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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star is awarded to the following officer:

PHILIP C. BERKER 01331699, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 14 March 1945 near Albertshof, Germany. Reconnoitering forward of his platoon while attempting to locate enemy flak gun installations, Lieutenant Berker discovered an 88mm antitank gun and crew concealed in the woods. He fired into the emplacement and killed the entire crew. The enemy then concentrated flak fire in the platoon's sector. Lieutenant Berker maneuvered his men into a flanking position and led them in an assault upon one of the flak guns, surprising the enemy and killing or capturing the crew. Although wounded in this operation, Lieutenant Berker continued to direct his platoon until the enemy was eliminated. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

Section II

Award, Posthumous, of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men:

WAYNE W. DAHLSTEDT 01328237, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 31 March 1945 near Schweinhelm, Germany. While attacking the town of Schweinhelm, Lieutenant Dahlstedt's platoon encountered strong resistance from enemy riflemen, supported by heavy mortar and artillery fire. In spite of the intensity of the enemy fire, Lieutenant Dahlstedt continually exposed himself to urge his men forward. Although the platoon was in danger of being cut off from friendly troops by enemy counterattacks, Lieutenant Dahlstedt, by skillfully maneuvering his platoon, forced the enemy to withdraw. After eliminating several enemy machine gun positions, the platoon reached its objective, but during the action Lieutenant Dahlstedt was fatally wounded. His inspiring

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leadership and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from York, Nebraska. Next of kin: Mrs. Netta C Dahlstadt (Wife), 806 West 8th Street, York, Nebraska.

✓ THOMAS J FINNERAN 33813847, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. While attacking enemy positions Private Finneran's squad was subjected to heavy machine gun, mortar, and small arms fire which wounded the squad leader and killed the assistant squad leader. Private Finneran by continually exposing himself located the enemy machine gun nest. Although severely wounded he maneuvered himself into an advantageous position from which he fired a rifle grenade and destroyed the enemy emplacement. Private Finneran then fired on an adjacent enemy position until he was fatally wounded by the enemy fire. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Next of kin: Mary A. Duffy (Aunt), 6420 Shorwood Road, Overbrook, Pennsylvania.

✓ FRED H HARLING 34999133, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. When his platoon was temporarily stopped by enemy mortar and machine gun fire, Private Harling, automatic rifleman, made his way for three hundred yards under direct enemy sniper and machine gun fire to a position from which he could effectively cover the platoon's advance. Discovering enemy machine gun positions to his right flank, he laid accurate fire on them and eliminated two of the enemy guns. While continuing to cover the advance of his platoon, he was mortally wounded by an enemy sniper. Private Harling's actions were largely responsible for the ultimate success of the attack. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Haleyville, Alabama. Next of kin: Mrs. Sofia Lilor L Harling (Mother), Haleyville, Alabama.

✓ LOUIS H KRUG 33692043, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. When an enemy force equipped with automatic weapons and hand grenades infiltrated to the house in which his platoon command post was located, Private Krug crawled from one covered position to another until he reached a point within a few yards of the enemy. Throwing a hand grenade into their midst, he followed up by assaulting the position, killing the remaining enemy with his submachine gun. Private Krug's quick action prevented the enemy from inflicting casualties upon his unit and permitted his platoon to reorganize to meet any further attack. Entered the military service from Wilkesburg, Pennsylvania. Next of kin: Mrs. Elizabeth Krug (Mother), 22 Princeton Boulevard, Wilkesburg, Pennsylvania.

Section III

Award of the Silver Star, Missing in Action

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following enlisted man, missing in action:

JAMES ROTUNNO 32204944, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company X, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 January 1945 near Roipertswiller, France. When his platoon leader and platoon sergeant were wounded during a series of counterattacks by a numerically superior enemy force, Sergeant Rotunno assumed command and reorganized the platoon. During the ensuing action he repeatedly exposed himself to enemy fire in order to direct the fire and movement of his men. When the only remaining aid man was wounded, Sergeant Rotunno assigned a subordinate to take command, while he ran across open fields under heavy enemy fire to rescue the aid man. Taking the medical pouches, Sergeant Rotunno then rendered first aid to other wounded men of his platoon. Sergeant Rotunno's initiative and devotion to his comrades reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Lucia Rotunno (Mother), 1401 East 4th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Section IV

Award of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

ROBERT M BOLTON 39707660, Medical Department, Private, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 21 October 1944 near Housseras, France. When the rifle platoon which Private Bolton was accompanying as aid man was outflanked by a strong enemy force, the first scout was seriously wounded. Hearing the shout of the injured man, Private Bolton crawled forward under heavy enemy mortar and small arms fire. Although slightly wounded in his attempt, Private Bolton continued until he reached the wounded scout, applied first aid, and carried the man to safety. Private Bolton's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Marion, Illinois.

EUSEBIUS BOSSERT 02006046, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. While participating in clearing the city of Nurnberg, Lieutenant Bossert's company was temporarily halted by enemy sniper fire. Moving through the rubble of demolished buildings and along alleyways, Lieutenant Bossert surprised the sniper from the rear and killed him. After the company had advanced several hundred yards, it was stopped by machine gun fire. Lieutenant Bossert, locating the source of the fire, flanked the position and, with a rifle grenade, killed or wounded the entire crew. While returning to his company, Lieutenant Bossert encountered another enemy sniper and with a few well directed shots from his rifle forced him to withdraw. Lieutenant Bossert's courage and aggressiveness reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Strasburg, North Dakota.

✓ JOSEPH CIRINO 33791323, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. While investigating the second floor of a building Private Cirino encountered eight enemy soldiers armed with machine pistols and rifles. Before the enemy could put their weapons into action, Private Cirino fired a volley of shots, wounding two and forcing the others to surrender. As he was marching his prisoners downstairs, four more of the enemy entered the building. Private Cirino threw a hand grenade which wounded all four of the enemy. He then returned to his company with his prisoners. Private Cirino's resourcefulness and courage reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

RAYMOND L COTE JR. 01328013, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. During the attack on Schweinheim, Lieutenant Cote directed the advance of his platoon through heavy enemy sniper and artillery fire over terrain that afforded little cover or concealment. When his first scout was wounded, Lieutenant Cote, leaving his platoon sergeant in command, crawled over one hundred yards under direct small arms and machine gun fire to the wounded man. Although seriously wounded while dragging his wounded scout to safety, Lieutenant Cote refused evacuation. He continued to lead the attack until the platoon had taken its objective. Lieutenant Cote's courageous leadership and devotion to his men reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Belmont, California.

✓ CARLTON W. DUBAY 01319269, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. When his company encountered a concentration of enemy machine gun, small arms, mortar, and artillery fire, Lieutenant Dubay led his platoon to the exposed flank of the company and assigned his men fields of fire. He repeatedly exposed himself in order to direct and encourage his troops. Although severely wounded while giving fire orders to a supporting tank, Lieutenant Dubay retained command of his platoon until the enemy was driven from its positions. Lieutenant Dubay's courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Mt. Clemens, Michigan.

✓ LESLIE C TURNER 34207424, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. While leading his platoon against a sector of apartment buildings, Sergeant Turner decided that more information about enemy installations was necessary. Despite the enemy machine gun and rifle fire directed in his area, Sergeant Turner crawled around piles of debris, maneuvered to the left of the enemy positions and worked his way into the hallway of a building. Discovering ten enemy armed with machine pistols, bazookas and rifles concealed in a submerged passage, he quickly threw a hand grenade into the emplacement. Sergeant Turner then assaulted the position and, finding two of the enemy still armed, killed both of them with his rifle. Sergeant Turner's courage and aggressiveness reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Jacksonville, Florida.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star is awarded to the following enlisted man:

STEPHEN S PILAT 31348522, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 April 1945 at Murnburg, Germany. When enemy snipers pinned down the lead elements of his platoon, Sergeant Pilat boldly engaged the snipers in a rifle duel, killing two and capturing five. Although himself wounded when the enemy placed heavy automatic fire on his platoon, Sergeant Pilat moved through intense fire to receive further instructions from his commanding officer. Despite the pain from his wounds, Sergeant Pilat then reconnoitered a route of withdrawal for his platoon and, exposed to deadly fire, effected the evacuation of his casualties. Heroically refusing evacuation until his platoon was reorganized, Sergeant Pilat was greatly responsible for defeating a determined enemy. Entered the military service from Northampton, Massachusetts.

Section II

Award, Posthumous, of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men:

THOMAS E DOBRY 01998122, Field Artillery, Second Lieutenant, Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action on 3 January 1945 near Phillipsburg, France. Enemy infantry supported by armor had made an attack on friendly troops in Phillipsburg and had cut the road to the rear with heavy machine gun and mortar fire. Lieutenant Dobry, moving his tank destroyer platoon toward the town, braved enemy mortar, machine gun, and bazooka fire to lead his platoon to a position from which they knocked out two enemy machine gun nests. When two enemy bazooka teams attacked his destroyer from a nearby ditch, Lieutenant Dobry fired at a telephone pole beside the ditch and killed the enemy by air bursts. He then ordered his

platoon forward to give much needed support to the friendly infantry troops. The fire from his guns was a decisive factor in repulsing the enemy attack. Lieutenant Dobry's courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Chickasha, Oklahoma. Next of kin: Mrs. Freda B Dobry (Wife), 415 McKinley Avenue, Shawnee, Oklahoma.

NELS M NELSON 37035398, Infantry, Sergeant, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 March 1945 near Wattweiler, Germany. While Sergeant Nelson and his squad were clearing a sector of town, the lead scout standing in the doorway of a building came under fire from an enemy pillbox. In an effort to assist his scout, Sergeant Nelson picked up a Browning automatic rifle and ran to the doorway, reaching it just as the scout was hit by an enemy bullet. Unable to enter the locked house, Sergeant Nelson placed accurate fire on the enemy position, causing them to temporarily cease firing. Then, while attempting to carry his scout to a covered position, Sergeant Nelson was killed by enemy machine gun fire. His daring and concern for his comrade reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Blair, Nebraska. Next of kin: Mrs. Hanna C Nelson (Mother), Blair, Nebraska.

WILSON J SATTERFIELD 33885106, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. While leading his platoon across open terrain, Sergeant Satterfield encountered heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire which halted his platoon's advance. Standing erect despite the heavy fire, Sergeant Satterfield ordered his men to return the fire while they moved from their exposed positions. He skillfully directed his men back to a position from which they could execute a flanking attack against the enemy emplacements. Sergeant Satterfield was killed while this maneuver was being effected, but his men were so inspired by his courageous leadership that they successfully accomplished their mission, inflicting heavy casualties upon the enemy and taking one hundred and twenty-five prisoners. Sergeant Satterfield's daring and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Vernon Hill, Virginia. Next of kin: Mrs. Mildred E Satterfield (Wife), Route 1, Box 214, Vernon Hill, Virginia.

Section III

Award of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-75, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

JOHN M HODSON 39343322, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 November 1944 near Mulhausen, France. When the gunner and assistant gunner of a friendly machine gun squad were wounded, Private Hodson left his foxhole and ran across an area covered by enemy artillery and mortar fire to the gun position. Although enemy infantrymen detected his movement and directed automatic weapons and rifle fire on him, Private Hodson reached the machine gun and commenced firing steadily and effectively at the enemy. His initiative and courage were important factors in repulsing the enemy attack and reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Roseburg, Oregon.

JAMES J KING 32679710, Infantry, Sergeant, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 March 1945 near Aschaffenberg, Germany. As Sergeant King, acting platoon leader, was leading his men in an attack upon a large pillbox, an unnoticed enemy machine gun suddenly opened fire and forced the platoon to take cover. Crawling through a barbed wire fence, Sergeant King threw a grenade and then emptied his rifle into the machine gun emplacement, wounding the gunner and forcing the other members of the crew to flee. He then assaulted the pillbox, forced an entrance and captured the eight occupants. Sergeant King's courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Long Island, New York.

DONALD C SARGENT 32944803, Technical Sergeant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 March 1945 near Rhein-Durkheim, Germany. As acting platoon leader Sergeant Sargent led his men in assaulting a 20mm gun position which was impeding the advance of his company. In spite of the intense enemy fire he placed several men into position to establish a base of fire, then led the remainder of his platoon in a bold charge on the enemy position, destroying both the gun and the crew. Sergeant Sargent's courageous leadership caused the enemy to abandon several other gun positions and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Gilbertsville, New York.

JOHN J VOELLINGS 31005472, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 October 1944 near Fremifontaine, France. Private Voellings, acting platoon sergeant, assumed command of his platoon when the platoon leader was killed during an attack. Ordered to seize a strategic position Private Voellings led his platoon in an aggressive assault through intense mortar, machine gun, and small arms fire. Exposing himself to enemy fire, Private Voellings continually moved among his men to encourage their advance. After four hours of close fighting the platoon succeeded in overcoming strong resistance and taking its objective. Private Voellings' initiative and aggressive leadership reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

DOFF WILLIAMS 35771825, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. During a sudden enemy attack, Sergeant Williams moved among the members of his squad, directing their fire and encouraging them to defend the squad position. Observing an enemy machine gun in action, he crawled toward it and dispersed its crew with a single hand grenade. Taking advantage of the enemy's confusion, he ran to the machine gun and brought its fire to bear upon the enemy. Sergeant Williams' courage and aggressiveness prevented an encirclement of his squad's position and reflect credit upon himself and his unit. Entered the military service from Cirtsville, New York.

CHARLES E GOLOBY 38471367, Corps of Engineers, Technician Fourth Grade (then Corporal),
Company B, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion.
Entered the military service from Okmulgee, Oklahoma.

JAMES J QUINN 33155201, Corps of Engineers, Private First Class,
Company H, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion.
Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

For gallantry in action on 2 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. Technician Goloby and Private Quinn were members of a mine removal detail clearing the way for supporting tanks when a booby trapped mine detonated, killing one member of the detail and seriously wounding the squad leader. Simultaneously the enemy laid down a heavy barrage of small arms and mortar fire. Although badly shaken and bruised by the blast Technician Goloby and Private Quinn crawled over a hundred yards of exposed terrain, improvised a stretcher, and succeeded in evacuating their wounded leader. Their courage and concern for their fellow soldier reflect credit upon themselves and their organization.

WALTER J VERNAGO 33390005, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class),
Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

EDWIN P M MILLS 35812660, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Gravelswitch, Kentucky.

For gallantry in action on 27 December 1944 near Reims, France. When their company was ordered to withdraw in order to straighten the battalion line and make preparations for an attack against well-fortified positions, Corporal Vernago and Private Mills, equipped with demolition charges, opened fire upon the enemy and by drawing the enemy fire upon themselves permitted the rest of the company to reach new positions. Then, although subjected to artillery and small arms fire, Corporal Vernago and Private Mills began crawling to the enemy emplacements. Upon encountering an outpost they killed three enemy in a fire fight. Continuing on they arrived at the gun emplacements and set their charges, successfully neutralizing the enemy positions. The courageous and aggressive actions of Corporal Vernago and Private Mills reflect credit upon themselves and their organization.

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Section I

Award, Posthumous, of the Soldier's Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following enlisted man:

WILLIAM IANNI 36800715, Infantry, Sergeant, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict on 11 March 1945 near Glonville, France. While engaged in training for an amphibious river crossing, an assault boat loaded with combat equipped troops capsized in mid-stream. Just as the boat carrying Sergeant Ianni moved from shore he observed the floundering men and immediately ordered his boat to their rescue. Disregarding the danger, Sergeant Ianni dived into the icy river and swam to a man in distress, holding the man's head above water until a rescue boat could pick him up. Then, remaining in the water with the struggling group, he cut packs and equipment from the exhausted men, aiding them to stay above water until rescue could be effected. Sergeant Ianni's quick thinking and immediate action definitely saved one man's life. Entered the military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Next of kin: Mrs. Margaret Ianni (Mother), 4813 25th Avenue, Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Section II

Award of the Soldier's Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

BILL E BRENNAN 36563495, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict on 26 April 1945 near Moos, Germany. When an assault boat capsized in the swift current of the Danube River, Private Brennan swam to the spot and pulled one of the drowning men to shore. He then attempted to rescue another soldier but was forced to give up when the struggle of the hydraulic man exhausted him. The concern for his fellow soldiers was responsible for the saving of one man's life and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Saginaw, Michigan.

FRITZ L HOLLAND-MORITZ 32764701, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict on 8 June 1944 near Rome, Italy. While Private Holland-Moritz and a buddy were swimming in the Tiber River, the companion had an attack of cramps and started to drown. Private Holland-Moritz swam to the side of his comrade and attempted to rescue him. Unable to reach shore with his burden he attracted the attention of a boatman some distance up the river. When the boatman arrived, Private Holland-Moritz succeeded in getting the unconscious man into the boat. Private Holland-Moritz's concern for his fellow soldier was responsible for saving the man's life and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Irvington, New Jersey.

Section III

Award of the Second, Third and Fourth Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Air Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the second, third and fourth Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Air Medal are awarded to the following officer for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy:

ROBERT G SILVA 01691877, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Headquarters Battery, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, from 24 March 1944 to 29 December 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Ogden, Utah.

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Section I

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster and the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart and the Purple Heart are awarded to the following officer for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

JACK D HALLETT 018030568, Cavalry, First Lieutenant, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, Italy, 16 October 1943 and France, 11 January 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following enlisted man for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

AARON HAUGHT 39663584, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Payson, Arizona.

Section III

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

THOMAS W BRADY 32335901, Field Artillery, Corporal, Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, France, 4 December 1944. Home address: Long Island, New York.

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HERMAN GOUDY 39215790, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 October 1944. Home address: Issaquah, Washington.

CAROL W MASON 36766981, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 6 October 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

JUAN MEDELLIN 39684691, Medical Department, Private First Class, Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion, France, 16 March 1945. Home address: Fresno, California.

LYLE M MILLIGAN 20829909, Infantry, Private, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 10 November 1943. Home address: Tulsa, Oklahoma.

GERALD A RAMSEY 37120121, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, Germany, 23 April 1945. Home address: Pittsburgh, California.

HERBERT F SCHLENTNER 33692209, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 30 September 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

MICHAEL G TOMASKY 33021019, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 December 1944. Home address: Swayerville, Pennsylvania.

DAVID ZINTZ 31134495, Staff Sergeant, 45th Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment, 45th Infantry Division, France, 24 January 1945. Home address: Boston, Massachusetts.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer:

GLOW D BRIGGS 01315414, Infantry, Captain, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Obergailbach, Germany. When the advance of his battalion was checked by enemy artillery and mortar fire, Captain Briggs, acting battalion commander, deciding that observation from his forward observation post was limited, took a radio several hundred yards forward to a position which afforded a better view of enemy emplacements. Though in an exposed position Captain Briggs directed mortar fire which caused the enemy to withdraw, enabling his battalion to continue on its mission. Entered the military service from Viola, Wisconsin.

Section II

Award, Posthumous of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumous, to the following enlisted man:

HAROLD H OLSON 37697961, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945 near Watweilu, Germany. When the advance of his company was halted by fire from an enemy pillbox, Private Olson, carrying a heavy demolition charge, crawled across an open area under heavy machine gun fire. He reached the installation, planted the charge, and destroyed the enemy-held bunker. The action of Private Olson permitted his company to continue its advance. Entered the military service from Denison, Iowa. Next of kin: Mrs. Emma Olson (Mother), RFD, Napoleon, Iowa.

Section III

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600.45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

BERNARD L BECK 0453709, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Antitank Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. During an attack upon Nurnberg Lieutenant Beck's platoon was protecting the flank of the regiment with 57mm antitank guns and .50 and .30-caliber machine guns. During frequent enemy attempts to infiltrate between and behind his positions, Lieutenant Beck went from one gun to another directing the fire of his different weapons. By skillful employment of his fire Lieutenant Beck succeeded with his small force in disorganizing the enemy, killing and capturing many. Entered the military service from Harvey, Illinois.

EDWARD M CAIN 01311868, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945 near Gombfeng, Germany. After the company to which Lieutenant Cain's machine gun platoon was attached had crossed the Danube River, it was confronted by a strong enemy counterattack. Lieutenant Cain, changing his position to more advantageous terrain, placed his guns in such a manner that the fire inflicted heavy casualties upon the assaulting enemy units. Lieutenant Cain's initiative and prompt action allowed the company to secure its bridgehead and permitted other units to cross the river. Entered the military service from Rayville, Louisiana.

CARL R CAVES 38688274, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. Private Caves, accompanying an attacking rifle company, discovered a communication line severed by enemy artillery fire. Despite the fact that enemy artillery, mortar and tank fire was being directed into the area, he moved from a covered position into the open to repair the wire line. A short time later he repeated this action to again renew communication between the attacking company and battalion headquarters. The courage, initiative and loyal devotion to duty displayed by Private Caves aided materially in the battalion's success during this operation. Entered the military service from Mincola, Texas.

RAYMOND CRYDERMAN 36961713, Infantry, Corporal, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. When infiltrating enemy began hurling grenades into his company's sector, Corporal Cryderman crawled out of his position and cautiously worked his way around his company's flank where he discovered an enemy officer and two soldiers attempting to maneuver nearer our lines. Firing upon them Corporal Cryderman killed the officer and wounded the others. The loss of their leader greatly demoralized the enemy force and was an important factor in enabling Corporal Cryderman's company to repel the counter-attack. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

JOHN H. GARDER SR 33844558, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945 near the Siegfried Line, Germany. During an attack against strong enemy positions, Private Garder repeatedly maneuvered to advanced positions and covered each successive advance of his platoon with fire from his Browning automatic rifle. When it became necessary for a demolition force to reach a designated pillbox in order to plant explosives, Private Garder ran through enemy fire and gained a position far in advance of his platoon. From this spot he covered the approach of the demolition team, enabling them to approach the pillbox, plant the explosives, and return to cover. Entered the military service from Alleghany County, Virginia.

JOSEPH GOULD JR 0555220, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. As the company moved forward in an attack, the enemy suddenly subjected the area to heavy 20mm flak, machine gun, and small arms fire. Lieutenant Gould, first platoon leader, immediately moved forward toward the area from which the fire seemed to originate. Observing an enemy road block to the front, he directed an encircling maneuver and, after a brief fire fight, destroyed the road block, capturing thirty-five of the enemy. The skillful leadership of Lieutenant Gould enabled the company to reach and secure its objective. Entered the military service from Miami Beach, Florida.

WARREN E. HAYNES 02001727, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945 near Aschaffenberg, Germany. When his platoon was given the mission of clearing a portion of a factory district, Lieutenant Haynes went forward, alone, and purposely exposed himself in order to draw enemy fire. Having thus ascertained the location of the enemy positions, Lieutenant Haynes led his platoon in an encircling maneuver which resulted in the capture of enemy personnel and weapons. Entered the military service from Coleraine, Minnesota.

EUGENE E. HENNEMAN 0304445, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. Before an attack on Siegfried Line defenses, Lieutenant Henneman went on several patrols to discover the enemy's strongpoints. He then led his platoon in the attack through heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire. When he reached a tank ditch, which was impassable by supporting tanks, Lieutenant Henneman reformed his platoon and led them over the ditch to assault enemy fortifications. Under Lieutenant Henneman's skillful leadership, the platoon captured a large number of enemy positions and took many prisoners. Entered the military service from Cadott, Wisconsin.

LOUIS A. HUHN JR 36277344, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 April 1945 near Eibstadt, Germany. While clearing enemy resistance from the streets Sergeant Huhn observed enemy troops attempting to put a 20mm gun into action. Quickly alerting his squad, Sergeant Huhn led an assault and overran the position before the gun could be brought to fire on his unit. Sergeant Huhn's leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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MERVILLE W MYERS 33883936, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. As the squad in which Private Myers served, as Browning automatic rifleman, was advancing through a mine field it encountered heavy enemy machine gun, 20mm cannon, and grenade fire from an enemy pillbox. Private Myers left his covered position and crawled under the fire to a point from which he could bring effective fire upon the enemy, while the other members of the squad maneuvered into a position from which they could assault the bunker. This operation was carried out successfully and the squad was able to continue its advance. Entered the military service from Hampton, Pennsylvania.

JACK H SICKTERMAN 01321342, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. When a strong enemy counterattack threatened the position of an adjoining platoon, Lieutenant Sickterman organized and led a group of men from his platoon through enemy fire to reinforce the hard-pressed platoon. In the ensuing action, Lieutenant Sickterman repeatedly went the length of the company front directing fire and encouraging his men. Lieutenant Sickterman's initiative and leadership played an important part in repelling the enemy counterattack. Entered the military service from Flint, Michigan.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man:

RODOLFO BOGGIA 36856503, Infantry, Sergeant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 March 1945 near Rhein-Durkheim, Germany. When the assault elements of his company encountered strong resistance after crossing the Rhine River, Sergeant Boggia placed his mortar in action and went forward to observe. Although Sergeant Boggia was frequently exposed to fire and was sometimes required to use his rifle to repel attacking enemy soldiers, he continued to direct mortar fire until enemy resistance was overcome. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

RODOLFO BOGGIA 36856503, Infantry, Sergeant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When his company received a sudden enemy counterattack, Sergeant Boggia crawled one hundred yards through enemy rifle grenade and small arms fire to secure his mortars and place them in effective firing positions. Quickly establishing an observation post, he accurately adjusted mortar fire on the main enemy force, and simultaneously fought off enemy riflemen who attempted to overrun his position. Although the enemy attack pressed to within seventy-five yards of his company positions, Sergeant Boggia, by his accurate direction of fire, successfully prevented a breakthrough. His heroic performance reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

NATHAN COHEN 32963006, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 March 1945 near Rhino-Durkheim, Germany. Following the crossing of the Rhine River, Private Cohen, acting first sergeant, was proceeding to the company assembly point when he observed ten of his men temporarily stopped by enemy machine gun fire. By crawling and running through a wooded area he reached the men. After reorganizing and encouraging these men he led them through the enemy fire to the assembly area. Private Cohen then assisted the executive officer in organizing the company for further operations. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.

SIDNEY GOLD 33582551, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 April 1945 near Baunach, Germany. While operating a radio at an observation post Private Gold was painfully wounded by an enemy artillery shell. Aware that his radio was the only means of communication with the mortar positions, Private Gold refused to be evacuated until relieved by another operator. His unselfish decision reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Eddystone, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH C HAYDUK 42024211, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When the rifle company to which his machine gun squad was attached was halted by enemy fire, Sergeant Hayduk crawled forward to higher ground from which he could observe the enemy positions and then reconnoitered the surrounding terrain until he found a suitable gun position. Sergeant Hayduk then returned to his squad and guided it to the position from which it was able to bring direct fire upon the enemy. The fire of Sergeant Hayduk's squad inflicted heavy casualties upon the enemy and enabled the friendly rifle company to continue its advance. Entered the military service from Syracuse, New York.

JOSEPH MIHALICH JR 33707946, Medical Department, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945 near Wildonguth, France. While giving first aid to a wounded soldier, Private Mihalich was exposed to enemy tank and machine gun fire which wounded several men nearby. In spite of the continued enemy fire, Private Mihalich treated all the wounded men and then moved them to a place of safety. Entered the military service from McDonald, Pennsylvania.

GEORGE RUDICK 33610821, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 22 September 1944 near Epinal, France. When his company which had just crossed the Moselle River needed ammunition, rations, and water. Private Rudick volunteered to lead a detail to ferry supplies across the river. Although the river and its banks were under a continuous enemy artillery barrage and the supplies had to be ferried across in small rubber rafts, Private Rudick made six round trips across the river. The ammunition and supplies thus obtained enabled the company to maintain and expand its initial bridgehead. Entered the military service from Dickson City, Pennsylvania.

JAMES E SANDERSON 32570106, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945 near Kinkel, Germany. As Private Sanderson, first scout of the leading platoon, advanced over the crest of a hill, he saw several enemy soldiers setting up a light machine gun scarcely twenty-five yards ahead. Shouting to the second scout to follow him, Private Sanderson charged the position, firing as he went. His fire killed one of the enemy and wounded another. The prompt action of Private Sanderson allowed his company to advance without interruption. Entered the military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

BEN SPARKS 20828244, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 December 1944 near Northweiler, Germany. Upon learning that his company had not received its rations and ammunition for the night because the truck driver had been wounded, Technician Sparks operated the vehicle and, despite enemy artillery and small arms fire along the route, succeeded in delivering the supplies to his company. He then made several more trips over the same heavily shelled road for bed rolls and other equipment. Entered the military service from Sallisaw, Oklahoma.

ROBERT R TIDMORE 34016945, Infantry, First Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 March 1945 near Rhein-Durkheim, Germany. When his battalion made its assault crossing of the Rhine River, Sergeant Tidmore established an observation post on the river bank from which he directed mortar fire on the enemy gun positions which threatened the success of the attack. Learning that an artillery observer had been lost during the crossing, he again established an observation post under enemy fire and directed artillery concentrations on counterattacking enemy troops. Sergeant Tidmore's heroic and skillful performance reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

RUSSELL S TURNHAM 20827878, Infantry, First Sergeant, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 May 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. When enemy artillery fire destroyed his company's wire communication system, Sergeant Turnham unhesitatingly proceeded to install a new wire line, completing his mission in spite of continued enemy fire. His actions enabled the company to direct counterbattery fire, which broke up a threatened enemy attack. Entered the military service from Wagoner, Oklahoma.

JERRY H WAMPLER 35906122, Infantry, Private First Class, Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 March 1945 near Rhine-Durkheim, Germany. During the assault crossing of the Rhine River, Private Wampler's boat was struck by enemy fire and sank. Observing that one man was too heavily weighted by equipment to swim, Private Wampler remained with the sinking boat until he had removed the equipment from his comrade. He then remained in the water for thirty minutes, despite enemy fire, keeping his buddy afloat until a rescue boat arrived. Entered the military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

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EARL A WILCOX 42114953, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. When his squad leader was wounded Sergeant Wilcox took charge of the squad and continued the advance towards enemy positions. Later when enemy fire wounded several of his men and halted the advance of the squad, Sergeant Wilcox administered first aid and moved the wounded to positions of safety. He then reorganized the squad and led the men through the enemy fire until he succeeded in joining other elements of the platoon. Entered the military service from New Woodstock, New York.

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Section I

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster and the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart and the Purple Heart are awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

ALBERT POLK 33464917, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 1 January 1944 and France, 1 October 1944. Home address: Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania.

CHESTER A RUSSELL 33153487, Infantry, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 27 October 1944 and France, 5 December 1944. Home address: Richesville, Pennsylvania.

THOMAS M SHULER 34649985, Infantry, Private, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 7 December 1943 and Italy, 15 February 1944. Home address: Orangeburg, South Carolina.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

EDWARD BENTON 39857022, Infantry, Private, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 13 October 1944. Home address: Lowell, Arizona.

VICTOR R BOLGRIEN 36829413, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 October 1944. Home address: Portago, Wisconsin.

MARLANO F GUIDA 32247414, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 22 May 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

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KENNETH LANE 32959320, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 179th Infantry, France, 9 January 1945. Home address: La Plata, Maryland.

JACK K PURKEY 34833154, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 26 April 1945. Home address: Jefferson City, Tennessee.

So much of General Orders Number 235, Section I, Award of Two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Purple Heart, this headquarters, as pertains to HARRY SYMANOWICZ 36567316, Infantry, Sergeant, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, as reads "France, 11 February 1944, and France, 20 October 1944," is amended to read "Italy, 11 February 1944, and France, 20 October 1944."

Section III

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

FUER W BAKER 34384853, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 September 1944. Home address: Series, Tennessee.

FREDERICK S BAXTER 35875371, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 1 June 1944. Home address: Hamilton, Ohio.

JACK CHILDERS JR 38018661, Infantry, Corporal, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 9 November 1943. Home address: Oilton, Oklahoma.

JOHN P HENSLEY 33158290, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 4 December 1944. Home address: Roanoke, Virginia.

MARTIN HAAS 32992685, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 11 May 1944. Home address: New York, New York.

GEORGE D MAYFIELD 37642628, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 13 April 1945. Home address: St. Louis, Missouri.

CAROL MIGUES 34150843, Infantry, Corporal, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 14 September 1943. Home address: New Iberia, Louisiana.

ALLEN E NORTHERN JR 34889065, Infantry, Corporal, Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 January 1945. Home address: Nashville, Tennessee.

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GEORGE W POSCHNER 0203320, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 11 January 1945. Home address: Columbus, Georgia.

LOUIS A REA 32863767, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 21 February 1944. Home address: Bronx, New York.

PATRICK D STORK 37683950, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 29 March 1945. Home address: Clear Lake, Iowa.

FRANK VALENTI 32828842, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 10 November 1943. Home address: New York, New York.

ROBERT L WEBB 34783705, Infantry, Private, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 6 March 1944. Home address: Whitehaven, Tennessee.

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~~* A. FRANCIS P WEST 38015691, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 4 October 1944. Home address: Southwest City, Missouri.~~

So much of General Orders Number 244, Section III, Award of the Purple Heart, this headquarters, as pertains to JACK K PURKEY 34888154, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man:

ROBERT H MISHLER 36812249, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 October 1944 near Mortagne, France. When both his platoon leader and platoon sergeant were wounded, Sergeant Mishler took command of the platoon. Ordered to hold a vital road, Sergeant Mishler deployed his machine guns so that every route of approach was covered. When the enemy threatened to outflank the positions, Sergeant Mishler anticipated their move and was able to meet the threat successfully. Inspired by his leadership and example the platoon succeeded in holding its ground and beat off the attack. Entered the military service from Watertown, Wisconsin.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

JAMES T BAILEY 34739059, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. When the company was ordered to move to more favorable positions, the first scout of the leading platoon was wounded and was unable to move. Private Bailey crawled through heavy enemy mortar and small arms fire to reach the wounded man and administer first aid. He then dragged the wounded man back across the field to a position from which he could be evacuated. Entered the military service from Cassaway, Tennessee.

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WALDE' G BERGSTROM 38561132, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945 near Althorn, France. As Private Bergstrom was advancing with his platoon he observed the position of an enemy sniper. Skillfully making his way to a firing position he killed the sniper with rifle fire. The shot disclosed his position to another enemy rifleman. After an exchange of shots, Private Bergstrom succeeded in hitting this second sniper. As a result, two other enemy soldiers who were hidden close by surrendered. His actions enabled his platoon to advance unhampered. Entered the military service from Taylor, Texas.

SILAS J HAMILTON 35659766, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 December 1944 near Reichshoffen, France. During a strong enemy counterattack the battalion's right flank was in danger of being overrun. Sergeant Hamilton, acting on his own initiative, ran across five hundred yards of open terrain subjected to enemy artillery and small arms fire and made contact with a friendly machine gun section. Maneuvering the section into position on the right flank, he then directed accurate fire on the enemy, forcing them to withdraw. Entered the military service from Bladen, Ohio.

CHARLIE C HINDS 20804592, Infantry, Private First Class, Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Wingen, France. As Private Hinds was delivering rations to a machine gun platoon, he detected a small enemy patrol. Leaving his vehicle, he took cover and then fired on the patrol. The enemy taken by surprise were unable to put their weapons into operation and Private Hinds forced them to surrender. Entered the military service from Coleman, Texas.

EVERETT JUSTICE 35778555, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 December 1944 near Engwiller, France. When the exposed left flank of the attacking rifle company to which his machine gun squad was attached became subjected to heavy fire from an enemy machine gun, Sergeant Justice quickly maneuvered his gun into position. His squad opened fire and soon silenced the enemy weapon. Sergeant Justice's quick action enabled the attacking force to advance and to take its objective with a minimum of casualties. Entered the military service from Justice, West Virginia.

JACOB KROUT 32204224, Infantry, Sergeant, Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When an enemy force attempted to surround the company Sergeant KROUT quickly reorganized his mortar squad into a compact rifle squad and deployed his men into positions from where they could bring heavy small arms fire to bear upon the advancing enemy. When the enemy attacked the squad positions with automatic weapons and grenades, Sergeant KROUT moved out to encourage his men. During all this action he also directed fire from his mortar which he had left one man to operate. This dual action of Sergeant KROUT's squad was a major factor in repelling the enemy attack. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.

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ROBERT J LYNCH 32399651, Infantry, Private First Class, Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 December 1944 near Wissenburg, France. While observing from his foxhole, Private Lynch noticed a seriously wounded soldier lying approximately one hundred and fifty yards away in an area covered by heavy enemy mortar fire. Private Lynch made his way across the area, and although several enemy shells exploded near him, succeeded in reaching the wounded man. After administering first aid, he carried the man to a position of safety from where he was evacuated. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.

ALFRED C MANKIN 38016124, Infantry, Private First Class, Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 February 1944 near Aprilia, Italy. During an enemy attempt to drive our troops from the Anzio Beachhead, Private Mankin was detailed to supply the company's mortar and machine gun platoons with necessary ammunition. Traveling through heavy enemy tank, artillery and mortar fire, he helped establish ammunition dumps along the road. On each return trip he evacuated men who had been wounded. On one trip Private Mankin noticed a vehicle that had been knocked out by enemy small arms fire. The enemy sporadically attempted to damage the vehicle further with artillery. Private Mankin hooked the vehicle onto his own and towed it to an area where it could be repaired for re-use against the enemy. Entered the military service from Panola, Oklahoma.

EDWARD E MOUSSEAU JR 31363647, Infantry, Private First Class, Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 December 1944 near Wissenburg, France. As Private Mousseau was attending two injured machine gunners, he detected an enemy patrol approaching from the left. Man-ning the machine gun, he fired several belts of ammunition at the patrol, killing several of the enemy and dispersing the remainder. Private Mousseau then called a medical aid man and helped carry the two wounded men to the rear. Entered the military service from Bellingham, Massachusetts.

DOYLE E MUNN 36371823, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company M, 179th In-fantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When Sergeant Munn, 81mm mortar observer, noticed a large enemy patrol approaching the company area he moved to a position which offered better observation. Quickly setting up his observation post, he directed accurate mortar fire upon the patrol. Although subjected to heavy enemy fire, Sergeant Munn remained at his radio and continued to transmit fire orders until the patrol was dispersed. Entered the military service from Central City, Nebraska.

ROBERT E SPLAWN 20827215, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 September 1944 near Soye, France. As Technician Splawn was hauling troops in a captured vehicle he came upon an enemy road block, consisting of three tanks supported by riflemen. The truck was fired upon and caught fire. Technician Splawn quickly tore off the canvas top, permitting the men to dismount rapidly from the burning vehicle. This prompt action probably saved many of the men who might have been seriously injured by the flames and the enemy fire. Entered the military service from Duke, Oklahoma.

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Section I

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

NORMAN E ANDERSON 01287643, Infantry, Captain, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 7 October 1944. Home address: Brattleboro, Vermont.

AUGUSTUS COSTA 33781752, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 26 April 1945. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM F SEEMAN 33431694, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Duquesne, Pennsylvania.

Section II

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

DANIEL ALSCHULER 32163067, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

HARDEN E ARNOLD 34898993, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 15 January 1945. Home address: Reidsville, North Carolina.

CORNELIUS J BEHAN 32698438, Infantry, Sergeant, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 2 December 1943. Home address: College Point, New York.

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JAMES R CORBETT 38618031, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 23 April 1945. Home address: Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

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~~CHARLES L VAMPOROS 31369265, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 October 1944. Home address: Ipswich, Massachusetts.~~

RAYMOND NORBERG 42100262, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 26 April 1945. Home address: Los Angeles, California.

PAUL T O'DONOGHUE 33069369, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 11 December 1944. Home address: Washington, D.C.

RAYMOND J SNIFFEN 6668327, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 28 March 1945. Home address: Toledo, Ohio.

WILLIAM E RIDGELEY 33731755, Infantry, Private, Antitank Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 29 February 1944. Home address: Baltimore, Maryland.

HOWARD A THOMAS 37734379, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 April 1945. Home address: Medicine Lodge, Kansas.

EDWIN R YORTY W2117837, Army of the United States, Chief Warrant Officer, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 28 August 1944. Home address: Denver, Colorado.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and to the following enlisted man:

WILLIAM T BRYAN JR 34087486, Field Artillery, Corporal (then Private First Class), Service Battery, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 September 1944 near Charnoz, France. As Corporal Bryan was returning with a truck load of vital ammunition for one of the batteries in his battalion, he learned that the road ahead had been cut by the enemy and was under small arms fire. Nevertheless, Corporal Bryan continued and, although it was necessary to cross a bridge subjected to an enemy rocket barrage, he succeeded in reaching his destination. The ammunition delivered by Corporal Bryan enabled his battery to continue firing and helped repel the enemy attack. Entered the military service from Turin, Georgia.

WALTER E OLESON 01106376, Corps of Engineers, First Lieutenant, Company C, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 26 November 1944 near Ingwiller, France. While Lieutenant Oleson was on a reconnaissance mission he saw a friendly artillery liaison plane shot down by two enemy aircraft. Lieutenant Oleson went to the scene of the crash and found the pilot dead and the observer wounded. While being evacuated the wounded observer advised Lieutenant Oleson of important information concerning enemy movement nearby. Lieutenant Oleson returned to the damaged plane, removed the pilot, destroyed the radio and set fire to the plane. He then returned to his battalion and reported the information he had acquired, enabling our troops to deploy and successfully repulse the ensuing enemy attack. Entered the military service from Burlington, Iowa.

STUART J SOBELMAN 01183768, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Battery B, 150th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 10 and 11 January 1945 near Althorn, France. Lieutenant Sobelman, an artillery observer, was directing fire upon counterattacking enemy infantry when two enemy tanks began firing upon his position in the attic of a house. Although shell fragments penetrated all around his position he remained at his post and directed fire on the tanks until they were forced to withdraw. Enemy infantry continued to attack and it became necessary for Lieutenant Sobelman to call for friendly artillery fire within close range of his position. He continued to direct fire until the enemy forces had been repulsed. Entered the military service from Ivyland, Pennsylvania.

Section II

Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to each of the following enlisted men:

CHARLES A SEBO JR 35625512, Infantry, Sergeant, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 March 1945 near Schweinhelm, Germany. When his squad leader was wounded Sergeant Sebo assumed command of the squad and continued the attack. Although heavy machine gun fire made the attack extremely difficult Sergeant Sebo constantly urged his men forward. His squad overran two machine gun positions and forced the enemy to withdraw. Entered the military service from Troy, Ohio. Next of kin: Mrs. Ella Sebo (Mother), 424 South Mulberry Street, Troy, Ohio.

EDWARD E STETTA 16169197, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Obergeilback, France. When his company was halted by heavy enemy fire Private Stetta, messenger for the weapons platoon, was given the mission of carrying a vital message to another platoon. Leaving his place of cover he crossed an open area under enemy flak and small arms fire to deliver the message. While returning to his platoon Private Stetta was killed by enemy fire. His eager devotion to duty was an inspiration to his comrades and reflects great credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois. Next of kin: Mr. M. E. Stetta (Father), 426 Hickory Street, Waukegan, Illinois.

So much of General Orders Number 190, this headquarters, 31 May 1945, as pertains to the posthumous award of the Bronze Star Medal to Charles H. Young 35210811, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, as reads "in action on 30 May 1944 near Aprilia, Italy," is amended to read "in action on 3 June 1944 near Aprilia, Italy."

Section III

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men:

HAROLD D DAVIS 34343936, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. As Private Davis' platoon was maneuvering to encircle an enemy road block, it was suddenly fired upon by an enemy force at close range. Private Davis quickly put his Browning automatic rifle into action, killing and wounding several of the enemy and so disorganizing the remainder that they quickly surrendered. This prompt action by Private Davis enabled his platoon to capture the enemy road block without the loss of a single man. Entered the military service from Ripley, Mississippi.

JOHN R DOYLE 37691101, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945 near Fingen, France. Sergeant Doyle, having assumed command of his rifle platoon when the platoon leader was wounded, was ordered to find a route over which the company could move to more favorable positions. Leading his platoon over territory covered by enemy machine guns and through thick woods which were subjected to artillery and mortar fire, he succeeded in making contact with a friendly company. This action made it possible for the company to move to organize a new position. Entered the military service from Fort Dodge, Iowa.

FRANK B GARRATT 16064565, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 27 and 29 August 1944 near Crest, France. When two enemy aircraft attempted to strafe an air strip used by artillery observation planes, Private Garratt manned a vehicle-mounted .50-caliber machine gun and, despite enemy fire, maintained such effective fire that the two enemy planes were driven off without damaging our installations. Later, while driving along a highway and upon hearing enemy planes strafing the area, Private Garratt drove into a clearing and, exposing himself again to enemy fire, manned the .50-caliber machine gun and shot down one of the enemy aircraft. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

RAYMOND M O'DOWD 35891169, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 June 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. Technician O'Dowd, platoon runner, took over the duties of an 81mm mortar section wireman who was wounded by enemy artillery fire. Under heavy artillery and mortar fire he laid almost two miles of communication wire from the observation post to the command post. He then returned to the observation post to assist the observer. When communication was broken in five different places Technician O'Dowd repaired each break in spite of the continuing enemy fire. His actions enabled uninterrupted fire orders to the mortars. Entered the military service from Hamilton, Ohio.

JAMES PRATT 11042942, Corps of Engineers, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters and Service Company, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945 near Laufach, Germany. When informed of the presence of enemy troops in the immediate vicinity of the company bivouac area, Technician Pratt volunteered to lead a three-man patrol to ascertain the exact location of the enemy troops. While the patrol was advancing through a heavily wooded area it was met by heavy enemy small arms fire, wounding Technician Pratt. Despite his wounds, Technician Pratt covered the withdrawal of the other two members of the patrol who later returned with reinforcements which resulted in the capture of over fifty enemy prisoners. Entered the military service from Bangor, Maine.

ELMER R SEIDENSTICKER 0531593, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. Lieutenant Seidensticker was artillery observer for an infantry company that was held up by enemy machine gun and small arms fire coming from a clearing in the woods. Working his way forward to the edge of the clearing, Lieutenant Seidensticker adjusted artillery fire that effectively silenced the enemy guns. His courageous deed enabled the infantry to resume its attack. Entered the military service from Comfort, Texas.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted men:

JOBERT F. SLAYTON 35759412, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 30 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Boyer, West Virginia.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

HARRY F. WINSLEY 01172360, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Battery, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Buffalo, New York.

JACK T. BARBER 20824435, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Edmond, Oklahoma.

LEWIS F. BARNETTE 35111660, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal and later Technician Fourth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 6 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from South Bond, Indiana.

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EDWARD W BIRD 0400179, Infantry, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 26 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Ames, Iowa.

WILLIAM R BOOTH 35498776, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 June 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Orleans, Indiana.

LLOYD B BROWN W2108274, Army of the United States, Chief Warrant Officer, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division (then Headquarters, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion), for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 9 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Germantown, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

WALTER L CHIEW 38015542, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 17 February 1945 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Ramona, Oklahoma.

MELVIN C CORBIN 38011004, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 30 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Causey, New Mexico.

EDWIN DOBOY 35906445, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 25 January to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Portland, Indiana.

FRANK W FARLEY JR 34883689, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 7 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Memphis, Tennessee.

WILLIAM M GILMAN 36464623, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 3 January 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Ionia, Michigan.

LESTER L JOHNSON 20829652, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from McAlester, Oklahoma.

EDWARD P KIPP 35292851, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Mansfield, Ohio.

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RAFFAELLE J LANCARONE 32194382, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

CORRADINO J MARINI 33140785, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from January to May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

RAY V MCINTYRE 20824454, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Headquarters Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Tryon, Oklahoma.

BERTRAND L PINSONNAULT 11063171, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 3 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from North Attleboro, Massachusetts.

CLAY A PUTMAN 38010714, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Melrose, New Mexico.

LESLIE F SCOFIELD W2117863, Army of the United States, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, Headquarters, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Golden, Colorado.

FREDERICK T SABELMAN 32219127, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.

JAMES D SIMPSON 20824465, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Ardmore, Oklahoma.

GEORGE F TAPSCOTT 20845627, Medical Department, Sergeant, Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

HENRY F TEICHELLMAN JR 01287267, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Washington, Pennsylvania.

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CHARLES B TONES 01000682, Adjutant General's Department, Captain, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Tahoka, Texas.

CLARENCE E MEYER 20825759, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Boggess, Oklahoma.

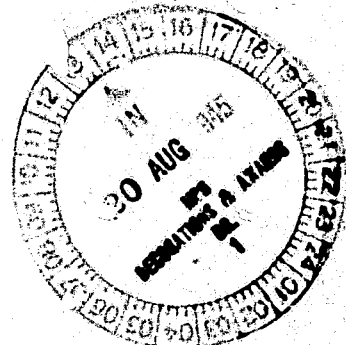
FREDERICK A MILLY 36694640, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 7 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Carrier Mills, Illinois.

RALPH W WILLIAMS 0396841, Quartermaster Corps, Major (then Captain), 700th Ordnance Light Maintenance Company, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 3 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer:

SHERMAN SCHWARTZ 01998668, Medical Corps, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action from 4 to 8 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When strong enemy units captured the battalion aid station, Lieutenant Schwartz was among those taken prisoner. Knowing that the aid station must continue to function, he directed the dressing and classification of the wounded and kept the station active. He constantly encouraged the men when friendly artillery, mortar and tank fire was directed on the town. He worked continually for three days and nights with little rest and, when friendly troops recaptured the town, he supervised the evacuation of the seriously wounded. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

ROBERT A. BAKER 36352755, Medical Department, Technician Third Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 September 1944 near Soye, France. When the company's advance was halted by heavy enemy mortar and tank fire, four men were seriously wounded by shell fragments. Leaving his covered position Technician Baker crawled to the wounded men, administered first aid and comforted the men although the heavy enemy fire was still falling in the area. After the enemy fire had subsided, Technician Baker directed their evacuation. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

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LAWRENCE P DRISCOLL 42120393, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 December 1944 near Reichshoffen, France. Private Driscoll was a member of a ten-man patrol ordered to capture a factory which was an enemy strongpoint. After successfully occupying the factory the patrol was subjected to a sudden counterattack in which eight members of the patrol were captured. Refusing to surrender, Private Driscoll hid himself and a wounded comrade for the night. While carrying his comrade back to his own lines the next day, he, himself, was painfully wounded but succeeded in reaching his company with his comrade. Entered the military service from Poughkeepsie, New York.

GORDON J ERDMAN 36841011, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 January 1945 near Althorn, France. As a crew was evacuating its tank whose treads had been blown off by an antitank mine, one of the men stepped on a shoe mine near the tank and was seriously wounded. Despite the heavy fire falling in the area Technician Erdman, aid man, ran through the mine field to reach the wounded man, administered first aid, and supervised the evacuation of the injured soldier. Entered the military service from Elm Grove, Wisconsin.

GENE J FLOYD 34684163, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 31 January 1945 near Althorn, France. Technician Floyd, an ambulance driver, was on duty evacuating the wounded during a heavy concentration of enemy fire on our positions. On three separate occasions he drove his vehicle over a treacherous, open, muddy and shell-torn road, a portion of which was under direct enemy observation. He was forced to drive slowly over the rough roads to avoid further injury to the wounded. Although the enemy directed heavy fire in his immediate area, Technician Floyd continued to make trips over the dangerous route until all the wounded had been evacuated. Entered the military service from Marietta, Georgia.

VITO FRUCI 31063016, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 June 1944 near Albano, Italy. While Technician Fruci, quarter-ton vehicle driver, was on a motorized reconnaissance patrol, one of his tires was slashed by shell fragments from enemy artillery fire. While the other occupants of the vehicle took cover Technician Fruci changed the tire. About four hundred yards further another tire was similarly damaged and Technician Fruci again changed tires. When a third tire was blown out Technician Fruci walked a mile back down the road, secured a tire from another vehicle and rolled it back to his truck. After once more changing tires, he continued on the mission of the patrol. His courageous actions reflect credit upon himself. Entered the military service from Norwood, Massachusetts.

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WILLIAM D HODGE 0282445, Infantry, Captain, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Wingen, France. Strong enemy attacks had isolated many units of the regiment, and some individual companies were forced to repulse enemy attacks without the aid of artillery. Realizing that lack of artillery support was damaging the morale of his men, Captain Hodge moved up and down the company front encouraging them and directing their efforts to repulse the enemy. Although subjected to enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire, he repeated his actions each time the enemy returned. The men, encouraged by his leadership, defeated all enemy attempts to drive them from their important positions and inflicted heavy losses upon the enemy forces. Entered the military service from West Columbia, South Carolina.

ROBERT R HOOLEY 35922755, Medical Department, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 January 1945 near Althorn, France. During an attack by a company upon strong enemy positions, Private Hooley moved through intense enemy machine gun and artillery fire to give first aid to the wounded. He was forced to expose himself by running through the enemy fire in order to reach the wounded in the least possible time. After he had dressed the wounds he carried the men to defiladed positions. When the volume of fire had diminished, he aided the litter bearers in carrying the seriously wounded to the aid station. Entered the military service from Wooster, Ohio.

CHESTER S KINGURE 02011647, Infantry, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When infiltrating enemy elements destroyed wire communication between the company and adjacent units, through which the company had been communicating with the battalion command post, Lieutenant Kingure led a patrol through enemy-held territory to reestablish communication. Although the enemy detected the movements of the patrol and concentrated heavy artillery fire on the area, Lieutenant Kingure continued with his mission and successfully established communication with an adjacent unit. Entered the military service from Youngstown, Ohio.

JOSEPH P McNIFF 33231871, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. When the only route by which the wounded could be evacuated was through an area covered by enemy mortar and artillery fire, Technician McNiff repeatedly drove his ambulance through this area to remove wounded men to safety. He was forced to drive slowly in order not to cause further injury to the men. On two occasions, when shell fragments penetrated the fenders and tires of the vehicle, Technician McNiff changed tires under fire and proceeded on his mission. The evacuation of the wounded men enabled them to receive prompt medical attention. Entered the military service from Mahanoy City, Pennsylvania.

MARTIN J MURPHY 20250386, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. As Sergeant Murphy and a squad of men were carrying ammunition to the rifle companies, the detail was ambushed by an enemy patrol and one man was wounded. The squad became scattered and Sergeant Murphy was left with the wounded man. After dispersing the enemy with his rifle fire, Sergeant Murphy administered first aid to his wounded comrade and carried him to a position where he could receive medical attention. Then, by himself, he delivered the ammunition boxes, one at a time, to the companies. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.

CLEMENT A ONEY 32733563, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 June 1944 near Albano, Italy. When enemy aircraft and artillery inflicted heavy casualties on our troops advancing toward Rome, Corporal Oney assisted in administering aid to many wounded soldiers. Traveling through heavy enemy fire, he went among the wounded, dressing their wounds and comforting them. Later he became a litter bearer and helped to evacuate the more seriously wounded over the difficult, hilly terrain and over extremely muddy roads. Entered the military service from Newark, New York.

IRA A PALM 01292580, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 January 1945 near Kohlhut's, France. When the company commander was wounded in an attack upon a strong enemy position, Lieutenant Palm assumed command of the company and continued the attack. When a mine field was encountered unexpectedly, a number of men were wounded and the company became disorganized. Lieutenant Palm found a safe route of withdrawal and led his men to a new assembly area where he reorganized the company. Then, although under heavy artillery fire, he returned to the minefield and supervised the evacuation of the wounded men. Entered the military service from Salisbury, North Carolina.

JOSEPH W REYNOLDS 0439986, Medical Corps, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When his battalion aid station was overrun and captured Captain Reynolds organized his men into an efficient unit and continued to give aid to the wounded. As the supply of medical equipment was inadequate Captain Reynolds developed expedient methods for splinting and dressing wounds. Although the town was subjected to our own artillery fire Captain Reynolds continually encouraged his own men and the wounded until the town was recaptured by our troops. His prompt and efficient action undoubtedly saved the lives of several wounded soldiers. Entered the military service from Dunsmuir, California.

SHERMAN SCHWARTZ 01998668, Medical Administrative Corps, First Lieutenant (then Corporal), Medical Department, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. When heavy enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire wounded many men of his company, Lieutenant Schwartz ran and crawled to each of the wounded men scattered throughout the area. Although the heavy enemy fire continued to fall in the area and he was forced to work without cover, Lieutenant Schwartz dressed all the wounds, giving special aid to the more serious cases. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

IRVING S SIMON 33805085, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion (then Company G), 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945 near Althorn, France. During an attack upon the enemy, Private Simon's radio was the only means of communication between his company and battalion headquarters. In spite of heavy mortar, artillery, and small arms fire in the immediate area, Private Simon remained with the leading elements of the company throughout the attack and promptly transmitted radio messages from the company commander to supporting units and the battalion command post. Private Simon's efforts contributed greatly to the coordination of the attack and the taking of the objective. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM J WALLER 346 6238, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945 near Gootzenbruck, France and on 13 January 1945 near Althorn, France. During a heavy enemy mortar and artillery barrage Private Waller saw two wounded soldiers lying in an exposed field. Leaving his place of cover, he ran to the wounded men, administered first aid and removed them to a position of comparative safety. On another occasion five days later Private Waller was accompanying his battalion commander when they were halted by enemy machine gun fire. Working his way over ice-covered terrain under direct observation, Private Waller reached a mortar section and then directed fire on the enemy positions. This action enabled the battalion to resume its advance and take its objective. Entered the military service from Augusta, Georgia.

THOMAS W WESTMORELAND 39251892, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When enemy infiltrations endangered the supply lines, Sergeant Westmoreland accompanied his transportation officer to look for new supply routes. While proceeding across an open field the officer stepped on an antipersonnel mine and was seriously wounded. Without hesitation Sergeant Westmoreland went to the assistance of the wounded officer, administered first aid, and then dragged and carried him from the field as a heavy snow made it impossible to tell where the mines were planted, Sergeant Westmoreland stepped on a mine but escaped injury. He continued until he succeeded in reaching a safe area with the officer. Entered the military service from Fallbrook, California.

JOHN G WHITTINGTON 35659576, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. During a strong enemy counter-attack designed to drive our forces from important high ground, a number of enemy personnel infiltrated from the flank and attacked Sergeant Whittington's 60mm mortar position. Sergeant Whittington remained by his mortar, firing a heavy and well-directed concentration on the main body of the enemy. At the same time with fire from his .45-caliber automatic pistol, he successfully repulsed the enemy riflemen who were assaulting his position. Sergeant Whittington's effective mortar fire and his courageous defense of the mortar position were an important factor in repulsing the enemy attack. Entered the military service from East Bank, West Virginia.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer:

WALTER J. WOOD 02055840, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 28 April 1945 near Wellheim, Germany. When part of a reconnaissance party was halted by machine gun and sniper fire, Lieutenant Wood and another member of the party volunteered to work their way to a position from which they could bring effective fire to bear upon the enemy. Upon reaching this position, they decided upon a different course of action. Advancing across approximately seventy-five yards of open hillside, they assaulted the enemy installation from the flank. Their aggressive action accounted for two enemy dead, four prisoners, and the forced withdrawal of the remainder. Entered the military service from Turley, Oklahoma.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

JOHN CARRILLO 36732228, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 6 October 1944 near Fremifontaine, France. When enemy fire destroyed all communication between the infantry and the artillery, Private Carrillo left his covered position and made his way into the area to repair the wire. Although it was necessary for him to travel over approximately one mile of wooded area into which enemy personnel had infiltrated, Private Carrillo methodically checked the line and reestablished communication. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

ANTHONY J CULOTTA 33564129, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945 near Wimmiau, France. Private Culotta, driver for a forward observation party, voluntarily used his vehicle to transport much-needed ammunition to a forward infantry unit which was engaged in repulsing a strong enemy counterattack. Although under direct observation of the enemy, Private Culotta completed several trips. With the ammunition supplied by Private Culotta, the infantry unit was successful in accomplishing its mission. Entered the military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

JOHN W HARRIS 20317395, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 30 May 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. While Private Harris was serving as telephone operator and wireman with a party of artillery observers attached to an infantry company, enemy fire wounded several members of the observation party and a number of riflemen. Private Harris immediately exposed himself to fire, administered first aid to the wounded men and supervised their evacuation. Entered the military service from Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

JAMES H JACKSON 38017505, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery B, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When a friendly infantry company was halted by enemy machine gun fire, Technician Jackson moved forward to set up a baz radio. By his accurate observation and reporting of enemy positions, he was able to adjust artillery fire that enabled the infantry company to move forward. Entered the military service from Carnegie, Oklahoma.

ARTHUR R MILLER 37040914, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 28 April 1945 near Weillheim, Germany. When part of a reconnaissance party was halted by machine gun and sniper fire, Technician Miller and another member of the party volunteered to work their way to a position from which they could bring effective fire to bear upon the enemy. Upon reaching this position, they decided upon a different course of action. Advancing across approximately seventy-five yards of open hillside, they assaulted the enemy installation from the flank. Their aggressive action accounted for two enemy dead, four prisoners, and the forced withdrawal of the remainder. Entered the military service from Hanlontown, Iowa.

CHARLES M PETERSON 39201798, Field Artillery, Corporal (then Private First Class), Battery B, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 6 October 1944 near Fremifontaine, France. When enemy fire destroyed all communication between artillery fire direction and observer parties, Corporal Peterson entered an area being subjected to heavy fire in order to repair the broken wires. Although wounded by shell fragments, he worked unceasingly until he had restored the important communication before he withdrew for medical aid. Entered the military service from Tacoma, Washington.

VIRGIL D PFEIFER 20832212, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery B, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945 near Frauenburg, Germany. When the officer in charge of a party of artillery observers was wounded and evacuated to the rear, Technician Pfeifer took charge of the party and adjusted artillery fire on numerous targets. His direction of fire facilitated the advance of the infantry and contributed greatly to the success of the attack. Entered the military service from Holdenville, Oklahoma.

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CHARLES E ZINK 33199802, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 near Seelback, Germany. Private Zink was lineman with a forward observation company attached to an infantry party during the attack in the Siegfried Line. When enemy fire repeatedly cut the communication lines between the observer and battalion headquarters, Private Zink went on foot along the wire and repaired the communication. Entered the military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man:

JOHN J OLIVER 32949405, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When another platoon resumed an attack upon an enemy-held house from which his squad had previously been forced to withdraw, Sergeant Oliver volunteered to guide the platoon to the building. Leading the men through ditches and around piles of debris which afforded cover from enemy machine gun fire, the platoon reached the house without casualties. Sergeant Oliver then led them in clearing the house of the enemy. Entered the military service from Colonie, New York.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

BENJAMIN A BLACKMER 01287652, Infantry, Captain, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. Captain Blackmer, battalion operations officer, accompanied one of the assault companies to clear several enemy-held streets. When heavy small arms fire was encountered, Captain Blackmer directed the riflemen to bring their fire to bear upon buildings occupied by the enemy. Although wounded by enemy fire, Captain Blackmer used his own rifle to aid in silencing enemy positions and throw several grenades into enemy-held buildings. As a result of Captain Blackmer's leadership, the company was able to clear strategic buildings of enemy personnel. Entered the military service from Rutland, Vermont.

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OLIVER W GROW 0296298, Infantry, Captain, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20-21 March 1945 near Homburg, Germany. When his battalion commander, who was leading a task force through the Siegfried Line to make contact with friendly elements, was wounded, Captain Grow assumed full command of the task force. When the force approached an enemy town, Captain Grow made a successful reconnaissance, and then led his men on a maneuver which surrounded the town and resulted in the capture of a large number of prisoners. Quickly reorganizing his men, Captain Grow then led the force to the successful completion of its mission. Entered the military service from Roxborough, Pennsylvania.

LAWRENCE LAND 42138331, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945 near Assweiler, Germany. When the advance of his platoon was halted by heavy fire from an enemy pillbox, Private Land crept forward under enemy fire for a distance of over fifty yards and launched several rounds from his bazooka into the pillbox. This action so reduced the volume of enemy fire that the platoon was able to continue its advance and to overcome the enemy resistance. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.

HARRY B LANTRY 32045893, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 October 1944 near Fremifontaine, France. Sergeant Lantry, although exposed to heavy enemy machine gun and small arms fire, crawled to a position from which he could direct mortar fire on an enemy force which had encircled a friendly platoon. He succeeded in disorganizing the enemy with his accurate mortar fire, enabling the encircled platoon to reach new positions. Sergeant Lantry's heroic action reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Helena, New York.

GERALD K TREMMEL 33257331, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 October 1944 near Fremifontaine, France. During an enemy counterattack the increments and ammunition in Private Tremmel's mortar position were set afire. Realizing that if the fire were allowed to continue, it would cause an explosion of several hundred rounds of ammunition stacked nearby, Private Tremmel, disregarding personal safety, promptly extinguished the blaze, suffering second degree burns in so doing. He then continued his firing mission and was instrumental in repulsing the enemy counterattack. Entered the military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

CLARENCE O WOLFE 35097007, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 near Hurnburg, Germany. As Sergeant Wolfe was investigating the basement of a house, an enemy soldier threw a hand grenade at him. Escaping injury and after a period of waiting, Sergeant Wolfe threw a grenade in the direction of the enemy and immediately followed it with fire from his rifle. His action wounded several of the enemy and so demoralized the remainder that they surrendered. Entered the military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

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RICHARD A LAMBERTSON 32776768, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Perds, New Jersey.

RICHARD J ZIOLKO 33832751, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment,
Entered the military service from Zions Grove, Pennsylvania.

For heroic achievement in action on 1 February 1945 near Saegmuhl, France. When communications leading to an important outpost were repeatedly severed by enemy artillery fire, Private Lambertson and Private Ziolkko, despite the artillery and small arms fire, checked and repaired all breaks in the communication line. Their action enabled the outpost to direct effective artillery and mortar fire upon the enemy, inflicting several casualties upon them and forcing them to abandon their attempt to assault the company positions.

SKIRMAN A FILLERUP 39934800, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant),
Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Metalino, Washington.

EDWARD C MACKAY 39480062, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Kent, Washington.

For heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When their platoon drew enemy sniper fire, Sergeant Fillerup and Private Mackay worked their way well in advance of the platoon and eliminated the sniper with rifle fire. Later, upon observing an 88mm gun crew preparing to go into action, they harassed the enemy with rifle fire until a friendly tank was able to move into position and destroy the gun.

JOHN J VILCSEK 35051505, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class),
Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

GLENN L NICHOLS 20630162, Infantry, Private,
Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Logans, Oklahoma.

For heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. During a strong enemy counterattack which threatened to encircle their company's machine gun positions, Corporal Vilesek and Private Nichols carried ammunition over a route covered by enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Although they were temporarily stopped several times by this fire, they successfully reached their company positions. The ammunition delivered by Corporal Vilesek and Private Nichols enabled the company to repel the enemy counterattack.

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GUS C NICKOLS 37502317, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant),
Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

JOSEPH SHUMACK 33367233, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private),
Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Hickendaugua, Pennsylvania.

For heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945 near Murnberg, Germany.
After their company had moved to more advantageous positions, Sergeant Nickols
and Private Shumack returned to an area covered by enemy small arms fire to
evacuate several men who had been wounded and left behind. They then worked
their way to an enemy position and rescued another wounded comrade who had
been captured by the enemy.

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Section I

Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following enlisted man:

LOUIE S THAMES 6927483, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945 near Phillipebourg, France. The tank destroyer crew of which Technician Thames was a member was given the mission of opening an important road which the enemy had cut. Driving through enemy mortar fire, they maneuvered their destroyer into a position from which they destroyed three hostile machine gun emplacements. The crew was attacked by an enemy bazooka team, which was in a defiladed position in a ditch. Unable to bring this new threat under direct fire, the destroyer crew fired high explosive shells at a telephone pole, killing the enemy in the ditch by the bursts. The destroyer then proceeded along the road into town, giving the friendly troops needed support. Entered the military service from Sampson, Alabama. Next of kin: Mrs. Cypsy E Thames (Mother), Route 2, Sampson, Alabama.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men:

FRANKLIN T ARCHAMBEAULT 35111537, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. Although painfully wounded during an attack on strong enemy positions, Sergeant Archambeault chose to remain with his men until the immediate action in which he was engaged was successfully completed. Only after his platoon had accomplished its mission did Sergeant Archambeault seek medical attention. His conduct reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Elkhart City, Indiana.

CHESTER L CARTER 17107358, Cavalry, Sergeant (then Corporal), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 21 December 1944 near Jaegerthal, France. Sergeant Carter led his squad on a patrol nine kilometers into enemy territory for desired information. When the patrol had reached its objective it was observed by the enemy who immediately laid down a concentration of mortar and artillery fire. Despite enemy action Sergeant Carter successfully led the patrol back without casualties and with important information of the enemy. Entered the military service from Glenwood, Minnesota.

LAVEN G DELLWO 37566274, Cavalry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 23 October 1944 near Fremifontaine, France. Technician Dellwo, lead scout of his platoon, made a patrol across the Mortagne River to gain information needed in the crossing of the river. After fording waist deep water and proceeding through heavy underbrush and marshy ground under enemy fire, Technician Dellwo gained the necessary information and returned to his platoon. The information thus acquired enabled the troops to make a successful crossing of the river. Entered the military service from Saint Paul, Minnesota.

JOHN E KULIKAUSKAS 36022562, Coast Artillery Corps, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery C, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 25 April 1945 near Zell, Germany. Technician Kulikauskas was the driver of an M-15 half-track employed to give support to a battalion when it became necessary for him to stay with his vehicle in an exposed position while the vehicle was fired upon by enemy 20mm and 75mm fire. By his excellent maneuvering of the half-track, he enabled the gun crew to effectively engage their target. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

JOSEPH G KUZMA 36853123, Cavalry, Sergeant, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945 near Minbach, Germany. Sergeant Kuzma was leading his section on a reconnaissance mission when the section was attacked by an enemy force of considerable strength. Sergeant Kuzma posted himself at the edge of the town, and the enemy concentrated their fire upon him. He returned the fire and held the enemy until his men were able to establish favorable positions from which they repulsed the enemy attack. Entered the military service from Silverwood, Michigan.

JESUS F OLIVAS 38121001, Coast Artillery Corps, Sergeant (then Corporal), Battery C, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 25 April 1945 near Zell, Germany. Sergeant Olivas was the commander of an M-15 half-track employed to give ground support to a battalion when his half-track, firing from an exposed position at an enemy convoy of horse-drawn and motorized vehicles, became the target of enemy 20mm and 75mm fire. Sergeant Olivas, in spite of the enemy fire, directed the fire of his gun with such accuracy that he dispersed the convoy and destroyed several of the enemy vehicles. Entered the military service from Van Horn, Texas.

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GEORGE POLI 39039785, Cavalry, Technician Fifth Grade, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945 near Lembach, France. Technician Poli led a patrol into enemy territory for the purpose of capturing a prisoner in order to secure information concerning enemy dispositions. The patrol overran an enemy outpost and, although subjected to heavy fire, succeeded in inflicting several casualties and taking one prisoner. The information obtained from the prisoner proved valuable in improving our positions. Entered the military service from San Francisco, California.

EDWARD F RONCARATI 31286401, Cavalry, Corporal, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 7 October 1944 near Bruyeres, France. When enemy fire halted the progress of his unit, Corporal Roncarati infiltrated through the enemy lines and made a personal reconnaissance of their positions. In the ensuing attack, when his squad was running low of ammunition, Corporal Roncarati again exposed himself to enemy fire in order to replenish the ammunition supply. Corporal Roncarati's initiative and courage played an important role in enabling his squad to take its objective without a casualty. Entered the military service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

WILLIAM F RUSH 34779579, Cavalry, Corporal (then Private), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 22 September 1944 near Arches, France. After the patrol of which Corporal Rush was a member had crossed the Moselle River, it was subjected to concentrated enemy mortar and machine gun fire and was ordered to more favorable positions on the friendly bank of the river. Although wounded, Corporal Rush administered first aid and assisted in evacuating other wounded men across the river to the aid station. Entered the military service from Greenwood, South Carolina.

ANDREW J SIMKOVIC 42037648, Cavalry, Private First Class, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 19 January 1945 near Rehbach, France. While his platoon was attacking an enemy position, Private Simkovic noticed an enemy 88mm antitank gun. The gun was camouflaged in thick brush and had escaped the notice of the other members of the platoon. Private Simkovic immediately opened fire upon the gun and succeeded in knocking it out, enabling his platoon to advance without interruption. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

MARRY C SMITH 15080922, Cavalry, Corporal, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 6 October 1944 near Bruyeres, France. Corporal Smith volunteered to lead a patrol into enemy territory in order to reduce an enemy outpost. The patrol was ambushed and cut off from the remainder of the troops. Ordering his men to remain in their positions, Corporal Smith worked his way through the enemy fire, reached his troop, and led a larger patrol to rescue his comrades. Entered the military service from Sherwood, Ohio.

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LAWRENCE R. THOMPSON 33726463, Cavalry, Corporal (then Private), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 23 October 1944 near Fremifontaine, France. When it was necessary to make contact with a friendly unit, Corporal Thompson volunteered to lead a patrol across the Mortagne River and through an open field which was being subjected to heavy enemy mortar and machine gun fire. Corporal Thompson led his men through all obstacles to a successful completion of the mission. Entered the military service from Point Pleasant, West Virginia.

WILLIAM M. WESTFALL 0205508, Infantry, Captain, Headquarters, 180th Infantry Regiment (then Headquarters, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion), for heroic achievement in action on 30 November 1944 near Rockesdorf, France. Learning that the tank destroyers were running short of fuel, Captain Westfall took charge of three trucks and delivered gasoline to the vehicles. Although the road was repeatedly bombed and strafed by enemy planes, he personally directed the trucks on and succeeded in reaching the tank destroyers and supplying them with the needed gasoline. Entered the military service from Garrett, Indiana.

ROBERT J. HARDING 3664286, Coast Artillery Corps, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Battery C, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

LEONARD L. WEINMANN 20752418, Coast Artillery Corps, Private First Class, Battery C, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion. Entered the military service from Winona, Minnesota.

For heroic achievement in action on 25 April 1945 near Zell, Germany. Technician Harding and Private Weinmann were gunners on an M-15 halftrack employed to give ground support to a battalion when the half-track, firing from an exposed position at an enemy convoy of horse-drawn and motorized vehicles, became the target of 20mm and 75mm fire. In spite of the enemy fire directed at their position, Technician Harding and Private Weinmann fired with such accuracy that the convoy was dispersed and several of the enemy vehicles destroyed.

EUGENE O. HORTON 32263776, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered the military service from Burlington, New Jersey.

JOSEPH F. KUS 35111887, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Corporal), Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered the military service from Bedford, Ohio.

CASIMIR S. MEOZYNER 31059814, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered the military service from Adams, Massachusetts.

ANTONIO S. CAPILLE JR 32263772, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered the military service from Pleasantville, New Jersey.

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For heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945 near Trillingsbourg, France. These four men of a tank destroyer crew were given the mission of opening an important road which the enemy had cut. Driving through enemy mortar fire, they manouvered their destroyer into a position from which they destroyed three hostile machine gun emplacements. The destroyer was then attacked by an enemy bazooka team which was in a defiladed position in a ditch. Unable to bring this new threat under direct fire, the destroyer crew fired high explosive shells at a telephone pole, killing the enemy in the ditch by the bursts. The destroyer then proceeded along the road into the town, giving the friendly troops needed support.

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

LELAND J BALDWIN 37022020, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Pierpont, South Dakota.

SAMUEL D BARSE 37021997, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Waubay, South Dakota.

THOMAS BONA JR 20317119, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Corporal), Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 10 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

HENRY J BRODERICK 35122270, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Covington, Kentucky.

LEONARD B BROOKHART 13137529, Field Artillery, Corporal, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 28 September 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Mount Washington, Maryland.

LARRY CANALES JR 6952887, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from San Antonio, Texas.

DANIEL J CASEY 37092029, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

DAVID G CHASE 6902030, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wayland, New York.

MIKE COBIN 36370257, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Dowell, Illinois.

RUDEL F DEES 34141017, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Finley, Tennessee.

GEORGE A DeROSA 32258381, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Fort Dix, New Jersey.

DALE J DORL 20830857, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Sumner, Oklahoma.

ALFRED N DUPREE 37119350, Field Artillery, Corporal, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Saint Joseph, Missouri.

RAYMOND E ERICKSON 36579736, Field Artillery, Corporal, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 October 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Pontiac, Michigan.

BYRON C GATES 20832230, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Seminole, Oklahoma.

OLEN M GOOD 35213573, Field Artillery, Corporal, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Lickcreek, Kentucky.

BILLIE R HALEY 38017643, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Salina, Oklahoma.

WADE L JARRETT 34083519, Field Artillery, Corporal, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Blakley, Georgia.

CARROLL L JESSEE 33214240, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Cleveland, Virginia.

MYRON C KEYSER 35125928, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Dayton, Ohio.

JOHN LAUFF 31048241, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Fort Devens, Massachusetts.

HARLICE M McCAUSE 20832472, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Ada, Oklahoma.

CLEO R PIERCE 20832211, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Nowata, Oklahoma.

MARIO RIVA 31069523, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Taunton, Massachusetts.

HARRY M SRODON 36560697, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 13 November 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

GEORGE W TURNER 20535619, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

CARL H WAY JR 34170372, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Charlotte, North Carolina.

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

CASTULA BANDA 38560917, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 December 1944 near Wissembourg, France. Private Banda's machine gun was covering a draw through which a sixteen-man enemy patrol attempted to infiltrate our lines. Waiting until the enemy was within close range, Private Banda suddenly opened fire upon them. Although the enemy directed heavy small arms fire on his position, he remained at his gun and prevented the patrol from moving. Meanwhile friendly riflemen surrounded the enemy group, forcing them to surrender. Entered the military service from LaBlanca, Texas.

KENNETH J GRIGELY 31062736, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945 near Goetzenbruck, France. Sergeant Grigely, observer for an 81mm mortar section, accompanied the forward elements of a rifle company attacking strong enemy positions. From places exposed to enemy observation and fire he directed mortar fire on enemy positions. Although both flanks of the attacking force were vulnerable, the mortar fire directed by Sergeant Grigely drove off repeated enemy attempts to counterattack. As a result of Sergeant Grigely's constant vigilance and efficient fire orders, many casualties were inflicted upon the enemy and the attacking force successfully accomplished its mission. Entered the military service from East Windsor, Connecticut.

EDWARD A HUCK 36837873, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 December 1944 near Wissembourg, France. When the enemy launched a strong counterattack against the company to which his machine gun platoon was attached, Private Huck began firing on the lead elements of the enemy force. The enemy placed a concentration of fire on his position but Private Huck remained at his gun and continued to place accurate fire upon the enemy. His action was an important factor in repulsing the enemy attack. Entered the military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

HARVEY J JONES 36476995, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 January 1945 near Goetzenbruck, France. When an enemy force attempted to retake some high ground occupied by the battalion, Sergeant Jones organized his heavy machine gun section, gave his gunners fields of fire, and manned one of the guns himself. When the supply of ammunition became low Sergeant Jones turned his gun over to another man and ran across open terrain under enemy fire to procure more. Resupplied with ammunition, the machine gunners were able to keep constant fire upon the enemy, finally forcing them to withdraw. Entered the military service from Peoria Heights, Illinois.

LESTER H JONES 38323567, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. When his 81mm mortar section was subjected to heavy artillery fire, Sergeant Jones, as observer, maintained a position with the forward elements of a rifle company, registering effective mortar fire on enemy positions. Although seriously wounded during this action, Sergeant Jones continued to call fire orders until his wounds forced his evacuation. Entered the military service from Wardville, Oklahoma.

ROY H KRALL 33504069, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 December 1944 near Wissemburg, France. When two members of his section were wounded and the platoon aid man was occupied in another part of the area, Sergeant Krall, though also wounded, left his covered position and made his way to the injured men. Making two trips over exposed terrain, he carried his wounded comrades to a position where they could receive first aid. Entered the military service from Lebanon, Pennsylvania.

DALE P MACKLIN 36410851, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 December 1944 near Gundershoffen, France. When Sergeant Macklin, leader of a mortar section, found it impossible to give effective fire orders from his position, he moved across approximately two hundred yards of open terrain under enemy fire to reach a better position. Sergeant Macklin continued to give fire orders from this new position for a period of two hours. The effective fire of his section inflicted heavy casualties upon the enemy and enabled the company to advance. Entered the military service from Coldwater, Michigan.

HERBERT E McCONNEL 33698221, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When a strong enemy counter-attack separated the company from the rest of the battalion, Sergeant McConnell directed his 60mm mortars in placing effective fire on the attacking enemy. Although heavy enemy mortar fire was falling in his area, Sergeant McConnell moved among his men, encouraging them and supervising their fire. Under cover of the heavy and accurate fire of the mortars, the company was able to move to more favorable positions. Later, the fire of Sergeant McConnell's section was an important factor in a successful attack by the company. Entered the military service from Butler, Pennsylvania.

FELIX NORAT 42035433, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class), Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 May to 2 June 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. Corporal Norat, wireman for a section of 81mm mortars, was responsible for keeping communication open between the mortar observation post and the guns. When the observer was wounded and the intensity of the enemy fire made it inadvisable to dispatch another man to the observation post, Corporal Norat took over the duties of observer and gave fire orders to his section. Throughout the remainder of the action he stayed at his post and directed the fire of the section. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JOHN RAPOSA 31031593, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 June 1944 near Compoleone, Italy. When enemy fire temporarily halted the advance of an attacking rifle company, Private Raposa crawled forward to seek a good position for his machine gun. Finding it impossible to fire from a place of cover or concealment, he set up his gun on exposed terrain. From this position he delivered heavy concentrations of fire upon the enemy, inflicting many casualties and enabling the friendly rifle company to resume the attack. Entered the military service from East Taunton, Massachusetts.

PERCY SIMON 38484905, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945 near Wingen, France. Noticing a wounded comrade some distance from his position, Private Simon left his foxhole and crawled to the fallen soldier in spite of the heavy enemy small arms fire. Having administered first aid, he then assisted the soldier back to a position of safety. After he had returned to his gun crew and the enemy began an attack, he provided effective covering fire with his carbine while the machine gun section moved to more favorable positions. Entered the military service from Abbeville, Louisiana.

JOSEPH F SOCOTTE 36327052, Infantry, Corporal, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2-3 January 1945 near Gootzenbruck, France. When heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire caused repeated breaks in communication lines, Corporal Socotte proceeded to repair the wires in spite of the intense enemy fire. Though halted twice by the heavy enemy fire, he successfully repaired all the breaks in the wire. For two days, Corporal Socotte maintained communication between his platoon and the company and battalion command posts. Entered the military service from Green Bay, Wisconsin.

JOSEPH THEODOSS 31347619, Infantry, Sergeant, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945 near Gootzenbruck, France. When his company was faced with a possible enemy counter-attack, Sergeant Theodoss immediately organized his mortar section and put it into action. He then moved across approximately two hundred and fifty yards of terrain which was being subjected to heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire until he found a suitable observation post. From this position he directed effective mortar fire upon the enemy, causing them to withdraw after suffering heavy casualties. Entered the military service from Southbridge, Massachusetts.

WALTER T THRASHER 38602979, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 January 1945 near Gootzenbruck, France. During a strong enemy attack upon his position Private Thrasher's machine gun was firing on the lead elements of the attacking force, successfully stopping its advance. When the need for more ammunition became urgent, Private Thrasher made his way through approximately five hundred yards of streets subject to enemy machine gun fire to reach the ammunition supply point. Making his way back over the same hazardous route, he returned to the gun with the ammunition which was instrumental in breaking up the attack. Entered the military service from Hughes, Arkansas.

NICOLAS G TSEROS 31062228, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944 near Gumrechtshoffen, France. When the company which his 81mm mortar section was supporting was subjected to heavy artillery, mortar and tank fire, Sergeant Tseros crawled beyond the company outposts to obtain better observation and from this forward position he gave accurate fire orders. The mortar fire of Sergeant Tseros' section was largely responsible for relieving the enemy pressure against the company. Entered the military service from Lynn, Massachusetts.

RICHARD H VOLK 35549696, Infantry, Sergeant, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 October 1944 near Bruyeres, France. During a heavy enemy counterattack Sergeant Volk, machine gun section sergeant, directed accurate concentrations of fire upon the enemy by going from gun to gun, pointing out targets of opportunity, all the while exposed to enemy automatic weapons fire. While one of his guns changed position, Sergeant Volk engaged an enemy machine gun in a duel which resulted in the death of all the enemy gun crew. His heroic actions aided materially in repulsing the enemy counterattack. Entered the military service from Toledo, Ohio.

SAMUEL WEISBERG 33735995, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 September 1944 near Chalon, France. During a strong enemy counterattack, Private Weisberg, a weapons carrier driver, was sent after ammunition for the heavy machine guns. Driving across open terrain, exposed to enemy fire and observation, Private Weisberg reached the dump, and then returned with the ammunition over the same hazardous route. With the ammunition supply replenished, the machine gunners maintained a steady volume of fire at the enemy force. Entered the military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

FREDERICK M WILMER 42026270, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 January 1945 near Wimmenau, France. When concentrated enemy machine gun fire temporarily halted one of our leading rifle platoons, Private Wilmer assumed the firing of a heavy machine gun after the gunner was wounded. In spite of the heavy enemy fire directed at his position, he placed accurate machine gun fire on the enemy, forcing them to take cover and enabling our forward riflemen to withdraw, carrying the wounded with them. Private Wilmer's supporting fire then enabled the platoon to reorganize and launch a successful attack. Entered the military service from Camillus, New York.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

MORRIS C BAKER 38023512, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wagoner, Oklahoma.

KENNETH Q BEATY 20832213, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from McAlester, Oklahoma.

ERNEST BEAUMIER 31112126, Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private), Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from West Warwick, Rhode Island.

ASHLEY H BROCKETT 33424970, Field Artillery, Private, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 24 October 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

WALTER J DUCZKOWSKI 36717791, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 28 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

WILBURN F CLAYTON 34141348, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Athens, Tennessee.

IRLAND G CRAVER 37109726, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Fort Des Moines, Iowa.

ALBERT DIGENNARO 33245850, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Altoona, Pennsylvania.

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JIM M DISMUKES 20832462, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Ada, Oklahoma.

JOE B FORD 34133269, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Greenville, Mississippi.

LAWRENCE D GOINS 38017738, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Strang, Oklahoma.

JACK S GOODRIDGE 20831983, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wewoka, Oklahoma.

JACK C GRIGGS 20832193, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wewoka, Oklahoma.

JOHN J HEINEFELT 33062470, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Rock Hall, Maryland.

LAMBERT HENNING 37432571, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Aplington, Iowa.

ROLEY N HENSHAW 20832168, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Seminole, Oklahoma.

ROSCOE HENSHAW 20832195, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Seminole, Oklahoma.

ROY E JOHNSON 34151120, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Aubrey, Texas.

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WILLIAM A KUMPE 38023529, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Sallisaw, Oklahoma.

LEWIS B LEE 38017657, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Sands Springs, Oklahoma.

MAX A MAUNDORF 33234667, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

KENNETH C OSBORN 20333120, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Davenport, Oklahoma.

THEODORE A POTENSKI 38006690, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

RICHARD C SHOUNAKER 37087972, Field Artillery, Corporal, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Buffalo, Wyoming.

DANIEL T STRAITZ 13104577, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Lansdowne, Maryland.

R D SULLENS 34093080, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 October 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Greenville, South Carolina.

ROBERT E SYKES 34113981, Field Artillery, Corporal, Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Orange County, North Carolina.

JESSIE S VENZUELA 20831911, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Holdenville, Oklahoma.

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JAMES A WHEELER 37083293, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Bolivar, Missouri.

DONALD R WRIGHT 35169131, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Marion, Indiana.

JAMES E YOUNG 35109037, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

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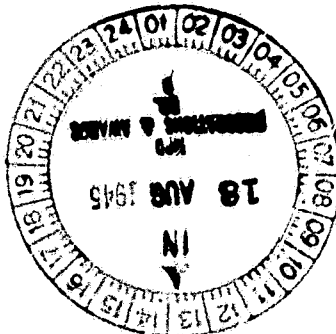
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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man:

JOHN L KLINE 20542036, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 March 1945 near Aschaffenberg, Germany. As a medical aid man Private Kline was accompanying an attacking rifle company when it was subjected to enemy mortar, bazooka, machine gun and small arms fire which inflicted a number of casualties. Without regard for his own safety Private Kline moved throughout the area, administering aid and carrying the wounded to safety. Only after all the wounded had been removed from the fire-swept area did Private Kline seek cover. Entered the military service from Earl Park, Indiana.

Section II

Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following enlisted man:

JAMES C FORD 36470450, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. Under intense enemy machine gun and sniper fire, Private Ford, automatic rifleman, preceded his platoon down a hill toward enemy installations. He constantly exposed himself to search out the enemy emplacements. Noticing sniper activity from a tree on his left flank, he placed a burst from his automatic rifle into the tree, killing two snipers. After gaining a position at the bottom of the hill, Private Ford fired constantly at all possible enemy strongpoints, covering the advance of his platoon. As he moved out to join the leading elements of the platoon, he was mortally wounded. Private Ford's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Pontiac, Michigan. Next of kin: Mrs. Lillian M Ford (Wife), 2155 Crooks Road, Pontiac, Michigan.

Section III

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

DOFALD R ANTHONY 33171406, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 March 1945 near Aschaffenberg, Germany. While Sergeant Anthony's platoon was crossing an open field, it was met by heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire. Although several of his men were killed or wounded, Sergeant Anthony maintained control of his platoon, deploying the men in the most advantageous positions that the terrain afforded and encouraging them to return the enemy fire. Under Sergeant Anthony's leadership the platoon repulsed all enemy attacks until the approach of darkness permitted Sergeant Anthony to lead his men to a more secure position. Entered the military service from Leighton, Pennsylvania.

EDWARD A CONWAY 33365218, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. As Sergeant Conway was guiding the artillery observer and lead scout to a more advantageous point of observation, enemy sniper fire wounded the observer and scout. Sergeant Conway immediately engaged the enemy with his rifle. He then walked into the open to bring the two wounded men to a point of safety where they could receive medical attention. Entered the military service from Millvale, Pennsylvania.

RAYMOND F CORLEY 37658667, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 near Rains, Germany. While Private Corley, first gunner in a 60mm mortar squad, was placing his mortar to protect the company's front, he observed two strong enemy patrols attempting to surround the company. Quickly putting his mortar into action and opening fire on the hostile force, Private Corley inflicted a number of casualties upon the enemy making it impossible for them to continue their attack. Entered the military service from Camp Dodge, Iowa.

DONALD L DEATON 37693338, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in action on 31 March 1945 near Aschaffenberg, Germany. While in position along the edge of a wooded sector through which trapped enemy soldiers were attempting to escape, Private Deaton was challenged by an enemy voice. Stepping into the shadow of the trees and firing his rifle as he moved toward the enemy soldiers, Private Deaton so confused the enemy that, when he walked into their position, twelve enemy soldiers surrendered. Entered the military service from Moline, Illinois.

GEORGE H HILL 34897666, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945 near Mittelstettin, Germany. As the platoon with which Private Hill served as runner was entering a small town it was met by a heavy volume of small arms fire. Private Hill immediately radioed the company and then made his way to a point of observation from which he could direct effective fire upon the enemy. After the company had taken the objective Private Hill ran through enemy fire to his platoon and man, guided him to a wounded soldier, and assisted in evacuating the man. Private Hill's resourceful actions were an important factor in the successful taking of the town. Entered the military service from High Point, North Carolina.

MATTHEW J KELLY JR 42122308, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 near Markshain, Germany. Private Kelly was a member of a platoon sent out to investigate a small group of houses. As the platoon was entering the village a heavy barrage of artillery landed in the area and wounded several men. Private Kelly, although painfully wounded, assisted the aid men and helped to carry the badly wounded from under the crumbling buildings. Only after all his comrades had been evacuated would Private Kelly accept medical aid. Entered the military service from Albany, New York.

ROBERT B KINZER 17143466, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945 between Neuhoef and Mittelstettin, Germany. While advancing across open terrain toward an enemy-held town, Sergeant Kinzer's platoon was halted by heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire. Sergeant Kinzer crawled approximately fifty feet to cover and, by radio, directed the company to place machine gun and mortar fire upon the town. Then Sergeant Kinzer, directing his men to sheltered positions, crawled out to a wounded man, brought him to the covered position and administered first aid. Meanwhile, the enemy machine guns had been silenced and the company was able to continue its mission. Entered the military service from Jamestown, North Dakota.

ARTHUR MACCHIONE JR 32708544, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private), Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 March 1945 near Hamm, Germany. When his company received information of enemy patrol activity near the banks of the Rhine River, Sergeant Macchione prepared a machine gun emplacement to intercept the patrol. After a few minutes of observation he discovered the enemy unit and fired at it, killing several of the enemy personnel and dispersing the remainder. Then, shifting his field of fire, he destroyed two small boats evidently intended for patrol operations of the enemy. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

MAURO M MANDELLO 32066940, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 April 1945 near Eibstadt, Germany. While Private Mandello was engaged with the task of clearing a street, he observed an enemy soldier attempting to put a 20mm vehicle gun into action. Quickly alerting his squad, Private Mandello led an assault upon the vehicle and succeeded in overrunning the enemy weapon before it could be fired. Entered the military service from Monmouth County, New Jersey.

MICHAEL A FANGIA 31331953, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945 near Mittelstettin, Germany. Sergeant Fangia was given the mission of leading a platoon into a small town on a patrol prior to the entrance by the entire company. When the platoon had advanced nearly to the outskirts of the town, it received a heavy volume of enemy small arms fire. Sergeant Fangia quickly deployed the platoon along the banks of a small stream and directed a combination of bazooka, rifle and grenade fire, forcing the enemy to withdraw to positions inside the town. Then leading his platoon along the stream until he had outflanked the town, Sergeant Fangia assaulted the enemy from the rear, capturing several and dispersing the remainder. This action enabled the rest of the company to enter the town in safety. Entered the military service from Stamford, Connecticut.

JOHN F SIMAN 20221687, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 near Marksheim, Germany. When two enemy patrols made a surprise attack upon the company, Sergeant Siman set up his mortar and maintained heavy volumes of fire while his machine gun squads placed their guns in positions where they could best give close support to the riflemen. Then, under enemy fire, he made his way back to the command post, got the forward observer and returned with him to the observation post. Sergeant Siman continued to direct fire until the enemy force was routed. Entered the military service from Newark, New Jersey.

ORTHEL C SUMNER 38609173, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class), Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945 near Lauf, Germany. Corporal Sumner's radio truck was attached to a reconnaissance unit in advance of a task force of tank-borne infantry. As the unit approached a town it met heavy enemy fire and Corporal Sumner noticed a large enemy column retreating from the town. He detached his radio from the truck and directed the vehicle and driver to a defiladed position. Corporal Sumner then made his way under enemy fire to an elevated position from which he established radio contact with the advance elements of the task force. After giving coordinates of the enemy column, he remained in position and directed the fire of the friendly tanks on the retreating enemy force. Entered the military service from Amarillo, Texas.

RICHARD B WEST JR 33639663, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945 near Mittelstettin, Germany. While the platoon which Sergeant West's machine gun squad was supporting was moving across an open area, accurate enemy fire temporarily halted the progress of the unit. Moving under the heavy fire, Sergeant West located a favorable position for his machine gun, placed the weapon in action and furnished overhead fire for the platoon. Silencing one enemy machine gun and causing the other enemy troops to retreat, Sergeant West's accurate fire enabled the platoon to reach its objective with minimum losses. Entered the military service from Richmond, Virginia.

WALTER R COLLINS 33735091, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

STANLEY M BEACON 33677692, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JACK R McCLUSKEY 39212197, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Fort Orchard, Washington.

For heroic achievement in action on 29 March 1945 near Aschaffenberg, Germany. As medical men these three soldiers were accompanying an attacking rifle company when it was subjected to enemy mortar, bazooka, machine gun and small arms fire which inflicted a number of casualties. Without regard for their own safety these men moved throughout the area, administering aid and carrying the wounded to safety. Only after all the wounded had been removed from the fire-swept area did they seek cover.

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

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

JOHN F HAYES 36527201, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 13 October 1944. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

CHARLES E THOMPSON 36715901, Infantry, Corporal, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

CHARLES F YOUNBERG 37702772, Infantry, Private First Class, Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 17 October 1944. Home address: Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

Section II

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

FRANCIS A ADORNATO 33604305, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 January 1945. Home address: Susquehanna, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT N BARRY 37643620, Infantry, Private First Class, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 21 April 1945. Home address: Enon, Missouri.

NATHAN BRINBAUM 32170495, Infantry, Corporal, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 5 December 1944. Home address: Bronx, New York.

RAY BRUSH 32213682, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 5 December 1943. Home address: Smithfield, New York.

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HERSCHEL R CRISP 34575105, Infantry, Private, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 December 1944. Home address: La Fayette, Georgia.

JOHN C FERGUSON 34922776, Infantry, Private, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 December 1944. Home address: Sneedville, Tennessee.

JOSEPH D FRIEDMAN 33662110, Infantry, Private First Class, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 20 April 1945. Home address: Bristol, Virginia.

ARNOLD FROMMER 32802878, Infantry, Private, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 10 February 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

ARTHUR S HATCHARD 12226155, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 February 1945. Home address: Port Chester, New York.

LAURIN W HESPE 37466488, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 22 January 1945. Home address: Leigh, Nebraska.

CARLISLE JONES 34515994, Infantry, Sergeant, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 19 January 1945. Home address: Hylan, South Carolina.

LEWIS E LINCOLN 01300054, Infantry, Captain, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 3 December 1944. Home address: Kansas City, Missouri.

PATRICK F RENE 16177572, Infantry, Private, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 22 January 1945. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

KENNETH F SCHILATY 0548192, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Antitank Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 December 1944. Home address: Monroe, Washington.

GEORGE J SIEDEL 01328300, Infantry, First Lieutenant, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 19 April 1945. Home address: Strongsville, Ohio.

GEORGE STOYKO 35449383, Infantry, Private, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 9 October 1943. Home address: Keystone, West Virginia.

SAM WEISS 42069972, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 10 January 1945. Home address: Bronx, New York.

KENNETH L WINT 36452201, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 2 December 1944. Home address: Hope, Michigan.

FRANK WOLFE 35224826, Infantry, Corporal, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 22 May 1944. Home address: Nelsonville, Ohio.

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ORIGINAL ORDER # 001

Award of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

ROBERT W. HALEY JR 02014950, Infantry, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Company B, 175th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 12 January 1945 near Althorn, France. During an attack upon strong enemy positions when his company encountered an enemy mine field covered by artillery, mortar and small arms fire, Lieutenant Haley's platoon provided the covering fire for the movement of the remainder of the company to more favorable positions. As the enemy launched a counterattack Lieutenant Haley moved among his men, offering encouragement and pointing out targets of opportunity. After the company had successfully completed its movement Lieutenant Haley, with his carbine, personally covered the withdrawal of his platoon. As a result of his actions the enemy counterattack was broken up with heavy casualties. Lieutenant Haley's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Shreveport, Louisiana.

WILLIAM B KORTE 12128300, Cavalry, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for gallantry in action on 5 April 1945 near Breunings, Germany. The light armored car in which Technician Korte was riding struck an enemy mine and all the occupants were injured. Although suffering from a head wound Technician Korte took over the antitank gunner's position and fired at a nearby enemy emplacement until his ammunition was exhausted. He then removed a .30-caliber machine gun from its place in the turret and led a successful attack on foot upon the enemy position. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

FRANK E LEGGERO 36309441, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 26 March 1945 near Gersheim, Germany. Technician Leggero was with the forward elements of the second assault wave in crossing the Rhine River. His duty was to maintain contact with the Regimental Commander's staff by means of a radio which he carried on his back. When another radio operator was badly wounded and his radio destroyed, Technician Leggero's radio was the only remaining means of communication. Although hit in the leg by fragments of the same shell, Technician Leggero continued to advance with the forward elements and kept open vital communication channels to the regimental command post. He advanced for approximately eight miles, most of the way subject to enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, until the regiment had taken its objective. Only when another radio operator was obtained to relieve him did he accept medical treatment. Technician Leggero's perseverance and devotion to duty reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

JOHN L MCCONN JR 02005982, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 March 1945 near Villersbruck, Germany. Lieutenant McConn and his platoon were advancing up a street when they were fired upon by two enemy machine guns from the windows of a building. Using the remainder of the platoon as a base of fire, Lieutenant McConn and three of his men moved forward until they reached a building approximately thirty yards from the enemy guns. Placing the three men in positions from which they could give protective fire, Lieutenant McConn, using a smoke grenade as a screen, entered the building and ascended the stairs to where the enemy guns were located. He then throw a hand grenade and assaulted the enemy position, killing or wounding part of the crew and capturing the rest. With these machine guns out of action Lieutenant McConn's platoon was able to advance and take its objective, capturing a total of twenty-five prisoners. Lieutenant McConn's aggressive and resourceful leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Houston, Texas.

HENRY J D MEYER 012290, United States Army, Brigadier General, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, for gallantry in action on 28 May 1944 near Lanuvio, Italy. During the attack to break out of the Anzio Beachhead, General Meyer established and occupied an advance command post in a forward area that was heavily mined and undergoing heavy enemy shelling. Although the only available cover was a slight defilade, he remained in this command post throughout the heavy shelling, closely controlling the action of his artillery. General Meyer's courage in the face of personal danger was an inspiration and driving force to the troops in his command while his fearless perseverance in rendering continuous close artillery support contributed immeasurably to the successful break through the enemy forces. Entered the United States Military Academy from New York.

RUSSELL J STEHLE 36897558, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 November 1944 near Mulhausen, France. A company of riflemen and a section of heavy machine guns were isolated and sought shelter in a narrow patch of woods. The enemy directed tank and mortar fire into the wooded area while their infantry attempted to complete the encirclement of the company by closing an open gap on the left flank. Braving the enemy fire, Private Stehle moved his machine gun to a position from which he could effectively cover the gap. He laid down a heavy concentration of machine gun fire which inflicted numerous casualties upon the enemy and prevented them from maneuvering. Although enemy mortarmen, machine gunners and riflemen concentrated their fire on his position, Private Stehle continued his firing until reinforcements arrived and dispersed the enemy. Private Stehle was wounded during this action but refused to leave his gun until the enemy threat had been repulsed. Private Stehle's courageous and aggressive action reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Ferndale, Michigan.

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

WINFRED A ANDERSON 20832240, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Nowata, Oklahoma.

LOWELL E BROOKS 37552304, Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private), Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 October 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Morristown, Minnesota.

JACK CHRISTY 35019139, Field Artillery, First Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Stryker, Ohio.

JOSEPH F COLEMAN 33076102, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

CLIFFORD E COPENHAVER 37505528, Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private), Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 October 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Monroe County, Missouri.

CLYDE R DICKY 35025019, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wellsboro, Ohio.

MARY LEON DRICO 20316050, Field Artillery, First Sergeant, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 May 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

ADOLPH J EBERTOWSKI 37061629, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Oslo, Minnesota.

ARTHUR D GREWELL 37040565, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Ames, Iowa.

EDWARD H GRUGEL 35024687, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

COY L HEMPHILL 34175306, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 October 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Guilford, North Carolina.

WALTER E HUNKLER 36312541, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Washington, Illinois.

THEODORE H KOPP 12123659, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 February 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Long Island, New York.

JOSEPH M LABELLO 36038694, Medical Department, Corporal (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Forest Park, Illinois.

WILLIAM R LONG 20316475, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

THOMAS L MARTIN 34087681, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Emerson, Georgia.

IGNATIUS G MIZERIK 35111725, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Whiting, Indiana.

LEO A PEDONE 31135047, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 October 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

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NORMAN D PINCKARD 34917892, Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private), Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 6 December 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Enterprise, Alabama.

JOHN J RAINER 35027662, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Battery K, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Youngstown, Ohio.

ALLAN L ROBERTS 37274551, Medical Department, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Detroit Lakes, Minnesota.

EDGAR L ROBINSON JR 34093148, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 25 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Lancaster, South Carolina.

JAMES A ROCHA 31236407, Medical Department, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 19 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

JOHN C ROSS 20832483, Field Artillery, First Sergeant, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 November 1943 to 15 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Ada, Oklahoma.

ROBERT C SNEED 20832179, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wewoka, Oklahoma.

JACOB W STEBRIDGE 36511578, Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private), Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 October 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

DEWITT A. STIDHAM 20832180, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 December 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wewoka, Oklahoma.

GEORGE C STOUDEMAYER 34093296, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Irmo, South Carolina.

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JOHN TRAINA 32525770, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 19 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

PHILIP M TROESTER 37041202, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Colesburg, Iowa.

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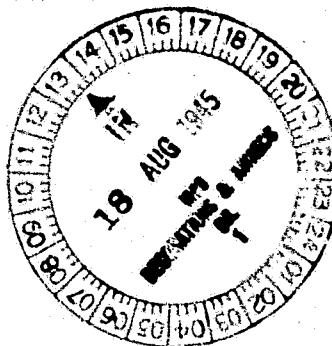
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Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

CHARLES H. CARNEY 20543872, Coast Artillery Corps, Staff Sergeant, Battery C, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 April to 7 May 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Springfield, Kentucky.

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ORMAN K ANDERSON 0399934, Coast Artillery Corps, Captain, Battery B, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 6 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Forest, Mississippi.

HENRY S BUIKEMA 01047042, Coast Artillery Corps, First Lieutenant, Battery D, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 5 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Little Falls, New Jersey.

STANLEY L. CLEBORN 01049096, Coast Artillery Corps, First Lieutenant, Battery C, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 27 September 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Oakland, Maryland.

DAVID O FAIRCHILD 35034321, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Battery A, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Cambridge, Ohio.

WILLIAM S FORMWALT 0451879, Coast Artillery Corps, Captain, Headquarters Battery, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 29 February 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from East Hartford, Connecticut.

ARTHUR FOWLER JR 0323264, Medical Corps, Major, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Sulphur, Oklahoma.

MORRIS R HAMILTON 0451297, Coast Artillery Corps, Captain, Battery C, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Sioux City, Iowa.

ROBERT E JOHNSON 36311035, Coast Artillery Corps, Technical Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 5 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

WALTER B KNOX 36303548, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Corporal) Battery A, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 16 February 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Elmwood, Illinois.

JOSEPH E KNUE 35096672, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private and later Private First Class), Headquarters Battery, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 15 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Lafayette, Indiana.

ANDROSE F LAWLER 37297440, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 September 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Ree Heights, South Dakota.

FRANK T MAZURKIEWICZ 37284602, Corps of Engineers, Private First Class, Headquarters and Service Company, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 20 April to 6 May 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Saint Paul, Minnesota.

VASCO C MICHELOTTI 39611945, Armored, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Great Falls, Montana.

ABNER P MUCKOLS 0441467, Coast Artillery Corps, Captain, Battery D, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Richmond, Virginia.

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HOWARD A. PARTUSCH W2109271, Army of the United States, Chief Warrant Officer, Headquarters Battery, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 October 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

EDWARD H. PAVLAKOVICH 35160707, Ordnance, Sergeant, 700th Ordnance Light Maintenance Company, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 11 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hobart, Indiana.

LOUIS A. SCOTT W2109826, Army of the United States, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, 700th Ordnance Light Maintenance Company, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 September 1943 to 17 August 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Amarillo, Oklahoma.

ALBERT S. SCHREIBER 35119000, Coast Artillery Corps, Sergeant, Battery D, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 5 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Covington, Kentucky.

JOHN M. SHUSTER 37086678, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Rock Springs, Wyoming.

EDWIN A. SZLAG 36121502, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hamtramck, Michigan.

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted men:

CHARLES W BARTOS 42036150, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945 near Althorn, France. When enemy soldiers made their way into the house in which his machine gun was set up, Sergeant Bartos encouraged his men to resist. By effective employment of small arms and hand grenades Sergeant Bartos kept the enemy on the lower floor of the house, while his squad controlled the upper floor. Dispatching one member of his squad for relief, Sergeant Bartos and his men held the enemy off until the arrival of reinforcements. Entered the military service from Long Island City, New York.

EVERT S STEVER 39343183, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945 near Althorn, France. When the enemy occupied the first floor of a house in which a machine gun squad was holding, the squad leader sent Sergeant Stever for reinforcements. Dropping from a second floor window, Sergeant Stever ran across open terrain under enemy fire, reached elements of a friendly rifle company and led them to the aid of the besieged machine gun squad. Entered the military service from Beaumont, California.

LEWIS ARSTONE 35922157, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

VITO J FLORIO 42017745, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

For heroic achievement in action on 30 November 1944 near Zutzensdorf, France. Private Arstone and Private Florio were members of a five-man patrol which had been sent out under cover of darkness to determine the strength and disposition of the enemy. As the patrol was crossing open terrain, it encountered enemy machine gun fire, and the patrol leader was wounded. Private Arstone and Private Florio made their way slowly forward in the face of continued heavy enemy fire and succeeded in removing their wounded leader to safety.

MORRIS FRISS 42082407, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Atlantic City, New Jersey.

EARLE H KLOCK 42028634, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Moravia, New York.

For heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944 near Oberbromm, France. When no litter bearers were available, Private Friss and Private Klock volunteered to carry a seriously wounded man to the aid station. After slow progress through a hilly-wooded area, they had to cross an open field approximately five hundred yards wide. Although the enemy, observing their movements, directed mortar and artillery fire upon them, Private Friss and Private Klock carefully carried the wounded man across the field and succeeded in reaching the aid station.

JOHN H HELTON 34129633, Infantry, Corporal,
Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from McAdenville, North Carolina.

STANLEY A SEYBOLD 15041581, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from French Lick, Indiana.

For heroic achievement in action on 4 to 10 January 1945 near Goetzenbruck, France. During a strong enemy counterattack, Corporal Helton and Private Seybold manned an 81mm mortar. Their position was under enemy observation and was subjected to small arms and rifle grenade fire. As it was necessary for the gun to have an adequate amount of ammunition in reserve, the two men made numerous trips over exposed terrain covered by enemy fire in order to replenish the supply. With this ammunition, they succeeded in breaking up the enemy attempts to infiltrate our lines and routed numerous enemy patrols.

WILSON HERROD 7083532, Infantry, Sergeant,
Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

BASEL S DELLINGER 34778449, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private),
Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Cherryville, North Carolina.

For heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When several hundred enemy troops had surrounded the battalion command post, Sergeant Herrod and Private Dellinger organized the personnel of their section to defend the house they held. The two men continually exposed themselves to enemy observation and fire in order to encourage their comrades and to direct their fire. Working as a team in firing on targets of opportunity, they killed a number of the enemy. The strong defense temporarily halted the enemy attack and allowed many of our troops to escape the trap.

EVERETT R LADD 31322997, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private),
Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Byron, Maine.

EDWARD C LIPSTER 35062701, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private),
Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

RICHARD G LONG 35583595, Infantry, Private First Class,
Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

For heroic achievement in action on 1 June 1944 near Albano, Italy. These three men were detailed to establish a forward ammunition dump near a loading line company. The route to be taken was under continuous mortar fire and they, unwilling to endanger their vehicle and ammunition, decided to continue their mission on foot. For four hours they carried ammunition over the hilly terrain through the heavy concentrations of enemy mortar and artillery fire. Without cover the three men worked until the mission was completed. The ammunition thus placed at the disposal of the riflemen was used almost immediately afterward to halt an enemy counterattack.

WILLIAM J METCALF 35929414, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Cinoaut, Ohio.

ANDREW KOVACS 36948084, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

For heroic achievement on 1 May 1945 in Munich, Germany. After Company K had captured the Luftwaffe Headquarters building in Munich, an investigation was made of the interior. While searching the building, Private Metcalf discovered a fire in the basement where enemy personnel were burning military documents. He entered the smoke-filled room and while attempting to extinguish the flames became asphyxiated and fell to the floor. At this time Private Kovacs was going to the basement and upon hearing someone fall he realized that his comrade was in danger. In spite of the gas fumes he unhesitatingly entered the room, found the unconscious man, carried him outside and called for aid. He then returned to the basement and successfully combatted the fire. Private Metcalf's efforts to save valuable enemy documents and Private Kovacs' concern for his buddy reflect great credit upon themselves and their organization.

PHILLIP REMEDIES 38388653, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Zwolle, Louisiana.

GREGORY E VISCOMI JR 32948884, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Herkimer, New York.

For heroic achievement in action on 30 December 1944 near Weiler, France. When two riflemen were wounded and attempted to crawl to safety, they collapsed from exhaustion in an exposed position. Private Remedies and Private Viscomi left their foxholes, crossed the open terrain under heavy enemy artillery fire, and succeeded in reaching the wounded men. After administering first aid, Private Remedies and Private Viscomi remained with the wounded men until they were evacuated.

HUBERT B POPE 34767572, Infantry, Private First Class,
Headquarters Company, Second Battalion (then Company F), 179th Infantry
Regiment.
Entered the military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

JAMES J SMITH 36783129, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private),
Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

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For heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, Franco. Private Pope and Private Smith, machine gun ammunition bearers, realizing that no enemy attack was expected and that medical aid men were occupied elsewhere, left their foxholes to go the aid of a wounded soldier. Although forced to travel through heavy enemy small arms fire, they successfully carried the wounded man to a defiladed position where they rendered first aid. Later, they supplied their machine guns with essential ammunition to cover a company withdrawal. Many trips were made through enemy fire as they continually replenished the ammunition supply of the guns.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man:

EARL W PURCELL 34833861, Infantry, Corporal (then Private), Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 December 1944 near Schoneau, Germany. When a heavy volume of enemy mortar and artillery fire wounded the squad leader and gunners of his heavy machine gun squad, Corporal Purcell, ammunition bearer, assumed command and reorganized the squad. After leading them to more favorable positions, he organized a defensive position in preparation against expected counterattacks. His courage and skill were fundamental factors in the successful defense of the sector. Entered the military service from Jesup, Georgia.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

RICHARD F BARLOW 31448604, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. When enemy machine gun fire killed his squad leader and wounded the assistant squad leader, Private Barlow instructed the riflemen to cover his movements. He then worked his way to within close range of the nearest enemy emplacement and threw a hand grenade into it, wounding or killing the entire enemy crew. Although wounded in this action, Private Barlow manned the enemy machine gun and turned it upon another enemy position. This action so confused the enemy that they withdrew. Entered the military service from Fall River, Massachusetts.

KENNETH I ESTABROOK 20139151, Infantry, First Sergeant, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Sarreguermes, France. During a surprise enemy attack when the company commander was on a reconnaissance and two platoon leaders were killed, Sergeant Estabrook took charge of the company. Seizing a rifle, he joined in the fight, firing at the enemy, shouting orders, and running up and down the line encouraging his men. Although severely wounded, he would not go to the aid station until the enemy attack had been repulsed. Entered the military service from Milford, Connecticut.

EDWARD R GODDARD 31574639, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. During a strong enemy counterattack, Private Goddard's radio afforded the only means of communication between his company and the battalion command post. Although enemy barrages demolished parts of the building he occupied, Private Goddard swiftly relayed vital messages calling for artillery and mortar fire upon the enemy. The resulting fire inflicted severe casualties upon the counterattacking enemy infantry and forced them to withdraw. Entered the military service from Rochester, New Hampshire.

JAMES E GRIFFITH 34651044, Medical Department, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. For a continuous period of eighteen hours Private Griffith, as member of a litter squad, gave aid to the wounded, completing trip after trip over enemy-observed territory to evacuate the men to safety. Although enemy artillery and mortar fire made his work difficult, Private Griffith attended the wounded without stopping. He frequently crawled to forward positions of the company and removed those who were unable to make their way out of the heavily shelled area. Entered the military service from Greenville, South Carolina.

LEONARD J HART 42119957, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. Although wounded Private Hart continued with his platoon and repeatedly exposed himself to mortar and machine gun fire in order to assist in administering first aid and evacuating other wounded men. When he was ordered to the rear that evening Private Hart asked to remain to assist against a possible enemy counterattack. Although almost exhausted, he participated in the fight that repulsed the enemy counterattack that night. Entered the military service from Glens Falls, New York.

THOMAS J KOLL 36843658, Infantry, Private, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945 near Hinzback, Germany. Although wounded during the attack upon an enemy-held town, Private Koll continued with his squad until the objective was reached. Then, because litter bearers would have to approach down an open grade into town, he refused to seek medical aid. Waiting until nightfall, he crawled to a defiladed position outside the village when litter bearers were able to evacuate him. Entered the military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

PAUL J LAUZON 31340857, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 January 1945 near Reipertweiler, France. When his company's ammunition supply ran low during a strong enemy counterattack, Private Lauzon volunteered to go to the rear for more. Wading over one thousand yards under enemy observation and fire, he succeeded in reaching the ammunition dump. Then, despite the heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire falling near him, he returned over the same hazardous route with the vital ammunition. Private Lauzon repeated his trips to the ammunition dump until the counterattack had been repulsed. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Franklin, Vermont.

GEORGE C MARTIN 35882336, Infantry, Sergeant, Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 January 1945 near Reipertweiler, France. When all the members of two friendly machine gun crews were wounded during an enemy counterattack, Sergeant Martin, leaving his assistant in charge of his squad, moved forward toward one of the machine gun positions. Although subjected to heavy enemy small arms and grenade fire, Sergeant Martin reached one of the guns and directed its fire against the oncoming enemy infantry. His accurate fire inflicted many casualties and helped repulse the enemy attack. Sergeant Martin's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

CHARLES B MENNENGA 37667398, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 December 1944 near Wenglosback, Germany. When his squad leader was killed in an attempt to retake a group of houses from the enemy, Private Mennenga reorganized the squad and continued the attack. Although he was himself seriously wounded, Private Mennenga led his men through enemy small arms fire and directed them until they had finished clearing the houses. Entered the military service from Reinbeck, Iowa.

JOHN P NAIRN 33572825, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 21 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. During the attack on Nurnberg, Private Nairn, an ammunition bearer in the heavy machine gun platoon, saw his platoon leader wounded by an enemy bazooka shell. In spite of the sniper and automatic weapons fire which covered the area, he left his covered position, ran to the officer, and administered first aid. He then assisted in the evacuation of the wounded platoon leader. Entered the military service from Nanty-Glo, Pennsylvania.

JACK SCHNEIDER 32589664, Medical Department, Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. When his company was temporarily stopped by heavy cross fire from several enemy machine guns, Sergeant Schneider advanced approximately one hundred yards through the enemy fire to give aid to a wounded soldier. After administering first aid, Sergeant Schneider carried the man to a position of safety from which he could be evacuated. Entered the military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

EDWARD E SHEAFFER 33076824, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. Supporting an attacking rifle company, Sergeant Sheaffer's heavy machine gun section encountered an enemy force of ten riflemen, an artillery observer and a bazooka man. During the ensuing fire fight artillery air bursts as well as small arms fire were directed into Sergeant Sheaffer's section, but he courageously moved from gun to gun directing operations until the enemy opposition was eliminated. His skillful leadership, courage and determined effort were largely responsible for the ultimate success of the rifle company. Entered the military service from Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT P TRACY 32359033, Medical Department, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 near Bockweiler, Germany. When enemy artillery and small arms fire temporarily stopped an attacking rifle company, Private Tracy and his litter squad left their foxholes and went forward to the aid of ten men who had been wounded. In spite of the continuous enemy fire and extremely difficult terrain, Private Tracy and his men successfully evacuated the wounded men to a forward collecting station. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

FRANCIS J GRAVES 20255695, Infantry, Sergeant,
Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Wilmington, Delaware.

JOHNNY D CERVENKA 38631391, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Carrollton, Texas.

PETE CONSTANCIO 38631191, Infantry, Private,
Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Dallas, Texas.

For heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When enemy fire forced their squad leader to take cover in a position too far in advance to permit communication with the squad, these three men advanced under enemy fire through ruins until they reached a building to the left of the squad leader. From this position, they fired harassing fire at the enemy. The action of these men made it possible for the squad leader to rejoin his unit and for the squad to resume its advance.

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Section I

Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following enlisted man:

JAMES Q RAYBURN 34634794, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 December 1944 near Wissenburg, France. During an enemy counterattack the machine gun squad which Private Rayburn served as ammunition bearer nearly exhausted its supply of ammunition. Despite the heavy enemy fire and although under enemy observation, Private Rayburn made his way across a stretch of open terrain to the ammunition dump, secured ammunition belts and then brought them back to his gun. This action enabled the gunners to continue their fire and to repulse the counterattack. Entered the military service from Leflore, Mississippi. Next of kin: Mrs. Minnie S Rayburn (Mother), Route #2, Carrollton, Mississippi.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

THOMAS F ALFONSO 32651347, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 January 1945 near Kohlhutte, France. Private Alfonso was a radio operator for an 81mm mortar observer. When the observer was wounded by enemy shell fire and was evacuated, Private Alfonso remained at his position and maintained radio communication with his platoon. Although heavy enemy fire was directed at his position, Private Alfonso directed and adjusted mortar fire upon the enemy. The effective mortar fire directed by him accounted for many enemy casualties and was an important factor in the success of the attack. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.

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WOODROW W CARPENTER 34129903, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945 near Kohlbutte, France. When enemy fire temporarily halted the progress of the attacking riflemen to which his 81mm mortar platoon was attached, Sergeant Carpenter set up an observation post in a position that offered little cover but excellent observation. Although the enemy concentrated artillery and mortar fire within the immediate area, Sergeant Carpenter remained at his post directing fire. His effective adjustment of fire forced the enemy to withdraw. Though wounded in action, Sergeant Carpenter refused evacuation until the rifle company had taken its objective. Entered the military service from Spindale, North Carolina.

BENJAMIN J FLETCHER 33147685, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class), Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When the town in which his company was located was overrun by a sudden enemy counterattack, Corporal Fletcher attempted to escape being captured by making his way out of the encircled village. Seeing another soldier lying exhausted on the ground, Corporal Fletcher revived him and encouraged him to escape also. While the two were running across five hundred yards of open terrain, Corporal Fletcher was wounded twice, but continued to help the other man. Upon reaching a wooded area, they met four other soldiers who were lost. Corporal Fletcher then led the group through the woods to a friendly unit. Entered the military service from Turtle Creek, Pennsylvania.

CARL A GAJEWSKI 42091591, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Wingen, France. Wounded by enemy small arms fire, Private Gajewski was seeking aid when he saw a wounded soldier lying in open ground. Still under enemy fire, Private Gajewski reached the wounded man, carried him to a nearby foxhole and administered first aid. He then went forward and notified medical aid men of the position of the wounded man. Entered the military service from Buffalo, New York.

THOMAS H GALVIN JR 31416893, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When a machine gunner was hit by fire from a group of enemy attempting to penetrate our lines, Sergeant Galvin immediately took over the gunner's position, and maintained heavy and accurate fire upon the enemy until they withdrew. Sergeant Galvin's actions were an important factor in frustrating the enemy attempt to break through our lines. Entered the military service from Dudley, Massachusetts.

FRANCIS B KELLY 31062599, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 December 1944 near Oberbronn, France. When the enemy attempted an assault upon our positions, Sergeant Kelly, forward observer for the 81mm mortar platoon, although subjected to continuous small arms fire, held his position and directed effective mortar fire on the attacking enemy. The accuracy of his fire orders and the resulting mortar fire were largely responsible for repelling the enemy attack. Entered the military service from Webster, Massachusetts.

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JOE E KEYS 36015850, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 January 1945 near Goetzenbruch, Franco. When a weapon carrier with a trailer loaded with ammunition for a mortar platoon was damaged and halted by enemy artillery fire, Technician Keys repaired the vehicle. He worked on the vehicle in a position that had no cover and was open to enemy observation. Although Technician Keys realized that a hit would cause the ammunition to explode, he continued working until the vehicle was repaired, enabling the ammunition to be delivered to the mortar positions. Entered the military service from Wagoner, Oklahoma.

JOHN KLEMENT 32983705, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945 near Brickweiler, Germany. Private Klement, medical aid man, accompanied a rifle company attacking strong enemy positions. The forward elements of the company entered an enemy mine field and several men were wounded. In spite of the mined area Private Klement entered the field and administered first aid to all the wounded. He then assisted in removing some mines in order to make paths by which litter bearers could evacuate the wounded men. Entered the military service from Suffolk, New York.

NOAH R TURNER 34802063, Infantry, Sergeant,
Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Goodwater, Alabama.

JAMES C WATERS 37665603, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class),
Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Dana, Iowa.

A C CUTSHAW 34885023, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Maryville, Tennessee.

JAMES McDANIEL 34775957, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Belmont, North Carolina.

CLYDE D PASCHAL 34771040, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Greensboro, North Carolina.

For heroic achievement in action on 2-3 January 1945 near Kohlhutte, Franco. When their company was attacked by numerically superior forces and was forced to move to more favorable positions, these five members of a 60mm mortar squad remained in position. Though the enemy advanced to within one hundred yards of their position, these men fired their mortar at its minimum range, and at the same time fired their pistols and carbines at enemy personnel who infiltrated through the mortar fire. The courage and determination of this mortar squad enabled the company to establish a strong line from which it repulsed the enemy attack and subsequently retook all lost ground.

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JOSEPH B PAVLIK 33604428, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Wingen, France. Private Pavlik was a member of a machine gun squad that was set up in a house which was being attacked by the enemy. When ammunition ran low, Private Pavlik crawled through an open window and ran across a yard toward a truck loaded with ammunition. Although the yard and truck were being subjected to heavy enemy mortar and small arms fire, Private Pavlik was successful in reaching the truck from which he secured the required ammunition and carried it back over the same dangerous route to the house. With this replenished supply of ammunition, the machine gun inflicted heavy casualties upon the enemy. Entered the military service from Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

HORACE M McCULLOUGH 33396307, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from New Florence, Pennsylvania.

ROMEO E BEAUDOIN 31391928, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Millbury, Massachusetts.

PATRICK T DeLUCA 32851136, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Amsterdam, New York.

JOHN G FRIED 32752984, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Laurel Springs, New Jersey.

GEORGE W RAY 34631704, Infantry, Private First Class, 45th Quartermaster Company (then Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment).
Entered the military service from Water Valley, Mississippi.

EUGENE THOMPSON 35227845, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Goshen, Indiana.

JOHN W ZINK 33149132, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Columbia, Pennsylvania.

For heroic achievement in action on 2 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When strong enemy counterattacks forced their company to move to more favorable positions, these men of the mortar section were called upon to act as a holding force to protect the move of the company. When enemy infantrymen attacked the gun positions, the ammunition bearers repulsed the assault with small arms while the gunners fired the mortars at a seventy-five yard range. Although the enemy continuously directed heavy artillery fire on the mortar positions, these men remained at their posts until the company had occupied its new positions.

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CHARLES L SULLIVAN 34735454, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 December 1944 near Jaegerthal, France. During an engagement in which Private Sullivan's company was giving heavy weapons support to elements of the battalion, communication lines were repeatedly broken by enemy artillery fire. Private Sullivan constantly repaired the broken lines, frequently exposing himself to the heavy enemy fire. The work of Private Sullivan enabled his company commander to maintain contact with the mortar and machine gun platoons and other rifle companies, and was an important factor in the success of the operation. Entered the military service from Memphis, Tennessee.

MICHAEL G TESLA 32948887, Infantry, Private First Class, 45th Quartermaster Company (then Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment), for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Wingen, France. After his company had repulsed an enemy attack Private Tesla noticed that a number of men had been wounded and that there were no aid men in the area. Under a heavy concentration of enemy small arms fire, he crawled from one wounded soldier to another, dressing their wounds and comforting them. When lack of adequate medical supplies forced him to seek better aid, he ran three hundred and fifty yards through an open field to the battalion aid station. Returning with litter bearers, he supervised the evacuation of the wounded men. Entered the military service from Oneonta, New York.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man:

LESTER S LANE 33062417, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 20 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Owings, Maryland.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

KENNETH H BARTON 20831980, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 160th Field Artillery Battalion for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Seminole, Oklahoma.

ROBERT J BIGGS 35169113, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 6 to 18 April 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

CLABORN A CAMPBELL 34130026, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

HARRY E CHALSTROM JR 0425971, Medical Corps, Captain, Medical Detachment, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 21 May 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

ORVILLE P COWLEY 20538218, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Muncie, Indiana.

GEORGE M DAVIS 32261087, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

HARRY F DINGENTHAL 6903191, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.

DORRIS D DRAPER 20832170, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wewoka, Oklahoma.

M T DUNKIN 38011130, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 October 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Logan, New Mexico.

DON W FISHER 20832188, Field Artillery, Corporal (then Private First Class), Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 October 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wewoka, Oklahoma.

LUTHER M GAILLARD 34133304, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Ripley, Mississippi.

MORTIMER GARBER 01165862, Field Artillery, Captain, Headquarters, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

CHARLES A GOODSITE 35040110, Field Artillery, Corporal, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Milan, Ohio.

LYNDEN W GREGORY 20316464, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Kingston, Pennsylvania.

EDWIN C GRIMMETT 34059829, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Lakeworth, Florida.

WILLIAM B HALLIDAY 33076250, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Kingston, Pennsylvania.

FREDERICK M HARRISS 20632099, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 4 to 9 January 1945 near Hochfeld, France. Entered the military service from Ada, Oklahoma.

RANZIE M HARROLD 24175108, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hayes, North Carolina.

ARDEN HIGDON 35725573, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 27 November 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Evansville, Indiana.

WAYNE E HUTZEL 37432385, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Eldora, Iowa.

JOSEPH D JAMISON 37353395, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Corporal), Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 October 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Pueblo, Colorado.

MICHAEL T KACHMAR 31044702, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Arundel, Maine.

JOHN A KOBYLSKI 36126037, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 4 to 9 January 1945 near Hochfeld, France. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

ROGER E KOCH 39202201, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 28 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Seattle, Washington.

BLAINE L KROH 33113919, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Chicora, Pennsylvania.

DAVID A LANE 31078207, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Lawrence, Massachusetts.

EDWARD M LONG 13091603, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Annville, Pennsylvania.

JOHN W McCANN 11091929, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Corporal), Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 October 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Reading Pennsylvania.

JIM H MUNDIEEF 20832475, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Ada, Oklahoma.

HARRY A PARENT 20832210, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Newoka, Oklahoma.

ANDREW PETTINGA 36301172, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Blue Island, Illinois.

WILLIAM T POWERS JR 37082172, Field Artillery, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Piedmont, Missouri.

THOMAS G RAY 37119365, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Corporal), Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Madison, Nebraska.

DANIEL A REAM 33083427, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

ELMER L ROSE 38019605, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class), Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Waurika, Oklahoma.

CARL E RUDOLPH 35108539, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (the Private First Class), Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Louisville Kentucky.

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LYLE V SMITH 20832178, Field Artillery, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Nowata, Oklahoma.

LEROY F SPAULDING 35102779, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Private First Class and later Corporal and Technician Fourth Grade), Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

HUDERT R TUCKER 34355837, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 October 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Tontz, Georgia.

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted men:

MICHAEL M ARONICA, 42111900, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945 near Thengstbach, Germany. When his platoon encountered heavy enemy machine gun fire from well-concealed positions, Private Aronica crawled forward with a bazooka to a position overlooking enemy installations and opened fire upon them. His effective bazooka fire eliminated two enemy machine guns and enabled the platoon to deploy and attack from more favorable positions. Entered the military service from Buffalo, New York.

GEORGE J BONE 38474596, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. Private Bone was lead scout for his platoon during the assault on Nurnberg. The path to the platoon's objective was blocked by a high iron fence. Realizing that the success of the mission depended upon following the shortest route, Private Bone, exposing himself to enemy fire, hammered an opening through the fence with a heavy iron bar. He then ran across a street into a building within the objective area and captured two enemy soldiers who had been firing upon him. Entered the military service from Hughes Springs, Texas.

LEONARD J BORKOWICZ 36662018, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 April 1945 near Dorchu, Germany. As Sergeant Borkowicz was leading his machine gun squad in support of a company of friendly infantry, heavy enemy machine gun fire was encountered. Sergeant Borkowicz crawled forward and diverted the fire of the enemy until his squad could put its gun into action. The ensuing fire fight resulted in seven enemy killed and three captured. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

MARK J CONKLIN 38062855, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Obergailbach, Germany. A strong enemy force, employing mortars, flak wagons, and automatic weapons, attempted to cut off the attacking rifle company to which Sergeant Conklin's heavy weapons platoon was attached. Moving his machine gun squad to a favorable position, Sergeant Conklin directed heavy and accurate fire upon enemy installations, enabling the friendly rifle company to move to more stabilized positions. He then supported the company in a successful assault upon the enemy strongpoint. Entered the military service from Kenosha, Wisconsin.

NICKOLAS DAMICO 33032070, Infantry, Sergeant, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 near Hofthensback, Germany. When heavy enemy mortar fire disrupted the communication lines between his company and Battalion Headquarters, Sergeant Damico traced the lines over exposed terrain until the break was located. He quickly repaired the broken line, reestablishing valuable contact and materially contributing toward the company's successful assault on its objective. Entered the military service from Conway, Pennsylvania.

ANTHONY J FABBRI 31349298, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. Private Fabbri went through heavy enemy machine gun fire to evacuate a soldier severely wounded by an enemy sniper who had waited in hiding for the last man of a passing platoon. Although the area was subjected to sniper fire Private Fabbri crawled to the wounded man, administered first aid, and then carried him to a position of safety. Entered the military service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

SAMUEL FENKEL 42100469, Infantry, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. Private Fenkel volunteered to join a small group of soldiers in an effort to free friendly troops who were being held by the enemy. Private Fenkel moved through a large number of dark cellars and tunnels, calling for the surrender of enemy troops hiding within. The action of Private Fenkel and his comrades resulted in the capture of many enemy soldiers and the release of a large number of friendly troops. Entered the military service from New Brunswick, New Jersey.

JAMES H GARRETT 37643853, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. Private Garrett volunteered to take a large group of prisoners to battalion headquarters, although the route was under active sniper fire. When enemy snipers opened fire, Private Garrett ordered his prisoners to instruct the snipers to come out with hands raised. Thinking they were surrounded, four enemy soldiers, armed with rifles and automatic pistols, filed out of their concealment and surrendered to Private Garrett. His daring and quick thinking reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Catron, Missouri.

JAMES L GODAIR 38510120, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. When enemy machine gun fire seriously wounded a member of his platoon, Private Godair, although under the continued direct fire from the enemy, ran to the wounded man and evacuated him to a position of safety. His actions reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Griffithville, Arkansas.

WADE B GRAY 33403641, Infantry, Private First Class, Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. During attack operations on Schweinheim, the situation demanded a continual screen of machine gun fire for troop movements. Private Gray, machine gunner, fired from exposed positions for long periods, despite the extensive enemy mortar and sniper fire employed in attempts to silence his gun. Covering each successive advance of his company, Private Gray crawled from building to building in order to establish the best possible fields of fire. His effective supporting fire was an important factor in the taking of the objective. Entered the military service from Washington, Pennsylvania.

JOHN A. HUBBLE 36729920, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 March 1945 in Aschaffenberg, Germany. As Sergeant Hubble's platoon approached its objective, it was temporarily halted by enemy machine gun and rifle fire. On his own initiative, Sergeant Hubble moved forward through the intense fire until he gained a favorable position. Discharging several rifle grenades into the enemy emplacement, he succeeded in wounding two of the enemy and forcing the others to withdraw. His platoon was then able to resume its advance and capture its objective. Entered the military service from Savanna, Illinois.

HENRY J. JAN TAUSCH 32608560, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 near Bockweiler, Germany. When the regiment attacked Siegfried Line defenses, many men were wounded by heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire and by skillfully placed mines. For twenty-four consecutive hours, Private Jan Tausch evacuated the wounded, using his jeep wherever possible. In areas where the vehicle could not be used, Private Jan Tausch moved about under enemy fire, administering first aid and carrying the wounded to safety. Entered the military service from Newark, New Jersey.

EDWARD P. MCCARTHY 32207496, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class), Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 March 1945 near Aschaffenberg, Germany. Corporal McCarthy covered the attack of a friendly infantry company with fire from his machine gun. Enemy observers discovered his position and attempted to dislodge him with a heavy concentration of mortar fire. When this failed, enemy snipers opened fire at Corporal McCarthy. In spite of the strong enemy opposition directed at him, Corporal McCarthy remained by his gun and brought effective fire upon the enemy force until the friendly company had gained its objective. Entered the military service from New York City, New York.

DENVER METHENEY 35237510, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. When his platoon was temporarily stopped by enemy machine gun fire from the second story of a building, Private Metheny, a bazooka man, volunteered to accompany a patrol to silence the enemy position. Crawling to within range of the house while the other members of the patrol gave him protective fire, Private Metheny fired one shot into the window, silencing the position and killing the enemy machine gunner. The platoon was then able to advance toward its objective. Entered the military service from Columbus, Ohio.

GEORGE E. RIZZO 36018226, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 near Boxweiler, Germany. During an attack on Siegfried Line positions, two men of Private Rizzo's platoon were wounded by enemy machine gun fire. Private Rizzo made two trips into the fire-swept area and carried the wounded men to a position of cover. He administered first aid and remained with the men until they could be evacuated. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

WILLIAM M. SANDERS 37550517, Infantry, Corporal, Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. As Corporal Sanders moved forward to establish a mortar observation post, he was attacked from the rear by an enemy soldier. Succeeding in overcoming his adversary and upon questioning him, Corporal Sanders learned that a large enemy force was occupying positions on the flank of a friendly reserve.

company. Corporal Sanders immediately notified the company's artillery observer and, after a heavy artillery barrage, accompanied a patrol to clear the area of remaining enemy troops. Entered the military service from Devils Lake, North Dakota.

JAMES A SELF 34096348, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action 10 to 13 September 1944 near St. Bernois, France. During a period when his company was engaged in heavy fighting, Sergeant Self, supply sergeant, made repeated trips with an ammunition truck, bringing forward vital supplies despite terrific opposition from artillery and mortar preparations. On return trips Sergeant Self stopped in exposed areas, placed wounded men on his vehicle, and evacuated them to safety. His courage and devotion to duty aided materially in the success of the company attack. Entered the military service from Florence, South Carolina.

FRANCIS J SHEPARD 32877022, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 and 19 March 1945 near Wattweiler, Germany. During an attack on Siegfried Line defenses the other company aid man was wounded, leaving Private Shepard solely responsible for the care of the injured. Although exposed to direct sniper fire, as well as heavy artillery and mortar fire, Private Shepard moved from one wounded man to the next, sometimes running and crawling one hundred yards between casualties. Throughout the night he constantly moved over the field, administering first aid and directing the evacuation of the wounded. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

RAYMOND W SWARTZ 35546586, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When an enemy sniper was hindering the progress of his platoon, Sergeant Swartz worked his way among the ruined buildings until he reached a favorable firing position. He then killed the sniper with one shot from his rifle. While returning to his company, Sergeant Swartz observed a group of enemy attempting to withdraw from an adjacent area. He reported this information to his commanding officer, who then directed artillery fire upon the retreating enemy force. Entered the military service from Toledo, Ohio.

GEORGE S ZOPPA 42106185, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. Leaving his place of concealment, Private Zoppa voluntarily hauled ammunition for the mortars of his battalion which were undergoing heavy shelling. Besides having to pass through areas covered by enemy mortar and artillery fire, Private Zoppa had to cross unexplored mine fields harassed by sniper fire. He continued to haul ammunition throughout the day and aided immeasurably in eliminating the enemy resistance. Entered the military service from Newark, New Jersey.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

WILLIAM M LEFEVER 33572531, Medical Department, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. While aiding wounded men under heavy enemy fire, Private Lefever heard a cry for help from a distance of about one hundred yards. After caring for his own men, he made his way in the direction of the sound, crawling through an area covered by artillery and mortar fire, and found a wounded man lying at a crossroad. While dressing the wounds, Private Lefever was knocked down by the concussion of an enemy shell, but he finished his work and then carried the wounded man to a position of safety. Entered the military service from Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

PETER P SUPINA JR 36597867, Infantry, Sergeant, Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945 near Althorn, France. When heavy fire from an enemy pillbox caused a temporary halt in the advance of the rifle company to which his machine gun squad was attached, Sergeant Supina manouvered his gun into an exposed position in order to bring direct and accurate fire on the pillbox. Heavy enemy mortar and machine gun fire was placed on his position, killing the first gunner. Sergeant Supina then took the gun and fired into the enemy pillbox, silencing the enemy gun and wounding the crew. Sergeant Supina's actions enabled his company to continue its advance and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Hamtramck, Michigan.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

THOMAS A BRAUNWORTH 12073823, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. Technician Braunworth accompanied the regimental commander and two other officers while they made an inspection of defensive positions.

An enemy patrol fired upon the inspecting party and the regimental commander was wounded. Technician Braumworth made his way to the wounded officer and, despite continued enemy sniper activity, administered first aid and assisted his commanding officer to a place of safety. He then returned through heavy enemy fire, located one of the other officers, and accompanied him back to the command post. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

DONALD E CHEZUM 36478156, Infantry, Private First Class, Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 December 1944 near Ober Otterbach, France. Private Chezum was radio man for an 81mm mortar observation post which, with a squad of riflemen, was organized as an outpost in front of the company. When the enemy attacked the outpost Private Chezum sent messages to the gun positions for mortar support and at the same time fired at the enemy with his rifle. When several of the enemy came close to his foxhole he drove them off with hand grenades. After the combined fire power of the outpost had repulsed the attack the enemy directed mortar and artillery fire at the outpost, but Private Chezum remained at his radio and continued to direct the fire from his guns. Entered the military service from Moline, Illinois.

JOHN M DeLONG 34731456, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When a strong enemy force was advancing down a road toward the battalion command post, Sergeant DeLong directed two friendly tanks to positions from which they could effectively cover the road. He then crawled into a house to observe the enemy's movements. Noting an American half-track manned by enemy personnel, he directed tank fire which destroyed the vehicle. Although his position was observed and he was continually subjected to enemy fire, Sergeant DeLong remained at his post all day and directed tank fire on enemy elements attempting to advance up the road. Entered the military service from Memphis, Tennessee.

RAYMOND M DUNKLE JR 36691396, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private) Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 June 1944 near Albano, Italy. When communication lines were broken by heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire, Private Dunkle repaired the wires, in spite of continuing enemy fire. Because of a shortage of wiremen, he had to maintain the entire battalion system of communication. Three times he crossed an open field covered by enemy machine gun fire. Throughout the entire day he maintained the communication system, making it possible for line companies to receive accurate supporting artillery fire to repulse enemy counterattacks. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

EVERETT E EASLEY 39 5881, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. When his platoon was temporarily stopped by a heavy concentration of enemy fire, Sergeant Easley led a support squad in a flanking movement against the strong enemy position. Then, deploying his squad to give him protective fire, he crawled forward under heavy enemy fire and, by using his submachine gun, put two enemy automatic weapons out of action. Sergeant Easley then directed a heavy volume of fire which routed the enemy and enabled his company to advance. Entered the military service from Redding, California.

JOSEPH J. LATAILLE 32209037, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 December 1944 near Engviller, France. During a series of enemy counterattacks supported by heavy mortar and artillery fire, Sergeant LaTaille, a member of an 81mm mortar observation party, maintained his position and skillfully adjusted the fire of his mortars upon enemy positions. Although the other two members of the party were wounded by exploding enemy shells, Sergeant LaTaille remained at his post and continued to direct a heavy volume of mortar fire which proved to be a major factor in repulsing the enemy attacks. Entered the military service from Long Island, New York.

FELIX L. LESHINSKY 33073660, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), Service Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 September 1944 near Clarval, France. As driver of the lead vehicle in a convoy transporting troops, Sergeant Leshinsky directed the quick dismounting and deploying of the men when the convoy was fired upon by an enemy tank and flak wagon. During this action, Sergeant Leshinsky and several others were wounded. Realizing the necessity of getting the men out of the direct impact area, Sergeant Leshinsky, observing a rowboat in a nearby river, assisted the wounded men to the craft despite his own wounds and the enemy fire. He then rowed then across the river to a place of safety. Entered the military service from Moscow, Pennsylvania.

BERTRAM MARCUS 32608993, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 October 1944 near Bruyeres, France. When his company expended most of its ammunition in attempting to stop a strong enemy counterattack, Sergeant Marcus left his foxhole and traveled through the enemy fire to obtain more ammunition. Although the enemy detected his movements and directed heavy fire upon him, Sergeant Marcus succeeded in reaching the supply point and returned with the needed ammunition. By making the same trip repeatedly, Sergeant Marcus enabled his company to maintain a continuous volume of fire which repulsed the enemy attack. Entered the military service from Hornell, New York.

ROY D. MCCAIN 34918008, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 March 1945 near Aschaffenburg, Germany. Private McCain, a heavy machine gunner, covered the movements of a platoon of friendly riflemen as they attempted to reorganize after attacking a strongly-held enemy position. Although the enemy concentrated artillery and small arms fire on his position, Private McCain remained at his gun and maintained heavy and accurate fire until the reorganized platoon was able to resume its attack. Entered the military service from Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

KENNETH E. MERRY 42120614, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 22 December 1944 near Feiler, France. While Private Merry was resting in a pillbox after completion of his turn at guard, the enemy launched a surprise attack. Finding a nearby machine gun unmanned and the crew wounded, Private Merry manned the gun and delivered heavy fire upon the attacking enemy. Although the return enemy fire made it difficult for him to reload the gun by himself, he continued firing, halting the enemy long enough for a rifle company to reorganize and launch a counterattack. Entered the military service from Amsterdam, New York.

CLARENCE J PFEFFER 33886257, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 September 1944 near Oberbromm, France. The enemy launched a sustained counter-attack, supported by heavy mortar fire, against Private Pfeffer's company's positions, repeatedly severing the communication lines between the mortar sections and the observation post. Nine different times Private Pfeffer crossed fifteen hundred yards of open terrain to trace and repair the wire. His actions in restoring communication enabled the mortar section to inflict heavy losses upon the enemy. Entered the military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

LUDWIG A SHALLY 35063658, Infantry, First Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 November 1944 near Neifern, France. Following the capture of the village of Neifern, Sergeant Shally was detailed to register mortar fire on the next town so that another company could continue its attack. While climbing the hill, Sergeant Shally was fired upon by enemy snipers. Maneuvering to a position where he could see three snipers, he fired at them with his carbine, killing one, wounding another, and forcing the remaining one to retire. Entered the military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

GEORGE W SHANAHAN 33659703, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. During an enemy counterattack, Private Shanahan and several other soldiers were detailed to secure machine gun ammunition. Although subjected to heavy mortar and small arms fire he reached the ammunition supply point, loaded himself with as much ammunition as he could carry and, with the other ammunition bearers, started back to the gun positions. The enemy, detecting the detail, increased the volume of their fire, causing the other members of the detail to take cover. Private Shanahan continued on, running from tree to tree under direct small arms fire, until he reached one of the gun positions. The ammunition delivered by Private Shanahan enabled the machine gun to maintain a steady fire and was an important factor in repulsing the enemy attack. Entered the military service from Boissevain, Virginia.

JOHN J SHANNON 20249678, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945 near Wingen, France. Enemy artillery fire had cut all communication wires and the radios of the forward elements of the battalion were out of order, leaving the battalion without means of communicating with its companies. Sergeant Shannon tied a radio to his back and proceeded from the battalion command post to one of the company command posts. Traveling over open terrain, he was constantly exposed to artillery and small arms fire but succeeded in delivering the radio. While delivering another radio to the second company, Sergeant Shannon was observed by enemy riflemen and was forced to crawl the last one hundred yards to the company. His tireless efforts were responsible for maintaining communication between the battalion command post and the company commanders. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

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RAYMOND H. SHERTZER 33500444, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944 near Rang, France. When a machine gun squad leader was wounded, Private Shertzer left his position and went to his wounded comrade and then carried him to a place of safety and administered first aid. He then went through enemy fire to inform litter bearers of the location of the wounded soldier. Entered the military service from Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

ROY F. SMITH 39211055, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 January 1945 near Althorn, France. Private Smith was a machine gunner in the section assigned to cover the attack of advancing riflemen. In order to have a better field of fire, it was necessary to place the machine gun in an exposed position. When Private Smith began putting heavy fire on his assigned sector the enemy, detecting the location of his gun, directed fire from a self-propelled artillery piece. A direct duel between the two weapons ensued, but Private Smith's accurate fire either killed or wounded the enemy crew and the gun was put out of action. Private Smith then continued to give protective fire to the advancing riflemen. Entered the military service from Neah Bay, Washington.

MARVIN D. WAGONER 37540295, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 January 1945 near Althorn, France. Sergeant Wagoner, heavy machine gun squad leader, detected a six-man enemy patrol. As his gun did not have a good field of fire at the enemy, he took his rifle and crawled fifty yards to his front. The enemy detecting Sergeant Wagoner's movements, fired on him and then attempted to encircle him. By firing his M-1 rifle in a steady pattern, Sergeant Wagoner completely disorganized the patrol, accounting for two enemy killed, one wounded and one captured. The captured enemy later disclosed valuable information concerning enemy strength and disposition. Sergeant Wagoner's courage and aggressiveness reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Barnes, Kansas.

ALBERT C. WICKSTRUM 39716880, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When strong enemy forces launched a counterattack, Sergeant Wickstrum, heavy machine gunner, realized his position did not allow maximum fire against the direction of attack. Exposing himself to heavy mortar and small arms fire, he moved his weapon to a position which enabled him to deliver flanking fire on the nearest point of enemy advance. Although the enemy directed heavy fire at his position, Sergeant Wickstrum remained at his gun and, by his effective fire, forced the enemy to withdraw. When enemy fire put his machine gun out of action he used his pistol to fire upon the rapidly retreating enemy. Entered the military service from Long Beach, California.

DANIEL P WILKINSON 01286403, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945 near Goetzenbruck, France. When the forward movement of the company was halted by fire from strong enemy positions, Lieutenant Wilkenson climbed a tree from which he could observe the enemy emplacements and directed mortar fire upon them. Although the enemy detected his position and subjected it to small arms and mortar fire, Lieutenant Wilkenson remained in the tree until the friendly mortar fire forced the enemy to withdraw. He then directed accurate fire on the retreating enemy forces, causing heavy casualties. He remained at his observation post until he was wounded by an enemy shell. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

LAWRENCE D STEELY 38590601, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Short, Oklahoma.

CHARLIE B SHEPPARD 34574508, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class) Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Milan, Georgia.

ELLIS L ANDERSON 38698578, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from McAlester, Oklahoma.

For heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945 near Wingen, France. During a strong enemy counterattack supported by heavy artillery and mortar fire, these three light machine gunners covered the movement of the company to more favorable positions. The three men remained at their guns, even though the enemy concentrated their fire on our automatic weapons. After the rifle platoons had successfully completed their movement, the three men took their guns out of action and rejoined the company in the new positions. Quickly setting up their guns, they continued firing until the enemy force was repulsed.

GARDNER A WILLIAMS 01283502, Infantry, Major (then Captain), Headquarters 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 October 1943 near Faicchio, Italy. A strong enemy counterattack, supported by artillery and mortar fire, forced Major Williams' company to withdraw from a hill it had just taken. Due to the speed and intensity of the enemy attack, the company became partially disorganized. Major Williams called his officers together and gave them his plan for organizing and defending their positions. Due to the personal supervision of Major Williams under constant enemy fire, the company established a strong defense and repulsed an enemy attack. Major Williams' courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Tuckahoe, New York.

ALLEN WILLIAMSON 34705564, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945 near Wobenheim, Germany. Private Williamson, radio operator, was attached to the lead platoon as his company attacked Siegfried Line positions. Detecting an enemy flanking maneuver, he called for and directed mortar fire upon the enemy's fortified positions. During this action Private Williamson's radio was destroyed by enemy small arms fire. After securing a new set, he directed heavy fire on the enemy preparatory to the final assault by his company. Entered the military service from Warrior, Alabama.

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Section I

Award of the Second Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the second Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man:

CHARLES H COOK 37540106, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. When his company was halted by heavy enemy machine gun fire, Private Cook crawled forward with his radio and directed mortar fire on enemy positions. Although two of his comrades were killed in the immediate vicinity, Private Cook continued to call for mortar fire until enemy resistance was eliminated, and the company was able to resume its advance. Entered the military service from Wichita, Kansas.

Section II

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men:

WILLIAM H WHITMAN 0384325, Infantry, Captain, Headquarters, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 near Biesingen, Germany. While leading his company in an attack upon a group of pillboxes, Captain Whitman came under direct enemy fire and was wounded. In spite of his painful wounds, he chose to remain with his men and directed their movements until the objective had been taken. Only when the attack was completed did Captain Whitman permit himself to be evacuated. Entered the military service from Sacramento, California.

WALTER B CADEN 39269503, Infantry, Sergeant, Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945 near Fischbach, Germany. When the house in which Sergeant Caden's command post was set up received a direct hit from an enemy 88mm shell, one man was killed and four were seriously wounded. Sergeant Caden attempted to call the aid station by

phone, but found that communication lines had been severed by the enemy fire. Finding it impossible to repair the wires, he proceeded down the road under enemy fire until he reached a friendly antitank company, where he succeeded in contacting the aid station. Medical aid was quickly obtained and the wounded were evacuated to safety. Entered the military service from San Pedro, California.

GREGORY D MORRISSEY JR 31406348, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. While carrying an urgent message to an assault platoon of his company, Private Morrissey was wounded by enemy artillery fire. Despite his painful wound, he determinedly completed his mission, enabling the friendly platoon to engage an enemy force threatening its rear. Entered the military service from West Haven, Connecticut.

RICHARD A SINGER 33435296, Infantry, Sergeant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945 near Assweiler, Germany. Although painfully wounded while attacking enemy positions, Sergeant Singer chose to remain with his light machine gun section. During one phase of the fighting, he maneuvered his gun to an exposed but effective position from which he succeeded in silencing an enemy machine gun that had been harassing friendly troops. Only after the company had eliminated all enemy resistance did Sergeant Singer allow himself to be evacuated. Entered the military service from Erie, Pennsylvania.

Section III :

Award of the Bronze Star Medal.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

WILLIAM J BARLOK 33794105, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When the company was threatened with a counterattack by a numerically superior enemy force, Sergeant Barlok voluntarily went six hundred yards through enemy fire to procure a friendly tank. He then guided the tank into a position from which it was able to assist materially in repulsing the counterattack. Entered the military service from Whitney, Pennsylvania.

ALBERT J BARRON 01297303, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. After taking an important objective, Lieutenant Barron's company was threatened by an enemy counterattack. Alone, Lieutenant Barron crawled to a vantage point five hundred yards in front of his company's position and registered his mortars and friendly artillery on likely routes of approach. When the enemy launched its attack, Lieutenant Barron directed fire between himself and the company position, forcing the enemy to withdraw. Lieutenant Barron's initiative and courage reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Hanford, California.

ROBERT W BOYD 0138463, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 February 1944 near Padiglione, Italy. During a determined enemy attack which was preceded by a heavy artillery preparation, Captain Boyd alerted his platoon of heavy machine gunners and courageously led them in defending their platoon position. When all members of one squad became casualties, Captain Boyd personally manned the machine gun until he could secure a gunner. During this action he led his platoon in killing forty enemy and wounding twice that number. Entered the military service from Monongahela, Pennsylvania.

ALBERT CHIARELLI, 32681174, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 31 March 1945 near Newhammer, Germany. Upon learning that a number of enemy soldiers were hidden in a house, Private Chiarelli, on his own initiative, set out to capture them. When he was fired upon, he returned the fire and continued to move swiftly toward the house. Entering the house, he demanded and obtained the surrender of over twenty-five enemy soldiers. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

ROBERT L CORUM 35002625, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945 near Neiderwarsbach, Germany. Sergeant Corum, an 81mm mortar observer, was given the task of laying a smoke screen to hide the advance of friendly riflemen. Crawling ahead of the front line under heavy enemy tank and machine gun fire, he reached a position which afforded good observation. While directing fire, he was repeatedly buried under dirt and debris by exploding enemy shells, but he remained at his post and prepared the smoke screen, thereby enabling the rifle company to attack and take its objective. Entered the military service from Ashley, Ohio.

CONNIE S KAMER 6259781, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. As Private Kamer and four other soldiers were advancing through the streets of Nurnberg, they were fired upon by enemy machine pistols and were cut off from their company. Private Kamer led his men to cover in a nearby house. Observing four men dart across the street in his direction, Private Kamer investigated and found one of his comrades grappling with an enemy soldier. Firing one shot from his carbine, he killed the enemy. Private Kamer was then fired on by a group of enemy in an alleyway. He returned their fire and wounded all the members of the enemy group. With the enemy threat eliminated, Private Kamer and his comrades rejoined their company. Entered the military service from Sanger, Texas.

MURICE KAUFMAN 31360102, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. Upon learning that a large number of enemy soldiers hidden in a building desired to surrender, Private Kaufman, interpreter for his company, went forward to investigate. He entered the house and discovered that the enemy, instead of surrendering, had taken cover in the basement of the building. Private Kaufman then worked his way, under heavy sniper fire, back to his unit and informed his company commander of the disposition of the enemy force. The officer then formulated plans for a successful assault upon the building. Entered the military service from Chelsea, Massachusetts.

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~~CLIVE O NICKOLS 37502317, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When his company commander was wounded during an attack, Sergeant Nickols went from platoon to platoon, outlining his commanding officer's plans for deployment. When the units were coordinated and the attack continued, Sergeant Nickols joined the advance elements in assaulting a nest of enemy snipers. Entered the military service from Kansas City, Missouri.~~

JACK FARISO 32922986, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. When his company was temporarily halted by enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant Fariso, 60mm mortar section leader, ran across one hundred yards of open terrain to a high building where he set up an observation post. The effective mortar fire directed by Sergeant Fariso inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy and enabled the company to reorganize and resume its attack. Entered the military service from Newark, New Jersey.

WILLIAM R TATTON 15055763, Medical Department, Private, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 March 1945 near Rhein-Durkheim, Germany. Private Tatton was aid man for a platoon of riflemen engaged in clearing up a pocket of enemy resistance. Observing four wounded soldiers lying in an open field about one hundred yards in front of his platoon, Private Tatton crawled under enemy small arms fire to reach the wounded men and administered first aid in plain view of the enemy. He remained with his wounded comrades until the enemy fire was silenced and evacuation was possible. Private Tatton's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Coal Fork, West Virginia.

LOUIS J FOIRIER 31332175, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Antitank Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. Private Foirier was a member of a minesweeping detail assigned the task of clearing a route for tanks supporting a company of friendly infantry. While clearing a heavily-mined enemy road block, the party encountered intense enemy machine gun and mortar fire, and the squad leader was wounded and evacuated. Private Foirier, although also wounded, assumed command of the men and led them in completing their mission. This enabled the tanks to give close support to the attacking rifle company. Entered the military service from Bridgeport, Connecticut.

WILBUR O FRICKETT 35784058, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. While crossing an open field, Private Frickett's platoon was subjected to heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire, which wounded several men. When one of the men was fatally wounded as he was being treated, Private Frickett picked up another wounded soldier and carried him for a distance of two hundred yards over open terrain and under enemy fire to a defiladed position away from the danger area. Entered the military service from Morgantown, West Virginia.

PATRICK J REILLY 42041596, Infantry, Sergeant, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. To support the attack of his company, Sergeant Reilly placed his 60mm mortar in a position subjected to heavy enemy fire, and brought effective fire to bear on enemy positions. Refusing to move his mortar to a less exposed area, he continued his fire on the enemy positions, causing

them heavy casualties. Entered the military service from New York City, New York.

BILLY T ROSS 01683468, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 September 1944 near Jeuxy, France. Lieutenant Ross, company executive officer, voluntarily accompanied a patrol into a town which had not yet been cleared. The patrol encountered heavy enemy small arms and mortar fire, and one man was wounded. Ordering the patrol to take cover, Lieutenant Ross ran to the wounded man and carried him to a sheltered position. Lieutenant Ross then climbed a church steeple and directed mortar fire upon the enemy positions, inflicting heavy casualties upon the enemy and enabling the company to take the town without further opposition. Lieutenant Ross' courage and devotion to his men reflect credit on himself and his organization. Entered the military service from F. O., Oklahoma.

ALFORD J. ROWE 31339634, Infantry, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944 near Reichshofen, France. Private Rowe, a mine sweeper, was attached to a rifle company in an assault on enemy fortifications. When tank support was needed he voluntarily guided tanks to the scene of action and, under enemy fire, cleared a path for them across a field leading to the enemy positions. Private Rowe's courage and initiative enabled the tanks to destroy the enemy fortifications and permitted the company to resume its attack. Entered the military service from Bridgewater, Vermont.

JAMES F SHERIDAN 31061050, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. Ordered to protect the left flank of his company during an attack, Sergeant Sheridan placed his men in position when he was counter-attacked by a strong enemy force. Moving about under heavy enemy fire, he coordinated the fire of his machine gun section with that of supporting riflemen. When he observed an enemy bazooka team advancing toward a friendly tank, Sergeant Sheridan eliminated them with automatic rifle fire. Sergeant Sheridan's prompt and efficient actions permitted the company to proceed toward its objective with the left flank secure. Entered the military service from Cambridge, Massachusetts.

FORREST C SKINNER 38543941, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 September 1944 near Brume Les Dames, France. Private Skinner and seven other men in his squad were wounded by an enemy mortar barrage. In spite of his own wounds, Private Skinner went about aiding his more seriously wounded comrades until he was again wounded. Only after all the other men had been removed to a place of safety did Private Skinner permit himself to be evacuated. Entered the military service from Richmond, Texas.

SOL SPIELFOGEL 42066227, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 September 1944 near Foint Sur L'Oignon, France. Upon observing an enemy force preparing to attack the right flank of his company, Private Spielfogel signalled for another soldier to cover him while he crawled to a favorable position and placed rifle fire upon the enemy. His action inflicted several casualties on the enemy and caused the remainder of the force to surrender. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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* ~~EARL A WILCOX 42114953, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 near Bissengen, Germany. When his platoon leader was wounded during an assault in the Siegfried Line, Sergeant Wilcox assumed command, reorganized the platoon and continued the attack. Under his aggressive leadership the platoon overran two hostile machine gun positions and inflicted heavy casualties upon the enemy. Entered the military service from Casenovia, New York.~~

ROBERT B WILSON 20828479, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 January 1945 near Wimmernau, France. When a section of heavy machine guns was running short of ammunition, Private Wilson was called upon to replenish the supply. He loaded his one-quarter ton truck and drove it through heavy enemy artillery and tank fire until it was impossible to proceed any further by vehicle. He then continued on foot and succeeded in delivering the much-needed ammunition to the section. The ammunition was immediately used to stop an enemy counterattack. Private Wilson remained with the section and, with his rifle, helped repulse the attack. Entered the military service from Paden, Oklahoma.

HARMON E COLLINS 38010632, Infantry, Staff Sergeant,
Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Hobbs, New Mexico.

WILLIAM E NIEMMEYER 12045733, Infantry, Corporal,
Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Utica, New York.

For heroic achievement in action on 26 September 1944 near Epinal, France. When a prisoner disclosed the location of an enemy outpost, Sergeant Collins and Corporal Niemyer, using the prisoner as a guide, proceeded toward the outpost. Capturing another enemy enroute, they persuaded the two prisoners to induce their comrades to surrender. This method proved effective and resulted in the capture of all the members of the outpost.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

WILLIAM L ADAMS 20828731, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Durant, Oklahoma.

CECIL K BELL 20828922, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hugo, Oklahoma.

JOHN B BENGSTON 11064942, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Manchester, Connecticut.

HOWARD A BLACK 36818075, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 December 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hartford, Wisconsin.

HENRY C BRADLEY 35670661, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Craborchard, Kentucky.

ELIO COMIS 33423492, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarter Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 13 September 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Burgettstown, Pennsylvania.

THOMAS W DUDLEY 33462015, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Honesdale, Pennsylvania.

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JAMES L ELLIS 33381196, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

ABE GOLDSTEIN 12057810, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Toms River, New Jersey.

HARRY F GROSSBERG 32692792, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1943 to 3 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

ROBERT M HEWITT 42028958, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 June 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Rochester, New York.

EDWARD M HUDDLESTON 35096661, Infantry, Sergeant, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 9 February 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from West Point, Indiana.

GEORGE W MECCA 32826162, Infantry, Corporal, Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 February 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Maspeth, Long Island, New York.

JAMES R NICHOLS 35872712, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 March 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Franklin, Ohio.

ALEX PARK 35206808, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 7 November 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Captina, West Virginia.

DALLAS F SLESSLER 33100244, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Danville, Pennsylvania.

DONALD M SUTTON 33581258, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Bucks County, Pennsylvania.

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✓ ROBERT F TREON 33013914, Infantry, Sergeant, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 June 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Shamokin, Pennsylvania.

✓ ARTHUR W TRUE 35791716, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 February 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

✓ WILLIAM G WELLING 33701186, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 30 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Canonsburg, Pennsylvania.

✓ EDWIN F WYRE 38590679, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 22 October 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

✓ CLETO YACOMELLA 39922782, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 22 October 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Clayton, Idaho.

✓ EDMUND J ZEMBRZUSKI 36555245, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First
Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following
enlisted man:

ROBERT V DAVIS 20031795, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Corporal),
Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct
support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily,
Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Section II

Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze
Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to each of the following enlisted men:

EDWARD J DOVSHIS 36015695, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade,
Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service
in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 22 April 1945
in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from
Chicago, Illinois. Next of kin: Mrs. Adella Dovshis (Mother), 4535 South
Hermitage Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

WILBERT H COLEY 35169035, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal
and later Technician Fourth Grade), Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion,
for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July
1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the mili-
tary service from Spencer, Indiana. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary A Coley (Mother),
Box 88, Spencer, Indiana.

Section III

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

DAN BLACK 34586071, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Fort Valley, Georgia.

VIRGIL C CLAYPOOL 38023601, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Carnegie, Oklahoma.

JAMES M CRADTREE 20832320, Field Artillery, First Sergeant, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 7 September 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from McAlester, Oklahoma.

DARTON G CUNNINGHAM 20832321, Field Artillery, Corporal, Battery D, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from McAlester, Oklahoma.

ALBERT J DAEMER 33178006, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 11 March 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

RAY A DINKLE 38006699, Field Artillery, Private, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Proctor, Colorado.

ABLE L LACKEY 38017336, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Shawnee, Oklahoma.

DAVID L LINDALE 39005782, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from San Francisco, California.

WARREN E LINDSEY 20832355, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 20 January 1944 to 18 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Savanna, Oklahoma.

JACK MAYES 20831905, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Holdenville, Oklahoma.

ALFRED A McCIAPLIN 38017715, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

AUTI J McCULLAR 20832057, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Ada, Oklahoma.

ROYCE W McDANIEL 35149118, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

CLAIR V McINTYRE 33464337, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 25 October 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Depew, New York.

HARVEY S MEADOWS 35653971, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 25 October 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Portsmouth, Virginia.

ALVIN MEESER 34303583, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Mount Morris, Illinois.

JOHN H MICHETSON 36724667, Field Artillery, Private, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 19 September 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

FRED T MITCHELL 20832343, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from McAlester, Oklahoma.

EDWARD J OLSON 36042097, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

HAROLD J PETERSEN 36028734, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Racine, Wisconsin.

RICHARD C QUIRIN 13116258, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hanover Township, Pennsylvania.

JAMES A REYNOLDS 35119248, Field Artillery, Private, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Frankfort, Kentucky.

GRANT W ROBINSON 38017659, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

VIRGIL C ROBINSON 35128915, Field Artillery, Private, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from West Union, Ohio.

ORVILLE E SCULL JR 20830452, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Lawton, Oklahoma.

JOSEPH L SHEPPARD 36444902, Field Artillery, Private, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wood River, Illinois.

EDWARD P SMITH 33029161, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

KIE W SOPCHAK 38413877, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Richmond, Texas.

JOSEPH L SPICCIA 32770773, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 28 September 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Paterson, New Jersey.

JOSEPH F WALASINSKI 35040155, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Toledo, Ohio.

GEORGE W WARREN 37022803, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hawley, Minnesota.

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✓ WILLIE C WOFORD 35108477, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Springfield, Kentucky.

✓ STANLEY T YURGAITIS 35282348, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Niles, Ohio.

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

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HENRY P BAUGH 34805208, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. Volunteering to deliver valuable maps and information to an assault company, Private Baugh made his way through heavy concentrations of enemy artillery and mortar fire to reach the company. Encountering a small enemy outpost, he engaged it with rifle fire, killing two of the enemy and forcing the remaining one to flee. Although the constant shifting of the designated company during attack complicated the problem of locating it, Private Baugh continued to advance through enemy small arms fire until he reached the company command post and delivered the important maps and information. Entered the military service from Anniston, Alabama.

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CHRISTOPHER B BLUM 42117016, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. While his company was engaged in clearing houses in Nurnberg, Private Blum entered a house believed to contain enemy troops. He surprised six enemy soldiers in the basement and opened fire with his rifle, killing two, wounding two and forcing the others to surrender. While leaving the building with his prisoners, Private Blum encountered four more enemy. He threw a hand grenade into their midst, killing or wounding the entire enemy force. Entered the military service from Atlantic Highland, New York.

X
✓
CHARLES A BOYD 35780833, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. When his platoon was temporarily stopped by enemy mortar, automatic weapons and small arms fire while attacking Siegfried Line fortifications, Private Boyd was sent to ascertain the exact positions of the left flanking company in order that artillery could be used without endangering the supporting unit. Crawling and running four hundred yards under sniper and machine gun fire, Private Boyd secured the information and returned to his company. Artillery fire was then directed upon the enemy positions, forcing the hostile force to retreat and enabling the company to proceed to its objective. Entered the military service from West Union, West Virginia.

X
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EMILE FAUST 38497577, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 December 1944 near Oberbronn, France. While attacking strong enemy positions, Sergeant Faust's company became subjected to 20mm and machine gun fire and was forced to move to positions in a wooded area, leaving several wounded men behind. Placing his squad under the command of his assistant, Sergeant Faust made his way back to the wounded men, administered first aid, and then evacuated them to positions of safety. Entered the military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

CORNELIUS F COUGHLIN 32680242, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. While advancing down a street in Nurnberg, Private Coughlin's company was fired upon by an enemy sniper, and two men were wounded. Private Coughlin, lead scout, continued forward and, discovering the position of the sniper, killed him with one shot. Observing two more snipers, Private Coughlin again fired and wounded one of the enemy soldiers, forcing the other to flee. Private Coughlin's prompt actions enabled his company to proceed without interruption toward its objective. Entered the military service from Kings, New York.

OLIVER L FANNING JR 37245925, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. While going forward with his light machine gun to cover the movement of his company, Private Fanning learned that an advance guard of riflemen had been cut off. Under intense enemy automatic weapons and small arms fire, Private Fanning moved his machine gun to a knoll and directed heavy and accurate fire upon the enemy, forcing them to withdraw and enabling the trapped squad to rejoin the company. Although in an exposed position and subjected to concentrated enemy fire, Private Fanning held his position until his company had completed its movement. His initiative and devotion to duty materially aided in the ultimate seizure of the objective and reflect credit on Private Fanning and his organization. Entered the military service from Wellington, Missouri.

STANLEY B FOULKE 31351201, Infantry, Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade), Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 March 1945 near Hattenleidiheim, Germany. As Sergeant Foulke was accompanying a party in search of a new command post location, the group observed a number of enemy soldiers lying near the road, apparently dead. Unable to find a suitable command post area, the party retraced its steps. Upon the return trip, Sergeant Foulke noticed that some of the supposedly dead men's positions were different than before. He advanced toward the men with his carbine, and the enemy, realizing that they had been discovered, opened fire. After a brief fire fight, Sergeant Foulke with the aid of the other members of his party took the enemy prisoners. Entered the military service from Houlton, Maine.

JOSEPH R YUTZ 33609065, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class), Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. When his company's area was subjected to heavy concentrations of artillery, rocket and mortar fire, Corporal Yutz voluntarily moved forward across areas under machine gun and sniper fire to reach a favorable position for directing mortar fire. Although the enemy placed direct fire on his observation post, Corporal Yutz continued to direct mortar fire, which inflicted heavy losses on the enemy and enabled his company to advance. Entered the military service from Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania.

CORNELIUS P NOONAN, 33678288, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. A strong enemy force attacked and partially surrounded the house in which Private Noonan's squad had established positions. Private Noonan had just emptied his rifle when an enemy soldier with drawn pistol appeared at the doorway way. Acting quickly, Private Noonan killed him with a rifle butt-stroke. At this moment two more enemy soldiers appeared. Private Noonan threw a hand grenade, killing both of the enemy. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

DUELL E SCHMITZ 37288334, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. During an attack upon Siegfried Line defenses, Sergeant Schmitz operated a forward relay station which was the only means of communication between the most forward attacking elements and the battalion command post. For forty-eight consecutive hours Sergeant Schmitz operated the radio without rest or relief. Despite enemy artillery fire concentrated in his immediate vicinity, he refused to take cover, because the radio offered its best performance in open areas. On three separate occasions, Sergeant Schmitz hastily repaired damage done to the radio by enemy shelling. The devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Schmitz enabled the attacking elements to maintain close contact with the command post and contributed greatly to the success of the operations. Entered the military service from Glencoe, Minnesota.

REECE F HELTON 34880247, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. When Private Helton's platoon was temporarily stopped by enemy machine gun fire, the platoon leader called for a man to deliver a message to the commanding officer, in order that an artillery barrage could be laid down in the enemy sector. Although painfully wounded, Private Helton volunteered for this mission and, crawling five hundred yards through enemy fire, successfully delivered the message. The resulting artillery fire silenced the enemy positions and enabled the platoon to go forward and reach its objective. Entered the military service from Sneedville, Tennessee.

CHARLES R THOMAS 33698281, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 March 1945 near Ostophen, Germany. Private Thomas was called upon to guide three runners to their respective companies. Although fired upon by an enemy 20mm flak wagon and a group of snipers, he successfully led the runners to their objectives. He then crawled across open ground, stole an enemy vehicle and, through another burst of hostile fire, made his way back to the battalion command post. From Private Thomas' observation, friendly artillery was able to destroy the installation from which the enemy fire had come. Entered the military service from Butler, Pennsylvania.

VIRGIL I NELSON 37743518, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. When his company was temporarily halted by enemy automatic weapons, mortar and artillery fire, Private Nelson, on his own initiative, crawled forward until he located the source of the machine gun fire which came from a pillbox. Selecting a commanding position, he directed heavy and accurate fire from his automatic rifle, forcing the enemy to cease firing. Calling for his platoon to come forward, Private Nelson continued to fire until the enemy strong point was captured. Entered the military service from Manistee, Michigan.

EDWARD D ZBIERALSKI 36760794, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945 near Albertslof, Germany. When his platoon was temporarily stopped by enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant Zbieralski crawled forward until he reached a point within a few yards of the enemy positions. After throwing two hand grenades, he rushed the emplacements, killing several of the enemy and putting their guns out of action. The platoon was then able to continue its advance. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

RICHARD MANIKOWSKI 42117340, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. While Private Manikowski, platoon runner, was on his way to the company command post with a message, an enemy machine gun fired into the company's positions. Private Manikowski worked his way forward and threw a grenade into the enemy emplacement, killing two of the crew and putting the gun out of action. After Private Manikowski had delivered his message and was returning to his platoon, he was fired upon by an enemy sniper. Working his way forward until he obtained a direct line of fire, he killed the sniper. Entered the military service from Buffalo, New York.

FREDRICK N PETREE 37743518, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. When the advance of Sergeant Petree's platoon was stopped by machine gun fire from an enemy pillbox, Sergeant Petree worked his way forward to within a few yards of the fortification and fired directly into the ports while the demolition man approached from the rear to place his charge. When the charge detonated, Sergeant Petree assaulted the position and captured the enemy personnel who had not been killed by the explosion. Entered the military service from Liberty, Missouri.

ROBERT T YOURON 33464008, Infantry, First Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 December 1944 near Sponau, Germany. While leading a patrol on a reconnaissance mission Sergeant Youron found it necessary to cross an open field exposed to enemy observation. Rather than subject the entire patrol to danger, he chose to continue the mission alone. Cautiously crawling from one small ridge to another, he reached an embankment along the flank of a hill. Although enemy mortar and small arms fire were being directed into the area, Sergeant Youron continued along the embankment until he could observe the enemy installations. Returning to his company, he directed accurate artillery fire at the positions, inflicting heavy losses upon enemy personnel and equipment. Entered the military service from Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

BARTHOLOMEW M TAIBI 35758369, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945 near Wattweiler, Germany. When his company needed more ammunition, Private Taibi volunteered to lead the battalion's ammunition and pioneer platoon to the company's position. After crossing open terrain under enemy sniper fire, he reached the place where the ammunition detail was waiting and then led these men safely over the same hazardous route. With an adequate supply of ammunition, the company was able to consolidate its newly won positions and then to continue its advance. Entered the military service from Follensbee, West Virginia.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is award to the following officer and enlisted man:

SALVATORE LOMONACO 32792692, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 3 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

ALBERT L LUGER JR 0449594, Infantry, Captain, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 July 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Section II

Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following enlisted man:

HAROLD E MONTY 32213932, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 18 October 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Plattsburg, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Stella A. Monty (Mother), 5 Broad Street, Plattsburg, New York.

Section III

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer and each of the following enlisted men:

JACK A BEACH 32212381, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Niagara Falls, New York.

EUGENE E BENDER 33604053, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from March 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Pittston, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT P BRINKE 01295823, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 27 November 1943 to 3 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Valley Stream, Long Island, New York.

CHESTER A BURNELL 31313945, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 3 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Westbrook, Maine.

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~~NATHAN COHEN 32963006, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 3 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.~~

GEORGE W COLEMAN 34665049, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Cannon Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 6 August 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Delco, North Carolina.

ROWE B COX 34507837, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 3 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Bruceton, Tennessee.

THOMAS J CUMINGS 36568648, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

NATHANIEL C DAVIS 34129893, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 3 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Greer, South Carolina.

✓ **FRANK P DORGAN** 36604476, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

✓ **EVERETT J EASTON** 32931897, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 22 January 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Buffalo, New York.

✓ **MATTHEW ELESSER** 32236197, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New Brunswick, New Jersey.

✓ **JOHN A FENTON** 12045710, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Rome, New York.

✓ **THEODORE FERENCZ** 32197018, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

✓ **JOHN GEREK** 32189139, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Woodbridge, New Jersey.

✓ **GUY W GOARE** 34769642, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 16 February 1944 to 6 January 1945 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Glenville, Georgia.

✓ **RALPH J GRUBER** 35668119, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Cannon Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 29 January 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

✓ **WILLIAM B HEPP** 32197853, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.

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✓ **HAROLD JOHNSON JR** 31412845, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 28 January 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Bridgeport Connecticut.

✓ EUGENE J KELLY 42178913, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 27 January 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

✓ THOMAS J KELLY JR 34688965, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 February 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Columbus, Georgia.

✓ ELFORD A KING 31406295, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 June 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Stockbridge, Massachusetts.

✓ EARL R KLEIN 36564372, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 13 September 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

✓ VIRGIL H KUEHL 37553362, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 3 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Moorhead, Minnesota.

✓ HENRY J LERA 31062743, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Thompsonville, Connecticut.

✓ ROBERT S NICKLOW 33571233, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 13 September 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Acosta, Pennsylvania.

✓ MARION F C ENNS 34722158, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 25 October 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Ocoila, Tennessee.

✓ JEREMIAH PIETROVITO 12019187, Infantry, First Sergeant, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 1 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Flushing, Long Island, New York.

✓ RAYMOND H SCHLAPINSKI 36693237, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 24 April 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany.

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FRANK J SHUKIS 31344123, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 9 December 1943 to 3 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

HAROLD V STORCH 32702438, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 3 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Glendale, Long Island, New York.

JOHN F SPELMEN 13053240, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 October 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

J T THOMPSON 38405987, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 20 August 1944 to 3 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Mangum, Oklahoma.

ANDREW K THOMPSON 38016921, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Duncan, Oklahoma.

FRANK J URBAN 32852910, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 3 November 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Albany, New York.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and to the following enlisted man:

✓ RAYMOND H CUTLER 01296622, Infantry, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. While accompanying the forward elements of his battalion in an attack upon Siegfried Line positions, Captain Cutler encountered heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire from protected enemy emplacements. Despite enemy shells bursting in the trees around him, Captain Cutler secured a radio and moved forward to an observation post that had been abandoned by another unit. He radioed coordinates of enemy installations to the supporting artillery, which succeeded in destroying three enemy artillery pieces and a flak wagon. The battalion was then able to advance against light opposition. Captain Cutler's courage and aggressiveness reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

✓ WILBER F HYATT 36326610, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. As leader of a patrol with the mission of making contact with a friendly company, Sergeant Hyatt skillfully directed his men through areas under constant enemy rifle fire. Although debris and ruined buildings afforded excellent concealment for the enemy, the patrol overran several enemy machine gun positions and succeeded in reaching the friendly company, thus preparing the way for additional advances. Entered the military service from Camp Grant, Illinois.

✓ DONALD R NICKELS 01315353, Infantry, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945 near Obergailbach, Germany. When his company was stopped by heavy fire from enemy 20mm flak wagons, Captain Nickels made his way about one hundred yards ahead of the company to a point from which he could observe the source of the enemy fire. He then directed fire on the enemy guns and succeeded in silencing them. As Captain Nickels started to advance again, new enemy fire broke out. Although his helmet was knocked from his head, Captain Nickels refused to move back, but directed artillery fire upon the enemy positions until they were eliminated. Entered the military service from Norton, Virginia.

Section II

Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following enlisted man:

✓ HAROLD W NAYLOR 36905674, Infantry, Private, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Obergailbach, Germany. During combat operations along the Siegfried Line, numerically superior enemy forces threatened to isolate an assaulting company and its attached heavy machine gun platoon, of which Private Naylor was a gunner. On his own initiative, Private Naylor moved forward to establish better fields of fire for his gun. During the fierce exchange of fire that followed, Private Naylor was killed, but his action allowed the company to revert to more favorable terrain and to launch an attack which gained the objective. Entered the military service from Jacksonville, Illinois. Next of kin: Mrs. Della S Naylor (Mother), 1016 Lincoln Avenue, Jacksonville, Illinois.

Section III

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

✓ RICHARD E BAER 35634618, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 January 1945 near Rothbach, Franco. As battalion messenger, Private Baer was given an important message to deliver orally, due to the danger of enemy interception. Moving through areas containing infiltrating enemy patrols, he succeeded in reaching his organization and delivered the vital message. He then led his company to a designated assembly area. Entered the military service from Columbus, Ohio.

✓ ROBERT S BREAL 20425184, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Sarreguimines, Franco. When the night attack of his company was halted by fire from two enemy machine guns, Private Breal was sent with a patrol to find the exact location of the enemy guns. As the patrol approached the enemy positions, both machine guns opened fire, killing one man and wounding another. In spite of the heavy fire, Private Breal made his way to the wounded man, administered first aid, and then carried him to safety. Upon returning to his company, Private Breal accurately reported the enemy emplacements, enabling his company to silence the enemy with mortar and artillery fire. Entered the military service from Biloxi, Mississippi.

✓ MICHAEL H DELUCA 42109321, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 31 March 1945 in Aschaffenberg, Germany. While checking a previously cleared area, a patrol, of which Private Deluca was a member, observed an enemy 20mm gun firing into friendly positions. Approaching the installation unobserved, the patrol succeeded in capturing the entire crew and gun intact. The encouragement and determination shown by Private Deluca in urging the patrol forward were a major factor in the success of the operation. Entered the military service from Niagara Falls, New York.

✓ ROBERT J ELLIS 15301914, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 April 1945 near Zekendorf, Germany. Sergeant Ellis, acting platoon leader, was given the mission of taking an enemy-held castle at the crest of a hill. Although the nature of the terrain precluded the employment of supporting fire, Sergeant Ellis so skillfully led his platoon in its attack that the platoon accomplished its task without the loss of a man. During the attack, Sergeant Ellis and his men took ten enemy prisoners and forced the remainder to withdraw. Entered the military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

✓ CARROLL J FESLER 36961811, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class), Service Company (then Company A), 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. While searching for a friendly unit at night, Corporal Fesler was confronted by machine gun fire from an enemy position at the opposite end of a nearby bridge. He assaulted the enemy emplacement with hand grenades, killing one of the enemy and wounding the others. Upon learning that the bridge was about to be destroyed by demolition charges, Corporal Fesler carefully removed the charges, preserving the bridge for use by friendly troops. After securing his wounded prisoners, he made contact with the friendly unit. Entered the military service from Pittsfield, Illinois.

✓ ELWOOD T HEUBERT 33113426, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. When enemy small arms were hampering the progress of his platoon, Private Heubert left his protected position and, under direct sniper fire, delivered valuable information to his commanding officer and to the other platoons. This enabled the company to consolidate its positions and to bring heavy fire upon the enemy. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

✓ WILLIAM J HOEPFL 33592170, Infantry, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 in Munich, Germany. Volunteering to go in search of enemy-held American prisoners of war, Private Hoepfl led a small patrol through more than four blocks of yet unsecured territory. As the patrol neared a group of public buildings, it encountered enemy machine gun fire. After a brief fire fight, in which two of his comrades were wounded, Private Hoepfl forced an entrance into one of the buildings. His actions resulted in the capture of twenty-four enemy prisoners and in the release of fifty-seven Americans who had been held captive for over eight months. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

✓ IRVING L KINTISCH 12145450, Infantry, Corporal, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action 21 to 22 September 1944 near Giremont, France. During a strong enemy counter-attack, Corporal Kintisch, radio operator for an artillery forward observer party, established an observation post in an exposed position in order to assure proper radio contact. Although subjected to heavy volumes of enemy artillery fire, he remained at his post and relayed firing missions to the rear until the enemy attack was repulsed. Later, when his party was in reserve, Corporal Kintisch voluntarily guided a relieving unit to its designated company, despite enemy mortar shells falling along the route. Entered the military service from New York City, New York.

✓ JOSEPH E LONG 33886279, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Sarreguimines, France. While attacking an enemy-held hill, Sergeant Long's platoon was halted by automatic weapons fire and lost contact with the company. Sergeant Long, with eight men, moved to a flank position and began laying fire upon the enemy, drawing the enemy fire and enabling the rest of the platoon to move to new positions. Then, while the eight men with him reached safety, Sergeant Long continued to fire until he was certain that the whole platoon was safe. Rejoining his men, he organized the platoon in strong positions and held off the enemy until contact with his company was reestablished. Entered the military service from Prince Frederick, Maryland.

DERWOOD C MOORE 02006070, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. When enemy bazooka, rifle and machine gun fire hindered the advance of his company, Lieutenant Moore went forward through the ruined buildings until he reached a position affording good observation. Although exposed to enemy fire, Lieutenant Moore made a quick survey of enemy positions and directed accurate artillery and mortar fire by radio. This fire disorganized the enemy resistance, allowing Lieutenant Moore's company to rush forward and take the positions. Entered the military service from Van Horn, Texas.

✓ FREDERICK A NOVAK 32273306, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. When a strong enemy counterattack seriously threatened the positions of an adjacent platoon, Sergeant Novak quickly organized two squads of his platoon and led them through an area covered by enemy artillery, machine gun and small arms fire to the assistance of the friendly troops. Deploying his men in advantageous positions, Sergeant Novak brought heavy fire to bear upon the attacking enemy. Throughout the ensuing action, he skillfully led his men until the enemy attack was repulsed. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

✓ JEFFERSON K ROGERS 01332643, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. While attempting to cross a high embanked railway line, Lieutenant Rogers' platoon encountered a heavy concentration of enemy machine gun and sniper fire from well-concealed positions. Lieutenant Rogers personally reconnoitered the area, exposing himself in order to determine the exact location of enemy emplacements. Although the heavy enemy fire continued to fall in the area, Lieutenant Rogers continued to search out the enemy. Remaining in his position, he then acted as observer for friendly mortar fire, which destroyed the enemy positions. Entered the military service from Walsenburg, Colorado.

✓ CARL W SCHIRM 37665224, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. While his company was deploying to attack a road block, Sergeant Schirm was sent with his squad to investigate possible opposition on the company's exposed flank. Noticing a group of almost concealed buildings, Sergeant Schirm went forward alone to investigate, and observed a number of enemy soldiers preparing machine gun and mortar emplacements. Returning, he directed his squad into the area, surprised the enemy with intense rifle fire, and captured fifteen of the enemy force. Entered the military service from Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

SOL S STEELMAN 36686478, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 March 1945 near Aschaffenberg, Germany. Private Steelman was radio operator for a mortar observation party attached to an attacking rifle company. When the advance of the company was temporarily halted by enemy machine gun, mortar and small arms fire, Private Steelman worked his way forward to a point from which he could observe the enemy positions. Although Private Steelman was in an area covered by enemy artillery fire, he radioed his section for mortar support, which silenced the enemy weapons. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

JOHN W WALDRON 31405410, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class), Company D, 157th Infantry, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945 near Obergeilbach, Germany. When enemy artillery fire severed communication lines between an observation post and mortar positions, Corporal Waldron volunteered to assist in restoring the necessary contact. Tracing the line through areas under enemy observation, he located and repaired the break, despite the fact that artillery shells were bursting in his immediate vicinity. While Corporal Waldron and a fellow soldier were returning to their unit, they encountered an enemy patrol, which they dispersed with pistol and carbine fire. Entered the military service from Seymour, Connecticut.

LEONARD G ZANKEL 02011728, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 near Nieder Schocherfeld, Germany. During the preparation for the crossing of the Danube River, Lieutenant Zankel organized a patrol and led it through open terrain subjected to intense mortar and artillery fire to a rise from which he could observe enemy installations. Despite heavy enemy machine gun and small arms fire directed at him, Lieutenant Zankel held his position and directed artillery fire upon the enemy emplacements. This effective fire forced the enemy to withdraw. Lieutenant Zankel then made a thorough reconnaissance of the area. His leadership and initiative contributed greatly to the success of the crossing. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer and each enlisted man:

✓ WELDON BABCOCK 32604356, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Reconnaissance Company, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945 near Jossa, Germany. When the armored vehicle in which he was acting as machine gunner was hit by enemy machine gun and rocket fire, Private Babcock dismounted and stripped his machine gun from its position in the vehicle. Firing the gun from a dismounted position without the benefit of a tripod, he placed heavy and accurate machine gun fire on the enemy and inflicted many casualties. Entered the military service from Newark, New Jersey.

✓ CHARLES L BASTION 01823689, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945 near Kirberg, Germany. When his column came under enemy fire, Lieutenant Bastion, tank destroyer platoon leader, ordered his destroyers to positions of cover while he went forward on foot to make a reconnaissance of enemy positions. Detecting an enemy armored column, as well as some gun emplacements, he returned to his unit and, moving his platoon into open fire positions, succeeded in destroying the enemy column and installations. Entered the military service from Long Beach, California.

✓ JOHN A BRADY 13081732, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Company A, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action 16 to 21 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. During the attack on Nurnberg, Technician Brady often exposed himself to enemy small arms fire in order to carry out reconnaissance missions and to give close support to friendly infantry. On one occasion, he left his vehicle, temporarily occupying a defensive position, in charge of the other members of the crew, while he made his way through enemy small arms and bazooka fire to administer first aid and evacuate a wounded rifleman. Entered the military service from Ashley, Pennsylvania.

✓ LESTER BROCKUS 35111646, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Reconnaissance Company, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 4 February 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. When the outpost of which Technician Brockus was a member was subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire, three men were seriously wounded. Technician Brockus left his protected position and carried the wounded men over three hundred yards of open ground to a road, where he secured a vehicle and drove them to the aid station. Entered the military service from South Bend, Indiana.

✓ **BERNARD CARR 39329924**, Cavalry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mecs), for heroic achievement in action on 4 November 1944 near Thierville, France. Sergeant Carr volunteered to lead a patrol into an enemy-held town to secure information concerning enemy positions and possible routes of approach for his unit. After crossing one hundred fifty yards of open terrain covered by enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant Carr ordered his men to remain in concealed positions, while he entered the town alone. He remained in town for two hours and returned to his unit with the desired information. Entered the military service from Portland, Oregon.

✓ **WALLACE E CLINGAN 17148715**, Field Artillery, Corporal (then Private First Class), Battery C, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 28 October 1944 near Bourgnance, France. The forward observation party, of which Corporal Clingan was a member, was subjected to heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire and was forced to withdraw, leaving behind several items of observing equipment and an overlay map of the situation. Crawling over open terrain under the continued enemy fire, Corporal Clingan retrieved the abandoned equipment and the map and succeeded in rejoining his party, which was then able to continue giving effective fire missions. Entered the military service from Columbia, Missouri.

✓ **SAMUEL M HURLEY 38006695**, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery B, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 6 February 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. When all communications between infantry and artillery elements were disrupted by enemy mortar and tank fire, Technician Hurley traversed a route under enemy observation and fire, methodically checking the line until he had restored wire communication with the forward elements. During this action Technician Hurley was wounded by enemy shell fragments, but he refused evacuation until his mission had been completed. Entered the military service from Wetmore, Colorado.

✓ **FLOYD E LEWIS 34884243**, Cavalry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mecs), for heroic achievement in action on 4 November 1944 near Thierville, France. While on a reconnaissance mission Technician Lewis' platoon was subjected to heavy enemy small arms, antitank, mortar and artillery fire. Four men became separated from the platoon and took shelter in a small gully. Technician Lewis drove his one quarter-ton truck as close to the gully as possible, crawled the remaining distance to the men, led them to the truck, and then drove them to safety. Entered the military service from Paris, Tennessee.

✓ **JOHN L PINTO 32263803**, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Company A, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 6 October 1944 near Epinal, France. When a tank destroyer was put out of action by an enemy mine, Technician Pinto immediately proceeded to the damaged destroyer. Although the enemy directed artillery and small arms fire at the position, Technician Pinto realizing that the vehicle must be removed to prevent a traffic jam, succeeded in ripping out the controls from the driver's seat and, operating the tank destroyer by hand from the rear, maneuvered it into a position from which it could be evacuated. Entered the military service from Maple Shade, New Jersey.

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✓ **STANLEY J ROONEY** 20836683, Ordnance Corps, Staff Sergeant, 700th Ordnance LM Company, for heroic achievement in action on 12 February 1944 near Anzio, Italy. During an enemy air raid a shop truck was hit and the tarpaulin caught on fire. Disregarding his personal safety Sergeant Rooney ran to the truck, pulled off the burning tarpaulin, and continued fighting the fire in the bed of the truck. Sergeant Rooney's prompt action saved much valuable and irreplaceable ordnance equipment. Entered the military service from Anadarko, Oklahoma.

✓ **ERNEST P SMITH** 35291791, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company A, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. During the close fighting in Nurnberg, Sergeant Smith was wounded and his vehicle disabled by an enemy antitank grenade. Realizing that the example he set would be followed by his crew, Sergeant Smith chose not to be evacuated, but took command of another vehicle in his platoon. Sergeant Smith's courageous action resulted in the successful completion of the platoon's mission. Entered the military service from Fort Hayes, Ohio.

✓ **WILLIAM R SPENCE** 33437348, Cavalry, Technician Fifth Grade, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mecz), for heroic achievement in action on 5 January 1945 between Barenthal and Zinswiller, France. When intense enemy machine gun fire prevented an infantry patrol from reopening a supply route leading to forward elements, Technician Spence drove his armored car through the heavy enemy fire to a position that offered the best field of fire. He then laid down a heavy and accurate concentration of fire on enemy positions, causing the enemy force to withdraw and reopening the supply route. Entered the military service from Oil City, Pennsylvania.

✓ **BERNARD C STUDEY** 37074560, Field Artillery, Corporal, Battery B, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. With fighting at such close quarters that artillery could not be used effectively, Corporal Studer, radio operator and wireman for an artillery observer, voluntarily aided a rifle platoon in silencing a well-defended enemy machine gun nest. Taking the place of a wounded automatic rifleman, Corporal Studer fired the Browning automatic rifle so effectively that the enemy were forced to withdraw from their positions after having suffered several casualties. Entered the military service from Thurman, Iowa.

✓ **MATTHEW W McCORMACK** 32772160, Field Artillery, Corporal, Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered the military service from East Orange, New Jersey.

✓ **GEORGE H METTS** 34645724, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered the military service from Little Mountain, South Carolina.

✓ For heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 in Garching, Germany. Corporal McCormack and Private Metts, members of a tank destroyer crew, volunteered to make a foot reconnaissance into enemy lines. While advancing through a wooded area, they were fired upon by a group of enemy soldiers. Corporal McCormack and Private Metts returned the fire, and succeeded in capturing seven of the enemy.

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✓ MORA L ALFORD 20842140, Corps of Engineers, Sergeant,
Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion.
Entered the military service from Idabel, Oklahoma.

✓ ISAIAS GUTIERREZ JR 20841648, Corps of Engineers, Sergeant,
Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion.
Entered the military service from Albuquerque, New Mexico.

✓ TOM J LUCERO 20841656, Corps of Engineers, Sergeant,
Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion.
Entered the military service from Albuquerque, New Mexico.

X For heroic achievement in action on 25-26 April 1945 near Marxheim, Germany. Sergeant Alford, Sergeant Gutierrez and Sergeant Lucero were charged with the assignment of ferrying two infantry companies across the Danube river. After transporting their boats by vehicle through heavy enemy artillery fire to the final assembly area, they were subjected to intense enemy small arms fire coming from the opposite bank of the river. Firing rapidly and accurately, they quickly eliminated the enemy fire and went ahead to successfully transport the infantry across the fast flowing river. Their judgment and initiative were instrumental in the ultimate success of the operation.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following onlisted men:

ARTURO ANTONIAMEI 057383, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 December 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

ROBERT H BECK 33276418, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 18 September 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Cheswick, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM O CHAPMAN 14116417, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), for meritorious service in combat from January 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Clemson, South Carolina.

HAROLD E HUNT 36193405, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 June 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hesperia, Michigan.

WALTER E JAY 33571360, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 December 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Clearfield, Pennsylvania.

ALBERT T JONES 33354236, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 18 September 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wenatche, Pennsylvania.

RAY E JONES 20544089, Coast Artillery Corps, Staff Sergeant, Battery D, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 8 November 1943 to 5 May 1945 in Africa, Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Monticello, Kentucky.

HEINZ A KAEHNE 32213562, Infantry, Corporal, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Bay Shore, New York.

GEORGE S LAMAR 38006392, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 December 1943 to 1 March 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Greeley, Colorado.

EALY A LEE 38006235, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Greeley, Colorado.

WILLIAM A LENOX 3747575, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 7 June 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from St. James, Missouri.

VINCENT J LIBONATI 32280913, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from October 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

GEORGE S MAZIE JR 32180845, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 27 January to 30 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

JOHN E McCUSKER JR 31263650, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 14 September 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Lowell, Massachusetts.

CHARLES W NETTLES 12045219, Infantry, Private First Class, Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Syracuse, New York.

JULIO D ONORATTI 38005838, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 December 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Trinidad, Colorado.

MORRIS J RATICK 39240583, Signal Corps, Technician Fourth Grade, 163rd Signal Photographic Company, A.P.D., for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 December 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Los Angeles, California.

LEO J SANCHEZ 38005929, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

WILFORD E SANDY 1501366, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 10 March 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Clarksburg, West Virginia.

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NEWMAN W SPONE 33089785, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class), Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Roanoke, Virginia.

CECIL A WITT 20838756, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 December 1944 to 8 February 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Fort Collins, Colorado.

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Section I

Award of the Silver Star

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following enlisted men:

JOHN GENIS 36737626, Private First Class, Infantry, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 14 December 1944 near Lembach, Franco. When enemy snipers delayed the advances of his platoon, Private Genis, of his own accord, crawled forward alone and, disregarding personal safety, engaged the snipers, killing two and wounding one. Upon resuming its advance, the platoon was pinned down by an enemy machine gun firing from a house. Again, Private Genis voluntarily moved forward, despite the heavy fire, and, with two hand grenades, forced the surrender of the enemy crew. His initiative and heroism reflect high credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

✓ So much of General Orders Number 296, Section I, Award of the Silver Star, this headquarters, as, pertaining to ANTHONY A. ERICKSEN 37125977, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, as reads, "in action on 25 March 1945" is amended to read "in action on 25 March 1944."

Section II

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted men:

JOE E EVANS 33535833, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945 near St Wolfgang, Germany. When two enemy snipers continued to resist after their road block had been destroyed, Sergeant Evans crawled forward and, despite the bullets striking around him, threw a hand grenade into the enemy position, wounding the two snipers and forcing them to surrender. Entered the military service from Scottsburg, Virginia.

GUS C NICKOLS 37502317, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When his company commander was wounded during an attack, Sergeant Nickols went from platoon to platoon, outlining his commanding officer's plans for deployment. When the units were coordinated and the attack continued, Sergeant Nickols joined the advance elements in assaulting a nest of enemy snipers. Entered the military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

Section III

Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following enlisted man:

ALFRED WEEKLEY 34980740, Infantry, Sergeant, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. Sergeant Weekley and another soldier led a squad of riflemen in clearing a group of houses in Nurnberg. Under enemy sniper and automatic weapons fire, they ran across a street and into a cellar that was an enemy strongpoint. Leading their squad through a series of tunnels, they succeeded in overrunning two enemy positions, taking sixty-five prisoners and inflicting numerous casualties on the enemy. Entered the military service from Tallahassee, Florida. Next of kin: Mr. Vernon J Weekley (Brother), Dyas, Alabama.

Section IV

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

VALERIAN S BOCHENEK 36687784, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 December 1944 near Wissembourg, France. When his machine gun ran short of ammunition, Private Bochenek ran through an area covered by enemy mortar, artillery and small arms fire to reach the ammunition dump. Picking up as much ammunition as he could carry, he started the trip back. While climbing a steep hill, Private Bochenek was subjected to direct enemy small arms fire, but he continued on and succeeded in reaching his gun position. He then led a detail to secure a supply of ammunition for the other machine guns of his platoon. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

JAMES H CAIN JR 35026023, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Corporal), Antitank Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Wingen, France. Technician Cain was driving his truck, loaded with antitank mines and dynamite, behind a minesweeping squad when a large force of infiltrating enemy forced the squad to disperse, leaving Technician Cain isolated from friendly units and surrounded by the enemy. In spite of heavy fire directed at his vehicle, Technician Cain drove straight through the enemy force and succeeded in reaching a place of safety behind our lines.

His action prevented a large amount of valuable equipment from falling into enemy hands. Entered the military service from Mantua, Ohio.

JOSEPH P CORREIA JR 31002697, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 March 1945 near Gersheim, Germany. Private Correia, mortar section wireman, crossed the Rhine river with the first assault wave. Under heavy enemy small arms and artillery fire, he established wire communication, enabling the mortar observer to direct effective fire which prevented the enemy from recovering from the initial surprise of our crossing. Entered the military service from New Bedford, Massachusetts.

RAYMOND M DETERT 39307381, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Corporal), Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 September 1944 near Meximieux, France. While his company was moving to more favorable positions Sergeant Detert saw that four mortars had been abandoned on a vehicle whose driver had been wounded. In spite of the enemy tank and machine gun fire directed at him, Sergeant Detert ran to the vehicle and drove it to the prearranged positions. He then quickly organized his men and laid down such a concentration of mortar fire that the enemy was forced to withdraw. Entered the military service from St. Ignatius, Montana.

LOYD R DITTMAN 32370144, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 September 1944 near Rang, France. Private Dittman, company runner, maintained communications between his company and the battalion command post by traveling through heavy enemy artillery fire. He also acted as liaison between the battalion and the 81mm mortar platoon. While carrying a new radio to the mortar observation post, he was knocked down by an exploding shell. Realizing that the observation post would be useless without the radio, he continued until he had completed his mission. Entered the military service from Fort Plain, Montgomery, New York.

JOE E EVANS 33535833, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. When strong resistance was encountered from an enemy-held building, Sergeant Evans opened a door by firing his rifle at the lock. He then led his men in an assault upon the house. This action resulted in four enemy killed and seventeen captured. Entered the military service from Scottsburg, Virginia.

HARRY L FISCHER 35123900, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. When his company was temporarily stopped by heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire Private Fischer voluntarily crossed five hundred yards of open ground to deliver a message from his commanding officer to a group of four friendly tanks. He then guided the tanks to a position from which they eliminated the enemy strongpoints. Private Fischer's actions enabled his company to overrun the enemy positions and to continue toward its objective. Entered the military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

HARRY F FLOR 37176134, Infantry, Corporal, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 near Mimbach, Germany. During an enemy counterattack Corporal Flor's 81mm mortar position was subjected to heavy machine gun and rifle fire. Realizing the necessity of keeping his weapon in operation in order to give support to friendly riflemen, Corporal Flor remained at his gun, inflicting heavy casualties upon the enemy, until the counterattack was repulsed. Entered the military service from Fargo, North Dakota.

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ANTHONY A JOZAITIS 31175166, Infantry, Private, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. Private Jozaitis and another soldier led a squad of riflemen in clearing a group of houses in Nurnberg. Under enemy sniper and automatic weapons fire, they ran across a street and into a cellar that was an enemy strongpoint. Leading their squad through a series of tunnels, they succeeded in overrunning two enemy positions, taking sixty-five prisoners and inflicting numerous casualties on the enemy. Entered the military service from Nashua, New Hampshire.

NORBERT N SALPETER 33799221, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 September 1944 near Cubrial, France. After his company had successfully taken a hill, during the night enemy troops infiltrated through and around the company outpost positions, making a complete encirclement imminent. With all means of communication out, Private Salpeter voluntarily carried a message to his company commander, at times coming within ten feet of enemy riflemen, crawling, creeping and running over one thousand yards of hilly terrain until he had successfully delivered the message. He then supplied such accurate firing data that mortar fire directed against enemy positions forced the Germans to clear the hill while his company resumed the attack and regained the objective. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

ALEXANDER J TOTM 32219234, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 September 1944 near Epinal, France. Learning that his company was in need of ammunition and rations, Technician Toth, a cook, organized a carrying party and, leading it through the enemy fire falling in the area, delivered the vital supplies to the company. The company was then able to consolidate its positions and to prepare to continue its advance. Entered the military service from Richmond, Staten Island, New York.

EMIL P WAHLER 32806773, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 October 1943 near Faicchio, Italy. Private Wahler, company runner, accompanied the leading platoon in an attack upon strongly fortified enemy positions. When enemy mortar and artillery fire rendered all the company's radios useless, Private Wahler volunteered to deliver important messages to other platoons. For two hours he was constantly engaged in this mission, often being forced to cross open areas subjected to heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. On one occasion he was knocked down by an exploding shell. The same shell seriously wounded the company executive officer. Private Wahler ran to the wounded officer, administered first aid, and carried him to the aid station. Upon returning to the command group Private Wahler discovered that both the first sergeant and the communications sergeant had been wounded. He quickly assumed command of the remaining men of the company headquarters and directed them in carrying out the orders of the commanding officer. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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LEVI E WORTH 31069079, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 January 1945 near Gootzenbruck, France. While entering a town held by friendly troops, Private Worth's company was attacked by a large enemy force that had infiltrated our lines. Private Worth quickly dismounted from his vehicle, secured a heavy machine gun from his trailer, and put it into action. He commenced firing on the advancing enemy, drawing their fire so that the rest of his company could establish an organized position. Although the enemy directed mortar fire at his position, Private Worth remained at his gun, delivering a heavy volume of fire on the enemy and preventing them from infiltrating into the town. Entered the military service from Island Pond, Vermont.

JAMES S McCOURTNEY 17080808, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Columbia, Missouri.

LAWRENCE F ZEREGA 37603325, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

For heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. When an enemy force of several hundred men attempted to outflank an outpost Sergeant McCourtney and Sergeant Zeroga quickly organized a defense and directed fire upon the enemy. Their accurate machine gun and rifle fire forced the enemy to abandon its maneuver. Shortly afterward, the enemy opened fire with flak guns. Sergeant McCourtney and Sergeant Zeroga kept their men at their posts and prevented the enemy from organizing an attack upon the company positions.

ELMER E STUART 36484785, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Waverly, Illinois.

FREDERICK G ALLEN 34722452, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Cleveland, Tennessee.

For heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. When a heavy enemy counterattack forced their company to move to more favorable positions, Sergeant Stuart and Private Allen took their radio to an outpost and maintained contact with the battalion command post. In spite of intense enemy small arms fire and periodic mortar barrages, Sergeant Stuart and Private Allen remained at their post for six hours, until ordered to rejoin their unit.

So much of General Orders Number 335, Section III, Award of the Bronze Star Medal, this headquarters, et, as pertains to GUS C NICKOLS 37502317, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

REO D DERRISAW 21829491, Medical Department, Technician Third Grade, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 15 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Muskogee, Oklahoma.

BENSON E GABBERT 35431368, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Auto, West Virginia.

BOYD F MERRITT 34898906, Infantry, Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 November 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Burlington, North Carolina.

Section II

Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following enlisted man:

RICHARD J MCCORMICK 42014363, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 2 June 1944 to 17 March 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Jersey City, New Jersey. Next of kin: Mrs. Margaret McCormick (Mother), East Side Avenue, Midvale, New Jersey.

Section III

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

BILL E BRENNAN 36563495, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 13 September 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Saginaw, Michigan.

WALTER J CASEY 42017750, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 26 May 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from South Amboy, New Jersey.

CHARLES E CONKLIN 32801779, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 26 May 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Slootsburg, New York.

ANTHONY A DeANGELIS 32765507, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 October 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Newark, New Jersey.

FRANCIS H DOUGHERTY 32958335, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 June 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wilmington, Delaware.

PETER M GETZ 35914623, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 20 April 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from North Olmsted, Ohio.

THOMAS F GLOSTER 31286802, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

WILLIAM F HAUSLER 32858350, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 January 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Albany, New York.

ERNEST G JELLICO 34649693, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 February 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Summerville, South Carolina.

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GERALD KOTIN 32431411, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 20 October 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Jamaica, Long Island, New York.

ROBERT W LANGHORST 35125503, Medical Department, Technician Third Grade, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

LOUIS R MANGRUM 38467201, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

JOSEPH F MATRANGOLA 33383893, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

FRANK R McCANN 35217821, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 12 December 1943 to 18 March 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Columbus Ohio.

DAVID G PAYNE 33208020, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Takoma Park, Maryland.

VICTOR C RICCIARDI 36688077, Private First Class, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 24 April 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

MAURICE B SCHULTZ 33619384, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 February 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Langdale, Pennsylvania.

MICHAEL SHOGAN JR 32193623, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 15 January 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

ROBERT P STARBUCK 12045648, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 3 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Elmira, New York.

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HERMAN L TURNAGE 34403829, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 October 1944 to 30 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Jacksonville, North Carolina.

CLAIR J URBANEK 33574946, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 February 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Coupon, Pennsylvania.

JOE USELTON 34921443, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 9 October 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Shelbyville, Tennessee.

ROBERT W ZUNK 35551955, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 15 October 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Toledo, Ohio.

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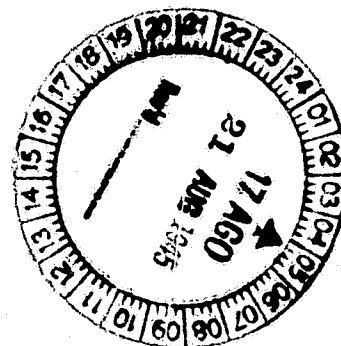
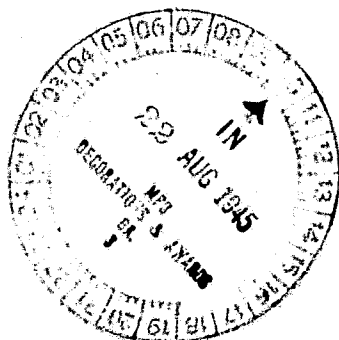
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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following enlisted men:

UGO E. MICHOLIZANO 31605419, Infantry, First Sergeant, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 30 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Northborough, Massachusetts. ✓

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

BILL ADAMS 20827267, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 October 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Muskogee, Oklahoma. ✓

KURT G. ALBU 32791800, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 February 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New York, New York. ✓

STANLEY AUGUST 0438071, Medical Corps, Captain, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 20 May 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York. ✓

EVERETT A. BAKER 20828250, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 3 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Fillmore, Oklahoma. ✓

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FLORENT G BRIERE 31023785, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Woonsocket, Rhode Island.

RAYMOND L BROWN 38126804, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 May 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Choteau, Oklahoma.

SAM H CHRISTIAN 24589179, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 12 February 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

EDWARD J CUBB RILAND 42041027, Infantry, Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 23 May 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Lynbrook, New York.

FRANK A D'ANGELO 32212451, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Niagara Falls, New York.

JAMES J EILERS 37126076, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 February 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Sioux City, Iowa.

ALLEN H ETEENS 0330293, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Antitank Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 8 March 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Cairo, New York.

WILLIAM D FILLMAN 01998054, Medical Administrative Corps, First Lieutenant, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 3 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Muskogee, Oklahoma.

LUCIO E FRANCO 39265620, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 October 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Los Angeles, California.

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FRANK E GILLETTE 39211984, Medical Department, Technician Third Grade, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 20 November 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Rochester, New York.

ROBERT D GOSSARD 39470980, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 9 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Spokane, Washington.

ROBERT W HAMILTON 01306583, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from San Jose, California.

ROBERT E HEADLEE 0444927, Medical Corps, Captain, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 February 1945 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Sanford, Colorado.

MARSHALL J HEARRELL 01693031, Medical Administrative Corps, First Lieutenant, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Artesia, Texas.

MARION L HUMPHRIES 01283435, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Service Company 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Largo, Florida.

JAMES LANZARINI 32574109, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Newark, New Jersey.

MELVIN C MURPLE 32666139, Medical Department, Technician Third Grade, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 3 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Watervliet, New York.

FRITCHER E MURGER 34931884, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 18 October 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Charleston, South Carolina.

MERTH J O'BERRILAN 38564898, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 20 October 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Duncan, Oklahoma.

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JAMES F MOXLEY JR 38387554, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company 1, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 13 September 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Shreveport, Louisiana. ✓

ALBERT O OLSON 39215776, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 20 October 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Enumclaw, Washington. ✓

HUGH H OTTO 38454704, Infantry, Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 January 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Three Rivers, Texas. ✓

EDWARD J PERRY 39082427, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hanford, California. ✓

MICHAEL PETACK 33833014, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 3 January 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Minersville, Pennsylvania. ✓

CHARLES J RAUCH 32180180, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York. ✓

CHARLES E SALIZZONI 33440948, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 October 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Monaca, Pennsylvania. ✓

LLOYD G SIMONS 39255638, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from National City, California. ✓

LIVERENCE H SHYARD 34336331, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Anderson, Alabama. ✓

JOSEPH SLEZAK 36464733, Infantry, Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 January 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Fruitport, Michigan. ✓

RICHARD L STANDLEY 37489724, Infantry, Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 29 October 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Grand Island, Nebraska.

SYLVESTER A STILE 33712730, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 February 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Indiana, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM J SUTHERLAND 33505431, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 December 1943 to 3 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Linden, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM J TEDESCHI 3221592, Infantry, Master Sergeant, Service Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.

CHARLES THOMAS 36877412, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 25 April 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Calumet, Michigan.

JOSEPH A TORRE 32198079, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

JIMMIE R TUTTLE 02055133, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Muskogee, Oklahoma.

JOSEPH L VECCHIO 32197683, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 23 May 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

KENNETH W SCHAL 42117326, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 November 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Buffalo, New York.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

WALTER S ABBOTT 35423328, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 January 1945 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Slagle, West Virginia.

SLIMT AMANIA 35776622, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 22 January 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Massilon, Ohio.

NORMAN E ANDERSON 01287843, Infantry, Captain, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Londonderry, Vermont.

RICHARD L BASHORE 38005519, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

REIMER L BECKER 37532460, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Buffalo, Minnesota.

ROBERT F BOLZ 42021401, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 29 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 at Aschaffenberg, Germany. Entered the military service from Buffalo, New York.

JAMES E BROAD 34845754, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 May 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Charleston, South Carolina.

JAMES T BUCKLEY 16124581, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 January 1944 to 10 March 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

HEROLD C CAFFRY 38005540, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

JOHN A CAPOZZOLI 33591413, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from February to 12 September 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

MAX E CASILLAS 36441925, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 June 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Colona, Illinois.

EDWARD J DOCHOD 36195747, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

CLARENCE V DRIVER 38005553, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 August 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from La Junta, Colorado.

TECUMSEH W DURHAM 38019076, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade and later Technician Fourth Grade), Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Bixby, Oklahoma.

PRICE G FARLEY 34147930, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 29 February 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Clarkrange, Tennessee.

EDGAR M FLUCKEY 20836975, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

ALEXANDER J FORBES 01310362, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 31 March to 28 April 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Long Beach, California.

SECONDINO FUSCO 32196259, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 October 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

WALTER E GRESKO 32197300, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New York City, New York.

WILLIAM F GOULD 20837713, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Delta, Colorado.

GEORGE R GREENBANK JR 39005182, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

FLOYCE D HARDEN 34130985, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Fulton, Mississippi.

ARLING R HELVENER 12050969, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Easton, Pennsylvania.

BARRY O HEDGPETH 20844528, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Antitank Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Glendale, Arizona.

RAYMOND D HOSKING 31062408, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private and later Private First Class and Technician Fifth Grade), Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Waitsfield, Vermont.

MELVIN C HOWDE 20838540, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Longmont, Colorado.

AMOS M JACKSON 20838542, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Longmont, Colorado.

WILLIAM D JOHNSON 20837197, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Canon City, Colorado.

JACK KOBLE 32973964, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Antitank Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 2 March 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

HAROLD M LITMAN 32194192, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.

FRANCIS A. MONAHAN 35088818, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 30 December 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Columbus, Ohio.

HARRY H RANKE 35016895, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 10 October 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Lima, Ohio.

VALENTIC J RUSTEK 11103548, Infantry, Corporal 1 (then Private and later Private First Class), Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 18 September 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Middletown, Connecticut.

GERALD STERLING 38631610, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 15 March to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Paris, Texas.

WILLIAM J VAN REUTH 32205025, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from East Rockaway, New York.

JOHN J WALSH 33073850, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 25 March 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Staten Island, New York.

ROBERT WESTERVELT 32194603, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 8 May 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

LEVERNE C WESTPHAL 37175894, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Kenyon, Minnesota.

JOHN E WILNER 35059772, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 19 January 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

DAVID L WRIGHT 20839501, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brush, Colorado.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men:

RICHARD E BLER 35634618, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 15 October 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Mansfield, Ohio.

RICHARD H JANNATEL 32735392, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 October 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Rochester, New York.

ROBERT T YOURON 33454008, Infantry, First Sergeant, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 23 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men:

BONNY ALLEN 36586996, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from April 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

ELDRED J ATKINS 38005789, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Haxton, Colorado.

ROBERT A BAEZ 36478615, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 24 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New Baden, Illinois.

ERNEST BAILEY 37695385, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company (then Company A), 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Des Moines, Iowa.

FRANK P BARRY 20836964, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

LLOYD I BROWN 36050975, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Lewistown, Illinois.

LLOYD A BURKHOLDER 01324097, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 11 August 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Sacramento, California.

CHARLES A CHEESMAN 38005727, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Divide, Colorado.

CLIFFORD W COLSON 31340993, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class), Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Suffield, Connecticut.

LLOYD M CONLON 33141282, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company (then Service Company), 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 24 March 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

RALPH J D'ANELIO 31190921, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Waterbury, Connecticut.

JAMES T DRIVER 34985411, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Paris, Tennessee.

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STEPHEN E EMRICK JR 31065283, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 5 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Uxbridge, Massachusetts.

DONALD J GERACI 32203849, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

RUSSEL A GLAD 20838948, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Stratton, Colorado.

WILBUR F GRAHL 35018558, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Venico, Ohio.

GEORGE L HASHBARGER 20838733, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 20 November 1943 to 8 January 1944 in Italy. Entered the military service from Smith Center, Kansas.

CREED JOHNS 35788303, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 24 January 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Nicholasville, Kentucky.

EARNEST D JOHNSON 34078138, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Eunice, Louisiana.

GRATIN A JONES 33534127, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Salem, Virginia.

Z W JONES 38010280, Infantry, Sergeant, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 17 March 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Tatum, New Mexico.

ARTHUR R KOHLBERGER 32215622, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 29 October 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from White Plains, New York.

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BLAIR LONDON 32212624, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Niagara Falls, New York.

FRANCIS S McKINNEY 20839739, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 10 March 1945 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Greeley, Colorado.

WILLIAM J McNAMARA 31061211, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Fort Devens, Massachusetts.

ANTHONY J MONTONE 20210207, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 22 January 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Auburn, New York.

EVERETT G PEARSON 38005641, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Pueblo, Colorado.

STEVE PRINOS 33262660, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Cannonsburg, Pennsylvania.

ANTONIO SARAIVA 31133266, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Fall River, Massachusetts.

ROBERT A SCHNEDL 35806044, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 March 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

JOHN J SCOTT 25418860, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 December 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

OREN E SCOTT 36431247, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 26 February 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Pawnee, Illinois.

CECIL R SEAMAN 35608148, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from December 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Youngstown, Ohio.

RALPH N SHEFFIELD 34053652, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from January 1945 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Pinellas City, Florida.

WALTER L SHERRY 33110678, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Millvale, Pennsylvania.

GERALD C SMITH 38005950, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

CHARLES D SPAWN 37176264, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Goodland, Minnesota.

KENNETH C STARK 20836774, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

JAMES A TRAVERS 20109930, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 22 February 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hudson, Massachusetts.

JOHN S TUNNEY 32862411, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 20 February 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

HERBERT C TURNER 32204715, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 1 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

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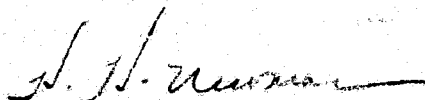
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TO: Mr. Charles J. Flannery
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1. So much of General Orders 148, Headquarters 45th Infantry Division, dated 14 August 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Charles J. Flannery, 32 209 100, is withdrawn.

2. The Purple Heart has been previously awarded to above named former soldier by General Orders 271, Headquarters 45th Infantry Division, dated 1 July 1945.

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Section I

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster and the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart and the Purple Heart are awarded to the following enlisted man for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

ROBERT D BRENNAN 31449972, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 September 1944 and Germany, 29 April 1945. Home address: Bangor, Maine.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

ALLEN H BROOKS 31409016, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 30 March 1945. Home address: East Killingloy, Connecticut.

ARNOLD FROMMER 32802878, Infantry, Private, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 24 May 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

ROY T GEORGE 34890184, Infantry, Private, Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 2 September 1944. Home address: Francisco, North Carolina.

NORMAN R MORTIMER 33625775, Private First Class, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 17 August 1944. Home address: Ambler, Pennsylvania.

ALOYSIUS J SKAJEWSKI 37557541, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 28 May 1944.

RAYMOND L COTE JR 01328013, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Belmont, California.

JOHN K MIHRO 0519397, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 December 1944. Home Address: Ft Worth, Texas.

Section III

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

MORTON F BROWN 32667443, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 30 April 1945. Home address: Albany, New York.

JAMES P COBLE 44041873, Infantry, Corporal, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 25 April 1945. Home address: Trenton, Tennessee.

CHARLES J FLANNERY 32209100, Infantry, Sergeant, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 26 November 1943. Home address: Bronx, New York.

LEROY J FORD 39340461, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 March 1945. Home address: Houlton, Oregon.

STANLEY W GRUDZIEN 31412042, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 28 March 1945. Home address: New Britain, Connecticut.

GORDON B GUNDERSON 37277339, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 2 March 1944. Home address: Reynolds, North Dakota.

WILLIAM F LAMPE 42187042, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 16 April 1945. Home address: West Englewood, New Jersey.

HERMAN LINK 44005625, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: Jacksonville, Florida.

ADDISON L MULLIKIN 34883751, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 2 September 1944.

JOSEPH A O'ROURKE 32867224, Infantry, Private, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 September 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

ANDREW RUPCAK 35062176, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 27 May 1944. Home address: Cleveland, Ohio.

WILLIAM E RANDALL 33950139, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 8 April 1945.

GEORGE H SCHOLL 31030384, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 29 March 1944. Home address: Natick, Massachusetts.

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JAMES W STUART 37744641, Corps of Military Police, Private First Class,
Military Police Platoon, 45th Infantry Division, France, 14 March 1945. Home
address: Harrington, Kansas.

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Award of the Medical Badge..... I
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Section I

Award of the Medical Badge

Under the provisions of Section II, War Department Circular, Number 66, 1945, as amended, the Medical Badge is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men, organization and effective date indicated, for satisfactory performance of duty under actual combat conditions:

JOHN W DONALD 0517420, Medical Corps, Captain, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

DONALD B HAYES 37446295, Medical Department, Sergeant, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

EINO E MARHI 36547968, Medical Department, Sergeant, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

GEORGE F HENDRY 34820935, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

KENNETH M BERKEY 37447785, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

ANDREW NOBLISKI 36549195, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

JOHN D RING 36744977, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

JACK P THACKERY 36546009, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

NOEL E ARMSTRONG 36548021, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

ROY J BARNETT 36412670, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

LLOYD L BROWN 36411563, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

JOSEPH J BUCK 16153527, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

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JOHN L CARSON 36448550, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

TONY J COLOMBRO 3342179, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

CHARLES V HAGLER 16152083, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

HENRY H HELMS JR 34666928, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

MARTIN E HILLGER 36717626, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

CLAY KING 35732469, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

ALFRED J KOPVEILER 37542330, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

PHILLIP K MOONEY 16106142, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

WILLIAM L PARK 17082972, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

RAYMOND W PIRTLE 37446967, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

TOIVO SALO 37327467, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

VERNON W THOMPSON 37246113, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

MURRY A WILLIAMS 34592013, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

CLARK R ROWINGER 0494977, Medical Corps, Captain, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

ALBERT W NAVSKY 02049346, Medical Administrative Corps, First Lieutenant, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

JAMES Z MARITT JR 37505735, Medical Department, Sergeant, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

JAMES G MARTIN 37603653, Medical Department, Sergeant, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

LYLE P WORTHINGTON 39903079, Medical Department, Sergeant, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

JOHN KERSTNER JR 32147901, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

HUGO G SCHNEFFLE 37542835, Medical Department, Corporal, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

MARTIN A STANA 33440773, Medical Department, Corporal, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

SHEDMAN N DALEN 37326979, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

WILLIAM O WOODS 37242954, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

JAMES F ARMSWORTHY 33552053, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

MERTON O BALL 36854593, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

FREDERICK BAUER 36715744, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

LAWRENCE A BEYER 36287364, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

CASMER L BUDISH 37542175, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

CALVIN H BURKITT 33741733, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

FRANKLIN A FITZMAURICE 35553729, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

THOMAS J HASSER 37400513, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

LEO G HORST 36749493, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

BOHDAN A JANAY 35144037, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

FRANK B KING 36410675, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

CONSTANTINO J PASCARELLI 36715259, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

WILLIAM E PEARSON 34591693, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

CORBETT B REID 38204420, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

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CARL W BAMPSON 35395946, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

GEORGE A GUEHMAN 36541629, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

THEIMAN TURNER 34464938, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

HAROLD R VIDIAN 36412250, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

ALBERT B WINZENRIED 37346351, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

DANIEL BRIGHT 0511087, Medical Corps, Captain, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

JOSEPH E TALCOTT 02048167, Medical Administrative Corps, First Lieutenant, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

PAY J HALLBERG 02041904, Medical Administrative Corps, First Lieutenant, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

FRED L KEAST JR 36714380, Medical Department, Sergeant, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

PATRICK D LASSITER 34591811, Medical Department, Sergeant, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

CHARLES J PISORS 36715790, Medical Department, Sergeant, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

CLARENCE H WEDKING 37447843, Medical Department, Sergeant, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

RICHARD L BUCK 36411462, Medical Department, Corporal, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

CHARLES DRYFHOUT 36712079, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

LEROY E PATZKOWSKY 36550515, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

DAVID S STOKES 34516379, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

HARRY L BEAVER 34592113, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

WILLIAM N BENEDICT 36550342, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

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GERALD F BUTZIN 36553331, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

LEROY L CHENEY 37327350, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

WILLIS I EWING 15360363, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

JOHN L FORD 37251449, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

RAYMOND J ROSTER 37446112, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

WILLIAM R GOODCHILD 37566546, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

WARREN G HAYDEN 35484455, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

ARCHIE M HOUSTON 16089001, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

ANTONIO J LANNICELLI 32562278, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

EDGAR D KIRKLAND 35615755, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

LOUIS A LAMB 35470252, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

GEORGE W MATHEWSJR 14192033, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

THOMAS C MONTIS 18011770, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

FRANCIS K MUEHLFELT 36712140, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

CARL D ONISCHUK 37558879, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

ROBERT H POPPE 35095322, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

EUGENE L STYN 36553702, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

SAMUEL N TORGAN 11111254, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

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VINCENT A AUFDERHEIDE 0551882, Medical Corps, Captain, Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

WILLIAM E AVERY 0551386, Medical Corps, Captain, Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

HOWARD E BARNWELL 0545747, Medical Corps, Captain, Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

THOMAS E CAVANAUGH 0435435, Medical Corps, Captain, Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

HOWARD E SMITH 0344670, Medical Corps, Captain, Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 December 1944.

RICHARD E DEESE 18067178, Medical Department, Corporal, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 16 December 1944.

ROBERT N HOWARD 33394946, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 16 December 1944.

WALLACE E LADD 12208291, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 15 December 1944.

WILLIS C MITCHELL 32584714, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 1 January 1945.

PHILIP W BOKING 36625635, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 15 December 1944.

GIUSEPPE F BUSCENI 42034058, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 15 December 1944.

WILLIAM A KINCAID 36437751, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 15 December 1944.

TEDDY MAJKA 36650779, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 15 December 1944.

TRINO R MARTINEZ 39039577, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 31 January 1945.

JOHN H NEYER 35770311, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 16 December 1944.

RAYMOND C KUFFING JR 35295902, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 10 February 1945.

HRANT H SOLAKIAN 12169589, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 15 December 1944.

ROY N STAPLES 35836150, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 15 December 1944.

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HAROLD J WATERSTROUCH 32573012, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, 16 December 1944.

LORIS F AUTIN 34230520, Medical Department, Sergeant, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 25 December 1944.

EDWIN C DOUGHERTY 33471111, Medical Department, Corporal, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 18 December 1944.

AARON E PRINCE 39115942, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 25 December 1944.

GARNET J BLIZZARD 34592119, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 18 December 1944.

FREDERICK N COFFEY 32800604, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 25 December 1944.

OLEANDER DAVIS 34393077, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 1 April 1945.

JOHN C LEVANDOWSKI 36283040, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 25 December 1944.

TROY FEARSON 38353520, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 18 December 1944.

JOHN C RODMAN 32572144, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 25 December 1944.

JOHN SCARDINO 32659724, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 25 December 1944.

DONALD W SHAW 33394963, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 25 December 1944.

JOHN W SHOAF 39618723, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 25 December 1944.

HARRY L SMITH JR 37299320, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, 25 December 1944.

FRANCIS V O'NEIL 32589032, Medical Department, Sergeant, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 20 December 1944.

MICHAEL WAK 33471055, Medical Department, Corporal, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 20 December 1944.

NELSON H DEARMONT 37436369, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 20 December 1944.

JACK A BECKER 3681 538, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 20 December 1944.

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ORVILLE E BRIDGES 33718551, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 1 March 1945.

CHARLES E GAINER 34651296, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 1 March 1945.

CHARLES R GARD 32588585, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 20 December 1944.

JEROME W KALISZEWSKI 36592818, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 20 December 1944.

LEROY E SCHILLER 01692172, Dental Corps, Captain, 54th Field Hospital, 2 March 1944.

JOHN K CALDWELL 0435192, Medical Corps, Captain, Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion, 9 January 1945.

NEIL A WACK 33165210, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, 9 December 1944.

LEROY L McCAULLEY 36413187, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, 9 December 1944.

HAROLD L THOMAS 36410615, Medical Department, Corporal, Medical Detachment, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, 9 December 1944.

JOHN MUSICK 37446965, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, 9 December 1944.

JOHN H NIEMI 36330787, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, 9 December 1944.

CLYDE M SISSON 37466234, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, 9 December 1944.

JOSEPH N HARTMAN 32552428, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, 30 December 1944.

ALBERT A MARINO 12225988, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, 14 December 1944.

VITO POMACO 42001323, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, 9 December 1944.

WARREN D REED 33939947, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, 1 January 1945.

THOMAS D WRIGHT 39140170, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, 9 December 1944.

ROBERT E CARR 0513269, Medical Corps, Captain, Medical Detachment, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, 9 December 1944.

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JEREMIAH H SILFIES JR 01726510, Dental Corps, Captain, Medical Detachment,
120th Engineer Combat Battalion, 9 December 1944.

Section II

Award of the Good Conduct Medal

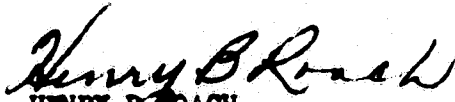
Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-68 and upon the recommendation of his immediate commanding officer, the Good Conduct Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man:

JOSEPH J WIDO 42106341, Private First Class, 195th Photographic Interpretation Team, for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity in the performance of his military duty during the period 19 July 1944 to 19 July 1945. Entered the military service from Cliffside, New Jersey.

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GENERAL ORDER

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following enlisted men and officers:

JOHN P. BELLANTI 32012550, Infantry, Technician Third Grade, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Buffalo, New York.

JOHN BOROWITZ 32315511, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hastings-on-Hudson, New York.

FRED L. BUMP 32187989, Infantry, Technician Third Grade, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Bridgeton, New Jersey.

HERMAN C. FLEMING 36223773, Infantry, Technician Third Grade, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Germantown, Wisconsin.

WALTER W. GLOWACKI 31062572, Infantry, Technician Third Grade, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Lawrence, Massachusetts.

JOHN R. GOLDNER 33147704, Infantry, Technician Third Grade, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Turtle Creek, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH J. GRUENWALD 35674544, Infantry, Corporal, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 21 August 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Saint Bernard, Cincinnati, Ohio.

WILLIAM F. HARRIS 32266585, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Woodstown, New Jersey.

JOHN W HEFFERNAN 32658323, Infantry, Technician Third Grade, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Woodside, Long Island, New York.

ALTON HILL 35502952, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Alliance, Ohio.

EDGAR F NORMAN 38394222, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 9 October 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wewoka, Oklahoma.

ARTHUR L PEARSON 32206451, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Bloomfield, New Jersey.

CHARLES W RIEBER 32327605, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JOHN J SEWELL 32598928, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 21 August 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

ALBERT SINGER 31142449, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

RALPH B STEINER 32189373, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from South Amboy, New Jersey.

EDMUND F SULKOSKI 31040890, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

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ERIL P NAVTA W2125236, Army of the United States, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Whiting, Indiana.

WARREN J THOMAS W2109823, Army of the United States, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Muskogee, Oklahoma.

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Commendation of Unit

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55 the following unit is commended:

160TH FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION, for outstanding performance of duty in action on 31 August and 1 September 1944 in the battle of Maximeux, France. In direct support of an infantry regiment the 160th Field Artillery Battalion protected road blocks around Maximeux and near a bridge across the L'Ain River north of Loyette, France, for support of an attack on Chalamont, France. This mission was made immeasurably more difficult due to the widespread separation of the artillery batteries involved. When the numerically superior enemy launched a coordinated attack at four points, supply routes were cut and physical contact between the firing batteries and the battalion headquarters was lost. This coordinated attack struck the left rear of the infantry regiment in an effort to cut the last remaining bridge and supply route across the L'Ain River and at the town of Maximeux from three directions. Radio communication was the only means of contact throughout the critical part of the battle. Despite the widely separated action, the fluid situation, the intermingling of the enemy and our troops and the unusual artillery problems involved, the direction of artillery fire was superbly coordinated, even at one time when the battalion headquarters was threatened with a tank attack which drove to within two hundred yards of the command post. Shifting skillfully from the offensive to the defensive, the artillery was a decisive factor in saving the desperate situation at Maximeux which at one time was enveloped from all sides and had been entered by enemy tanks and infantry. The 160th Field Artillery Battalion made possible the saving of the important bridge whose severance would have isolated the infantry and three batteries of artillery from the remainder of the Division. During this engagement, the batteries were forced to defend their positions with machine guns and all other available defense measures; two batteries placed their guns in position for direct antitank fire. The effective fire of the artillery resulted in the destruction of nine tanks, three self-propelled guns, five trucks, two motorcycles, four 81mm mortars, four machine guns and a number of enemy killed and wounded. The conspicuous skill in meeting all enemy threats, the teamwork and determination displayed by members of the 160th Field Artillery Battalion during this widespread and extremely confusing action aided immeasurably in the success of the infantry against the enemy.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

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ORIGINAL ORDER

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

Section I

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

J. W. BIRDWELL 38631705, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 25 March 1945. Home address: Graham, Texas.

MARTIN WALEN 01319691, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company C, 140th Infantry Regiment, France, 29 November 1944. Home address: Battle Creek, Michigan.

Section II

Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following individuals for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

ANGELO CUCULINO 33811351, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 29 March 1945. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

EUGENE P. TCHISON 01329551, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 20 March 1945. Home address: Newnan, Georgia.

LEON E. BENEFISKY 01057676, Infantry, First Lieutenant, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 26 April 1945. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

ANTHONY J. DeLUCA 42134622, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 19 March 1945. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

SAMUEL S. HAYS 35815436, Infantry, Sergeant, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 29 March 1945. Home address: Danville, Kentucky.

CHARLES A. KEFFLER 01998641, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 28 April 1945. Home address: Canton, Ohio.

HUGH V. LEGGETT 34636372, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 23 April 1945. Home address: Brookhaven, Mississippi.

JOHN J. LOKANIDES 42074729, Infantry, Corporal, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 29 March 1945. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

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JOHN P MANGINE 42106071, Infantry, First Sergeant, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 29 March 1945. Home address: Dumsut, New Jersey.

MERVILLE W MYERS 33883936, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 December 1944. Home address: Van Lear, Kentucky.

WILLIAM O MITTAG 38421138, Medical Department, Private First Class, Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion, Germany, 25 April 1945.

PAUL W NELSON 37697882, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 7 April 1945.

EARL H NOBIL 35923444, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 1 May 1945. Home address: Akron, Ohio.

WILLIAM V PATTERSON 02006072, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 15 March 1945. Home address: Norfolk, Virginia.

MAXIE L RUPERT 0442994, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Headquarter Company, Third Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 4 January 1945. Home address: Springfield Missouri.

So much of General Orders Number 292, Section II, Award of the Purple Heart, this headquarters, cs, as pertains to MARTIN WHALEN 01319691, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

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Section I

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers:

JOHN D GOODNER JR 0438890, Infantry, Captain, Headquarters, Third Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 24 September 1943 to 15 September 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Alexandria, Tennessee.

ARTHUR E LARGE 0333159, Field Artillery, Major, Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 May 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Allen, Oklahoma.

HAL I MULBROW JR 0250319, Field Artillery, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Norman, Oklahoma.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

WILLIAM R COOK 0201530, Judge Advocate General's Department, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 25 March 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

FRANK J NOSAN JR W2109024, Army of the United States, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 7 November 1942 to 8 May 1945 in United States, Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Ely, Minnesota.

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FRANCIS L FEARSON 33346896, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, Forty Fifth Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 28 January 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New Cumberland, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM O PERRY 0181286, Inspector General's Department, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from July 1942 to April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

HENRY B ROACH 0276004, Adjutant General's Department, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division, for meritorious service from 20 June to 20 July 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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Section I

Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following individuals:

NATHAN COHEN 32963006, Infantry, Sergeant, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 15 August 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

ALVIN L FRANK 0461128, Corps of Engineers, Captain, Company C, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 27 October 1943 to 3 February 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered military service from Adams Run, South Carolina.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following individuals:

ALBERT E BONNELL 0274128, Dental Corps, Major, Headquarters, 45th Inf Div for meritorious service from 1 February 1943 to 8 May 1945 in the United States, Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered military service from Muskogee, Oklahoma.

FRANK J BOVA 32188604, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division, for meritorious service from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered military service from North Arlington, New Jersey.

GEORGE DAWSON 35748899, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Forty Fifth Infantry Division Band, for meritorious service from 9 September 1943 to 1 October 1944 in Italy and France. Entered military service from Lost Creek, West Virginia.

WILLIAM R HURT 35726620, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment for meritorious service from 9 February 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered military service from Evansville, Indiana.

FRANK JONES JR 35871377 Infantry, Private, Headquarters Company, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 20 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Hamilton, Ohio

SHELDON KATZ 32785668, Infantry, Private First Class, Forty Fifth Infantry Division Band, for meritorious service from 9 July 1943 to 5 January 1944 in Sicily and Italy. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JOHN W KING 33571537, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Forty Fifth Infantry Division Band, for meritorious service from 9 July 1943 to 5 January 1944 in Sicily and Italy. Entered military service from Windber, Pennsylvania.

LAWRENCE T Mc INERNEY 38003508, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Forty Fifth Infantry Division, for meritorious service from 10 July 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered military service from Phoenix, Arizona.

WILLIAM R PEMBERTON 38010979, Ordnance, Staff Sergeant, 700 Ordnance Light Maintenance Company, for meritorious service from 1 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered military service from Artesia, New Mexico.

GEORGE SCHIERA 32193869, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, Forty Fifth Infantry Division, for meritorious service from 10 July 1943 to 17 March 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JOHN J SITLAVA 35297656, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 5 October 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rossford, Ohio.

NOBLE E STOUT 38015508, Signal Corps, Technician Fifth Grade, 45th Signal Company, for meritorious service from 8 November 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered military service from Lambert, Oklahoma.

WYATT F THOMAS 39683226, Medical Dept., Private, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from May 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered military service from West Twin Falls, Idaho.

CHARLES H TUCKER 36111721, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 4 April 1945 to 1 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

JOSEPH VENNERA 32785823, Infantry, Private First Class, Forty Fifth Infantry Division Band, for meritorious service from 10 July 1943 to 5 January 1944 in Sicily and Italy. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JACK G WILCOTT 20823739, Signal Corps, Technician Fifth Grade, 45th Signal Company, for meritorious service from 8 November 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered military service from Alva, Oklahoma.

Section III

Revocation and Amendment of General Orders

So much of General Orders Number 39, Section III, Award of the Bronze Star Medal, this Headquarters, as, as pertains to NATHAN COHEN 32963006, Infantry, Sergeant, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment is hereby revoked.

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So much of General Orders Number 339, Section III, Award of the Bronze Star Medal, this Headquarters, as, pertaining to HAROLD JOHNSON JR 31412845, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, as reads "in combat from 28 January 1944" is amended to read "in combat from 28 January 1945."

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