy hill. The only approach to the objective was across an exposed

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area of rice paddies. Several members of the platoon had succeeded in crossing the area when a automatic rifleman was critically wounded in the back and lay exposed to hostile fire. Corporal Rothert, with utter disregard for his own safety, promptly crawled forward under intense enemy machine-gun fire and succeeded in pulling the wounded man from the line of direct fire. After administering urgently needed first aid, Corporal Rothert, courageously moved forward again to retrieve the wounded man's automatic rifle, which he knew was needed by his platoon for the successful completion of its mission, and continued on across the exposed area to rejoin his squad. Corporal Rothert's outstanding and gallant action in willingly risking his life to aid a heloless comrade is in accord with the finest tradition of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Barbara L. Rothert, (wife), 315 West Padre Street, Santa Barbara, California.


Technical Sergeant LOUIE A. ZELLER, (36169182), (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Badanga, New Georgia, Solomon Islands on 20 August 1943. Sergeant Zeller's Platoon was isolated by an enemy attack in force which had inflicted many casualties including five killed. In spite of this Sergeant Zeller and his companions fought on until dark when it became apparent that the situation was hopeless unless reinforcements and supplies of ammunition could be obtained. Sergeant Zeller bravely volunteered to infiltrate through the attacking Japanese during the night in order to contact friendly units and bring back the needed supplies. Sergeant Zeller successfully crossed the hostile, fire swept terrain and gave information to a mortar Squad with which it effectively silenced much of the enemy shelling. The next morning friendly units, guided by Sergeant Zeller fought their way to the surrounded men bringing supplies and reinforcements. Sergeant Zeller's gallant and courageous action in risking his life for the benefit of his fellow soldiers reflects great credit on himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Amy M. Zeller, (mother), South Warren Avenue, Big Rapids, Michigan.

III. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS. So much of Section I, General Orders #49, Headquarters 43d Infantry Division, dated 24 March 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Silver Star Medal to Private First Class WILLIAM C. MILLER, (36657749), Infantry, as reads "on 16 January 1945." is amended to read "on 15 January 1945."

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bulletin #3, AD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

First Sergeant WALTER PANTELEMON, (35560322), (then Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Roruaia, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 January 1945. Sergeant Pantelomon, squad leader of the lead Platoon while his company was attacking well dug-in enemy hill positions, displayed exceptional courage and leadership ability under intense hostile fire. During the assault the Platoon Sergeant was virtually wounded. Sergeant Pantelomon instantly took command of the situation, and voluntarily exposing himself, moved about among his men improving their position, directing their fire, and inspiring them with his aggressive spirit. When the Platoon was ordered to withdraw, Sergeant Pantelomon fearlessly remained on the hill until all of his men had arrived at a protected position. By his indomitable spirit, fidelity to duty, and professional skill Sergeant Pantelomon has made himself a name of the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Stella Pantelomon, (mother), 12315 Elmwood Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

II. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL-OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star Medal awarded to First Sergeant WALTER PANTELEMON, (35560322), Infantry, by this Headquarters published in Section I, General Orders #633, 30 August 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bulletin #3, AD, 1918). Award citation is as follows:

First Sergeant WALTER PANTELEMON, (35560322), (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Ipo Jan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 May 1945. Sergeant Pantelomon, while a member of a small team which was attacking well fortified Japanese positions, displayed remarkable bravery and physical endurance in the face of shell fire. Just as the group reached its objective, it was caught by surprise and machine gun bursts which inflicted several casualties, and pinned down the rest of the team. Having no communication with the remainder of the platoon, Sergeant Pantelomon immediately volunteered to take a patrol. By himself, and finally alone, the patrol searched very intense automatic weapon fire, Sergeant Pantelomon succeeded in reaching friendly units, which neutralized the enemy positions with smoke and high explosive shellings. Because of Sergeant Pantelomon's gallant accomplishment under fire, his indomitable courage, and his physical endurance, and his physical endurance. Home address: Mrs. Stella Pantelomon, (mother), 12315 Elmwood Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

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III. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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, 43rd Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class RAYMOND F. BLEICH, (50355047), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 200, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 January 1945. As a cannonner on an M-7, Private Bleich was performing his duties when the weapon received direct hits from a Japanese anti-tank gun. The explosion instantly killed one member of the crew, wounded another, and set the ammunition afire. With the assistance of another crew member, Private Bleich helped the wounded man from the burning vehicle and attempted to recover the body of the dead man, but was driven out by the intense heat and flames. During Private Bleich's heroic efforts in behalf of his stricken comrade the enemy was constantly firing at the vehicle with a machine gun. Private Bleich, by bravely risking his life to rescue his helpless companion, has won lasting praise and admiration for himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Gus Bleich, (father), c/o Walter Ringelison, Northfield, Minnesota.

First Sergeant WALTER PANTELEMON (35300222), (then Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 January 1945. Sergeant Pantolemon, a Squad Leader charged with the defense of a sector of his Company perimeter, displayed rare courage and remarkable foresight while defending his position against determined enemy attacks. During the fierce battle, the supply of ammunition became dangerously low and several men were wounded. Sergeant Pantolemon bravely jumped from his foxhole, administered first-aid to his injured comrades, secured a new supply of ammunition, and distributed it among his men in spite of fierce fire from the enemy. By his brave action under fire, Sergeant Pantolemon merited the praise and admiration of all with whom he served. Home address: Mrs. Stella Pantolemon, (mother), 11315 Elmwood Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL-POSTHUMOUS. By direction of the President under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, no, 1918), a silver star medal is posthumously awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class CLYDE A. BODARY, (36170412), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14-15 January 1945. During that night, Private Bodary, gunner on an m - 7 crew which was protecting the rear of a road-block perimeter against repeated enemy attacks, demonstrated exceptional bravery and military proficiency under fire. Although the Japanese charged the position in great force private Bodary and his companions stubbornly defended their gun positions. When the momentum of the hostile attack penetrated to the anti-tank weapon itself, Private Bodary gallantly engaged the enemy in hand to hand combat at the shield of his gun. Private Bodary was killed in this battle but his fearless defense was largely instrumental in successfully protecting the position against the enemy. By his exemplary conduct in the face of great odds, Private Bodary inspired a lasting memory of his bravery in the minds of his comrades. Next of Kin: Mr. David Bodary, (father), 667 Glenwood Avenue, Owosso, Michigan.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944, (Sect II, Bulletin 3, no, 1944), a Bronze star medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Sergeant KENNETH A. BARCLAY, (35380803), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Rosario, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 January 1945. On this day, Sergeant Barclay led his squad in advance of his Company in the attack on Rosario. He and his first scout fired on a Japanese sentinel knocking him down. The enemy soldier jumped up and ran behind a hut. Sergeant Barclay rushed past his first scout to investigate the situation before he committed his squad. While going around the hut a hostile machine-gun opened fire, wounding Sergeant Barclay in the left leg and knocking him to the ground. In spite of his agony sergeant Barclay fought back with rifle fire killing two and wounding one of the foe. While he loaded his rifle, a burst from the enemy machine-gun shattered it, breaking the stock and bending the follower and slide. By skillfull maneuvering, sergeant Barclay was able to withdraw safely to the remainder of his squad. Sergeant Barclay's outstanding courage and aggressiveness in the face of enemy fire reflects great credit on himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Andrew W. Barclay, (father), 1987 Hayden Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

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First Lieutenant RAYMOND J. BLIESE, (O-362719), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the South Pacific Area, during the period 1 December 1943, to 1 July 1945. Home address: Mr. William Bliese, (father), DeForrest, Wisconsin.

Private First Class ROBERT W. CHRISMAN, (36986376), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11-20 May 1945. Private Chrisman, in charge of civilian carrying parties, was responsible for the steady flow of supplies to his company's forward position and the immediate evacuation of wounded personnel of the Battalion. Private Chrisman guided carrying parties forward over trails made almost impassable by heavy rains and subjected to intense enemy artillery fire. On occasions when his men were fired upon by hostile snipers, the coolness and initiative displayed by Private Chrisman, prevented panic among the civilians and the abandonment of supplies along the trail. Private Chrisman's courage and exceptional devotion to his duty contributed in a large measure to the successful accomplishment of his Battalion's mission in the capture of Ipo Dam. Home address: Mrs. Robert W. Chrisman, (wife), 114 Southwest Albany Street, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Private First Class FRANK S. DAVENPORT, (20346953), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 7-19 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen S. Davenport, (mother), 3819 Ridgewood Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland.

Corporal STANLEY E. EARMAN, (33244297), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 14 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances B. Earman, (mother), 20 East Caracas Avenue, Hershey, Pennsylvania.

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AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944, (S.Ct. 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 WILL H. FETHLAN, (32598942), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Iba Bay, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 May 1945. Private Fethlan, displayed great courage and physical endurance while voluntarily assisting in the evacuation of many wounded fellow soldiers under intense enemy fire. A numerically superior force of Japanese had cut off approximately two platoons of Private Fethlan's Company, wounded sixteen of the men and killed seven. The injured men lay in the open exposed to intense hostile mortar and machine-gun fire. Private Fethlan, in spite of the devastating enemy fire, bravely advanced across explosion-swept terrain, secured the wounded, and with the assistance of several companions, successfully removed them to a place of safety and medical treatment. By his brave response to the situation Private Fethlan was undoubtedly responsible for saving the lives of several of his injured comrades. Home address: Mrs. Anna Kreuse, (cousin), 99 Hudson Street, Hoboken, New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant FRANK H. GORKA, (36257973), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 21 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sophie Gorka, (mother), 3529 South Damon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant JACOB F. KORBEL, (37287888), (then Technician Fourth Grade), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 26 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Korbek, (mother), Route #1, New Prague, Minnesota.

Sergeant WOODROW W. MARTIN, (37209841), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 21 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eleanor B. Martin, (wife), 2700 West 6th Street, Topeka, Kansas.

Technical Sergeant VERNON G. OLSON, (37288449), (then Technician Fourth Grade), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 11 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Herbert W. Olson, (mother), 1704 Birch Lake Avenue, White Bear Lake, Minnesota.

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Private First Class FRANK P. RYDER, (33380810), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of ~~AY~~ Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9-10-11 May 1945. Private Ryder, while engaged in transporting much needed supplies to front line units under severe enemy shelling, displayed exceptional courage and devotion to duty during this three day period. Driving over a highway, subjected to a constant hostile artillery barrage, Private Ryder voluntarily made many trips to the most forward elements, bringing supplies of ammunition and rations. On many occasions after driving as far as possible, Private Ryder, carrying his cargo on his back, made many trips on foot across difficult terrain, exposed to hostile machine-gun fire, in order to deliver supplies directly to the fighting Infantrymen. The great risk to his life undergone by Private Ryder during this period and the exceptional physical endurance he displayed are worthy of the high traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Minerva Ryder, (mother), 1231 Dartmouth Avenue, Canton, Ohio.

Private First Class GAROLD B. WEASMER, (37074490), 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 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth M. Weasmer, (wife), 205 South Otto Street, Maquaketa, Iowa.

Technician Fourth Grade HAROLD E. WOOLBRIGHT, (36062611), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 27 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Annie Woolbright, (mother), 126 North Commercial Avenue, Centralia, Illinois.

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Section
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I. AWARD OF SOLDIERS MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bulletin 8, WD, 1926), a Soldiers Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Sergeant Grade VILO M. LAIA, (32871962), Infantry, United States Army. For heroism in the vicinity of Rabon, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 February 1945. While performing his duties as a Headquarters Company Cook, Sergeant Laia observed another member of the staff caught between two exploding gas reserves and completely enveloped in a sheet of flames. Quickly, and with utter disregard for his personal safety, Sergeant Laia rushed to the aid of his stricken comrade, flung himself upon the prostrate, burning soldier and, working feverishly, succeeded in completely smothering the flames. Although exhausted and suffering from numerous lacerations, Sergeant Laia unhesitatingly carried the badly injured man to the nearest aid station refusing any personal first-aid until his comrade was treated. Because of Sergeant Laia's prompt action and keen presence of mind, the extent of injury to his comrade was greatly reduced, thereby undoubtedly saving his life. Home address: Mrs. Emily Laia, APO, 2137 Washington Avenue, Bronx, New York.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRASS STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944, (Stat. II, Bulletin 5, WD, 1944), a Brass Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Major LEONARD T. CHAPPELL, (O-481400), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Pasig, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 12-21 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Priscilla F. Chappell, (wife), 260 Centre Street, Milton, Massachusetts.

Corporal MELVIN W. CLARK, (35772439), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Apo San, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11-20 May 1945. Corporal Clark, in charge of civilian carrying parties, was responsible for the steady flow of supplies to his company's forward position and the immediate evacuation of wounded personnel of the Battalion. He guided the carrying parties forward over trails made almost impassable by heavy rains and subjected to intense enemy artillery fire. On occasion when his party was fired upon by hostile snipers, the coolness and initiative displayed by Corporal Clark, prevented

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panic among the civilians and the abandonment of supplies along the trail. Corporal Clark's courage and exceptional devotion to duty contributed in a large measure to the successful accomplishment of his Battalion's mission in the capture of Ipo Dum. Home address: Mr. George W. Clark, (father), One, West Virginia.

Private First Class JIM W. FRANCIS, (37202736), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Masadio, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 January 1945. On that date, the Cannon Company of which Private Francis was a member, was maintaining an outpost for the observation of enemy artillery fire in the vicinity of Masadio. Maintaining a position on the right flank of the perimeter, Private Francis noticed a number of Japanese approaching his position, warned his comrades, and, withholding his fire until the foe approached to point-blank range, succeeded in killing two hostile soldiers and wounding several more. Although seriously injured himself by an exploding grenade, Private Francis, in spite of pain and shock, coolly continued his skillful defense until the foe was dispersed and driven off. Private Francis' courage, quick action, and stubborn devotion to duty were largely responsible for repelling the Japanese attack. Home address: Mrs. Clara Lee Francis, (wife), Kansas Avenue, 12 a, Topeka, Kansas.

Technician Fifth Grade DONALD W. SANDERS, (36434486), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 February 1945. Corporal Sanders, while supervising a civilian carrying party, demonstrated exceptional bravery and inspiring leadership in the presence of his men while he was under severe enemy fire. When the party was struck by surprise hostile sniper and artillery fire and the civilians took cover, Corporal Sanders bravely exposed himself while circulating among his men and persuading them to continue with their work. Because of Corporal Sanders' brave conduct, the civilian cargo bearers agreed to go forward again, bringing vitally needed ammunition, food and medical supplies to the troops fighting at the front. Corporal Sanders' untiring efforts and bold spirit reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Donald Sanders, (wife), Route #1, Humboldt, Illinois.

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I. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL. Posthumous. By direction of the President under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bulletin 13, 10, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is posthumously awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant W. L. BARBER, (31027309), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14-15 January 1945. Sergeant Barber, commanding an anti-tank Squad, displayed gallant courage and fighting spirit while repelling repeated enemy charges on his position. Realizing the vital necessity of holding out at all costs to protect his Company's rear, Sergeant Barber skillfully defended his position. When the momentum of the hostile charges finally penetrated to the shield of his gun, Sergeant Barber bravely engaged the enemy in hand to hand combat, and successfully dispersed the fanatical Japanese although mortally wounded himself during the battle. By his gallant conduct and aggressive fight against a numerically superior foe Sergeant Barber merits the greatest credit for himself and the military service. Next of Kin: Mrs. Myra Barber, (mother), RFD # 2, Cumberland Center, Maine.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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, 43rd Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class GEORGE G. BARNES, (3406533), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hill 600, Cablon, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 January 1945. Private Barnes exemplified the courage and fighting initiative expected of a Combat Infantryman during a severe enemy surprise attack. Although his Platoon was pinned down by hostile machine-gun and rifle fire, Private Barnes, on his own initiative, crawled forward with his automatic rifle to an unprotected point from which he placed devastating fire on the Japanese positions. Private Barnes' alert response to the dangerous situation permitted his Platoon to reorganize and resume their mission. By his bravery and determination under fire, Private Barnes merits the highest praise and admiration. Home address: Mrs. Cectha Arlene Barnes, (mother), 1011 Main Street, Duncan, Oklahoma.

Private First Class WILLIAM W. BELLEW, (34330703), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Fort Stotsenburg, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 March 1945. Private Bellew displayed rare courage, physical endurance, and splendid regard for the lives of his fellow soldiers while helping to evacuate several wounded men under severe enemy fire. In an attack upon a strongly fortified position,

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Private Bellow's Company suffered heavy casualties, some of which fell in the open exposed to hostile shelling. To reach his injured comrades he crossed much difficult terrain beneath constant hostile machine-gun and sniper fire. With the assistance of several companions, Private Bellow improvised litters with rifles and ponchos and successfully removed the helpless soldiers to a place of safety and where they could receive medical treatment. These acts of courage, initiative, and devotion to duty on the part of Private Bellow were a material factor in saving the lives and limbs of several stricken men. Mrs. Margaret Smith Bellow, Route #3, Gadsden, Alabama.

III. AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #9151, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order #9242-1, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class FREDERICK W. GILL, (20133105), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights on Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 31 January to 28 June 1945. Private Gill was on temporary duty with his Battalion Air Section throughout this period. His primary duty was that of air Observer; alternating with another observer on reconnaissance flights. Private Gill flew on almost half of all the air missions of his Battalion, piling up well over 300 combat hours. Private Gill's original instructions were to watch for friendly and enemy aircraft. So great were his initiative and ability, however, that soon he was acting as an integral part of the pilot-observer team. His skill in detecting enemy camouflage, in discovering artfully concealed installations, and other gun positions, was far greater than that of an ordinary observer. Because of this ability, coupled with initiative and keen judgment, Private Gill was directly responsible for the destruction of many enemy gun positions, installations, and personnel. Often under enemy fire, Private Gill displayed great calm and during and as a result contributed immeasurably to the effectiveness of the Battalion Air Section. Home address: Mrs. Adelle B. Gill, (mother), 43 Adelaide Street, NYC, New York.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WRIGHT:

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I. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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 officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant FRANK M. BRADLEY, (32624028), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 15 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Thomas Bradley (brother) 226 Bleeker Street, Brooklyn, New York.

First Sergeant CHARLES DOODY, (12079469), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 21 June 1945. Home address: Mr. John Doody (father) Palmer, New York.

Corporal DAVID GRAHAM, (35311275), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 February 1945. While on patrol, the Infantry Platoon in which Corporal Graham was a Radio Operator, was caught in an enemy ambush, wounding two of his companions. As the stricken soldiers were out in the open, the remainder of the Patrol was unable to reach them without becoming exposed to fierce hostile fire. With keen presence of mind, and entirely on his own initiative, Corporal Graham radioed a nearby Mortar Platoon and directed a concentration of smoke shells in the proximity of his area. This prompt and timely action on the part of Corporal Graham permitted the evacuation of the wounded men under cover of the smoke screen and enabled his Platoon to withdraw to a safe position without further casualties. Corporal Graham, in the performance of this outstanding act, won the admiration and respect of the men in his Company. Home address: Mrs. David Graham (wife) 1415 Riverside Drive, Lakewood, Ohio.

Captain JOHN A. MANLEY, (6-364025), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 14 March to 30 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth L. Manley (wife) 1105 Delaware Avenue, Wilmington, Delaware.

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Private First Class SAMUEL NOVICH, (42038670), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 13 May to 20 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Je nette G. Novich (mother) 71 Elliott Avenue, Yonkers, New York.

Second Lieutenant WOODY S. WILSON, (O-2007748), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 10 March to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mr. John Wilson (father) 1003 East 11th Street, Galena, Kansas.

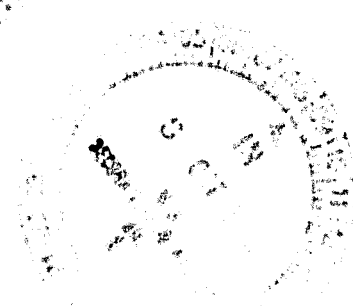
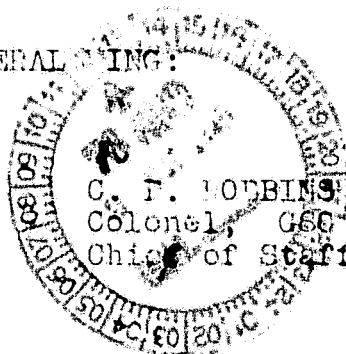
II. AWARD OF PROFFER STAR MEDAL - OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technical Sergeant PATRICK FLYNN, (32341322), Infantry, by this headquarters, as published in General Orders #541, dated 4 August 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order #9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect. II, Bulletin #1, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technical Sergeant PATRICK FLYNN, (32341322), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Flynn (mother) 161 East 89th Street, New York, New York.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL. 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:

Second Lieutenant GUY C. BOUTELLE, (O-2007270), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Ipo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 May 1945. Lieutenant Boutelle voluntarily organized a Patrol whose mission was to ascertain the location of hostile automatic weapons and the deployment of enemy forces in the heavily-wooded terrain of Hill #1410. Taking the lead, Lieutenant Boutelle cautiously advanced, crawling sixty yards through heavy undergrowth of bamboo thickets until he was within a few yards of a Japanese machine-gun nest. Ordering a Browning Automatic Rifle passed forward, he boldly attacked the surprised crew, single-handedly, killing several of the foe and wounding the remainder. The gallant and heroic act displayed by Lieutenant Boutelle is in accord with the high traditions of the United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Emma L. Estes, (mother), North Waterford, Maine.

II. AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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:

Master Sergeant RAYMOND W. DeKEYZER, (18133577), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the South and Southwest Pacific Area, during period 6 October 1943 to 24 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Leo A. DeKeyzer, (mother), Route #1, Alexandria, Louisiana.

First Lieutenant JULIUS H. FEIMSTER, (O-1011811), 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 13 May 1945. Lieutenant Feimster, Commander of a Heavy Weapons Company, was assigned the mission of placing a section of Heavy Machine guns to support the advance of two rifle companies toward Hill #860. He went forward with his Platoon Leader for a reconnaissance. The only area suitable was one that was covered by intense enemy artillery and small arms fire. During this reconnaissance the Platoon Leader was killed by fire from enemy machine guns. Lieutenant Feimster directed the removal of the dead Officer and continued with the reconnaissance, with utter disregard for his own safety, until he was able to select positions suitable for his weapons. From this location Lieutenant Feimster was able to place devastating fire upon the enemy and thereby contributed to the successful

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accomplishment of the Rifle Companies' mission. Home address: Mrs. Mary Feimster, (wife), Long's Hospital, Statesville, North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant LTC D J. KRAFT, (33077590), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 2 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Joseph J. Kraft, (mother), 1007 West 7th Street, Winona, Minnesota.

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* Warrant Officer Junior Grade EUGENE T. LACHAPPELLE, (W-2124667), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the South and Southwest Pacific Area, during period 1 March 1944 to 27 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Amos F. LaChapelle, (mother), ~~27 Capital St.~~ Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

Technician Third Grade DOW MARS, (35608493), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area, during period 1 November 1944 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Harry Mars, (father), 37 East Cuyahoga Falls Avenue, Akron, Ohio.

Second Lieutenant GEORGE R. MERILATT, (O-2030384), (then Master Sergeant) Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area, during period 1 November 1944 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. J. J. Merilatt, (sister), Box #383, Clayton, New Mexico.

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I. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL-POSTHUMOUS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #819, 4 February 1942, (Sect. II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private ALBERT BECKER, (3211945), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 January 1945. Private Becker, second runner in a Machine Gun Squad, displayed rare courage and great devotion to duty, while attempting to carry out his orders in establishing a defense of newly won positions. To get the maximum use of his automatic weapon, Private Becker was directed to crawl down the forward slope of the hill under very intense enemy artillery fire and place his gun in operation. Just as he succeeded in setting up his weapon, Private Becker was mortally wounded by a hostile shell explosion nearby. Private Becker's supreme fidelity to duty and personal bravery were an inspiration to his comrades and reflect credit on himself and the military service. Next of Kin: Mr. Morris Becker, (Father), 19 Tompkins Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

Private First Class CHARLES CALCATERA, (36723159), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mount Luotanaon, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8-9 and 10-1945. During an enemy attack on Mount Luotanaon, Private Calcaterra left the security of his foxhole to crawl forward fifty yards under fire to administer first-aid to a wounded soldier. Private Calcaterra crawled under short range enemy fire from two heavy machine guns, grenade dischargers and many rifles that were less than one hundred yards from the foxhole. Reaching the injured soldier he found him to be bleeding badly from many wounds. With complete disregard for his own safety, he stemmed the flow of blood, crossing himself to constant danger. After making this helpless comrade as comfortable as possible, he crawled back to his foxhole, only to hear again the cry of another stricken soldier. Again he crawled forward under the continuing attacks of the enemy, to administer first-aid to another injured man, who was badly hurt by enemy fragments. Private Calcaterra's actions were directly responsible in saving the lives of his two injured companions, for without his help, they would have died of their wounds before evacuation could have been effected. Next of Kin: Mrs. Joan Calcaterra, (mother), 612 North 13th Street, Park, Illinois.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #819, 4 February 1942, (Sect II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 43rd Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

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Private First Class WILLIAM R. FOWLER, (13149292), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Fowler, (mother), 1535 Music Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Corporal WILLIAM F. HOWARD, (30207002), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 9 January to 21 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. W. J. Howard, (mother), 1109 17th Avenue, Seattle, Washington.

III. AWARD OF Distinguished Service Cross by direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order #1173, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order #8222-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942), in accordance as ordered by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

First Lieutenant JOHN A. HANSFORD, (D-1291463), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 12 January 1945. Lieutenant Hansford, acting as a pilot and observer from a torpedo bomber, was searching for evidence of the enemy in the mountain area north of Dagupan where our ground troops were advancing. He sighted a convoy of approximately seventeen medium Japanese tanks traveling south on the San Fernando-Manila Road and immediately made a radio call for a strike. When a squadron of fighter bombers arrived, Lieutenant Hansford directed his pilot to remain at an altitude of approximately three hundred feet so he could observe very closely the action and the results of the strike. At this altitude he was exposed to enemy small-arms and machine-gun fire which damaged the plane, but Lieutenant Hansford was able to direct the bombers so successfully that sixteen of the enemy tanks were destroyed or rendered useless. By his heroism and his aggressive spirit of initiative in this action, Lieutenant Hansford was directly responsible for the destruction of a large armor force that would have greatly threatened the successful operations of ground troops. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice M. Hansford, (mother), 2651 San Jose Avenue, Alameda, California.

BY ORDER OF MAJOR GENERAL HINE:

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Chief of Staff

William R. Fowler
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Acting Captain

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL-Posthumous. 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 posthumously awarded by the Commanding General, 43d Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class LEONARD GIOVE, (32953624), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Teresa, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 March 1945. Approaching the Company objective north of Teresa, Private Giove, lead scout of the advance party, demonstrated fine soldierly fortitude and skill searching out terrain features in the area of the march. While he was investigating a wooded cut on his Company's right flank a large, concealed, Japanese force placed a large volume of small-arms fire on Private Giove, pinning him down and preventing escape. Realizing his predicament Private Giove bravely fought back with his rifle until he was killed by enemy action. By his sacrifice Private Giove successfully protected his Company from ambush and left an inspiring memory of him in the minds of his fellow soldiers. Next of Kin: Mrs. Theresa Giove, (mother), 41 Hull Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Corporal MARCION J. KARANIEWSKI, (36169158), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy at Hill 600, Pozorrubio, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 January 1945. Corporal Karaniewski, gunner on a mortar crew, displayed exceptional fidelity to duty under exceedingly heavy enemy artillery fire. While Corporal Karaniewski was operating his mortar in support of attacking foot-soldiers, the area was suddenly subjected to intense hostile shelling by the Japanese. Realizing that the assaulting elements of his Company needed his support, Corporal Karaniewski continued with his mission in spite of the hostile shell explosions creeping toward him. Before his work was completed Corporal Karaniewski was mortally wounded by an enemy artillery shell burst. Corporal Karaniewski's high devotion to duty and gallant disregard for his life were an inspiration to all his fellow soldiers. Next of Kin: Mrs. Anna Karaniewski, (mother), 3357 East Ferry Street, Detroit, Michigan.

II. AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 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, 43rd Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Fourth Grade PAUL M. FESSENDEN, (35921312), (then Private), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during period 14 to 21 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cybilla M. Fessenden, (wife), 599 Grant Street, Akron, Ohio.

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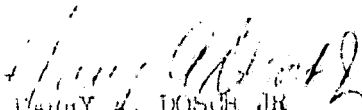
Private First Class LOYD M. GRAGG, (3425590), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Igo Dam, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 May 1945. Private Gragg demonstrated great courage, physical endurance, and loyalty to his comrades while he was voluntarily removing several wounded men to safety under severe enemy shelling. Surprise hostile fire had cut off and pinned down his company and inflicted many casualties who were helplessly exposed to Japanese shelling. In spite of the devastating fire, Private Gragg bravely crawled forward through the withering fire and assisted in dragging several critically injured soldiers to safety and treatment. By his unselfish efforts under fire in behalf of his injured companions, Private Gragg was undoubtedly instrumental in saving the lives of several of his fellow soldiers. Home address: Mr. G. A. Gragg, (father), Route # 2, Marion, North Carolina.

Private First Class WALTER E. LACY, (34100494), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Calunetan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 4 February 1945. Private Lacy demonstrated superior courage and initiative under withering enemy fire which had mortally wounded the platoon sergeant and pinned down the men. Under direction of the helpless sergeant, Private Lacy fearlessly exposed himself to signal for friendly smoke and mortar concentrations and then, under cover of this protection, organized an orderly withdrawal. After the men had reached a place of safety, Private Lacy bravely attempted to recover the body of his platoon sergeant who had died soon after he was wounded, but was prevented at that time by devastating hostile machine-gun fire. Private Lacy's courage and alert response to the needs of the situation reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Mark E. Lacy, (brother), Manager, Alabama.

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