JESSE J SCOTT 36670735, Infantry, Private, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 11 October 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

JOHN J SPRATTLEY 37015480, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 31 May 1944. Home address: Sedalia, Missouri.

ROY L WILLIAMS 35761037, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 December 1944. Home address: Grafton, West Virginia.

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:

JOSEPH ASTRASKI 32263711, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Reconnaissance Company, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, Italy, 16 May 1944. Home address: Cambridge, New Jersey.

LUCIANO B D'AREZZO 31120285, Infantry, Private, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 13 October 1943. Home address: Providence, Rhode Island.

WILLIAM GALLO 32869616, Infantry, Private, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 7 December 1943. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

LESTER B GRIFFITH 38010596, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 21 October 1944. Home address: Carlsbad, New Mexico.

PAUL HENSLEY 35771227, Infantry, Private, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 August 1944. Home address: Maggard, Kentucky.

ROY L HILL 34284740, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 9 January 1945. Home address: Lenoir City, Tennessee.

DOMINICK J LEISE JR 33308898, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 April 1945. Home address: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

EDGAR F MARTIN 33618367, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 8 December 1943. Home address: Mt. Penn, Pennsylvania.

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ROBERT T MILES 12106277, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 11 June 1944. Home address: Girard, Ohio.

CARL R MOBILIA 32252121, Infantry, Sergeant, Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 October 1944. Home address: Buffalo, New York.

WALTER G PETERS 38773618, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 31 March 1945. Home address: Lumpetor, Pennsylvania.

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~~JACK K VICKERY 32606154, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 7 April 1945. Home address: Jellerson City, Tennessee.~~

ALBERT L VENTURO 33508881, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 21 October 1944. Home address: Stoolton, Pennsylvania.

EDWARD D ZBIERALSKI 36760794, Infantry, Sergeant, Company A, 757th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 14 April 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

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Section I

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

ROBERT E AGNEW 6392462, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 6 December 1944 and Germany, 19 March 1945. Home address: Vienna, Georgia.

Award of the Purple Heart and the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster

Section II

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

LEOPOLD LEDUC 31065234, Infantry, Corporal, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, Sicily, 11 July 1943 and Italy, 22 December 1943. Home address: Lawrence, Massachusetts.

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart

Section III

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a 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:

[illegible] 36835080, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, [illegible]nt, France, 14 February 1945. Home address: Milwaukee,

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Award of Two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Purple Heart

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

ROBERT L AGNEW 6392462, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 December 1944 and Germany, 19 March 1945. Home address: Vienna, Georgia.

Section II

Award of the Purple Heart and the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster

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

LEOPOLD LEDUC 31065234, Infantry, Corporal, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, Sicily, 11 July 1943 and Italy, 22 December 1943. Home address: Methuen, Massachusetts.

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Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a 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:

LeROY E O THOMPSON 36835080, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 February 1945. Home address: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

THEODORE J SLIFER 20836811, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 17 April 1945. Home address: Richmond, Virginia.

Section IV

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:

CLARENCE E BRESSETT 11035901, Infantry, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 21 March 1945. Home address: Lebanon, New Hampshire.

JAMES W FRANKLIN 34915720, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 December 1944. Home address: Cullman, Alabama.

STEPHEN C HRUBEC 36757499, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 August 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

JOHN W JAKEL 33934095, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 17 January 1945. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

MATTHEW J KELLY JR 42122308, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 27 April 1945. Home address: Troy, New York.

CLARENCE H KLIEN 36117116, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 9 May 1944. Home address: Hawks, Michigan.

ROBERT A MAHONEY 33683367, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 28 October 1944. Home address: Johnsonburg, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH MASTRIANO 31291797, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 26 May 1944. Home address: Providence, Rhode Island.

CLIFTON G McNAIR 34496436, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 4 November 1944. Home address: Memphis, Tennessee.

WILBERT W PYLKA 37589493, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 28 March 1945. Home address: Embarrass, Minnesota.

ALBERT E ROSS 33802170, Infantry, Private, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 23 September 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JOHN G THOMAS 33745714, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 5 December 1944. Home address: Washington, D. C.

LOUIS R THOMPSON 35839941, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 January 1945. Home address: Bluffton, Ohio.

ROBERT D TRIPP 16147830, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 23 May 1944. Home address: Ishpeming, Michigan.

RICHARD B WEST JR 33639663, Infantry, Sergeant, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 9 February 1944. Home address: Old Church, Virginia.

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WITHDRAWAL OF GENERAL ORDERS

So much of General Orders 245 and 408, Headquarters 45th Infantry Division, dated 24 June 1945 and 4 December 1945, respectively, as pertain to the awards of the Purple Heart to Albert E. Ross, 33 802 170, are withdrawn.

The subject individual was previously awarded the Purple Heart by General Orders 212, Headquarters 45th Infantry Division, dated 10 June 1945.

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Section I

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:

HERMAN H SISLER 38[illegible]330, Infantry, Corporal,
Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

WALLACE E BROWNING JR 31446201, Infantry, Private First Class,
Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

For heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 19 March 1945 in Wiesweiller, Germany. Searching for billets in the town of Wiesweiller, Corporal Sisler and Private Browning found a house ablaze. Searching the house for any possible occupants, they found several sleeping members of the regimental mine clearing platoon. Corporal Sisler and Private Browning aroused the sleeping men and rushed them into the street. Then returning into the burning house, they helped to remove valuable mine sweeping equipment. Notified that there were still men sleeping in the basement, Corporal Sisler and Private Browning entered the smoke filled cellar and aroused several more members of the mine platoon and led them to safety. The courage and concern for their fellow soldiers displayed by Corporal Sisler and Private Browning reflect credit upon themselves and their organization.

Section II

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

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded to the following enlisted man for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy:

HARRY C PRICE 34114110, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 20 April 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Elkins, North Carolina.

Section III

Award of the Air Medal

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Air Medal is awarded to each of the following officers for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy:

RULAND A BALL 0519181, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, from 2 December 1944 to 30 March 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Uvalde, Texas.

HENRY A PEDICONE 01176760, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1945 to 24 April 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

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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:

DANIEL WILSON 20842169, Corps of Engineers, Corporal, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945 near Bliesbruck, France. In order to clear a path for friendly tanks to advance over, Corporal Wilson and two other men, went forward of our lines to sweep the road for mines. Although the area was under fire from enemy small arms and mortars, Corporal Wilson and his two companions succeeded in removing a road block of fallen trees, fifteen Teller mines and thirty-two Schu mines, and advanced to within a short distance of the objective before they were finally forced to withdraw by the heavy volume of enemy fire directed at them. The courageous actions of Corporal Wilson enabled the tanks to advance and cut one of the enemy's main supply routes and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Idabel, Oklahoma.

Section II

Award of the Silver Star

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

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ROBERT C BOEDECKER 0111 7080, Corps of Engineers, First Lieutenant, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for gallantry in action on 26 April 1945 near Nieder-schoield, Germany. In preparation for an assault crossing and in spite of prepared enemy positions and patrols, Lieutenant Boedecker led a crew of men across the Danube River, reconnoitered the opposite bank, and returned without being detected by the enemy. Standing in the cold water up to his waist, he held the boats steady against the bank while the infantrymen boarded. Then acting as crew chief for all boats, in order to conserve space, he crossed in the first boat and safely landed the men on the far bank. Repeating this process, Lieutenant Boedecker was largely responsible for the battalion's successful crossing of the swift and treacherous river. His courage and leadership reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Short Hills, New Jersey.

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Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star is awarded to the following enlisted man:

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DANIEL WILSON 20842169, Corps of Engineers, Corporal, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945 near Eliesbruck, France. In order to clear a path for friendly tanks to advance over, Corporal Wilson and two other men, went forward of our lines to advance the road for mines. Although the area was under fire from enemy small arms and mortars, Corporal Wilson and his two companions succeeded in removing a road block of felled trees, fifteen Teller mines and thirty-two Schu mines, and advanced to within a short distance of the objective before they were finally forced to withdraw by the heavy volume of enemy fire directed at them. The courageous actions of Corporal Wilson enabled the tanks to advance and out one of the enemy's main supply routes and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from: Idabel, Oklahoma.

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Section II

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

ROBERT C BOESCKE 0111080, Corps of Engineers, First Lieutenant, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, Corps of Engineers, for gallantry in action on 26 April 1945 near Kloden-schield, Germany. In preparation for an assault crossing and in spite of prepared enemy positions and patrols, Lieutenant Boeddcker led a crew of men across the Danube River, reconnoitered the opposite bank and returned without being detected by the enemy. Then acting as crew chief again he held the boats steady and with water up to his waist, he held the boats steady while the infantrymen boarded. Then acting as crew chief again in order to conserve space, he crossed in the first boat and out one of the enemy's main supply routes and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from: Jersey.

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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:

DANIEL WILSON 20842169, Corps of Engineers, Corporal, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945 near Bliesbruck, France. In order to clear a path for friendly tanks to advance over, Corporal Wilson and two other men, went forward of our lines to sweep the road for mines. Although the area was under fire from enemy small arms and mortars, Corporal Wilson and his two companions succeeded in removing a road block of fallen trees, fifteen Teller mines and thirty-two Schu mines, and advanced to within a short distance of the objective before they were finally forced to withdraw by the heavy volume of enemy fire directed at them. The courageous actions of Corporal Wilson enabled the tanks to advance and cut one of the enemy's main supply routes and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Idabel, Oklahoma.

Section II

Award of the Silver Star

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

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*ROBERT C BOEDECKER 0111 7080, Corps of Engineers, First Lieutenant, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for gallantry in action on 26 April 1945 near Nieder-schoield, Germany. In preparation for an assault crossing and in spite of prepared enemy positions and patrols, Lieutenant Boedecker led a crew of men across the Danube River, reconnoitered the opposite bank, and returned without being detected by the enemy. Standing in the cold water up to his waist, he held the boats steady against the bank while the infantrymen boarded. Then acting as crew chief for all boats, in order to conserve space, he crossed in the first boat and safely landed the men on the far bank. Repeating this process, Lieutenant Boedecker was largely responsible for the battalion's successful crossing of the swift and treacherous river. His courage and leadership reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Short Hills, New Jersey.

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EDWARD L MARTIN 34671776, Corps of Engineers, Sergeant (then Corporal), Company C, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for gallantry in action on 26 April 1945 near Stoppers, Germany. Sergeant Martin was working with his squad on the far bank of the Danube River when an artillery shell landed close by an approaching boat, upsetting it and throwing the occupants into the water. In spite of the enemy fire falling in the area, Sergeant Martin unhesitatingly dove into the fast flowing river and swam to a drowning infantryman. After towing him to safety, he again swam out and assisted an officer to shore. Sergeant Martin's courage and quick action saved the lives of two fellow soldiers and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Jamesville, North Carolina.

ELIAS P WILLIAMS 20642176, Corps of Engineers, Sergeant, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945 near Bliesbruck, France. In order to clear a path for friendly tanks to advance over, Sergeant Williams and two other men, went forward of our lines to sweep the road for mines. Although the area was under fire from enemy small arms and mortars, Sergeant Williams and his two companions succeeded in removing a road block of fallen trees, fifteen Teller mines thirty-two Schu mines, and advanced to within a short distance of the objective before they were finally forced to withdraw by the heavy volume of enemy fire directed at them. The courageous actions of Sergeant Williams enabled the tanks to advance and cut one of the enemy's main supply routes and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Idabel, Oklahoma.

PAUL C ANDERSON 33265769, Corps of Engineers, Private First Class (then Private) Headquarters and Service Company, 1553d Engineer Heavy Ponton Battalion. Entered the military service from Alleghony County, Pennsylvania.

VERNON BROWN 38531309, Corps of Engineers, Private First Class, Headquarters and Service Company, 1553d Engineer Heavy Ponton Battalion. Entered the military service from Dallas, Texas.

For gallantry in action on 26 March 1945 near Rhinedrucken, Germany. Private Anderson and Private Brown volunteered to take their boat to a blown bridge on which several men had clung after their boat had capsized in the crossing of the Rhine River. Driving their boat through heavy artillery and machine gun fire, they reached the blown bridge and rescued the exhausted men despite an enemy machine gun that fired into their midst, wounding two of the men and piercing the gas tank on the boat. The courageous actions of Private Anderson and Private Brown in going to the the assistance of the stranded men undoubtedly saved lives of ten men and reflect high credit upon themselves and their organization.

LAWRENCE J ANDERT 37091549, Corps of Engineers, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion. Entered the military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

ARNEL E JACKSON 13087554, Corps of Engineers, Sergeant, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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For gallantry in action on 26 April 1945 near Bertolsheim, Germany. During the assault crossing of the Danube, Sergeant Andert and Sergeant Jackson were in charge of the boats which transported assault waves of infantry across the River. From the initial assembly site, which was under enemy mortar fire, to the final launching site, Sergeant Andert and Sergeant Jackson continuously exposed themselves to hostile small arms and mortar fire, to supervise the loading of assault troops and handling of the boats. When enemy fire threatened to disrupt the flow of reinforcements and supplies to our troops on the far shore, Sergeant Andert and Sergeant Jackson displayed superior control and leadership under fire in reorganizing and regrouping the boat crews. While assisting in launching an assault boat, Sergeant Jackson was wounded by an enemy mortar shell. The initiative and tenacity of spirit displayed by Sergeant Andert and Sergeant Jackson are worthy of emulation and reflect the highest ideals of the military service.

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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:

LAWRENCE BARSUGLIA 32263839, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class), Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action on 26 August 1944 near Alexis, France. Sergeant Barsuglia, assistant tank destroyer driver, was forced to leave the vehicle with his comrades when a hidden enemy tank knocked out their destroyer. The entire group reached safety after running through an enemy mortar barrage when they noticed that the driver was not with them. Sergeant Barsuglia immediately returned to the knocked out tank destroyer and discovered the driver lying seriously wounded inside. Entering the vehicle, Sergeant Barsuglia removed his wounded comrade to the ground just as an enemy shell pierced the turret. Sergeant Barsuglia then carried his comrade to safety. The courageous actions of Sergeant Barsuglia saved the life of the seriously wounded soldier and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Mays Landing, New Jersey.

JOHN B DENVIR 20272930, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Battery B, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 31 March 1945 near Aschaffenburg, Germany. Sergeant Denvir's forward observer party entered a house to set up an observation post. Enemy sniper fire coming through the many doors and windows forced the men to seek cover on the floor. Taking his post at a window, Sergeant Denvir directed artillery fire on enemy dug-in positions fifty yards away. When an enemy soldier began firing a bazooka at the house, Sergeant Denvir killed him with his carbine. His well adjusted artillery fire and accurate small arms fire forced the enemy to take cover and allowed a friendly machine gun squad to set up nearby. Their combined efforts soon eliminated the enemy and allowed the advance on the objective to continue. Sergeant Denvir's courage and leadership reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

PETER H DeSIMONE 35303614, Armored, Corporal, Company B, 191st Tank Battalion, for gallantry in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. When Corporal DeSimone's tank received two hits by enemy antitank fire, it began to burn. Although the order was given to abandon the tank, Corporal DeSimone immediately traversed the turret and released the two lower hatches, enabling the driver and bow gunner to escape. He then fired, in rapid succession, a number of rounds into the enemy antitank gun position, destroying it. Only when the small caliber ammunition began to explode around him did he abandon the tank. Corporal DeSimone's courage and daring reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from East Cleveland, Ohio.

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HAROLD P GREENE 34083389, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 16 February 1944 near Anzio, Italy. Sergeant Greene was a member of a forward observer party when the officer in command was seriously wounded. After caring for the officer, Sergeant Greene then took command of the party. Returning to the observation post, he continued to direct fire on the enemy until his position was completely surrounded and out of communication with the supporting artillery. Destroying all valuable equipment and codes, he dispersed his men and, taking advantage of a friendly artillery barrage that pinned the enemy to the ground, led his men back to friendly lines. Sergeant Greene's aggressive leadership and coolness under fire were responsible for inflicting many casualties on the enemy and materially aided the infantry to successfully hold their positions. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Savannah, Georgia.

BRUCE HALE 20537644, Field Artillery, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 17 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. Corporal Hale maintained wire communication to the artillery forward observer party during a strong attempt by the enemy to break through our position. Although the enemy fired thousands of rounds of artillery into the area through which his wire line ran, Corporal Hale remained at his duty repairing the broken wire and laying new lines when an enemy penetration severed his wire routes. When his wire truck was damaged by an enemy shell and he himself was wounded, Corporal Hale continued repairing the line on foot throughout the remainder of the attack. By maintaining wire communication during this critical period, Corporal Hale enabled the forward observers to adjust artillery fire upon the attacking enemy that aided materially in containing the attack. The courageous actions of Corporal Hale reflect credit upon himslef and his organization. Entered the military service from Prentiss, Mississippi.

JOHN F LONDON 02014976, Field Artillery, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action on 1 January 1945 near Mouterhouse, France. Lieutenant London was given the mission of organizing a strongpoint to slow down the enemy advance until reinforcements could be brought up. Taking two tank destroyers with several light tanks and armored cars and incorporating them with infantry personnel, Lieutenant London organized an excellent defensive position. Shortly after he had organized his strongpoint, it was attacked by strong enemy forces but, despite the heavy enemy fire falling in the area, Lieutenant London went among his men, directing their fire and encouraging them to hold their ground. The courageous actions of Lieutenant London during this period aided materially in containing the enemy until other units could organize a defensive position and stop the attack and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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MICHAEL G MAIETTA 37609527, Armored, Technician Fourth Grade, Company B, 191st Tank Battalion, for gallantry in action on 26 March 1945 near Gros-Rohrheim, Germany. Technician Maietta's tank became mired in the mud during an assault on a strong enemy position. At the same time an infantry platoon was temporarily stopped by heavy enemy machine gun and small arms fire. Technician Maietta, driver of the tank, directed the gunner to cover him and proceeded to hook a tow cable to a nearby stump. He was attacked by two enemy soldiers but by acting quickly, killed them both with his carbine. He then skillfully manoeuvered his tank out of the mud hole and into a firing position from where the tank's fire relieved the enemy pressure on the platoon, enabling the infantry to advance. Technician Maietta's courage and aggressiveness reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Saint Louis, Missouri.

HERBERT McCOOK 02011738, Field Artillery, Second Lieutenant, Battery A, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. When part of the company to which he was attached as a forward observer was cut off from the rest of the company by heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire. Lieutenant McCook made his way forward to a position from where he could adjust the fire of his battalion on the enemy position. Although the enemy directed a large volume of small arms fire at him, Lieutenant McCook remained in position until he had adjusted a heavy smoke screen that enabled the troops that had been cut off to regain their unit. Then using a large wooden building as an observation post, Lieutenant McCook directed counterbattery fire on the enemy artillery and succeeded in silencing the enemy gun. Lieutenant McCook's courage and initiative were a material factor to the successful attack by the company and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

CHESTER PLACZKIEWICZ 35559188, Armored, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 191st Tank Battalion, for gallantry in action on 29 March 1945 near Gros-Klein-Hausen, Germany. During an attack against strong enemy positions Technician Placzkiewicz's tank was hit by an enemy antitank gun and the equipment on the outside of the tank set on fire. Although the crew immediately abandoned the burning tank Technician Placzkiewicz remained and removed the burning equipment before he took cover. Observing an infantry platoon temporarily stopped by an enemy flak wagon, he made his way back to the tank, climbed into the turret and opened fire on the flak gun, destroying it. When the enemy antitank gun scored another hit on his tank, Technician Placzkiewicz immediately fired on its position, putting the antitank gun out of action. Technician Placzkiewicz's courageous actions prevented loss of his tank and was a material factor in the success of the attack. Entered the military service from Toledo, Ohio.

DONOVAN W PORTER 01177586, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Battery B, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 8 January 1945 near Bitche, France. Lieutenant Porter was a forward observer attached to a rifle company that was preparing to attack strong enemy positions. By working his way forward through the heavy enemy fire, Lieutenant Porter was

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able to make his way to an exposed but advantageous observation post. From there he adjusted an effective preparation fire that inflicted many casualties on the enemy and permitted the riflemen to quickly take their objective. His initiative and skill reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Albion, Nebraska.

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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:

DAVID A APSHAK 38052170, Field Artillery, Corporal, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 28 May 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Dovers, Texas.

WILLIAM D BARR 35292394, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 9 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Jacksonburg, West Virginia.

MAURICE H BERG 36423880, Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private), Reconnaissance Company, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 29 March 1945 to 18 April 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Muskegon, Michigan.

FRANK W BOLOWSKI 20313967, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 9 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

JAMES E BOYD 35282266, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then Private and later Private First Class, Technician Fifth Grade, Technician Fourth Grade, and Sergeant), Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 9 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from West Alexander, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT J CAMPBELL 32211816, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 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 Camillus, New York.

DEWEY S DOLAH JR 35542011, Field Artillery, Corporal, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 9 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New Carlisle, Indiana.

ROBERT S FOX 33497849, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 9 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from East Earl, Pennsylvania.

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FRANKLIN A FERGUSON JR 38017791, Field Artillery, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 14 October 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

VINCENT R GIAMPOLE 33420075, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 March 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania.

RAYMOND K HARRIS 20816558, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 28 May 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Houston, Texas.

MICHAEL A HENRY 34344360, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Private and later Corporal), Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 28 May 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Kossuth, Mississippi.

VERNON L HOLMES 38017369, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Company B, 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 Tulsa, Oklahoma.

MIKE OSTOVICH 33268337, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 28 May 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Donora, Pennsylvania.

LOUIS KUSA 32114335, Field Artillery, Corporal, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 March 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

HORACE Y ROGERS 33315781, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Reconnaissance Company, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 29 March 1945 to 18 April 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from West Chester, Pennsylvania.

GEORGE A ROMAN 34707782, Field Artillery, Corporal (then Private and later Private First Class), Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 March 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Boaz, Alabama.

HARRY E SADLER 33177962, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Reconnaissance Company, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 29 March 1945 to 18 April 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

LEE D SHERER 36303754, Field Artillery, Corporal, Reconnaissance Company, 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 Alexis, Illinois.

THOMAS E SCHULTZ 35291973, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 28 May 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Harpster, Ohio.

ROGER L SYLVAIN 11039465, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 March 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Nashua, New Hampshire.

PHILIP A TELLA 32114410, Field Artillery, Corporal, Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 28 May 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

AARON D WALLIS 38018978, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Company B, 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 Pryor, Oklahoma.

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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:

THOMAS P BRENNAN JR 01998117, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. Lieutenant Brennan, assuming command of his company when the commanding officer was wounded, was leading it through a wooded area that came under direct fire from 88mm guns. Lieutenant Brennan immediately led the company in an attack on one of the guns. Reaching an open area in front of the enemy position, Lieutenant Brennan boldly rushed the enemy emplacement and, with his Thompson submachine gun, killed six of the enemy and dispersed the remainder. Lieutenant Brennan then led his company through the gap in the enemy lines, causing the enemy to withdraw. The courageous actions of Lieutenant Brennan aided materially in his company's successful assault upon the enemy position and reflect high credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from El Paso, Texas.

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 each of the following enlisted men:

LOUIS A GRACEFFA 20101234, Infantry, Sergeant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 7 January 1945 near Wingen, France. A strong enemy attack succeeded in overrunning a friendly heavy machine gun near Sergeant Graceffa's position. Exposing himself to intense small arms fire, Sergeant Graceffa ran to the gun and, putting it back into action, placed accurate fire on the enemy, inflicting several casualties upon them. The enemy, employing automatic weapons and grenades, launched an attack upon Sergeant Graceffa's position. Sergeant Graceffa determinedly

continued to fire his machine gun, inflicting additional casualties upon the enemy, until he was himself killed by an enemy grenade. Sergeant Graceffa's gallant conduct and steadfast devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from South Boston, Massachusetts. Next of kin: Mrs. Anna Graceffa (Mother), 590 East Seventh Street, South Boston, Massachusetts.

MILO M HARTZEL 33874940, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. As platoon leader Sergeant Hartzel was given the mission of seizing a strategically important building occupied by the enemy. Ordering his men to bring their rifle fire to bear upon the area to their front, Sergeant Hartzel led his platoon toward its objective. Despite heavy enemy fire he maintained the assault at a rapid pace so that many of the enemy positions were overrun and a large number of prisoners were taken. By his aggressiveness in leading his men through the enemy fire, Sergeant Hartzel was able to gain a foothold in the objective. During the process of consolidating his positions and clearing out remaining enemy pockets in the building, Sergeant Hartzel was killed by enemy fire. Sergeant Hartzel's courageous and inspiring leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania. Next of kin: Mrs. Ethel Hartzel (Wife), R. 509 Washington Avenue, Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania.

DAVID F REID 42037890, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. Private Reid, a company aid man, and his comrade went forward under enemy sniper and small arms fire to administer first aid to eight wounded men left behind by a rifle company that had changed its direction of advance. Crossing open terrain in spite of the enemy fire, Private Reid reached the wounded men, administered first aid to them, and then directed their evacuation to friendly lines. While removing the last man he was killed by an enemy machine gun. The courageous actions of Private Reid in going to the aid of his wounded comrades saved the lives of the seriously wounded men and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Beechhurst, Long Island, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Edith Reid (Mother), 11-03 157th Street, Beechhurst, Long Island, New York.

Section III

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

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ROMEO A VIGEANT 31447761, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 November 1944 near Ueberach, France. When the platoon to which his light machine gun squad was attached was forced to withdraw due to heavy enemy fire, the platoon aid man was wounded and left behind. After placing his gun in action in the new position, Private Vigeant assigned the gun to the assistant gunner and then returned to the wounded aid man. Lifting him on his back, Private Vigeant carried him one hundred and fifty yards to cover in spite of the enemy fire falling in the area. The courageous actions of Private Vigeant were responsible for bringing prompt medical aid to his wounded comrade and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Central Falls, Rhode Island.

EDWARD P ENGLISH 32197705, Medical Department, Corporal, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. Although under heavy enemy fire, Corporal English went forward to administer first aid and evacuate wounded members of an infantry company. Leaving his squad behind cover, Corporal English and an assistant moved through the area and treated the wounded men. When his companion was killed by machine gun fire Corporal English determinedly continued with his work until seven additional casualties had been cared for. While attempting to evacuate the wounded men alone, he was seriously wounded by machine gun fire. Corporal English's efforts undoubtedly saved the lives of several of his comrades. His courageous and tireless efforts reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JOHN G FAIRCLOUGH 12063602, Medical Department, Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When several members of the company he was attached to as aid man were wounded and fell in an exposed position, Sergeant Fairclough made his way through the heavy enemy fire falling in the area to their side. Although he was fired upon by machine gun and bazooka, Sergeant Fairclough stayed with the wounded men until he had succeeded in administering first aid to them. Sergeant Fairclough's constant concern for his fellow soldiers and his courageous actions were responsible for bringing prompt medical attention to the wounded and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

ALBERT H GABLE 01053136, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. When his platoon leading the company attack on Munich, neared the outskirts of the city, it was fired on by approximately two hundred enemy in prepared positions supported by three batteries of 88mm guns. Before the platoon could seek cover it had received several casualties from the heavy enemy fire. Lieutenant Gable, although wounded by a sniper's bullet, by his own display of courage held his platoon together and led them in an orderly withdrawal to a covered position. Lieutenant Gable's coolness under fire was responsible for retaining the organization of his unit and preventing further loss of life and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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JOSEPH R HOYO JR 35217484, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 28 November 1944 in Niedermodern, France. Sergeant Hoyo leading his patrol across a bridge into an enemy-held town discovered three enemy soldiers and two civilians planting demolition charges on the approaches to the bridge. Quickly capturing this group, Sergeant Hoyo sent them to the rear. Detecting the sound of approaching trucks, Sergeant Hoyo deployed his squad and when two enemy trucks loaded with supplies and enemy personnel drove by the intersection, Sergeant Hoyo's patrol opened fire and succeeded in destroying both vehicles and killing or wounding most of the enemy personnel. Sergeant Hoyo and his squad held the position for another five hours and stopped three enemy attempts to blow the bridge before being relieved. The courageous actions of Sergeant Hoyo in keeping this bridge intact enabled his company to launch a successful attack upon the enemy-held town and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Blaine, Ohio.

REECE JONES 01998094, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 12 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. During a strong enemy attack, preceded by a heavy artillery preparation, Lieutenant Jones observed a large enemy force infiltrating around the left flank of his position. Seizing a heavy machine gun, he ran with it for fifty yards through the heavy enemy fire and set it up in an exposed position from which he was able to place effective fire on the enemy, killing a large number and completely stopping the infiltration. Lieutenant Jones' gallantry and resourcefulness reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Proun, Oklahoma.

LAWRENCE J PERKINS 31421087, Infantry, Sergeant, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 March 1945 near Biesongen, Germany. During an attack by his company against the Siegfried Line, Sergeant Perkins' squad leader was wounded and Sergeant Perkins immediately took command of the squad. Learning that the platoon leader had been wounded and the platoon Sergeant killed and that the platoon was becoming disorganized, Sergeant Perkins worked his way through the heavy enemy fire to the scattered groups of men and succeeded in reorganizing the platoon. When the ammunition supply was depleted, Sergeant Perkins made his way back to a friendly tank, loaded it with ammunition and, in spite of the heavy fire falling in the area, brought it back to the platoon position and distributed it to his men. Sergeant Perkins' courage and initiative were responsible for his platoon's successful attack and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

ANTHONY VECCHIO 42063161, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 March 1945 near Biesongen, Germany. Private Vecchio's squad was assigned to assault a strategically located enemy pillbox. Dashing across the open terrain in the face of heavy enemy machine gun fire, the squad reached a trench within

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thirty yards of the enemy bunker when the squad leader was killed. Private Vecchio immediately assumed command and ordering the Browning automatic rifleman to fire upon the aperture, Private Vecchio rushed the pillbox and climbing on top, dropped a hand grenade through the ventilator shaft, killing the enemy crew. The courageous actions of Private Vecchio in assuming command assured a continuation of the attack and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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Section I

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

FRANK A NILSON 36876754, Infantry, Corporal, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1945 near Obergailbach, Germany. When the leading elements of his company were caught in an enemy mine field, Corporal Nilson went forward on his own initiative and helped to evacuate the wounded. Despite incessant enemy sniper and machine gun fire, Corporal Nilson made several trips to the mine field, shouting encouragement to his comrades as he worked. After all the wounded had been evacuated he rejoined his squad which had taken up a defensive position. Seeing one of his comrades hit by sniper fire, Corporal Nilson went to the assistance of the wounded man. Finding him dead, Corporal Nilson started to return to his own foxhole when he was killed by enemy fire. Corporal Nilson's courage and devotion to his fellow men reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan. Next of kin: Mrs Ida Nilson (Mother), 3554 Ft. Elliott Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Section II

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:

PHILIP C BERKER 01331699, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 April 1945 near Eborn, Germany. Lieutenant Berker's platoon was leading a task force of tank-riding infantry when an enemy antitank gun halted its progress. After dismounting from the tanks, Lieutenant Berker was leading his men in an assault on the enemy weapon when the platoon received fire from a hidden enemy machine gun. Sending a squad to attack the machine gun, Lieutenant Berker rushed the antitank weapon and killed the entire crew with his submachine gun. He then started to the aid of his squad when a 20mm gun

opened fire and seriously wounded him. Lieutenant Berker, however, remained with his platoon and directed its advance until the remaining enemy had been captured before accepting medical aid and evacuation. The courageous actions of Lieutenant Berker aided materially in removing the enemy force holding up his regiment's advance and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

ROY O ELLETT 33095179, Infantry, Sergeant, Company ., 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. When two enemy machine guns began firing from a pillbox at his squad, Sergeant Ellett directed his men to cover his advance with rifle fire while he worked himself forward to a point near the strongpoint. He then hurled hand grenades into the firing slits and silenced the machine guns. His squad quickly advanced to the position and captured the gun crews. Enemy personnel in another pillbox then directed fire upon the squad. Sergeant Ellett, with a bee-hive demolition charge on his back, ran through the enemy fire and succeeded in planting the charge on the blind side of the position. After the explosion he returned to capture the stunned enemy personnel. Sergeant Ellett's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Richmond, Virginia.

FRED C GE..CI 15300004, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 27 April 1945 near Bertolsheim, Germany. Technician Geraci was leader of a patrol charged with the mission of reconnoitering the area that was to be used for the jump-off point in the crossing of the Danube River on the following day. The patrol made contact with a small enemy force and a fire fight of about ten minutes duration took place. Taking one man with him, Technician Geraci made a reconnaissance which showed that the enemy had withdrawn. Sending his companion back to bring up the patrol, Technician Geraci continued on ahead. After advancing about two hundred yards, he was pinned down by enemy small arms fire. Rather than risk the encirclement of his patrol by the enemy he returned to the patrol under enemy fire by creeping, crawling and running in short sprints. Although Technician Geraci' orders were only to make contact with the enemy he deployed his patrol and encircled the enemy force, killing several and taking a number prisoner. As a result of this action the battalion was able to move into position without opposition. Technician Geraci's courageous and resourceful leadership reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

WILLIAM K ..UG JR 19202434, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 2 May 1945 near Holzkirchen, Germany. Private Haug became separated from his unit and was captured by the enemy and brought before a high ranking enemy officer. Private Haug's ability to speak fluent German enabled him to convince the officer that our tanks were driving toward the enemy position and that their arrival was imminent. The tact and diplomacy of Private Haug persuaded the officer to surrender two hundred infantry soldiers, equipped with small arms and bazookas, and several vehicles loaded with supplies. The daring and resourcefulness of Private Haug reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Portland, Oregon.

ROBERT B HOPFAN 01312843, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. When his company commander was wounded during an attack on the Siegfried Line, Lieutenant Hopfan assumed command, reorganized the company, and led the attack. When the company was stopped by enemy fire from an undisclosed position, Lieutenant Hopfan moved through the enemy machine gun and artillery fire, located the position, and returned to his company. Then, supported by small arms fire from his troops, he rushed the enemy pillbox, capturing its occupants and allowing his company to continue its advance. Lieutenant Hopfan's initiative and inspiring leadership reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

RALPH D IVINS 39148952, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. When his platoon, attacking the Siegfried Line, came under accurate fire from an enemy pillbox and was temporarily stopped, Private Ivins, platoon scout, crawled forward to the enemy strongpoint and fired his rifle into the apertures, preventing the enemy from firing through the slits. When the enemy attempted to escape, Private Ivins drove them back into the pillbox with rifle and grenade fire and then by attacking the bunker with grenades he forced the occupants to surrender. Private Ivins' aggressiveness and courage were a material factor in the successful attack by his platoon and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Richmond, California.

GEORGE J SIEDEL 01328500, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company ., 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. Lieutenant Siedel observed a group of enemy infantry forming for an attack upon his platoon and immediately he began to crawl toward the enemy position. He succeeded in reaching a position within a few yards of the enemy. Then waiting until they were well grouped together, Lieutenant Siedel threw two hand grenades into their midst and followed up the attack with his carbine, killing four and wounding three others. The courageous actions of Lieutenant Siedel enabled his platoon to advance and occupy the enemy trench and nearby pillbox and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Strongsville, Ohio.

LOWELL R STEWART JR 01060658, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29-30 March 1945 in Schweinheim, Germany. When his company commander was wounded by the heavy enemy fire falling in the area, Lieutenant Stewart immediately assumed command of the company. During the next two days fighting, in which the enemy infiltrated through our lines and attacked Lieutenant Stewart's command post with rifle and bazooka fire, he constantly exposed himself to the enemy fire and, by directing the fire of his men and the supporting tank destroyers, was able to prevent the enemy from overrunning his position. When numerically superior enemy forces surrounded his company Lieutenant Stewart successfully led a counterattack that broke through the enemy lines and was responsible for a large number of enemy killed and captured. The courageous actions of Lieutenant Stewart during this period reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Washington, Pennsylvania.

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EARL D WARDROP 33615972, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. During an attack against the Siegfried Line, Private Wardrop, a Browning automatic rifleman, was wounded by enemy small arms fire. In spite of the seriousness of his wound and the heavy enemy fire falling in the area, Private Wardrop made his way forward to an exposed knoll where he could give supporting fire to his squad. Although it became necessary for the members of his squad to help him to the next position, Private Wardrop refused to be evacuated and continued to deliver accurate fire on the enemy until they had been driven beyond the range of his weapon. Private Wardrop's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania.

HERBERT WEILL 34649879, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class), Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 August 1944 near Tavernes, France. Corporal Weill was driving a vehicle on a motorized patrol. The patrol met unexpected enemy machine gun fire and all the members of the patrol, with the exception of Corporal Weill, were killed or wounded. Under heavy enemy fire Corporal Weill extricated his wounded comrades and carried them to positions of safety. Then, after making a survey of the enemy positions, he made his way back through enemy fire until he reached a column of friendly tanks. Returning with the tanks Corporal Weill directed their fire upon the enemy positions. This action resulted in the neutralization of the enemy machine guns and permitted the uninterrupted advance of the battalion. Corporal Weill's courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Clio, South Carolina.

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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 to each of the following enlisted men:

EWELL L ALMAND 38177168, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 to 30 April 1945 from Aschaffenburg to Munich, Germany. Entered the military service from Rosston, Arkansas.

CHARLIE H BARNES 38016703, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 to 30 April 1945 from Aschaffenburg to Munich, Germany. Entered the military service from Idabel, Oklahoma.

ROBERT L BRANDENBURG 35423100, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Headquarters Detachment, 120th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Mansfield, Ohio.

JOSEPH S BUKOSKEY 33070931, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 January 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Homestead, Pennsylvania.

JESSE L CALDWELL 20835105, Medical Department, Sergeant, Company B, 120th Medical 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 Pawhuska, Oklahoma.

GEORGE A CAREY 37260723, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 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 Sioux City, Iowa.

RAYMOND R FREITAG 32028936, Medical Department, Technician Third Grade (then Private First Class), Company A, 120th Medical 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 Syracuse, New York.

DANIEL B GAPP 37276525, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 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 Wales, North Dakota.

KENNETH E HARLAN 38016295, Medical Department, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, 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 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

JIMMIE C HATHORN 38016808, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 January 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Kavia, Oklahoma.

CECIL V HORTON 38177174, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Company A, 120th Medical 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 Perryville, Arkansas.

TED O KIRBY 38016785, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 to 30 April 1945 from Aschaffenburg to Munich, Germany. Entered the military service from Boswell, Oklahoma.

GRADY A LITTLE 20835397, Medical Department, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Detachment, 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.

DOUGLAS F McWHIRT 208351[illegible], Medical Department, Sergeant, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hominy, Oklahoma.

MORLEY L MORGAN 36216865, Medical Department, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Headquarters Detachment, 120th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

NICHOLAS PELLE 32357165, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company A, 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 Brooklyn, New York.

FRED T PERRY 0321929, Medical Corps, , Captain, Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion (then Medical Detachment, 189th Field Artillery Battalion), for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 September 1943 to 10 October 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Healdton, Oklahoma.

RICHARD E SELF 36124246, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 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 Slayden, Tennessee.

WALTER J SMITH JR 20835676, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade, Clearing Company, 120th Medical 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 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

EBBIE A SNOW 38016727, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 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 Nashoba, Oklahoma.

JOHN J STUDDARD 38016836, Medical Department, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Third Grade), Company A, 120th Medical 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 Durant, Oklahoma.

IRA C WEEKS 38016712, Medical Department, Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade), Company B, 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 Stanley, 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 and to each of the following enlisted men:

CHARLES J GLOWCZENSKI 6906315, Infantry, First Sergeant, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Bliesbruck, France. A heavy weapons company was forced to withdraw when a numerically superior enemy force overran the forward positions. In this withdrawal all weapons were moved except one light machine gun. Sergeant Glowczenski organized a strong combat patrol to retrieve the lost weapon and under heavy fire from both friendly and enemy artillery and small arms he returned to the overrun positions. Reaching the lost gun, Sergeant Glowczenski immediately manned the weapon, deployed his patrol, and forced the enemy to withdraw after a heavy fire fight. Sergeant Glowczenski's courage and initiative aided materially in the recapture of the lost ground. Entered the military service from Sag Harbor, Long Island, New York.

MITCHEL SACK 0357628, Dental Corps, Captain, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 near Marxheim, Germany. After our troops had made a successful crossing of the Danube River, the enemy subjected the bridgehead to a heavy artillery concentration which wounded eleven men. Captain Sack, regimental dentist, upon hearing of the casualties, led litter squads into the bridgehead area. As Captain Sack reached the area the enemy launched a strong counterattack. For lack of motor transportation across the river, Captain Sack worked for eight hours under the enemy fire, administering aid and evacuating the wounded men by horse and wagon. The courageous actions of Captain Sack undoubtedly saved the lives of several wounded men. Entered the military service from Central Falls, Rhode Island.

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WILLIAM TOKARSKY 33147702, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 near Bertoldsheim, Germany. During an assault crossing of the Danube River, Sergeant Tokarsky crossed in the lead boat and established himself on the enemy bank. Remaining in an exposed position, and although subjected to heavy enemy small arms and mortar fire, he guided all the assault boats to the bank, aided the infantry troops to unload, then regrouped the boat crews for the return trip to the friendly bank with a minimum of delay. He refused to seek shelter until he was wounded and had to be evacuated. Sergeant Tokarsky's courage and devotion to duty enabled the infantry to secure a firm bridgehead and permitted the subsequent construction of a bridge. Entered the military service from Wilkerding, 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 the following officer:

HERMES A CLARK JR 01317493, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19-20 December 1944 in Bundenthal, Germany. Lieutenant Clark was leading his platoon into the town of Bundenthal when well-concealed enemy forces cut the column in half and isolated Lieutenant Clark and his men. Lieutenant Clark immediately took over a nearby house and placed his men to give all-around security. During two days of fighting, Lieutenant Clark exposed himself to the constant enemy fire to go among his men, encouraging them and to direct their fire until he was killed. The heroic action of Lieutenant Clark during this period was largely responsible for his men holding off the enemy until they were rescued. Entered the military service from Cincinnati, Ohio. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary E. Clark (Wife), 4310 Beech Hill Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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:

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SAMUEL H ALLEN JR 33653401, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 31 October 1944 near St. Benoit, France. Private Allen was instructed to lay a wire line to an adjacent battalion. The entire route along which the wire line was laid was subjected to enemy artillery and mortar fire. Private Allen came to a heavily shelled road junction and in his determination to carry out his orders, began to work his way across when an enemy shell burst seriously wounded him. Private Allen's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Lynchburg, Virginia.

SAMUEL H BROOKHART 01328221, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945 near Obergailbach, Germany. The advance through the Siegfried Line was held up by intense fire from enemy artillery, mortars, flak wagons and small arms. Lieutenant Brockhart, heavy weapons platoon leader, led his men to an exposed knoll in order to give the maximum support to the attack. In this position under direct enemy observation and fire, Lieutenant Brockhart remained midway between his guns and directed their fire so effectively that an enemy machine gun and flak wagon were destroyed, enabling the rifle company to continue its advance. Entered the military service from Sumner, Illinois.

FRANK A DeLUCA 01287676, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 May 1944 near Carano, Italy. When the rifle company leading the battalion attack was stopped by intense small arms and mortar fire, Lieutenant DeLuca, heavy machine gun platoon leader supporting the attack, moved forward to reconnoiter for gun positions. Even though the enemy fire increased in intensity, Lieutenant DeLuca continued on until he discovered a company of enemy infantry preparing for an attack. Lieutenant DeLuca immediately informed the rifle company and then placed his platoon in position. The enemy attack came exactly where Lieutenant DeLuca had anticipated and he calmly directed a coordinated fire upon the enemy that inflicted heavy casualties and broke the attack. Exploiting the confusion in the enemy ranks, the rifle company continued its attack successfully. Entered the military service from Schenectady, New York.

PETER J ESIUKEVICZ 31276240, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. Private Esiukevicz observed a large group of enemy soldiers crossing the street a few blocks away. Realizing that no one else had seen them, Private Esiukevicz left his position and ran under enemy small arms fire to notify his platoon leader. Returning to his position, he opened fire upon the enemy and succeeded in pinning them down while the remainder of the platoon surrounded the enemy position and took them prisoners. The heroic actions of Private Esiukevicz prevented his platoon from being surprised by the enemy group and aided materially in its capture. Entered the military service from New Britain, Connecticut.

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CECIL P HARRISON 14091855, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class), Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 September 1944 near Domevre Sur Durbion, France. When a rifle platoon was surrounded by the enemy, Corporal Harrison remained in radio contact with the rifle company and battalion headquarters, and was the only source of communication. The enemy launched a powerful attack to wipe out the encircled force and overran our positions. Corporal Harrison remained at his post, sending messages until he heard enemy soldiers in the next room. Then, acting quickly, he destroyed his operational codes and radio, denying their use to the enemy. Entered the military service from Florence, Alabama.

HAROLD E KEMPTON 01328266, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. Lieutenant Kempton's platoon was temporarily stopped by heavy machine gun fire from an enemy pillbox. Exposing himself to the enemy fire, Lieutenant Kempton moved from man to man, giving detailed instructions, and then led them in a successful assault on the enemy pillbox. The heroic actions of Lieutenant Kempton were largely responsible for the capture of the enemy strongpoint. Entered the military service from Natick, Massachusetts.

GORDON C MAC PHAIL 31091429, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 March 1945 near Aschaffenburg, Germany. When the battalion aid station and the surrounding area became a target for enemy artillery and mortar concentrations, a number of men were wounded. Technician Mac Phail moved through the area, giving medical attention to the wounded men. Working alone, he continued to brave the enemy fire, giving plasma and treatment to each man. Only after seeing that all the wounded men had been evacuated did he seek a place of safety for himself. Technician Mac Phail's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Wareham, Massachusetts.

AUGUST OLENIK 33801940, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945 near Thongstbach, Germany. While the platoon in which Sergeant Olenik was a squad leader was waiting in a forward assembly area, it was subjected to heavy enemy artillery barrages. When the platoon sergeant was killed and the platoon leader seriously wounded, the platoon became disorganized. Sergeant Okenik immediately took complete charge of the platoon and directed the men to an area five hundred yards away. Despite the continued enemy barrages, Sergeant Olenik went among his men, giving encouragement and making sure that all were directed to the same area. During the withdrawal, approximately one-third of the platoon was killed or wounded. Sergeant Olenik went to another platoon to secure an aid man, and assisted in giving first aid to the wounded. Sergeant Olenik's initiative saved the platoon from becoming disorganized and reduced the number of casualties. His courage and leadership reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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THOMAS M PEAVY 02006048, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945 near Thongstbach, Germany. Lieutenant Peavy's company was in an assembly area prior to an attack when it was subjected to an enemy artillery barrage that inflicted numerous casualties including most of the officers and noncommissioned officers. Lieutenant Peavy immediately assumed command and directed the company to another area. He then administered first aid and evacuated the wounded men. The heroic actions of Lieutenant Peavy during this period prevented complete disorganization of the company and saved the lives of a number of men. Entered the military service from Brunswick, Georgia.

ROBERT R WILSON 38005345, Infantry, First Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945 near Reipertswoiller, France. Sergeant Wilson had made three trips carrying ammunition, rations and other supplies vital to the defense of the position which his company was holding. Discovering that there was still insufficient ammunition, he drove to battalion S-4 to draw more. While returning to the company he was stopped and told that the enemy had infiltrated through our lines and placed machine gun fire along the road. Despite this warning Sergeant Wilson drove his vehicle, with its load of vital ammunition, to the company and returned. On both trips he received heavy machine gun fire. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Wilson reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Brighton, Colorado.

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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 man:

JAMES L PRICE 34824506, Infantry, First Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. Sergeant Price's company, attacking the town of Munich, was subjected to heavy sniper fire that inflicted a number of casualties upon the troops, leaving the company with one officer. When the supporting tanks started to withdraw due to heavy enemy bazooka fire, Sergeant Price, acting first sergeant, raced across open ground and persuaded the tanks to remain. He then went around from platoon to platoon, encouraging the men and checking on needed equipment and supplies, and held the entire company in readiness for the second assault. On the second assault the company took its objective and inflicted heavy casualties upon the enemy. Entered the military service from Canton, Georgia.

Section II

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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:

IRVING BIRNBAUM 32885432, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. Private Birnbaum's company was held up in the Hitler Plaza Stadium by enemy machine gun and small arms fire coming from covered positions at the far end of the stadium. Receiving a call for mortar support, Private Birnbaum skillfully followed the fire orders of his observer and brought effective fire upon the enemy positions. Although the enemy picked up his mortar position and proceeded to shell the area, Private Birnbaum determinedly remained at his post and delivered accurate fire on the enemy that enabled his company to advance. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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RONDALL E COOPER 18214658, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company (then Company B), 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Sarreguemines, France. After several members of a platoon were wounded by mines, Private Cooper went to their aid by drawing fire upon himself that enabled several of the men to crawl to safety. When wounded himself by enemy fire, Private Cooper remained in position for several hours, continuing his fire and inflicting heavy casualties upon the enemy. He remained in this position until the following day when it became possible to drive off the enemy and send an evacuation party through the mine field to his aid. Entered the military service from Abilene, Texas.

LEIGH G DeLAY 01326984, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 near Alschbach, Germany. When his platoon was held up by intense small arms fire from an enemy pillbox and from heavy enemy artillery fire falling in the area, Lieutenant DeLay, by deliberately exposing himself to the enemy fire, inspired his men to move forward. Then, when the enemy fire became so intense that further advances would have resulted in several casualties, Lieutenant DeLay returned to a tank and guided it toward the enemy position. Instructing his men to walk behind the tank for protection, Lieutenant DeLay climbed upon it and, despite the enemy fire directed at him, led the tank and his platoon in a successful attack that reduced the enemy pillbox and captured its occupants. Entered the military service from Herndon, Kansas.

GEORGE ELLIS 33813026, Infantry, Sergeant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. Sergeant Ellis was squad leader of the lead squad in a night attack to secure six blocks of the city of Nurnberg. After leading the company swiftly and silently forward into the last block of the area, Sergeant Ellis came upon six enemy soldiers. Taking advantage of the surprise element, he swiftly disarmed the enemy before they recovered. The speed of Sergeant Ellis' action at this time prevented the enemy from inflicting substantial losses upon the attacking company. Entered the military service from Connellsville, Pennsylvania.

ALBERT H GABLE 01053136, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. Lieutenant Gable's platoon was given the mission of advancing into the outer perimeter of Nurnberg, neutralizing all resistance on the way. Lieutenant Gable, led his platoon under heavy mortar, machine gun, and small arms fire to its objective. Lieutenant Gable unhesitatingly exposed himself to the heavy enemy fire in order to maneuver his platoon to the best firing positions. His courage and leadership were fundamental factors in the success of the attack. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

WEST C HAMMOND 39934615, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. During the attack on Nurnberg, a friendly tank began firing on friendly troops. In spite of intense sniper and small arms fire, Private Hammond sprinted across an open area to the tank and stopped its fire. Although he was wounded before reaching the tank, he nevertheless-

loss continued on determinedly until he had fulfilled his mission. Private Hammond undoubtedly saved the lives of many of his fellow soldiers. Entered the military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

JOHN C JENKINS 34910603, Infantry, Private First Class, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. Private Jenkins' mortar section was set up in the city of Nurnberg awaiting fire orders when a freed French prisoner approached and informed them that he knew of a house in which "SS" troops and Gestapo men were hiding. Private Jenkins and two companions volunteered to clear the building. Making his way around the building undetected, he approached the rear door. Then letting out a loud yell, he rushed through the door and came face to face with an enemy soldier who immediately surrendered. Commanding his prisoner to call the remaining occupants out, he successfully cleared the building and took twenty-three prisoners. Entered the military service from Orlando, Florida.

RICHARD R LOIDOLT 37777087, Infantry Private First Class (then Private), Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. Although under sniper fire, Private Loidolt, a Browning automatic rifleman, made a dash for an enemy-held building and fired a burst into the building. His daring took the enemy completely by surprise and several casualties were inflicted upon them. Then, shouting to the remainder of the enemy to surrender, Private Loidolt caused fifty of the enemy to lay down their arms. Private Loidolt's courage and aggressiveness secured a strategically located building and enabled his rifle company to clear the remainder of the enemy from the sector. Entered the military service from Pierz, Minnesota.

DANIEL J MARINOLA 42021531, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. Sergeant Marinola's light machine gun section was in support of a rifle platoon when the advance was temporarily halted by heavy sniper and machine gun fire. Three men in one of his squads were wounded, leaving the weapon unmanned and in an exposed position. Sergeant Marinola unhesitatingly went forward through the heavy enemy fire, recovered the machine gun, and opened fire on the enemy gun emplacements. His actions enabled the platoon to reorganize and seek a more favorable avenue of approach from where they successfully carried out the assault. Entered the military service from Buffalo, New York.

ERNEST O NOTHELFER 0481991, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945 near Baruch, Germany. Lieutenant Nothelfer was leading a tank-mounted task force when his group was temporarily stopped by enemy bazooka and small arms fire. Immediately organizing his platoon, Lieutenant Nothelfer led an assault upon the enemy position that succeeded in killing four and wounding the remainder. Lieutenant Nothelfer's heroic actions eliminated the enemy strongpoint that was holding up his regiment's advance. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

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OSCAR C RUDNER 01294906, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 December 1944 near Langensoultzbach, France. When his company, attacking a strongly held enemy position, was counterattacked from the flank by a large enemy force, Lieutenant Rudner led his platoon into position to stop the enemy advance. Shortly thereafter, Lieutenant Rudner noticed a gap between his platoon and the next one and immediately deployed one of his squads to stop any enemy attempt to make a penetration through the gap. As a result of Lieutenant Rudner's aggressive leadership and skillful employment of his men and weapons, his company was able to repulse the enemy counterattack. Entered the military service from Mauchchunk, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT E SANDERS 02011726, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945 near Humberg, Germany. When the company commander was wounded and the company partially disorganized by heavy enemy fire, Lieutenant Sanders, platoon leader, assumed command of the company. Making his way from man to man, in spite of the enemy fire falling in the area, he succeeded in reorganizing the company. Then going to the rear, he brought up a machine gun squad and supporting tanks and placed them in positions where they could fire on the enemy strongpoint. When the company executive officer reached the forward elements, the company was ready to resume the attack. Lieutenant Sanders' aggressive leadership was responsible for the successful attack by his company. Entered the military service from Fort Smith, Arkansas.

THEODORE B WOODWARD 01314381, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 March 1945 near Rhein-Durkheim, Germany. Two boats containing men of Lieutenant Woodward's platoon were sunk by enemy machine gun and 20mm flak fire during the assault crossing of the Rhine River. When Lieutenant Woodward arrived on the east bank, he conducted a thorough search for the remainder of his men and not knowing their boats had been sunk, recrossed the river through the enemy fire to search for them. Learning that the boat had been sunk, Lieutenant Woodward returned to the east bank and continued the attack with the remainder of his platoon. Entered the military service from Oakland, California.

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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:

VICTOR J BEAN 20111152, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th 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 Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

IGNATIUS J CIRRONE 01316987, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Service Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 July 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

LEONARD T DICKSON 13156899, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 28 September 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hyattsville, Maryland.

STEPHEN DRZEWICKI 6828386, Infantry, First Sergeant, Company E, 157th 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 Detroit, Michigan.

CHARLES M EDGAR 33639624, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 January 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Richmond, Virginia.

HAROLD E FILDES 36784700, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 28 November 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Edwards County, Illinois.

ANTHONY J FONSECA 36699802, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 November 1944 to 30 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

WALTER H HESS 39929066, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Havre, Montana.

JOE R HINTON 35725342, Infantry, Technician Fifth 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 Sturgis, Kentucky.

JOHN R HALLOWELL W-2132721, Army of the United States, Warrant Officer Junior Grade (then Private First Class, and later Technician Fifth Grade and 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 Missoula, Montana.

THOMAS J HOTT 20838167, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second 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 Lamar, Colorado.

FRED D JOHNSON 36973286, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 9 November 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Mount Vernon, Illinois.

GEORGE C JONES 39306632, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, Second 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 Klamath Falls, Oregon.

JOHN OLIVE 32483456, Infantry, Sergeant, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 15 January 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Burlington, New Jersey.

CECIL D RIDENOUR 35536625, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class), Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 16 March to 2 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Butler, Indiana.

JAMES A ROCKWELL 31061077, Infantry, Private First Class, Cannon Company, 157th 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 Westerly, Rhode Island.

DOMINICK M TRUBIA 12055767, Infantry, Corporal, Headquarters Company, 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 Mount Morris, New York.

EFRAIN VAZ 32339919, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 20 February 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

HOBART A WEDDLE 39343316, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 28 October 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Salem, Oregon.

ANTHONY ZOCCOLILLO 12055106, Infantry, Private First Class, 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 Syracuse, 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:

COLEMAN WALRAVEN 37216916, Armored, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 23 October 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Cleburne, Texas.

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:

VERNON E BAILEY 39016059, Armored, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Fullerton, California.

CARL F BERNHARDT 01014772, Infantry, Major, Headquarters, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 March to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

LEO J CABLE 37338563, Armored, Private First Class, Service Company, 191st Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 25 April 1945 near Marxheim, Germany. Private Cable was the driver of one of three trucks loaded with ammunition and gasoline which were assembled to supply the tanks for the Danube River crossing. When enemy artillery fire wounded the other truck drivers, Private Cable evacuated them to safety. Returning, he drove all the trucks to covered positions despite the continued enemy artillery fire. His courage and devotion to duty prevented possible loss of life and valuable military property. Entered the military service from Partley, Nebraska.

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GUY M CREPS 33040063, Armored, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), Company B, 191st Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945 near Pfaffenhausen, Germany. While moving down the slope of a hill, a well-concealed enemy antitank gun opened fire on Technician Creps' tank, piercing the gas tanks. The tank commander gave orders to abandon the tank. Technician Creps, the driver, however, remained and made efforts to save his tank from destruction. Only when the drive shaft snapped and another enemy shell set fire to the tank did Technician Creps leave. Technician Creps attempt to save a valuable piece of equipment warrants high praise. Entered the military service from Sandy Hook, Virginia.

WILLIAM S HATHAWAY 0399972, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Service Company, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 March to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Daytona Beach, Florida.

ARLA S HEIN 35021609, Armored, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 28 February 1944 to 17 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

LLOYD A McGREW 35350609, Armored, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 191st Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945 near Ober Trubach, Germany. Sergeant McGrew's half-track was giving protection to a convoy which was following two hours behind the advancing task force. Leaving a town the convoy was fired on by concealed enemy forces. Sergeant McGrew immediately manned the twin .50 caliber antiaircraft machine guns mounted on the front bumper and directing his vehicle toward the enemy position attacked them alone until two light tanks came to his support. The heroic actions of Sergeant McGrew were largely responsible for the ten enemy killed and the thirty taken prisoner. Entered the military service from Peru, Indiana.

FRANCIS A SCHNEIER 01021047, Medical Corps, Captain, Medical Detachment, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 March to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Elgin, Illinois.

MURRAY E TURNER 20380227, Armored, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 191st Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. Sergeant Turner led his section in supporting an infantry attack. When his support tank was disabled, Sergeant Turner continued to assist the infantry alone until his tank was knocked out and he was wounded by an enemy bazooka. Sergeant Turner's heroic action aided materially in enabling the infantry to advance on Nurnberg. Entered the military service from Danville, Virginia.

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JAMES L WHITELEY 34232693, Armored, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Company C, 191st Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 5 November 1944 near Thiaville, France. The lead tank driven by Sergeant Whiteley ran over a mine that destroyed one of the tracks. An enemy antitank gun immediately began firing upon the tank and the crew attempted to abandon it. Sergeant Whiteley immediately manned the tank's machine guns and fired on the enemy position, enabling the crew to make good their escape. Then under cover of friendly rifle fire, Sergeant Whiteley left the tank that was soon destroyed by enemy antitank guns. The heroic actions of Sergeant Whiteley enabled his crew to escape before the tank was destroyed. Entered the military service from De Ridder, Louisiana.

OLAF E WILSON 34645559, Armored, Corporal, Company B, 191st Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945 near Pfaffenhausen, Germany. Corporal Wilson's tank was suddenly fired upon by a well-concealed antitank gun that knocked out the tank and set it on fire. Corporal Wilson immediately removed his dazed commander and assisted the loader to escape. Then seeing the bow gunner trapped, Corporal Wilson released him and assisted him out of the tank to safety. Corporal Wilson's heroic actions at this time undoubtedly saved the lives of all his comrades. Entered the military service from Fairfax, South Carolina.

So much of General Orders Number 208, Award of the Bronze Star Medal, this headquarters, as pertains to COLEMAN WEAVER 38116916, Armored, Staff Sergeant, Company C, 191st Tank Battalion, is hereby revoked.

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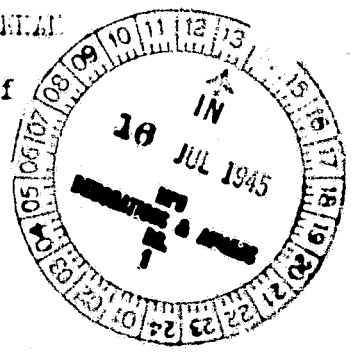

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Section I

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 each of the following enlisted man for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

ERASTUS FOOTE 34278816, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 3 June 1944. Home address: Kilmichael, Mississippi.

ARTHUR F HALL 36549766, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 27 April 1945. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

GEORGE A SMITH JR 11055809, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 10 January 1945. Home address: Derby Line, Vermont.

GEORGE J SZIMA 35883096, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 6 January 1945. Home address: Dayton, Ohio.

So much of General Orders Number 102, Section I, Award of the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart, this headquarters, 11 May 1944, as pertains to EVERETT W EASLEY 39403881, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

So much of General Orders Number 146, Section II, Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart, this headquarters, as pertains to LESTER M HARRIS 33555705, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

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:

PERCY R CANO 20846925, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 25 March 1944. Home address: Reseda, California.

TROY COMBS 35872462, Infantry, Sergeant, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 December 1944. Home address: White Plains, Kentucky.

JEREMIAH E DUNNE 32248826, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 16 February 1944. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

EVERETT W EASLEY 39402881, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 2 May 1944. Home address: Copper City, California.

ROBERT W LOISEL 36422969, Infantry, Sergeant, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 17 March 1945. Home address: Flint, Michigan.

JAMES B MacCOLL 01822891, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Company A, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, Germany, 18 April 1945. Home address: Long Beach, California.

RONALD A McCOY 13110106, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 28 November 1944. Home address: Girard, Pennsylvania.

TOMMIE C McWILLIAMS 38067871, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 12 February 1944. Home address: Sudan, Texas.

CHARLES E MOORE 35274234, Infantry, Sergeant, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 20 April 1945. Home address: Jackson, Ohio.

ROY N MOSSBURG 35293815, Infantry, Private, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 23 September 1944. Home address: Steubenville, Ohio.

ARTHUR L RHOADS 33490835, Infantry, Private First Class, Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 20 March 1945. Home address: Reading, Pennsylvania.

CHURCHILL T SMITH 31094546, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery C, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, Italy, 27 January 1944. Home address: Provincetown, Massachusetts.

CARL F SONTAG 35659959, Infantry, Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 11 April 1945. Home address: McCorkle, West Virginia.

JOHN J TOBIN 31005981, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 9 September 1944. Home address: Barre Plains, Massachusetts.

FELICIANO H VELIZ 38675110, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 18 December 1944. Home address: San Antonio, Texas.

So much of General Orders Number 161, Section IV, Award of the Purple Heart, this headquarters, cs, as pertains to WALTER L PEARSE 31002451, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 179th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

So much of General Orders Number 235, Section IV, Award of the Purple Heart, this headquarters, cs, as pertains to GEORGE J SZIMA 36883096, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

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AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDER

So much of General Order 257, Headquarters 44th Infantry Division, dated 26 June 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Private Ray E. Hamburg, 36 293 615 for wounds received in action on 23 September 1944, is hereby amended to read "for wounds received on 22 September 1944".

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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:

LeROY LILLEH 0337582, Field Artillery, Captain, Headquarters Battery, 171st Field Artillery Battalion (then Headquarters, 158th Field Artillery Battalion), for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 9 December 1943 to 14 October 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Perry, 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:

FORREST D HAKESLEY 37109157, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Battery B, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 28 February 1944 to 15 March 1945 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Madison City, Iowa.

LAURENCE E CLOSE 38017389, Field Artillery, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 21 November 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Ponca City, Oklahoma.

LOREN L McGARITY 20831807, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Corporal), Service Battery, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, 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 Neodesha, Kansas.

GEORGE C DAVIS JR 01166840, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Battery A, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 3 April 1944 to 7 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Milton, Pennsylvania.

BEVERLY A FUNKLE 01165014, Field Artillery, Captain, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 November 1944 to 7 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Lincoln, Nebraska.

DONALD G FISH 37091887, Field Artillery, Corporal, Battery B, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 September 1943 to 18 February 1945 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Dickenson, North Dakota.

SAMUEL E FRANKLIN 35017064, Field Artillery, Technician Third Grade, Headquarters Battery, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from September 1943 to June 1944 in Sicily and Italy. Entered the military service from Toledo, Ohio.

EVERETT L HAYES W2117851, Army of the United States, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, Service Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 7 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Kingfisher, Oklahoma.

IRA S HAYES 0391893, Field Artillery, Captain, Service Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 July 1944 to 7 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Harlow, Oklahoma.

ROBERT W KAHN 0378919, Medical Corps, Captain, Medical Detachment, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 7 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Lawton, Oklahoma.

RICHARD A KAYNE JR 01165909, Field Artillery, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 20 August 1944 to 7 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Springville, New York.

ROBERT D MURRAY 36250181, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery C, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, 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 Marinette, Wisconsin.

CHARLEY A PINEDA 38017597, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery B, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 8 June 1944 in Sicily and Italy. Entered the military service from Billings, Oklahoma.

ROBERT J ROBINETT 20830720, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Battery B, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 3 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Anadarko, Oklahoma.

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ORIGINAL ORDER

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:

JOHN F LONDON 02014976, Field Artillery, Second Lieutenant (the Staff Sergeant),
Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

GEORGE D WAYMAN 38468369, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Corporal),
Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Burbank, Oklahoma.

RICHARD L JACKSON 37343131, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade,
Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Salina, Oklahoma.

RICHARD E BORTNER 33580339, Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private),
Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

FRANK SAMAR 42145377, Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private),
Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Dobbs Ferry New York.

For heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945 near Bechweiler, Germany. Our advance was being held up by heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire and by direct fire from an enemy gun that had inflicted numerous casualties and destroyed one of our tanks. The above members of a tank destroyer crew moved their weapon into the open to gain the best field of fire and immediately drew return fire. Despite the exposed position they destroyed the enemy gun and its crew. The courage and determination of this crew eliminated a direct threat to our advance.

DELBERT C SANDERS 35292074, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 25 April 1945 near Hardt-Neilenhofen, Germany. Two tank destroyers were cut off by the enemy and in need of ammunition. Private Sanders unhesitatingly loaded his half-track with the needed ammunition and, despite being advised to wait until dark, ran the gauntlet of enemy fire to successfully deliver his load. His courage and devotion to his fellow soldiers reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Buchannon, West Virginia.

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JOSEPH H McGARITY JR 34762225, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade,
Company A, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Clarkston, Georgia.

ROBERT H MORRIS 13106186, Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private),
Company A, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Washington, D. C.

For heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945 near Reussendorf, Germany. Private Morris was on sentry duty for his tank destroyer platoon when he was attacked by two armed enemy. Private Morris succeeded in disarming one of his assailants, called to Technician McGarity for assistance with the second one. Together they disarmed the other enemy. When interrogation proved the enemy to be members of a tank crew, Technician McGarity and Private Morris then searched a nearby woods and captured the remaining three crew members. The heroic action of Private Morris and Technician McGarity removed this serious enemy threat to their platoon.

JOSEPH A PIROS 35044796, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant),
Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Lorain, Ohio.

LAWRENCE DARAZIO 32263754, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade,
Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Egg Harbor City, New Jersey.

HENRY HATTY 38495282, Field Artillery, Corporal,
Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Lafitte, Louisiana.

For heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Neider-Gailbach, Germany. Five seriously wounded infantrymen could not be reached by aid men because of the intense mortar, artillery and small arms fire. Sergeant Piros, Technician Darazio and Corporal Hatty unhesitatingly raced across seventeen hundred yards of open ground in their tank destroyer and, although they were fired on by enemy bazookas, succeeded in reaching the wounded. Under direct small arms fire they loaded the men onto the destroyer and traveling over the same hazardous route successfully brought the wounded men to an aid station. Their courage undoubtedly saved the lives of five fellow soldiers.

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CORBETT W EDWARDS 33537264, Field Artillery, Sergeant,
Company A, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Cooburn, Virginia.

ROY C BELL 36304048, Field Artillery, Corporal (then Private),
Company A, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

RALPH J BARRALE 37603696, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class),
Company A, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

SAM B POBLANO 18122002, Field Artillery, Private First Class,
Company A, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Gallup, New Mexico.

JACK ROSEN 12231542, Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private),
Company A, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from New York, New York.

For heroic achievement in action on 7 April 1945 near Sunderau, and Unteroisbach, Germany. The above crew of a tank destroyer was informed that an enemy convoy was in the vicinity. With one squad of infantry in support, the crew moved their destroyer to the attack and came upon the enemy convoy consisting of several self-propelled guns and artillery pieces. Despite the superiority in numbers of the enemy force, the crew pressed home the attack and destroyed several of the enemy vehicles and assisted in the capture of the remainder. The heroic actions of these five men were responsible for destroying the entire enemy convoy.

GEORGE IOZZIA 32869495, Field Artillery, Private First Class,
Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York

DONALD A KRAHN 20805847, Field Artillery, Private First Class,
Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Amarillo, Texas.

For heroic achievement in action on 31 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. When the platoon leader and a destroyer commander were guiding a destroyer into a firing position, an enemy mortar shell landed close by, seriously wounding both men and the driver. Private Iozzia and Private Krahn courageously left the safety of their destroyer and, under continued enemy mortar fire, evacuated the wounded to a nearby building where they administered first aid. Then, Private Iozzia and Private Krahn continued on their mission of assaulting enemy strongpoints.

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THEODORE R McFADDEN 31098867, Field Artillery, Sergeant,
Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Waterville, Maine.

BENJAMIN BLOOM 36228371, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Corporal),
Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Superior, Wisconsin.

PAUL F BEAMER 15076475, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade,
Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Canton, Ohio.

JESSIE A WALKER 38339200, Field Artillery, Corporal (then Private First Class),
Company B, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion.
Entered the military service from Briscoe, Texas.

For heroic achievement in action on 2[illegible] March 1945 in Schwdinheim, Germany. During the attack on Aschaffenburg, a captured American tank manned by an enemy crew temporarily held up the advance of our troops by its accurate fire. Volunteering to knock out the tank, the above tank destroyer crew maneuvered their tank destroyer into position and then, driving suddenly out into the street only seventy-five yards from the enemy tank, opened fire. The first shot was a direct hit and although it raised a great cloud of dust that obscured the tank, the crew fired four more rounds in rapid succession. When the dust cleared it was found that the tank had been hit three times and the enemy crew killed. The courageous actions of these men were responsible for removing a dangerous threat to our troops.

JOHN F CLARK 33487844, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945 near Mittelsheim, Germany. While a member of a small motorized reconnaissance party reconnoitering through heavy woods, Technician Clark and his group came upon the rear of an enemy strongpoint. Although outnumbered, Technician Clark and his comrades took fifty prisoners and captured all the weapons of the position. Throughout the action Technician Clark conducted himself in a courageous and aggressive manner, using consecutively a carbine, M-1 rifle, and a German automatic rifle, in inflicting numerous casualties upon the enemy. Entered the military service from Conshohocken, Pennsylvania.

JOHN H RAMSDEN 16069135, Field Artillery, Corporal (then Private), Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 26 August 1944 near Alexis, France. Corporal Ramsden assistant driver of a tank destroyer, saw an infantryman wounded by heavy small arms and mortar fire that was falling in the area. Corporal Ramsden left the shelter of his vehicle and ran to the man's side. Then carrying the wounded man, Corporal Ramsden returned to the tank destroyer, placed the man beneath it for shelter and administered first aid. The heroic actions of Corporal Ramsden undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded soldier.

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[redacted] 179th INFANTRY REGIMENT, for outstanding devotion to duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period [redacted] November 1944 to 7 May 1945 in France and Germany. Throughout six months of difficult operations, Service Company furnished its regiment with [redacted] support. The hardships of winter fighting were alleviated by providing the troops with a medium of hot meals and frequent opportunities to bathe. During the swift advance which culminated with the termination of hostilities, vehicles and drivers were used to the limit of endurance. Troops, supplies and kitchens were shuttled forward with a minimum of accidents, despite the lack of adquate opportunity for maintenance. The exceptional skill, spirit and efficiency exhibited by members of Service Company materially aided the advance of the 179th Infantry Regiment.

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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 officer:

HAROLD BERNSTEIN 01179295, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Service Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 29 September 1943 to 10 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Long Island City, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Nellie Bernstein (Mother), 4544 42nd Street, Long Island City, New York.

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:

JACK CLAPP JR 20824593, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 7 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

WILLIAM E DEMING JR 32278570, Armored, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 22 December 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Elizabeth, New Jersey.

RICHARD W. GANNAWAY JR 0524029, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company D, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 February to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Guinea Mills, Virginia.

RUBIN GELLIS 32204727, Signal Corps, Technician Fifth Grade, 45th Signal Company, 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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CLIFFORD G HARTLING 11047247, Armored, Sergeant, Company D, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 August 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brockton, Massachusetts.

THOMAS R HAY 35490580, Cavalry, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 16 October 1944 to 3 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Cannelton, Indiana.

JOSEPH W HOFFMAN 01015345, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company D, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 June 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

ROBERT F HURLEY 31347379, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 13 January 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

MILTON KLEINMAN 02026824, Army of the United States, Second Lieutenant (then Warrant Officer Junior 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 Bronx, New York.

JOHN L NUGENT 36034401, Cavalry, Sergeant, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 January to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

DONALD PERLISS 36516659, Signal Corps, Technician Fifth Grade, 45th Signal Company, 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 Detroit, Michigan.

LESLIE D POWERS 15102772, Corps of Engineers, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Headquarters and Service Company, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 March to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Gary, Indiana.

GEORGE S RISKALL JR 31124240, Corps of Engineers, Sergeant, Company B, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 19 March to 30 April 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Somers, Connecticut.

ROY R STEVENS 39380375, Armored, Technical Sergeant, Company C, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 March to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Tacoma, Washington.

JACK P SUTTMAN 20834561, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 7 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Enid, Oklahoma.

THEODORE H TENNANT 33299916, Corps of Engineers, Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 20 March to 22 April 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Fairview, West Virginia.

KAY W THOMPSON 0444821, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company D, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 October 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

GARRETT J CALLAHAN 0298498, Infantry, Captain, Headquarters Company, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 8 September 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Madison, Wisconsin.

So much of General Orders Number 247, Section II, Award of the Silver Star, this headquarters, cs, as reads "ROBERT C BOEDECKER 011170880, Corps of Engineers, First Lieutenant, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion" is amended to read "ROBERT C BOEDECKER 01117080, Corps of Engineers, First Lieutenant, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion."

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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 officer and enlisted man:

ALFRED J LINDSEY 01165895, Field Artillery, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Battery A, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945 near Zweibrucken, Germany. Captain Lindsey was advancing with an infantry battalion through the Siegfried defenses when they came upon a pillbox surrounded by hundreds of barrels of gasoline. As his party neared the bunker there was suddenly an explosion and flaming gasoline was sprayed on nearby soldiers. Although badly burned, himself, and realizing that another explosion might occur at any moment, Captain Lindsey remained in the area and administered aid to the most seriously burned men. Finding one man critically injured, Captain Lindsey wrapped him in blankets and carried him from the area. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

JAMES D REEDY JR 37541838, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery B, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 24 November 1944 near Rothbach, France. Sergeant Reedy, a radio operator with a forward observer party, took over the additional job of adjusting fire missions when direct tank and machine gun fire wounded the officer observer. Crawling over the exposed crest of the hill, Sergeant Reedy ordered an artillery concentration that bracketed the enemy tank and forced it to withdraw. Sergeant Reedy then continued to send five additional fire missions that neutralized the enemy positions. The courageous actions of Sergeant Reedy enabled the rifle company to continue its attack. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

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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 to each of the following enlisted men:

WILLIAM D ALLRED 34805170, Cavalry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 12 September 1944 near Gondy, France. Sergeant Allred volunteered to lead a patrol through the enemy lines to a small town to secure information as to the enemy's strength and positions. The patrol ran into machine gun and small arms fire on the outskirts of the town. Sergeant Allred covered his patrol while they withdrew to another position and prepared to enter the town from another direction. He then successfully led his men into the town where they remained long enough to capture a prisoner and observe the enemy's actions. Taking the prisoner along with them, the patrol got safely back with invaluable information. Entered the military service from Blountsville, Alabama.

JESS F AMES 38467961, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 285rd Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 13 November 1944 near Baesweiler, Germany. When the wire between the battery observation post and the battalion fire direction center was broken by enemy artillery fire, Private Ames repaired the breaks in the wire. Working under heavy shell fire, he enabled the fire direction center to take counter-battery action against the enemy guns. Entered the military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

JOSEPH A DALY 31292147, Cavalry, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 4 December 1944 near Rothbach, France. Technician Daly and two other soldiers were in a foxhole when the enemy laid in a heavy artillery barrage that slightly wounded one of his companions and seriously wounded the other. After administering first aid to the wounded men, Technician Daly ran through the heavy shell fire to the aid station and returned with an aid man. His courageous actions saved the life of the seriously wounded soldier. Entered the military service from Johnston, Rhode Island.

SIMON METRICK 33485728, Field Artillery, Private, Headquarters Battery, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 near Soelbach, Germany. The town of Soelbach received several heavy concentrations of enemy artillery and rocket fire that severed communication between an important artillery observation post in the town and supporting artillery. Working under heavy enemy fire, Private Metrick repaired the breaks and maintained communication between the observation post and the artillery. His courage and initiative were an inspiration to those working with him. Entered the military service from Shaft, Pennsylvania.

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WILLIAM R MILLER 34609992, Cavalry, Corporal (then Private First Class), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945 near Mimbach, Germany. Corporal Miller's unit was held up by enemy mortar and small arms fire. Manning a machine gun mounted on a quarter-ton vehicle, Corporal Miller, by means of placing accurate fire on the enemy positions, enabled aid men to evacuate two wounded soldiers. Then concentrating his fire on an enemy strongpoint, he forced eight enemy machine gunners to surrender. Corporal Miller's actions enabled his unit to resume its advance. Entered the military service from Catawba, North Carolina.

JAMES F MULLINS 34205029, Cavalry, Technician Fourth Grade, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 4 November 1944 near Thiaville, France. During a heavy enemy mortar barrage, Technician Mullins remained at his post and maintained radio communication until his platoon was surrounded by enemy. He immediately destroyed all codes and radio equipment before he left his post. Technician Mullins and three fellow soldiers remained in the area for two days and nights, observing enemy movement and then worked their way through enemy lines and returned to their unit. The information of the enemy that Technician Mullins brought back proved to be of value in planning future operations. Entered the military service from Fort McClellan, Alabama.

ALBERT L QUICKEL 20830627, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery A, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 near Rains, Germany. When a strong enemy counterattack succeeded in surrounding the rifle company he was attached to as a forward observer, Technician Quickel made his way to an exposed position where he could direct artillery fire on the enemy forces. In spite of the heavy enemy fire falling in the area, Technician Quickel remained in position and by accurately adjusting the fire of the batteries succeeded in destroying an automatic gun, two tracked vehicles and forcing the enemy to withdraw. The courageous actions of Technician Quickel were responsible for repulsing the enemy counterattack. Entered the military service from Woodward, Oklahoma.

LEONARD S RACZAK 36831875, Cavalry, Private, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 15 December 1944 near Bobenthal, Germany. Private Raczak volunteered to clear a road block that was holding up the progress of his unit. While working at his task, he was seriously wounded. In spite of his wound Private Raczak remained on the job until the road block was removed. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

ROY J EDWARDS 35747892, Cavalry, Private, 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 24 October 1944 near Fromifontaine, France. Private Edwards was wounded and advised to report to the aid station. Instead, he voluntarily carried rations up to his platoon although the area was under heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire. Knowing that his platoon was understrength, he remained with it until it was relieved. Entered the military service from Haviland, Ohio.

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EUGENE A ROST 36806131, Cavalry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 7 October 1944 near Bruyeres, France. Technician Rost was manning an outpost in front of his unit when the enemy launched an attack against his unit. Although it was his first experience in combat, Technician Rost placed such accurate fire on the approaching enemy with his Browning automatic rifle that the attack was repulsed. When his unit counterattacked, the advance was temporarily stopped by an enemy strongpoint. Technician Rost made his way through the artillery and small arms fire to within close range of the enemy. Then by accurate fire from his Browning automatic rifle, he neutralized the enemy position, enabling his unit to advance. Entered the military service from Fondulac, Wisconsin.

HERBERT P SHEPHERD 33568255, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945 near Hobach, Germany. Private Shepherd, as radio operator, was accompanying the headquarters platoon when it was cut off by infiltrating enemy forces. In the ensuing fire fight, an infantry machine gunner was killed. Private Shepherd unhesitatingly took over the idle weapon. Maintaining a constant volume of fire, he inflicted several casualties on the enemy and aided materially in repulsing their attack. Entered the military service from Lorton, Virginia.

ROBERT O UEHLING 01174990, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Battery C, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 9-10 October 1944 near Fremifontaine, France. Lieutenant Uehling was the forward observer attached to a rifle company when an enemy counterattack of an estimated regimental strength surrounded the company. Lieutenant Uehling remained exposed to the heavy enemy artillery fire to direct artillery fire upon the attacking force. When his observation post could no longer be used, Lieutenant Uehling led his party in a fight to reach a new location from which he continued to direct artillery fire upon the enemy until the counterattack was successfully repulsed. Entered the military service from Madison, Wisconsin.

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WITHERS C ADKINS 34737508, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 September 1944 near LaValbonne, France. When a heavy barrage of enemy mortar and artillery fire, supported by a strong attack of enemy armor, penetrated our forward positions, Sergeant Adkins, a machine gun squad leader, realizing that capture was imminent, quickly scouted the enemy positions, found a weak spot, then led his squad through the enemy armor to safety before enemy infantry could consolidate its gains. Entered the military service from Lynchburg, Virginia.

CHARLES A BEAVER 37658610, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 November 1944 near Schillersdorf, France. A heavy concentration of mortar fire wounded two men and forced the remainder to withdraw. As the platoon aid man and three volunteers attempted to reach the wounded men, the enemy laid down another heavy concentration of mortar fire, seriously wounding all four. At this point Technician Beaver, though warned against entering the heavily shelled area, set out, alone, in an attempt to reach the wounded men. His approach brought on another concentration of mortar fire but he continued on to where the men lay. Then crawling from man to man, Technician Beaver ascertained that all were dead before he returned to his platoon. Entered the military service from Harvey, Iowa.

WILLIAM W ETHERTON 01107937, Corps of Engineers, First Lieutenant, Headquarters (then Company A), 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 31 March 1945 in Aschaffenburg, Germany. Lieutenant Etherton took a crew of nine sweepers into the city and, although under fire from enemy snipers and bazookas, directed the removal of several enemy box mines and road blocks that were preventing the tanks from giving close support to the advancing infantry. The heroic actions of Lieutenant Etherton under fire were largely responsible for the success of the attack. Entered the military service from Dongola, Illinois.

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ADAM F OFFENBECHER 36247832, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Phillipsburg, France. When the town in which Private Offenbecher was stationed was surrounded by the enemy, many friendly troops were wounded by the enemy fire. In spite of the heavy fire, Private Offenbecher administered first aid to the wounded. When darkness came he assisted in recovering an ambulance and, through enemy artillery and mortar fire, successfully evacuated four seriously wounded soldiers. His coolness and devotion to duty were responsible for bringing prompt medical aid to the wounded. Entered the military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

WILLIAM BALOG 33165478, Corps of Engineers, Staff Sergeant,
Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion.
Entered the military service from New Cumberland, Pennsylvania.

FREDRICK L HENDERSON 32186327, Corps of Engineers, Sergeant,
Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion.
Entered the military service from Fort Dix, New Jersey.

For heroic achievement in action on 25-26 April 1945 near Marxheim, Germany. Sergeant Balog and Sergeant Henderson were in charge of ferrying the assault company of infantry across the Danube River. Despite enemy artillery fire that destroyed one of their trucks and heavy enemy small arms and machine gun fire that covered the launching of their boats, Sergeant Balog and Sergeant Henderson succeeded in ferrying the assault company safely across and then took over a reserve company. The heroic actions of Sergeant Balog and Sergeant Henderson during this period aided materially in the successful crossing of the Danube River.

Section II

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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:

ALBERT DUSEAULT 31067840, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Phillipsburg, France. When the town in which Private Duseault was stationed was surrounded by the enemy, many friendly troops were wounded by the enemy fire. In spite of the heavy fire, Private Duseault administered first aid to the wounded. When darkness came he assisted in recovering an ambulance and, through enemy artillery and mortar fire, successfully evacuated four seriously wounded soldiers. His coolness and devotion to duty were responsible for bringing prompt medical aid to the wounded. Entered the military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

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PETER F NOVELLINO 32995932, Medical Department, Private First Class (then Private), Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Zinswiller, France. Private Novellino, an ambulance driver, was on duty with a battalion aid station when it was attacked by enemy aircraft and several men were wounded. Shortly afterwards the aid station was forced to move and Private Novellino, though wounded himself, made repeated trips over enemy shelled roads to evacuate all the patients. Private Novellino's concern for his fellow soldiers and his devotion to duty were responsible for bringing prompt medical aid to the wounded. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

RAYMOND L SPIES 37197108, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 120th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 29 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. Technician Spies, leader of a litter squad, successfully led his men on repeated trips across a thousand yard expanse of open terrain under intense enemy small arms fire to evacuate numerous casualties from a small town. The heroic actions of Technician Spies in the face of the enemy fire were responsible for bringing prompt medical aid to the wounded. Entered the military service from Davenport, Iowa.

ALBERT WILL 37277117, Medical Department, Private First Class, Company C, 120th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 12 April 1945 near Bamberg, German When heavy casualties were inflicted upon infantry troops who were establishing a bridgehead across the Main River, Private Will volunteered to drive his ambulance across a heavily shelled ponton bridge to evacuate them. Working steadily through daylight and darkness, he made numerous trips across the heavily shelled bridge and successfully evacuated all the wounded men. The heroic actions of Private Will during this period resulted in saving the lives of wounded men. Entered the military service from Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

ALBERTUS J RUSSELL 36879772, Corps of Engineers, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class),
Company C, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion.
Entered the military service from Ossian, Indiana.

MAURICE P FRULLA 42121952, Corps of Engineers, Private First Class,
Company C, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion.
Entered the military service from Indian Lake, New York.

For heroic achievement in action from 16 to 20 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When tank dozers were unavailable Technician Russell and Private Frulla operated two bulldozers for five days, successfully clearing road blocks, fallen buildings and debris along roads that were holding up friendly tanks. In spite of the enemy air bursts and interrittent sniper fire, they continued with their task until the road was open. By opening a way for the tanks Technician Russell and Private Frulla aided materially in the final capture of Nurnberg.

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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 officer:

GEORGE N McCALL O1286416, Aide-de-Camp (Infantry), Captain, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 9 August 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

Section II

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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:

ARTHUR J SPARKMAN 38120748, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 December 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, Sicily, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Midland, Texas.

FUNG M QUAN 39838695, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 December 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Oakland, California.

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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 man:

JACK I MILLER 38005651, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. During the heavy fighting near Reipertswiller, Technician Miller was serving as a quarter-ton truck driver. On being informed of several casualties in an attacking rifle company, Technician Miller volunteered to drive forward through the exceptionally heavy enemy artillery barrages to evacuate the wounded. With enemy troops already infiltrating along his route, Technician Miller successfully administered first aid and evacuated the wounded men. Technician Miller's heroic actions during this period saved the lives of numerous wounded men. Entered the military service from Pueblo, Colorado.

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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:

JEFFIE C HARVEY 20836096, Infantry, Corporal, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. When accurate enemy rifle and grenade fire prevented his squad from taking its objective, Corporal Harvey advanced alone under the heavy enemy fire to a position from where he could place effective rifle fire on the enemy strongpoint. There, firing accurately and rapidly, Corporal Harvey kept the enemy personnel to the ground while his squad moved forward and captured the objective. Corporal Harvey's heroic actions in exposing himself to the enemy fire aided greatly in the capture of the enemy strongpoint. Entered the military service from Claremore, Oklahoma.

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JOHN L HODGES 01313407, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 November 1944 near Zinsweiller, France. Lieutenant Hodges' platoon temporarily was stopped by accurate enemy machine gun fire coming from a strong enemy position. Despite the heavy fire and lack of cover, Lieutenant Hodges crawled forward and led five of his men into position from where they delivered flanking fire on the enemy, killing two enemy machine gunners and causing the remainder to withdraw. Lieutenant Hodges' actions enabled his company to resume its advance and capture its objective. Entered the military service from Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

JOHN L KLINE 20542036, Medical Department, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. During heavy fighting near Reipertswiller, Private Kline was serving as a quarter-ton truck driver. On being informed of several casualties in an attacking rifle company, Private Kline volunteered to drive forward through the exceptionally heavy enemy barrages to evacuate the wounded. With enemy troops already infiltrating along his route, Private Kline successfully administered first aid and evacuated the wounded men. Private Kline's heroic actions during this period saved the lives of numerous wounded men. Entered the military service from Earl Park, Indiana.

SAM L MOORE JR 01328282, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. While crossing a street one of the men in Lieutenant Moore's platoon was seriously wounded by a sniper and fell in the middle of the street where he remained a target for enemy fire. Seeing this, Lieutenant Moore immediately left his place of safety and dashed to the side of the wounded soldier. Then, under the heavy small arms fire directed at him, Lieutenant Moore carried the man to safety. The heroic actions of Lieutenant Moore undoubtedly saved the man's life. Entered the military service from Franklin, Kentucky.

WARREN H SCHIMMEL 36811838, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 January 1945 near Dambach, France. When the enemy staged a strong attack against friendly troops on the left, the riflemen for whom Sergeant Schimmel was directing mortar fire, moved over to reinforce them, leaving Sergeant Schimmel and his radioman to protect the right flank. His accurate observation, in spite of the exposed position he held and the heavy barrage falling around him, aided materially in the successful repulsion of the attack and inflicted numerous casualties upon the enemy. Entered the military service from Waukesha, Wisconsin.

CHARLES L GRAHAM 37708296, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Grainfield, Kansas.

LACY L HALL 36962494, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Springfield, Illinois.

For heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. Private Graham and Private Hall voluntdered to scout enemy positions under cover of darkness. From their discoveries they were able to furnish information that prevented an entire platoon of their company from being ambushed. Private Graham's and Private Hall's accurate information was largely responsible for the success of their company's attack through the enemy positions and contributed highly to the large number of enemy killed and captured.

JEROME G ZUBIK 38677944, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal),
Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Bryan, Texas.

LAWRENCE W McGUIGAN 33940288, Infantry, Corporal,
Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Alleghany County, Pennsylvania.

For heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. Sergeant Zubik and Sergeant McGuigan, bazooka gunners, advanced to within thirty-five yards of an enemy-held pillbox in an attempt to neutralize the position. They succeeded in destroying the enemy position with six well-placed rounds from their weapon, despite the intense enemy fire directed at them. The heroic actions of Sergeant Zubik and Sergeant McGuigan in knocking out the enemy position materially aided their company in its advance through the Siegfried Line.

BERNARD BECKERMAN 42035810, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class),
Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.

OTIS J WILLARD 34897094, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Mount Airy, North Carolina.

RAY BANKS 38343099, Infantry, Private,
Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Childress, Texas.

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For heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Bliesbruck, France. Corporal Beckerman, Private Willard and Private Banks, members of a combat patrol, returned to positions overrun by numerically superior counter-attacking enemy forces in order to secure a light machine gun left behind. The patrol proceeded across open terrain under heavy enemy mortar and small arms fire to the enemy-held hill. Then engaging the enemy in close fighting, they succeeded in reaching the abandoned gun and, using it, placed accurate fire upon the enemy, inflicting numerous casualties upon them and forcing them to withdraw. The courage and initiative displayed by Corporal Beckerman, Private Willard and Private Banks materially aided their unit in reestablishing its former positions.

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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 enlisted men:

THOMAS J CREAMER 32499694, Medical Department, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. A rifle platoon advancing across an open field encountered heavy enemy sniper fire that inflicted numerous casualties and temporarily stopped its advance. Private Creamer, a platoon aid man, disregarding the heavy enemy fire, dashed across the field to the aid of the wounded men. When the platoon withdrew to reorganize, Private Creamer remained behind and continued to administer first aid to the seriously wounded men. Private Creamer then returned to his unit and, organizing litter squads, assisted in the evacuation of the wounded. The courageous actions of Private Creamer in braving the heavy enemy fire to bring prompt aid to the wounded reflect high credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

WILLIAM F JENNINGS 01319954, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 April 1945 near Bamberg, Germany. When enemy fire temporarily stopped his platoon, Lieutenant Jennings led a squad through the heavy fire in an assault on the enemy position, successfully eliminating it. Lieutenant Jennings' actions were largely responsible for the capture of forty enemy personnel and a large number in killed and wounded. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

EDWIN C MEISER JR 33668549, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. Sergeant Meiser was a member of a machine gun section in support of a rifle company when the forward elements were pinned down by heavy enemy fire. While firing on enemy emplacements Sergeant Meiser observed enemy troops attempting to man two 88mm guns. He immediately adjusted his fire on their positions and drove them from the weapons. He continued his accurate fire until the forward

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to move to more favorable positions. Sergeant Meiser's ale[r]t accurate fire prevented the enemy from inflicting severe casualtie[s] company. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylva[nia].

MARTIN F SCHROEDER 0429321, Infantry, Captain, Headquarters, First Battalion (then Company A), 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. Captain Schroeder's company was given the assignment of spearheading the regiment's drive on Munich. Reaching the outskirts of the city, the forward elements were stopped by heavy enemy artillery and machine gun fire. Making his way to an observation post, Captain Schroeder directed artillery fire on enemy positions. Although three enemy artillery shells landed within fifteen yards of his position, Captain Schroeder remained at his post until the enemy fire was silenced. He then reorganized his company and led it to the outskirts of the city. His courage and leadership were responsible for the successful attack by his company and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Bridgewater, South Dakota.

Section II

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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:

MORTON F BROWN 32667443, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. Private Brown's platoon was advancing across an open field in the outskirts of Munich, when it was temporarily stopped by enemy small arms fire. Due to the heavy fire that continued to fall in the area, it was impossible to evacuate the wounded. Private Brown, on his own initiative, made his way to a friendly tank and, manning the tank's machine gun, directed the tank to where the wounded lay. Then by concentrating his fire on enemy positions, he lessened their fire to such an extent that all wounded men were able to be evacuated. Entered the military service from Albany, New York.

HAROLD W DRUCKMAN 32385844, Medical Department, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. During the fighting on the northern approaches to Munich, a number of men in the leading elements of the attacking force were wounded and left behind in heavily wooded areas. The initial litter squad of which Private Druckman was a member, sent out for the wounded, had difficulty in locating the casualties due to small arms fire and returned to its starting point. Private Druckman then voluntarily led a new litter squad, under renewed enemy fire, to the wounded men and remained with them until all were evacuated. Entered the military service from Elizabeth, New Jersey.

HUGH D HUTCHENS 34128332, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. A rifle company attacking across an open field suffered several casualties from enemy firing from well-defended positions. Although the heavy enemy fire continued to fall in the area and the attack was temporarily stopped, Technician Hutchens, a platoon aid man, ran to the aid of the wounded soldiers. Working from a prone position for nearly half an hour Technician Hutchens administered first aid to the wounded men and assisted them to the cover of a nearby woods where he assisted in their evacuation. Entered the military service from Greenville, South Carolina.

JOHN H JESSEN 35894283, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Wimmenau, France. Private Jessen's company was assaulting two enemy-held hills when the right flank was stopped by a strong force of "SS" mountain troops. In order to reinforce the right flank, all the riflemen were moved, leaving Private Jessen's machine gun squad to protect the left flank. At dusk Private Jessen noticed enemy movement on the hill to the right. He immediately sighted his gun at an open stretch of ground towards which the enemy was approaching and instructed the other members in the squad to remain quiet. When the enemy reached the open space he opened fire, killing forty-six and causing twenty-four to surrender. Private Jessen's actions enabled the company to advance. Entered the military service from Elkhart, Indiana.

LEONARD M YEAGLE 33797358, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When the company to which Private Yeagle's machine gun squad was attached was temporarily halted by enemy fire, Private Yeagle worked his way from house to house until he reached a position from where he could observe the disposition of the enemy. By firing upon enemy emplacements with his rifle, Private Yeagle kept enemy fire at a minimum and enabled his machine gun squad to move to a position from where it brought effective fire to bear upon the enemy. Private Yeagle repeatedly exposed himself so that he could better observe and direct the fire of his squad. As a result of Private Yeagle's actions, casualties were inflicted upon the enemy, and the company was enabled to continue its advance. Private Yeagle's fearless and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Briston, Pennsylvania.

DANIEL CHILDRESS 35932367, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Excelsior, West Virginia.

CHARLES P PARKER 34734597, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from New Middleton, Tennessee.

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For heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. During the bitter street fighting in Nurnberg, one of the company commanders was seriously wounded while on a reconnaissance mission and was left in a forward exposed position. Although one litter squad had failed in its attempt to reach the wounded officer because of the intense small arms fire, Technician Childress and Private Parker, aid men, unhesitatingly started out themselves, in spite of the fact that they had been working for twenty-four continuous hours. They worked their way under the heavy fire to the wounded man, maneuvered him onto a stretcher, and then started back. Reaching a point five hundred yards from their starting point, they became so exhausted that neither could walk by himself, but by then help reached them and the wounded officer was successfully evacuated to the aid station.

PATSY GRANDINETTI 12055097, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Syracuse, New York.

WILLIAM C MAC PHETRES JR 31266494, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

For heroic achievement in action on 16-17 February 1944 near Carano, Italy. During an enemy counterattack Private Grandinetti and Private Mac Phetres were engaged in laying communication wires to front line observation posts. Before they could complete the communications, enemy fire would cut the lines behind them. Despite heavy enemy fire Private Grandinetti and Private Mac Phetres continued to lay and repair wire for two days and nights, until the counterattack was stopped.

So much of General Orders Number 241, Section III, Award of the Bronze Star Medal, this headquarters, cs, as pertains to MARTIN F SCHROEDER 0429321, Infantry, Captain, Headquarters First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

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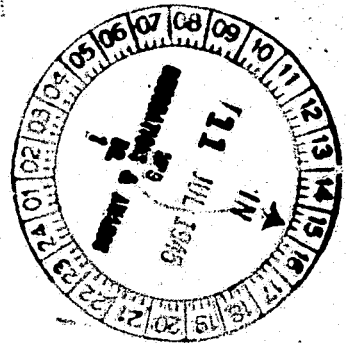

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to each of the following officers and enlisted men:

JACK W BIDDING 37015243, Field Artillery, Technical Sergeant (then 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 St. Joseph, Missouri.

ADDISON H BISSELL JR 01175946, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, C Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 October 1943 to 2 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Stamford, Connecticut.

JOSEPH J CARCCIOLO 32793572, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Battery A, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 29 September 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

ARTHUR V CORLEY 02000759, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant (then First Sergeant and later Second Lieutenant), Battery B, 189th 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 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

VIRGIL F COTHEN 38018116, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Service Battery, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, 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 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

SHELBY DAVIS 38040655, Field Artillery, Technical Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 2 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Dallas, Texas.

CYRIL F HEIM 20535448, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 171st 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 Chicago, Illinois.

CLIFFORD H LOHSE 0400757, Dental Corps, Captain, Medical Detachment, 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 Pawnee, Oklahoma.

DANIEL S LEVEY 01174625, Field Artillery, Captain, Headquarters, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 9 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

FRANK F MALANDRINO 36023627, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery C, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, 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 LaSalle, Illinois.

FORREST G MUNSON 20830252, Field Artillery, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 5 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

RUSSELL B ORR 34133311, Field Artillery, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 9 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Morgan City, Mississippi.

PATRICK R ROGERS 01177618, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 August 1943 to 2 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

HARVEY C ROWLAND 38017553, 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 Chandler, Oklahoma.

JOSEPH R STECKEL 33083009, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Battery C, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 15 February 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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ROBERT H RYNER 36446811, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 6 August 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Galesburg, Illinois.

CARL J SCHAVIO 32301685, Infantry, Sergeant, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 6 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New Brunswick, New Jersey.

PHILIP E STAUFFER 33624685, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 28 January 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Orwigsburg, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH A THOMPSON JR 34918074, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 15 September 1944 to 30 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Decatur, Alabama.

HERBERT L WENDT 35874986, Medical Department, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from May 1944 to April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Cheviot, Ohio.

WILLIAM H WHITMAN 0384325, Infantry, Captain, Headquarters, 180th 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 Sacramento, California.

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FRED V WATSON 01171822, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 May 1944 to 2 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Irvington, New Jersey.

DALE E WEST 36038775, Field Artillery, First Sergeant (then Sergeant), Service Battery, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, 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 Hillendale, Illinois.

Section II

Award of the Fifth Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal

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

DAVID M KYLE 0379034, Field Artillery, Major (then Captain), Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy from 27 March to 30 April 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Florence, Oregon.

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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 each of the following enlisted men:

JAMES R HEFNER JR 34777315, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 April 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Granite Falls, South Carolina.

CONRAD HESKIN 37277032, Medical Department, Staff Sergeant (then Private), 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 Sharon, North Dakota.

Section II

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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:

KASTAN J [illegible]S 31060219, Infantry, First Sergeant, Company D, 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 Brighton, Massachusetts.

ANDREW [illegible]VADISIAN 31065350, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class and later Technician Fifth Grade), Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for [illegible]ritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 [illegible]1 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and [illegible]rmany. Entered the military [illegible]vice fro[illegible] [illegible]ssachusetts

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JOSEPH W CAMPO 12061231, Infantry, Sca... Sergeant, Company F, 180th ...ntry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat ...rations from 6 May 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. ...tered the military service from Corona, Long Island, New York.

GEORGE H CARLIN JR 33440230, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 October 1944 to 19 March 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

LAWRENCE A DeLISLE 36215596, Infantry, First Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 10 October 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Schofield, Wisconsin.

JOSEPH D DiCARLO 32932263, Medical Department, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 20 January 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Buffalo, New York.

EDWARD DUNN 0439227, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Antitank Company, 180th 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 Cartersville, Georgia.

RAYMOND M ENDRES 36212031, Infantry, Technician Fourth 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 Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

ALFRED R FERRO 32877028, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 28 January 1944 to 16 December 1944 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

EDWARD J FIALKA JR 32239017, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade (then Corporal), Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 4 March 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Somerville, New Jersey.

PAUL R FRANZ 01315294, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company ..., 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat fr...ptember 1944 to 30 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the ...itary service from ...izabeth, New Jersey.

CHARLES GULOTTA 32538761, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company D, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from February 1944 to March 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JOSEPH R GRIEBEL W2125237, Army of the United States, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, 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 Muskogee, Oklahoma.

IRWIN A HOELTZEL 38016989, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (Private First Class and later Corporal), Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 28 January 1944 to 20 December 1944 in Italy and France. Entered the military service from Enid, Oklahoma.

CLYDE G HOSTETLER 33277368, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 6 December 1944 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Uniontown, Pennsylvania.

HARRY R KELCH 35791954, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 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 New Richmond, Ohio.

OLNEY E KENNEY W2117853, Army of the United States, Chief Warrant Officer, Service Company, 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 Tulsa, Oklahoma.

EDWARD L KERKER 0435577, Infantry, Captain, Headquarters, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 15 March to 3 May 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Shawnee, Oklahoma.

JIM D KERSEY 0420851, Infantry, Major (then Captain), Headquarters, 180th 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 Durant, Oklahoma.

BORGE KNUTSON 36820819, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from February 1944 to April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

ALLEN G LIGHT 32748158, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from August 1944 to April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Pooksville, New York.

ERVIN J MALLONEE 38018934, Infantry, Corporal, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 18 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Chandler, Oklahoma.

ROBERT P MALOY 34023647, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from February 1944 to April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Tallahassee, Florida.

JAMES T McEACHERN 31356706, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from February 1944 to April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Winthrop, Massachusetts.

WALTER MILOS 32204583, Infantry, Sergeant, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 6 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Elizabeth, New Jersey.

CLARENCE R NELSON 33679826, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 26 April 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Erie, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM J PRATT 35759225, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 30 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Follansbee, West Virginia.

WALLACE C PRESTING 37554358, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from August 1944 to April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from East Grand Forks, Minnesota.

CARL H RESNICK 0498146, Medical Corps, Captain, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 20 April 1944 to 3 March 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

OTIS B RING 36739791, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 30 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from South Beloit, Illinois.

ARTHUR B RODGERS 32189245, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th 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 East Orange, New Jersey.

GORIZIO D RUFO 32197862, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th 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 New York, New York.

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JOHN H COCHRAN 34762133, Field Artillery, Private, Headquarters 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 Blackshear, Georgia.

CHARLES E CREEN 13091317, 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 16 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

CLINTON S CROW 20832169, 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 Wewoka, Oklahoma.

CECIL W DENTON 38023532, 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 Broken Bow, Oklahoma.

ARNOLD ELDRIDGE 35125712, 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 Pleasant Plain, Ohio.

ODIS D FRANKLIN 20421915, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Battery B, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 27 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Laurel Hill, Florida.

ALVIN L HARRIS 33294400, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Battery C, 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 Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

JOHN G HANZAN 31059949, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Battery C, 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 Fort Devens, Massachusetts.

ARNOLD P CREENE 3[illegible]359, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Battery B, 16[illegible]Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of [illegible]at operations from 20 October 1[illegible]4 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany [illegible]Entered the military service from Savannah, Georgia.

[illegible]L G HENRY 34170719, 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 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

ROBERT A HENRY 34083467, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Corporal), 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 Crab Orchard, Tennessee.

FRED H HOLMES 36610709, 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 6 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Clay City, Illinois.

WILLIAM M KEE 34083488, 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 Fort McPherson, Georgia.

[illegible]IE P LOVELL 14134646, 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 10 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, [illegible]rance and Germany Entered the military service from Knoxville, Tennessee.

LOUIS W MARLOW 20832342, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), 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 Savanna, Oklahoma.

THOMAS C MAYNARD 34113996, 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 Gary, North Carolina.

EMMETT F McDONELL 39077576, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class and later 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 Sacramento, California.

[illegible]NCISCO G PARRA 38067354, Field Artillery, Private First Class, 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 El Paso, Texas.

EDWIN T PASHEK 36244342, 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 Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

HARRY L PAULSEN 37109834, 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 Plainfield, Iowa.

GUY J PAYNE 34350567, 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 Homer, Georgia.

RICHARD E RICHARDSON 31220413, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 September 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Rockland, Maine.

WILLIAM J ROGERS 35160720, Field Artillery, Corporal (then 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 Evansville, Indiana.

ELMER G SCHLUTZ 33103079, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Corporal), 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 Brentwood, Pennsylvania.

PRESTON H SMITH 35108472, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Corporal), 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 Shelbyville, Kentucky.

ALBERT TIMPANO 35748783, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 September 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Morgantown, West Virginia.

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ORIGINAL ORDER -

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 enlisted men:

RAYMOND L BROWN 38126804, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. Having suffered heavy casualties, a rifle platoon was ordered to withdraw and attack over another route. Private Brown, a platoon aid man, went through the heavy enemy small arms fire to the wounded men and administered first aid to them. Then after carrying a seriously wounded man to safety, Private Brown was advised not to return to the area due to the increase of enemy small arms fire. Upon seeing a man move, whom he had previously though to be dead, Private Brown immediately returned to the man's side and administered first aid to him. Private Brown then returned to his platoon to arrange for evacuation of the wounded men. The courageous actions of Private Brown in facing the heavy enemy fire saved the life of the seriously wounded man and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Chateau, Oklahoma.

JAMES H ETHRIDGE 14035500, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 10 December 1944 in Reichshoffen, France. Observing six enemy enter a house near his roadblock, Sergeant Ethridge crawled to within ten yards of the house and, although subjected to intense enemy fire, launched two grenades at the enemy, killing two and causing the others to flee. Later, when thirty enemy attempted to infiltrate past his squad, Sergeant Ethridge crawled with a comrade to a favorable firing position, and from point-blank range, dispersed the enemy force with accurate rifle fire. Sergeant Ethridge's heroic conduct insured the success of his squad's mission. Entered the military service from Abbeville, Alabama.

MAURICE C MARTIN 6994106, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When the platoon to which Private Martin was attached as aid man came under heavy enemy machine gun fire, several men, including Private Martin, were wounded, and the platoon forced to withdraw. The platoon sergeant called his men back one by one. When it was Private Martin's turn to withdraw, instead of moving to the rear, he ran forward through the enemy fire, helped another wounded man to his feet and assisted him back to a position of safety. This unselfish devotion to duty and concern for his fellow soldier reflect credit upon Private Martin and his organization. Entered the military service from Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

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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 the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

EARL W BOOTH 35653068, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 28 December 1944. Home address: Glenwood, West Virginia.

THOMAS P BRENNAN 01998117, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 10 April 1945. Home address: El Paso, Texas.

JESSE L HERSHFIELD 33910667, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 21 December 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

THOMAS A LaFERLA 42036186, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 August 1944. Home address: West New York, New Jersey.

AUGUST J NOACK 32919055, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 24 September 1944.

VICTOR A SADULICK 33737699, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 October 1944. Home address: Lehonmoy, Pennsylvania.

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:

WILLIAM BRANIK 34722361, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 12 November 1943.

WILLIAM E DAVIS 35660495, Infantry, Corporal, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 September 1944. Home address: Gregoryville, Kentucky.

CHARLES J FLANNERY 32209100, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 26 November 1943. Home address: New York, New York.

SAMUEL FREED 36899538, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 13 January 1945. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

EDWARD K GODDARD 31574639, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 September 1944. Home address: East Rochester, New Hampshire.

CHARLES C HANEY 16149368, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 December 1944. Home address: Okemah, Oklahoma.

JOHN W HAYNIE 34845424, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 31 March 1945. Home address: Candler, North Carolina.

WALTER J KUBISTY 32669950, Infantry, Private, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, Sicily, 15 July 1943. Home address: Buffalo, New York.

BENEDICT P LOCHER 32825303, Infantry, Private, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 22 February 1944. Home address: New York, New York.

RICHARD J OHLAN 0461633, Medical Corps, Captain, Medical Detachment, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, Italy, 2 March 1944. Home address: Gardner, Massachusetts.

WILLIAM E RIDGELY 33731755, Infantry, Private, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 29 February 1944.

CARL A ROBINSON 32804030, Infantry, Sergeant, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 17 April 1945. Home address: Port Jervis, New York.

EDGAR E TURNBAUGH, 19038278, Medical Department, Corporal, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 December 1944. Home address: St. Louis, Missouri.

NORMAN J VANSULEREN 36882219, Infantry, Sergeant, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 6 October 1944. Home address: Essexville, Michigan.

JOHN A WOLLER 01298790, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 17 January 1945. Home address: Cicero, Illinois.

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ORIGINAL ORDER

Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.... I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal..... II

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:

WARREN H HOWE 37015082, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Reconnaissance Company, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 12 April 1945 near Kirchlauter, Germany. When heavy enemy fire had forced a platoon to withdraw temporarily from an enemy-held town, it was discovered that one wounded man had been left behind. Under covering fire from an M-8 reconnaissance car, Sergeant Howe and two volunteers, made their way approximately two hundred and fifty yards on foot, under heavy enemy fire, to reach the spot where the injured man lay. Then, placing him on the reconnaissance car, they evacuated the wounded man to the aid station. Entered the military service from Topeka, Kansas.

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:

LEVI G ACUNA 36011134, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 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 Silver City, New Mexico.

JAMES F BIGWOOD 33203221, Field Artillery, Corporal, Headquarters Company, 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 Baltimore, Maryland.

JAMES B MacCOLL 01822891, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Company A, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from March to April 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Long Beach, California.

DELBERT E MORMAN 35292209, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Corporal), Company C, 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 Nelsonville, Ohio.

AUBURN NORWOOD 20639886, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class) Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945 in Phillipsburg, France. When ordered to move his tank destroyer to an alternate position Sergeant Norwood found that his destroyer's tracks were frozen to the ground. In spite of a heavy enemy artillery concentration falling in the area, Sergeant Norwood worked to free the frozen tracks. After he had freed the tracks the destroyer was successfully moved to the new position. Sergeant Norwood's devotion to duty was responsible for preventing the tank destroyer from being destroyed or captured by the rapidly advancing enemy forces and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Akron, Ohio.

VERNON S SMELTZER 01822741, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, 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 Mansfield, Ohio.

NEVILLE R SPENCER 01822476, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Reconnaissance Company, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered the military service from Sioux City, Iowa.

ODIN S ERICKSON 39117644, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Reconnaissance Company, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Entered the military service from Hayward, California.

For heroic achievement in action on 12 April 1945 near Kirchlauter, Germany. When heavy enemy fire had forced a platoon to withdraw temporarily from an enemy-held town, it was discovered that one wounded man had been left behind. Under covering fire from an M-8 reconnaissance car, Lieutenant Spencer, Private Erickson and another volunteer, made their way approximately two hundred and fifty yards on foot, under heavy enemy fire, to reach the spot where the injured man lay. Then, placing him on the reconnaissance car, they evacuated the wounded man to the aid station.

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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 the following officer and enlisted man for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

SAM J ARDITO 36749226, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 17 April 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

JOHN D RICE 0435639, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 March 1945. Home address: Portland, Oregon.

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:

ROBERT D DOLSON 15336284, Corps of Engineers, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 120th Engineer C Battalion, Germany, 13 April 1945. Home address: Lexington, Kentucky.

ROBERT M BOLTON 39707660, Medical Department, Private, Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 21 September 1944. Home address: Marcon, Texas.

CHARLES E BRADSHAW 33857055, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 23 March 1945. Home address: Windsor, Virginia. REV. BY GO 292 - July 13 1945

* JOHN E DAVIDSON 02006182, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 1 April 1945. Home address: Medford, Oregon.

RUSSELL L FENN JR 02011725, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 12 September 1944. Home address: East Paterson, New Jersey.

WALTER J KUDISTY 32669950, Infantry, Private, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, Sicily, 15 July 1943. Home address: Buffalo, New York.

CHARLES E LEAF 36677338, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 9 January 1945. Home address: Grand Rapids, Michigan.

WALLACE F LOVE 36871634, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 17 March 1945. Home address: Howell, Michigan.

ERNEST O NOTHELFER 0481991, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 26 March 1945. Home address: New York, New York.

WELTON A RUHMANN 02011646, Cavalry, Captain, Headquarters, Special Troops, 45th Infantry Division, Italy, 30 April 1944. Home address: Kenedy, Texas.

LELAND L WOODS 01683469, Infantry, Captain, Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment, Sicily, 10 July 1943. Home address: Hartshorne, Oklahoma.

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SUBJECT: Amendment of General Orders

TO: Mr. Robert E. Bolcom
4C8 Pennsylvania Park
Lexington 22, Kentucky

So much of General Orders 273, Headquarters 45th Infantry Division, dated 9 July 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Technician Fifth Grade Robert E. Bolcom, service number 15 336 924, which reads "for wounds received in action on 13 April 1945" is amended to read "for wounds received in action on 19 April 1945".

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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9 July 1945

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Award of the First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star..... I
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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:

HORACE B HITT 38347633, Infantry, Sergeant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 27 April 1945 near Bavef, Germany. As Sergeant Hitt was carrying his wounded platoon leader to a position of safety, another enemy bullet struck the officer. Sergeant Hitt carried the twice-wounded lieutenant out of the field of fire and administered first aid. Exposing himself again, he carried another wounded man to safety. Although the company was then ordered to withdraw in the face of a heavy artillery concentration, Sergeant Hitt remained with the wounded men until litter bearers arrived and then assisted in carrying the men to the rear. Sergeant Hitt's courage and devotion to his comrades reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Lelian Lake, Texas.

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 enlisted man:

ROBERT C LUSK 32674591, Infantry, Sergeant, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 March 1945 near Sweinkein, Germany. Although Sergeant Lusk was critically wounded while leading his squad in an attack upon an enemy position, he continued to direct his men toward their objective. As he led his squad across an open field, just short of the objective, Sergeant Lusk was again wounded, this time mortally. Sergeant Lusk's gallant action so inspired his men that they stormed the position and inflicted many casualties upon the enemy. The courageous leadership and devotion to duty shown by Sergeant Lusk reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Holley, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Eleanor Mae Lusk (Wife), P.O. Box 245, Holley, New York.

Section III

Award of the Silver Star

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

LESLIE C BACK 37047131, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When the squad in which Sergeant Back was acting as a scout was ordered to clear a house from which snipers had been firing, Sergeant Back led the way into the house, killing an enemy bazooka man just inside the door. When enemy in the basement threw a grenade up the stairs, Sergeant Back stepped behind cover until the grenade exploded. He then threw two grenades into the cellar, rushed downstairs and made a thorough search of a tunnel which he found. Finding no one there, he took up a position at the end of the tunnel from which he could cover the back yard and the exit from another tunnel. Hearing enemy in the other tunnel, he urged them to surrender. By interspersing his German with shots from his rifle, Sergeant Back persuaded the group of enemy in the other tunnel to surrender. Sergeant Back's courage and aggressiveness reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Duncombe, Iowa.

WELBORN G DOLVIN 021980, Infantry, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 191st Tank Battalion, for gallantry in action on 14 April 1945 near Albertshof, Germany. As an infantry company, supported by tanks, advanced toward Albertshof, it was confronted with enemy antitank and flak gun fire. Colonel Dolvin made a personal reconnaissance over exposed terrain in order to deploy his tanks effectively against the opposition. Returning quickly, he leaped onto the lead tank and led his unit toward the antitank gun position, overrunning the enemy. Immediately turning his tanks toward the flak emplacement, he overran the position, killing the crew and enabling the coordinated strength of tanks and infantry to quickly move toward their objective. Colonel Dolvin's gallant performance removed a major obstacle to the advance of his organization and exemplifies the high traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered the United States Military Academy from Georgia.

WILLIAM L HUNSWORTH 33932451, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. When his company was halted by fire from two well-emplaced enemy machine guns, Sergeant Hunsworth instructed his squad to cover him while he moved forward alone toward the pillbox containing the guns. He crawled to within close range and threw a hand grenade into the enemy position, silencing the two machine guns. Shortly thereafter, Sergeant Hunsworth advanced alone to another pillbox and planted a demolition charge on the blind side of the fortification. Immediately after the explosion, Sergeant Hunsworth rushed the pillbox and captured the enemy personnel who had not been killed by the concussion. As a result of his gallant acts, the company was able to continue its advance. Sergeant Hunsworth's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Quaker-[illegible] Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH KOSSAR 33698135, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 October 1944 near Fremifontaine, France. A litter squad, sent to evacuate two men who had been injured by antipersonnel mines, found it impossible to enter the heavily mined area. Private Kossar volunteered to lead the squad to the wounded men. Despite heavy enemy mortar and machine gun fire, Private Kossar searched out and marked the mines, enabling the litter squad to evacuate the wounded men successfully. Later the same day, Private Kossar led another litter squad to the assistance of three men who were similarly injured. Private Kossar's courage and devotion to his comrades reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from North Charleroi, Pennsylvania.

FLOYD MAYHALL 20829093, Infantry, First Sergeant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. Sergeant Mayhall's company was advancing toward its objective when it encountered heavy enemy sniper and machine gun fire. Sergeant Mayhall ordered a squad of riflemen to lay down a base of fire while he crawled forward, under limited cover, to a position from which, with a hand grenade, he destroyed the enemy machine gun and its crew. Sergeant Mayhall then fired several clips from his rifle upon the area from which the sniper fire was coming. Only when satisfied that this threat had been eliminated did he rejoin his company. The courageous and aggressive actions of Sergeant Mayhall prevented the enemy from inflicting further casualties upon friendly troops and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Idabel, Oklahoma.

RAYMOND G RACINE 31391410, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 December 1944 near Langensoultzbach, France. Technician Racine was protecting the right flank of his squad which was attacking an enemy pillbox. When two squads of enemy riflemen attacked his position, Technician Racine succeeded in stopping the enemy force and in capturing two enemy soldiers, killing several, and causing the remainder to withdraw. On 1 January 1945 near Oberesteinbach, France, Technician Racine captured three enemy soldiers who were setting up a machine gun on the left flank of the company, thereby preventing the company from being cut off from other elements of the battalion. On 15 March 1945 near Bliesbrucken, Germany, when an attack was halted by enemy sniper fire, Technician Racine crossed an open field under fire and threw hand grenades into the house from which enemy fire was coming. This action killed the enemy snipers and allowed the company to advance. Technician Racine's courage and resourcefulness reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Lowell, Massachusetts.

PATRICK O STANGL 37667791, Infantry, First Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company A, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 5 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. When his company commander was wounded and the company became disorganized, Sergeant Stangl, then communications sergeant, went from man to man, giving encouragement and helping to reorganize the company. During the ensuing enemy counterattack, the observer for the supporting 81mm mortars was wounded and his radio destroyed. Sergeant Stangl immediately moved through the enemy mortar fire to a forward position from where, with his own radio, he directed countermortar fire. Despite the heavy volume of enemy fire being concentrated in the area, Sergeant Stangl continued to transmit rapid and accurate fire orders until the enemy attack was repulsed. Sergeant Stangl's courageous and resourceful leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Dedham, Iowa.

DAVID W THOMAS 35913360, Infantry, Private, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. Private Thomas, acting leader of a light machine gun squad, was ordered to place his gun in a position to fire upon two enemy machine guns. Under heavy enemy fire, Private Thomas led his squad up a dark street for a distance of two hundred yards and personally selected a firing position. Although severely wounded en route, Private Thomas chose to remain with his men. His well-directed fire quickly neutralized the two enemy guns and caused a number of casualties. Private Thomas' disregard for his safety and his courage in remaining with his men despite his wounds reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Lorain, Ohio.

JACKSON M WISECARVER 38005486, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company (then Company I), 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 and 28 September 1944 near Abbenans and Padoux, France. When an enemy counterattack on 11 September 1944 forced his company to make a temporary withdrawal, Private Wisecarver established a gun position in a tank rut and opened fire upon the oncoming enemy. Despite the heavy enemy fire directed at him, Private Wisecarver continued to fire and for an hour stalled the enemy advance, allowing his company to reorganize, renew its assault, and subsequently take its objective. On 28 September 1944 while establishing a gun position, Private Wisecarver noticed a camouflaged enemy road block manned by a number of enemy troops. Almost simultaneously, an enemy gunner opened fire upon the position occupied by Private Wisecarver and his assistant gunner. Ordering his companion to cover, Private Wisecarver placed a concentration of fire upon the road block. Though subjected to 88mm, antitank and machine gun fire, he continued to engage the enemy singlehandedly until part of the enemy's ammunition supply exploded, causing them to abandon the position. Private Wisecarver's courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

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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:

NORMAN S BLOCK 32197641, Infantry, Master 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 Brooklyn, New York.

WARREN R COOK 20823326, Finance Department, Master Sergeant, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, 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 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

ERASTE HEBERT 34077305, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 7 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Camp Livingston, Louisiana.

EDWARD A JOHNDROW 02000171, Army of the United States, First Lieutenant, 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 Enid, Oklahoma.

RALPH A LOYD 37205345, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Clearing Company, 120th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 20 March 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Morland, Kansas.

JOHN T MITCHELL 35483651, Infantry, Master Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant), Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, 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 Glasgow, Kentucky.

DONALD E OLDHAM 02000212, Finance Department, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, 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 Guthrie, Oklahoma.

JOHN W PIERSON 37220309, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 7 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

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Section I

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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 man:

ALFRED G HOOK 31204144, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945 near Althorn, France. Sergeant Hook, squad leader of the ammunition and pioneer platoon, was dispatched to blast a passage way through a rock ledge so that friendly tanks could proceed. After two hours of working under heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire, his supply of dynamite was exhausted, with the passage still not completed. Sergeant Hook then went to work with a pick and within one hour had successfully enlarged the passageway to allow the tanks to advance. Entered the military service from Mendon, Massachusetts.

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:

BERRY B NORRIS 38450172, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945 near Althorn, France. A rifle company attack upon Althorn was in danger of failing when well-concealed enemy infantry with supporting artillery inflicted numerous casualties upon the unit. Sergeant Norris, a light machine gunner, picked up his machine gun and carried it through a heavy volume of small arms fire for more than one hundred and fifty yards, placing it in action on the enemy's left flank. Sergeant Norris then directed a destructive fire into the enemy position that inflicted numerous casualties and caused such confusion that the enemy force withdrew. Sergeant Norris' courage and

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:

HORACE T EVERS 32717866, Infantry, Master Sergeant, Service Company, 179th 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 Riverhead, New York.

HAROLD A LINGLE 0558621, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 November 1944 near La Chapelle, France. When his observation post was subjected to heavy volumes of enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, Lieutenant Lingle maintained his position throughout the action and directed mortar fire upon the enemy that inflicted numerous casualties, destroyed a large amount of enemy equipment, and thwarted an enemy attempt to counterattack. Entered the military service from Long Beach, California.

✓ JOHN A MARSHALL 33554134, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 31 October 1944 near LeSalle, France. A combat patrol given the mission of securing a hill a thousand yards in front of a rifle company position received exceptionally heavy fire from enemy automatic weapons, forcing them to take cover in open terrain. Private Marshall, a Browning automatic rifleman, exposed himself and engaged the enemy in a brisk fire fight while the remaining men of the patrol withdrew to safety. Information gained by this patrol as to enemy strength and disposition enabled subsequent company attacks to gain the hill. Entered the military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

HAROLD G NELSON 32212348, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 January 1945 near Althorn, France. Technician Nelson, battalion wireman, was under a tank taking shelter from heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire when he saw a wounded soldier lying in the impact area. Making his way through the enemy fire, Technician Nelson secured a litter at the company command post. He then returned with the litter and, with the aid of another soldier, carried the wounded man out of the danger area and directed his evacuation. Entered the military service from Franklinville, New York.

THOMAS PRADETTO 35423530, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 November 1944 near Engwiller, France. In an effort to retake the ground they had lost, enemy forces launched a series of strong counterattacks against Sergeant Pradetto's battalion. Sergeant Pradetto, as forward observer, realizing the urgent need for heavy weapons support, maintained a position in front of the rifle companies from where he effectively registered

defensive mortar fire on each wave of oncoming enemy infantry. Although the enemy kept constant mortar fire directed at him, Sergeant Pradetto determinedly remained in his chosen position, directing many rounds of accurate mortar fire that inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy. His courage and skill were important factors in repulsing each of the many counterattacks. When he was relieved from his post, Sergeant Pradetto aided in evacuating several wounded men from the area still under enemy fire. Entered the military service from Burgettstown, Pennsylvania.

MICHAEL AMICO 12058000, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Jamaica, Long Island, New York.

ALFRED E CORBETT 32806457, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Yonkers, New York.

LEONARD MENDENHALL 38016118, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Antlers, Oklahoma.

FREDRICK J ZIMMERMAN 32207665, Infantry, Private First Class,
Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Guttenberg, New Jersey.

For heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When their company command post was attacked by enemy riflemen, these four men, company runners, took positions as riflemen and aided materially in driving off the enemy force. Returning to their regular duties as messengers, they made their way through heavy enemy fire to deliver important messages to their platoons. They then went on a patrol and returned with valuable information about the enemy which was later used to inflict heavy casualties on the hostile force.

DOMIC P VASSALLO 19125250, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4-5 January 1945 near Kohlhutte, France. Sergeant Vassallo, a machine gun squad leader, set up his gun in a draw defending the forward battalion command post. When a strong force of enemy SS troops broke through our lines and approached the battalion command post along the draw, Sergeant Vassallo's squad opened fire. When his gunner was wounded, Sergeant Vassallo took over the gun. The enemy assaulted his position four times and directed heavy fire at him but he repulsed each attack with rapid and accurate machine gun fire, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy and giving the rifle company an opportunity to reorganize and establish a new defensive line. Entered the military service from Moulton, Oregon.

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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 and enlisted man:

SAMUEL R CLARK 13099307, Infantry, Corporal (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 near Bertoldsheim, Germany. During operations preparatory to the crossing of the Danube River, Corporal Clark went approximately three hundred yards in advance of the lead companies, reconnoitered possible crossing sites, and directed the seizure of an enemy patrol possessing information important to the success of the crossing. While on a later reconnaissance mission with his battalion commanding officer, Corporal Clark observed ten enemy infantrymen who were in positions on an overhanging embankment not more than ten yards above Corporal Clark and the officer. Corporal Clark immediately commenced firing with his rifle, killing three of the enemy riflemen and forcing the remainder to surrender. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

PETER J DOHERTY 01321026, Infantry, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Headquarters Second Battalion (then Company G), 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945 near Aschaffenburg, Germany. When two platoon leaders were wounded while attempting to surround a schoolhouse in which an enemy force was cornered, Captain Doherty immediately directed the movement of the entire company. Through intense sniper fire, he personally led two platoons to seize advantageous positions in preparation for an attack, and then directed the successful company assault upon the enemy-held buildings. Captain Doherty's courage and skillful leadership were largely responsible for the success of the operations. Entered the military service from Newton, Massachusetts.

Section II

Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal

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

ELMO C CANTELLAY 20532551, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. When the enemy launched a series of counterattacks supported by heavy concentrations of artillery fire against his battalion, it became necessary to withdraw to more favorable positions. Technician Cantelley made his way through the heavy enemy fire to reconnoiter for routes over which wire lines could best be laid from the regimental command post to the battalion command posts. Technician Cantelley's actions resulted in the re-establishment of communication and enabled the regimental commander to direct his troops in an organized withdrawal. Entered the military service from Enid, Oklahoma. Next of kin: Mrs Mabel Cantelley (Mother), 212 E. Market Street, Enid, Oklahoma.

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 L ANDERSON 01313944, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 January 1945 near Rothbach, France. When a fierce enemy counterattack forced the company to withdraw to better defensive positions, Lieutenant Anderson remained in place with a machine gun and afforded protective fire to the withdrawing troops. When the riflemen had secured the new positions and began laying down fire, Lieutenant Anderson made his way to the new position, through the heavy enemy fire, carrying the machine gun. After reaching friendly lines, he immediately reorganized his section and placed each gun in an excellent defensive position. Despite continued enemy fire he continued to move among his men, directing fire and offering words of encouragement. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

BERNARD H ANTHONY 33871565, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then 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 heavy machine gun and mortar fire coming from an enemy-held pillbox, Technician Anthony volunteered to knock out the strongpoint. Carrying a forty pound beehive TNT charge, he made his way through heavy fire and successfully reached the pillbox. Placing and detonating the charge, he destroyed the enemy position which enabled his platoon to continue its advance. Entered the military service from New Oxford, Pennsylvania.

WAYNE M BAWCUM 34494708, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company (then Company A), 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945 in Germany. Private Bawcum's boat was late in crossing the Danube River and when he did arrive his company had already moved two hundred yards up-stream. Noticing four enemy infantrymen preparing to fire upon the rear of his company with a machine gun and small arms, Private Bawcum, armed only with his pistol, rushed towards them, firing his weapon. His sudden attack caused the enemy to surrender. Entered the military service from Camden, Tennessee.

WILLIAM L COMPETIELLE 42017710, Medical Department, Corporal (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. A heavy concentration of enemy machine gun fire inflicted several casualties upon Corporal Competiello's platoon, necessitating evacuation under direct enemy observation. Corporal Competiello, disregarding the danger involved, made his way from man to man, treating their wounds and directing their evacuation. His keen initiative and competence were fundamental factors with wich the rapidity of the successful operation was performed. Corporal Competiello's courage and concern for his fellow soldiers were responsible for bringing prompt medical attention to the wounded. Entered the military service from North Arlington, New Jersey.

ANTHONY DiEMIDIO 33286988, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. While returning to his bazooka team with additional ammunition, Private DiEmidio encountered a heavy volume of machine gun fire emanating from a pillbox to his direct front. Determined to reach the team, he crawled forward and eventually reached a position from which he threw the bazooka rounds to his team. During this action he observed enemy attempting to outflank the bazooka crew. Quickly engaging this force with rifle fire, Private DiEmidio repulsed the enemy attempt, wounding four and completely disorganizing any further threat toward the bazooka team. His heroic performance removed a major obstacle to the advance of his platoon. Entered the military service from Alleghony County, Pennsylvania.

LEONIDAS A GAGNE 11096332, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. During the Siegfried Line breakthrough, Technician Gagne, in spite of heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire, advanced ahead of his squad in search of snipers. Observing a sniper well camouflaged in a tree who was taking careful aim at his platoon leader, Technician Gagne quickly fired his rifle and killed the enemy rifleman. Before Technician Gagne could withdraw to a covered position he was wounded by enemy artillery fire. Disregarding the wound, Technician Gagne continued with his mission of searching out and firing upon snipers until he was too weak to hold his rifle. He then sought cover where he was administered first aid and evacuated. Entered the military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

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LOREN O RUFENER 35234695, Infantry, Sergeant, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 April 1945 near Aschaffenburg, Germany. Sergeant Rufener was mortar observer for a section of 60mm mortars in support of a rifle platoon when the platoon was stopped by heavy enemy machine gun fire. Noticing that the enemy was attempting a flanking movement on the platoon's positions, Sergeant Rufener tried to make contact with his mortars but discovered that his communications were out. He immediately made his way over to the flank and fired his carbine into the advancing enemy forces so effectively that they were forced to withdraw. Sergeant Rufener's actions contributed materially to the platoon's success in reaching its objective. Entered the military service from Dover, Ohio.

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

CHARLES B HAWKINS 34874621, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 December 1944 near Gundershaffen, France. The platoon to which Sergeant Hawkins' machine gun section was attached became surrounded by two companies of enemy infantry supported by machine guns and tanks. Sergeant Hawkins immediately directed heavy machine gun fire upon the enemy. When one gunner was wounded, Sergeant Hawkins took his place and continued to direct fire for the other gun. Sergeant Hawkins maintained an accurate fire that inflicted many casualties upon the enemy and aided materially in rescuing the platoon. Entered the military service from Calhoun City, 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:

GENNARO ANGELLOTTI 36544422, Infantry, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 October 1944 near Fremifontaine, France. Enemy mines had been placed in the path of tanks supporting an attack by the rifle company to which Private Angellotti was attached as a minesweeper. Though exposed to enemy fire Private Angellotti cleared the minefield and then led the tanks to their assigned positions, sweeping in front of them as they advanced. His actions aided materially in the success of the attack. Entered the military service from Melvindale, Michigan.

JAMES E EMERSON 35128720, Infantry, Corporal, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 28 February 1944 to 27 March 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Somerset, New York.

FRANCIS P HROMULIK 32212009, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Company A, 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 Johnson City, New York.

ERIC F LARDER 31007142, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 29 May 1944 to 25 January 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Chicopee, Massachusetts.

CHARLES LOGVINOVICH 31062468, Infantry, Sergeant, Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 October 1944 near Fremifontaine, France. When two groups of enemy attempted to encircle the rifle company to which his machine gun section was attached, Sergeant Logvinovich immediately started firing, dispersing the first group. The second group, supported by artillery, mortar and machine gun fire, continued its approach. Sergeant Logvinovich checked his other gun, and, finding that the gunner, a new man, had not opened fire, manned the gun himself and brought accurate fire to bear upon the enemy. Sergeant Logvinovich succeeded in killing or wounding several of the enemy and dispersing the rest. His courage and aggressiveness aided greatly in stopping the enemy counterattack. Entered the military service from Lawrence, Massachusetts.

GREGORY D MORRISSEY JR 31406348, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945 near Abweiler, Germany. Private Morrissey's company was receiving fire from the front and both flanks when he observed a group of enemy infantry heading toward the company's rear. On his own initiative, Private Morrissey ran across an open field and set up his light machine gun in an exposed position which offered the best field of fire. In the ensuing fire fight, Private Morrissey inflicted casualties on the enemy and neutralized the threat to the company's rear. Entered the military service from West Haven, Connecticut.

JULIO R PEREZ 39265985, 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 Los Angeles, California.

CARMEN V PERRONE 33706015, Infantry, Sergeant, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from New Castle, Pennsylvania.

RICHARD G THOMPSON 36419894, 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 Jackson, Michigan.

BROWN D WILSON 33524893, 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 Norfolk, Virginia.

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

DAVID L BERKOWITZ 36759444, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 November 1944 near Dangleshein, France. In spite of heavy enemy small arms and mortar fire directed at his position, Private Berkowitz, heavy machine gunner, gave riflemen protective fire while they moved to more advantageous positions. After the riflemen had completed their movement, Private Berkowitz moved his gun to a new position which afforded little cover but an excellent field of fire. When an enemy force attempted to outflank his position, Private Berkowitz quickly traversed his gun and fired on the approaching enemy group. The enemy advanced close enough to throw grenades at his position, but he remained at his gun, inflicting heavy casualties upon the enemy. Private Berkowitz's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

WILLIAM C LANDGREN 01299909, Infantry, Captain, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 4 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When a large enemy force launched a sudden and strong attack on the town, Captain Landgren secured a .30-caliber machine gun and set it up in the middle of a street which gave him a field of fire. Although his position afforded no cover, he maintained a steady fire on the attacking enemy until his ammunition was exhausted. Quickly moving to another position, he picked up an M-1 rifle and continued to inflict casualties upon the enemy until his position was in danger of being overrun. He then moved back to the regimental command post area and assembled personnel into an efficient combat unit to assist in defending the sector. This courageous and aggressive action, which enabled friendly troops to establish strong positions, reflects credit upon Captain Landgren and his organization. Entered the military service from Ft. Dodge, Iowa.

Section II

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:

GEORGE C BOLZ 01286067, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. When the company to which Lieutenant Bolz was attached as mortar observer was advancing under heavy enemy mortar, machine gun and rifle fire, the company commander and all the platoon leaders were wounded. Lieutenant Bolz immediately took command, reorganized the company, and continued the attack. In spite of the intense enemy fire, he moved about among the men, offering encouragement and directing their movements. His leadership and personal example inspired the men to continue the attack and to take their objective. Lieutenant Bolz's courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

CECIL H BUSE 01683470, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, (then Company H), 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 October 1944 near Fromifontaine, France. When a strong enemy attack drove back the unit on his left, Lieutenant Buse moved his platoon of heavy machine guns to meet the hostile threat. Exposed to heavy enemy fire, he collected disorganized groups of riflemen and built up a new line to halt the enemy advance. When the enemy concentrated its attack on his platoon positions, Lieutenant Buse calmly moved among his men, directing their fire and encouraging them to stop the enemy offensive. His courageous and aggressive leadership inspired his men to hold their positions and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Tahlequah, Oklahoma.

JACK BUSHYHEAD 01284822, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. As his company moved forward in an attack, one of the platoons was temporarily halted by a concentration of fire from three well-placed enemy machine guns. Lieutenant Bushyhead went forward alone until he reached a point from which he could effectively employ hand grenades. Throwing a grenade into one of the enemy emplacements, he assaulted the position and eliminated the crew. This action enabled the platoon to deliver flanking fire upon the two remaining positions, forcing the enemy to withdraw with heavy casualties. Lieutenant Bushyhead's courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Wichita, Kansas.

JAMES M STEED 12064843, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company E, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 28 May 1944 near Rome, Italy. When enemy mortar and artillery fire caused his 81mm mortar platoon to lose telephone contact with the observation post and the company command post, Sergeant Steed crawled forward to restore communication. Although enemy shells frequently exploded within close range, he succeeded in finding and repairing the break in the line. When the wire was broken again, Sergeant Steed repeated his previous action, although the enemy fire

had increased in intensity. His prompt action enabled the observation post to transmit an order for a heavy concentration of fire which completely repulsed the threatened enemy counterattack. Sergeant Stead's courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

ARTHUR F KITCHENS JR 14201928, Medical Department, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade),
Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Macon, Georgia.

VINCENT C PASQUA 32971314, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class),
Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Yonkers, New York.

For gallantry in action on 30 April 1945 near Neuherberg, Germany. While proceeding to the rescue of a wounded soldier lying in an open field, Sergeant Kitchens and Technician Pasqua received direct fire from an enemy machine gun. Refusing to seek cover, they crouched and ran until they reached their patient. Placing him on a litter, they began their return trip only to encounter more fire from the same machine gun. Determined upon prompt evacuation of the wounded man, they carried him six hundred yards to a covered position from where he was evacuated by vehicle. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Kitchens and Technician Pasqua reflect credit upon themselves and their organization.

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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:

EDWARD J DEAL 35145661, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. Sergeant Deal's platoon was given the mission of leading the company's attack on Nurnberg. Leading his men forward, Sergeant Deal deployed them and directed their fire in such a manner that he forced the enemy to withdraw from their well dug-in positions. Then, quickly reorganizing his men, he continued on under the intense enemy machine gun and rifle fire to seize and hold the first row of buildings in the city. By personally leading his men and shouting encouragement to them, Sergeant Deal accounted for many enemy troops killed, wounded and captured, and enabled his company to advance to its objective and gain a foothold in the city. Entered the military service from Michigan City, Indiana.

DAVID LEIBOWITZ 32655343, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Frauenberg, France. Under sporadic enemy machine gun fire Sergeant Leibowitz's platoon was wading across the Blies River by means of holding onto a rope stretched from bank to bank when a soldier became panicky and froze to the rope in the middle of the River. From his position as platoon guide in the rear of the platoon, Sergeant Leibowitz let go of the rope and though he, himself, could not swim, made his way around four men in front of him to the distressed soldier. By encouraging the near drowned man he worked him to the far shore. Sergeant Leibowitz's quick action enabled the platoon to complete its successful crossing of the River. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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:

LYMAN K. CAMBERN 37771940, Infantry, Private, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 March 1945 near Bonsheim, Germany. When the platoon for which Private Camborn was first scout became pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun and small arms fire, the men were unable to move to more advantageous positions. Private Camborn, from his position in front of the platoon, opened fire which attracted the bulk of enemy fire upon himself, but enabled the majority of the platoon to retire to safety. He maintained his position until darkness fell when he was able to withdraw himself and rejoin the platoon. Entered the military service from Pipestone, Minnesota.

DAVID C FRANCESKI 33610512, Infantry, Private First Class, Antitank Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 May 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. When three men were wounded and a battalion aid station could not be notified because the communication lines had been destroyed, Private Franceski volunteered to cross approximately eight hundred yards of exposed terrain to summon aid at a battalion command post. While Private Franceski was making the crossing, an artillery concentration forced him to take cover in a ditch and crawl the remainder of the distance. After he had summoned aid, Private Franceski directed the aid men and litter bearers to the wounded men. Entered the military service from Newark, New Jersey.

ANDREW S HEALEY JR 01304075, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 March 1945 near Rhinodurkheim, Germany. After the boat containing the company commander capsized during the Rhine River crossing, Lieutenant Healey took over command, reorganizing stragglers and orienting his leaders, despite the heavy enemy fire directed along the shore. Sending out contact patrols to locate supporting units, Lieutenant Healey successfully established radio contact with battalion headquarters and led his company forward to all of its designated objectives. Entered the military service from Seaside Heights, New Jersey.

JOHN L METCALF 35724988, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), Antitank Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 December 1944 near Bobenthal, Germany. When the rifle company to which Sergeant Metcalf's mine sweeping squad was attached was held up by enemy machine gun fire, it was necessary to ask for tank support. Under heavy enemy fire, Sergeant Metcalf directed his squad in clearing a minefield, permitting the armor to advance, and enabling the rifle company to gain its objective. Entered the military service from Sullivan, Indiana.

JOHN F SIMMERMEYER 12022026, Medical Department, Private, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. When his platoon was subjected to heavy enemy machine gun, small arms and 88mm gun fire, one of the men was wounded. Private Simmermeyer, platoon aid man, in spite of the intense enemy fire, immediately went to his side and administered first aid. Due to the enemy fire, litter bearers were unable to reach the wounded man immediately. Private Simmermeyer remained with the wounded soldier, constantly comforting and encouraging him until evacuation was possible. Entered the military service from Astoria, New York.

THOMAS MARTINEZ 38011028, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class),
Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Folarde, New Mexico.

MARK MALICOAT 35600972, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class),
Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Uniontown, Ohio.

GABRIEL R MALDONADO 38010739, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private),
Company L, 180th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Gila, New Mexico.

For heroic achievement in action on 30 December 1943 near Casale, Italy. A fierce enemy counterattack forced their battalion to withdraw from its forward positions to a better line of defense. Despite intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, these three men drove their vehicles to the positions vacated by the supporting mortars, loaded six mortars and a large portion of the ammunition stock-pile onto their vehicles, and took them to the new positions. They then made a second trip, returning with the remainder of the ammunition and several wounded men whom they carried to the battalion aid station. The courageous actions of these men, in saving the mortars and ammunition, played an essential part in repelling the counterattack.

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Section I

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 enlisted man:

GEORGE T. TIPTON 34496637, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 6 October 1944 near Fromifontaine, France. When a strong enemy counterattack forced most of the members of his platoon to seek cover, Sergeant Tipton remained alone at his forward position and, with his submachine gun, held off the attacking enemy who employed machine gun, machine pistol and bazooka fire. Small groups of the enemy, attempting to infiltrate past his position, threw hand grenades at Sergeant Tipton but he determinedly held his position for seven hours until killed by enemy fire. Sergeant Tipton's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Kingsport, Tennessee. Next of kin: Mrs. Helen S Tipton (Wife), 1240 Watauga Street, Kingsport, Tennessee.

Section II

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:

HARVEY A. BALL 33874936, Infantry, Corporal, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 January 1945 near Althorn, France. Leading a combat patrol, Corporal Ball succeeded in driving back an enemy outpost and making contact with the enemy's main line. When the enemy tried to surround his patrol, Corporal Ball effectively manouvered his men to frustrate the attempt. When one of his men was wounded, Corporal Ball made an effort to crawl to the rescue of his wounded comrade but was himself severely wounded in the attempt. Nevertheless, he directed the patrol safely back to his own lines. Corporal Ball's courage and leadership reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Hughesville, Pennsylvania.

JAMES F McKOANE 02011646, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. Two men in Lieutenant McKoane's company lay wounded one hundred yards in front of the platoon's position in a clearing subjected to heavy enemy small arms fire. Lieutenant McKoane crawled under barbed wire entanglements to rescue one of the men and then returned into the exposed area to bring back the second wounded soldier. During this action, Lieutenant McKoane's clothing and equipment were cut by enemy bullets but his determination resulted in the evacuation of both wounded men. Lieutenant McKoane's courage and devotion to his men reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Morris, Illinois.

LEWIS M O'BYRNE 0513030, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 9 September 194[illegible] near Soyo, France. When elements of a company, riding vehicles, encountered an enemy road-block supported by tanks, the men were forced to dismount and seek cover. Realizing the need of artillery support Lieutenant O'Byrne organized a three-man patrol and led it five hundred yards across open terrain. Although all the members of the patrol, including Lieutenant O'Byrne, were wounded, he continued on. Upon reaching the company headquarters, he directed accurate artillery fire upon the road-block and guided friendly tanks to positions from which they could bring fire to bear upon the enemy. The actions of Lieutenant O'Byrne resulted in destroying the enemy position, saving two truck loads of valuable equipment and permitting the advance of the friendly troops which had been halted by the road-block. Lieutenant O'Byrne's courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from West View, Pennsylvania.

JOHN F SOBOCINSKI 33678131, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company F, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 30 December 194[illegible] near Germansdorf, Germany. Sergeant Sobocinski, patrolling in advance of an outpost to observe for 60mm mortars, was confronted by a six-man enemy patrol. He immediately opened fire on them, killing one, wounding one and forcing the rest to withdraw. Continuing on his mission, he neared enemy entrenchments and was fired on by small arms and a machine gun. Edging himself to within seventy-five yards of the enemy position, he discovered it contained a machine gun and crew supported by nearly twenty riflemen. Although only seventy-five yards from his target, he whispered into his sound-power phone and directed mortar fire with which only one correction landed on the enemy position. Subsequent firing for effect, killed or wounded the entire enemy group and demolished the gun. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

EDWARD E WOODMANCY 33704602, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 15 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. When all the members of two friendly machine gun crews were killed or wounded during a strong enemy counterattack, Sergeant Woodmancy advanced through heavy enemy small arms and grenade fire to the gun positions. Although knocked down twice by concussion, he reached one of the guns and placed accurate fire on the advancing enemy. In spite of the intense fire from enemy gunners Sergeant Woodmancy remained in position until the attack had been repulsed. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Connellsville, Pennsylvania.

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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 officers and enlisted men:

WALTER A BANCROFT 37698363, Infantry, Private, Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. As Private Bancroft's platoon was attacking an enemy position, he saw a fellow soldier wounded by heavy machine gun fire. Private Bancroft advanced through the enemy fire, searching the area with bursts from his Browning automatic rifle. When his fire had forced the enemy to cease firing, he covered the evacuation of the wounded soldier. Private Bancroft's aggressive action was responsible for bringing prompt medical attention to a seriously wounded soldier and reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Dallas, Perry, Iowa.

DONALD L FLETCHER 32804122, Infantry, First Sergeant (then Sergeant), Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. Commanding a provisional squad of military police and command post guards, Sergeant Fletcher directed an attack against superior numbers of enemy. As the squad advanced along a ravine, it encountered a heavy cross fire from machine guns, as well as artillery, mortar, and rocket fire. Sergeant Fletcher moved from man to man, directing fire upon enemy positions. When the enemy fire grew in intensity, he moved his men to more favorable positions and organized a strong defense. Sergeant Fletcher's courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Garden City, New York.

EDMUND C ROBERTS 33554088, Infantry, Private First Class, Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 May 1944 near Aprilia, Italy. When the rifle company to which his machine gun section was attached was ordered to change the direction of its attack, Private Roberts commenced firing his gun in order to divert the enemy's attention from the movement of our troops. Despite the heavy volume of enemy fire directed at his position, Private Roberts continued his machine gun fire until the riflemen had completed their movement. When his section was ordered to withdraw, Private Roberts remained in position and continued to fire. Only when the last man had successfully completed the movement did Private Roberts take his gun out of action and make his way to the new positions. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

GEORGE L SAROSY 02006074, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. While attacking enemy positions, Lieutenant Sarosy's platoon received heavy artillery, mortar, machine gun, and small arms fire, which killed the platoon sergeant and wounded all the squad leaders. With full responsibility for control of his platoon, Lieutenant Sarosy immediately deployed his men and continued the attack. When enemy snipers retarded the platoon's advance, Lieutenant Sarosy moved out into the open and drew fire from the enemy. With the enemy positions thus located, the platoon quickly silenced the hostile guns. Although wounded in this action, Lieutenant Sarosy continued to lead his men until the objective was attained. His courageous and aggressive leadership reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Bridgeport, Connecticut.

WILLIAM D REYNOLDS 34278906, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment. Entered the military service from Fulton, Mississippi.

RAYMOND D CORBIN 32853525, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment. Entered the military service from Utica, New York.

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ADRON VAUGHN 34728067, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment. Entered the military service from Lexington, Tennessee.

For heroic achievement in action on 9 December 1943 near Pozzilli, Italy. These three men, voluntarily serving as litter bearers, made several trips into heavily mined areas covered by enemy fire to rescue wounded men. On one occasion they moved over one hundred yards in front of the most forward positions to evacuate a wounded officer. It was impossible to carry the officer back the way they had come, and the only other available route necessitated moving directly through enemy positions. The wounded officer asked these three men to leave him and to return to their company, but they placed him on a litter and successfully evacuated him over the hazardous terrain.

STEPHEN R UURTAMO 01285146, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company I (then Headquarters, Third Battalion), 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 October 1944 near Grandvillers, France. Lieutenant Uurtamo, battalion S-2, accompanied an assault company of the battalion in an attack upon a difficult objective. When the company encountered strong enemy resistance, Lieutenant Uurtamo took a radio to the top of a small hill and called for artillery fire upon the enemy emplacements. Although his observation position was subjected to heavy enemy tank and mortar fire, he remained at his post, adjusting artillery fire, until he had silenced two enemy tanks and neutralized much of the resistance. This courageous action materially aided the company in seizing its objective and reflects credit upon Lieutenant Uurtamo and his organization. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

JAMES L VAIL 01300234, Infantry, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 31 August 1944 near Chalamont, France. When a call for machine gun support at the head of a column reached Lieutenant Vail, who was leader of a machine gun platoon, he immediately made his way forward. In spite of intense enemy grazing fire, Lieutenant Vail crawled three hundred yards through a ditch, reconnoitered the area, and crawled back again. He then moved his four guns into position where he could cover the enemy positions with fire. This enabled the riflemen to withdraw from open ground where they were held down by enemy fire. Lieutenant Vail's accurately directed fire caught the enemy by surprise and inflicted many casualties upon them. His determination and decisive action enabled the riflemen to reorganize and launch a successful attack and reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

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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:

JAMES R BAILEY 38695258, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 30 April 1945. Home address: Santa Fe, New Mexico.

ROBERT E BAY 37643557, Infantry, Sergeant, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 29 March 1945. Home address: West Plains, Missouri.

TOM FIXICO 20827003, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 21 November 1943. Home address: Holdenville, Oklahoma.

SAMUEL FREED 36899538, Infantry, Private First Class, Company A, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 13 January 1945. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

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~~CHARLES L KILGORE 01290088, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 26 March 1945. Home address: Muskogee, Oklahoma.~~

JAMES F McKONE 02011646, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 8 December 1944. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

HELMER A MOEN 37250062, Infantry, Private, Cannon Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, Sicily, 28 July 1943.

CLEO ROBERTS 34832746, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 30 November 1944. Home address: Mayosville, Georgia.

JOSEPH H SANTRY 33113869, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 30 April 1945. Home address: Ambridge, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH E STULPF 36784240, Infantry, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 21 March 1945. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

AXEL R WIBERG 36877517, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 15 January 1945. Home address: 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 officer and enlisted man:

WILLIAM S BUTLER 0438174, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 March 1945 near Rhein-Durkheim, Germany. After Lieutenant Butler's platoon had made a successful night crossing of the Rhine River, a group of enemy opened fire upon the remaining members of the company as they were attempting to cross the river. Lieutenant Butler immediately reorganized his platoon and personally led a squad of riflemen in an assault upon the enemy's rear. By the skillful deployment of his troops and directing their fire, Lieutenant Butler inflicted many casualties on the enemy and greatly demoralized their forces, keeping enemy fire at a minimum and enabling the remainder of the company to make a successful crossing. Entered the military service from Niagara Falls, New York.

TRACY B SHELTON 33533618, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 April 1945 near Bamberg, Germany. After reconnoitering for a route of approach for his squad into the city of Bamberg, Sergeant Shelton returned to lead the squad forward. By skillfully deploying his men and directing the fire of a light machine gun squad, Sergeant Shelton made rapid progress and succeeded in capturing an enemy soldier. Then persuading the enemy soldier to talk his comrades into surrendering, Sergeant Shelton captured one hundred and fifty enemy and opened the way for the battalion to enter the city. Entered the military service from Stanleytown, 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 the following officer and to each of the following enlisted men:

MARVIN L BAKER 37382690, Medical Department, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. Private Baker was the

aid man of a machine gun platoon in support of a rifle company. The enemy unexpectedly opened fire with machine guns and rifles from surrounding buildings, causing a number of casualties. Private Baker, the only aid man in the vicinity, quickly answered the cries for help. Despite continued enemy fire he removed the wounded man from the danger area and rendered immediate first aid. Entered the military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

STANISLAUS D CAPPUCCI 11090613, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When Technician Cappucci's squad was in position on the outskirts of Nurnberg, it was subjected to heavy enemy fire that seriously wounded one of the men. Realizing the seriousness of his comrade's condition and knowing no aid man was with the squad, Technician Cappucci unhesitatingly placed the wounded man on his back and carried him three hundred yards over open terrain under enemy machine gun, bazooka and small arms fire to a point from which the wounded comrade was evacuated to the battalion aid station. Entered the military service from East Boston, Massachusetts.

THOMAS R COFFEE 38582776, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When the progress of his platoon was halted by enemy fire, Sergeant Coffee advanced over open terrain one hundred yards ahead of his platoon to a point from which he could bring accurate fire upon two enemy riflemen in a dugout. After he had put these two enemy out of action Sergeant Coffee observed an 88mm gun crew preparing to fire. Remaining in position, Sergeant Coffee kept the crew pinned down with rifle fire until a friendly tank destroyed the gun with direct fire. Entered the military service from Seminole, Texas.

EDGAR E EDWARDS 35773609, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Private), Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945 near Rimmonau, France. The enemy launched a counterattack against positions of the rifle company to which Sergeant Edwards' heavy machine gun squad was attached. The direction of the enemy attack was such that Sergeant Edwards' machine gun did not command a full field of fire. On his own initiative and under heavy enemy mortar, artillery and small arms fire, Sergeant Edwards moved his gun forward to a better position. From his new position he brought accurate machine gun fire to bear upon the attacking enemy infantry, inflicted heavy casualties upon them, and helped the company to repel the enemy force. Entered the military service from West Hamlin, West Virginia.

JOSEPH H FILNER 33686159, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Antitank Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 January 1945 near Segomuth, France. Sergeant Filner, although exposed to enemy observation, reconnoitered an area in front of the front lines and found a suitable position for his 57mm antitank gun. He then led his men forward and directed the construction of a firing position. That night, just prior to an attack by his battalion, Sergeant Filner fired one hundred rounds into the enemy-held village. In spite of the difficulty of firing at night, Sergeant Filner's fire inflicted heavy casualties upon the enemy and forced them to take cover in the cellars, enabling the infantry to enter the town and capture the entire garrison without resistance. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JOHN P GROOMS 44010830, Infantry, Private First Class, Service Company (then Company C), 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 April 1945 near Bamberg, Germany. Numerically superior enemy forces supported by mortars launched a strong counterattack against Private Grooms' company, making it necessary for the company to move to more favorable positions. In spite of the heavy enemy fire Private Grooms remained behind, firing his light machine gun with such volume and accuracy that the enemy was forced to halt and finally to withdraw. After the company had organized its new position Private Grooms rejoined his platoon. Private Grooms' actions inflicted many casualties upon the enemy and enabled his company to reorganize without interference from the enemy. Entered the military service from Fayettevillo, North Carolina.

CHARLES R HOTT 35748321, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. When several members of his company were wounded, Private Hott crossed one hundred and fifty yards of open terrain under enemy machine gun and sniper fire to go to the aid of a wounded man. While Private Hott was administering first aid the wounded man was again hit, this time fatally. Private Hott then worked his way to four other wounded men in the vicinity, gave them first aid treatment and assisted in their evacuation. Entered the military service from Booth, West Virginia.

JOSEPH D KNIGHT 36598277, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. During an attack on Munich, Sergeant Knight's platoon was subjected to intense enemy tank and small arms fire that killed the platoon leader. Immediately assuming command of the platoon, Sergeant Knight moved among his men, orientating them for a new assault. Then leading them forward, Sergeant Knight overran the enemy positions and took the objective. Entered the military service from L'Anse, Michigan.

TOMMY D JONES 39284592, Infantry, Sergeant, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When the platoon received orders to clear a house, Sergeant Jones, acting squad leader, ran into the building under enemy sniper fire and captured a number of prisoners. Leaving these with his squad when it reached the house, he then made a search of the rest of the building. Finding more enemy, Sergeant Jones fired his Browning automatic rifle, forcing these enemy soldiers to surrender. His aggressive actions reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from El Centro, California.

LOUIS L MAIN 37731736, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. Private Main, a medical aid man, gave first aid to wounded men of his own platoon and also to casualties of another platoon whose aid man had been killed. Though almost constantly exposed to enemy fire Private Main continued to move about the company area giving first aid to the wounded. Entered the military service from Independence, Missouri.

HOWARD D McELROY 36662605, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945 near Binsengen, Germany. Although wounded after leading his squad in the capture of four pillboxes, Sergeant McElroy refused evacuation and led his men in a successful assault on another row of pillboxes which made it possible to direct fire on other enemy fortifications and materially aided his platoon in taking its objective. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

JOHN J OLIVER 32949405, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 April 1945 near Bamberg, Germany. After reconnoitering for a route of approach for his squad into the city of Bamberg, Sergeant Oliver returned to lead the squad forward. By skillfully deploying his men and directing the fire of a light machine gun squad, Sergeant Oliver made rapid progress and succeeded in capturing an enemy soldier. Then persuading the enemy soldier to talk his comrades into surrendering, Sergeant Oliver captured one hundred and fifty enemy and opened the way for the battalion to enter the city. Entered the military service from Albany, New York.

THOMAS T OWEN 34950714, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company F, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 February 1945 near Hildenguth, France. While returning from a successful reconnaissance mission, one member of Private Owen's patrol was wounded by an enemy mine. Private Owen immediately went to his aid and was himself wounded by another mine. Private Owen nevertheless succeeded in removing his wounded comrade from the minefield, and led his patrol back to the company. Entered the military service from Nashville, Tennessee.

JOHN A VOLLER 01298790, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When his company commander was wounded while leading his company in an attack on a strongly defended enemy position, Lieutenant Voller immediately took command and, by skillfully coordinating supporting tank movements with his company's advance, he neutralized a force of one hundred enemy riflemen supported by six machine guns. Lieutenant Voller's courage and devotion to duty were an inspiration to his men to overrun the enemy strongpoint and continue the attack. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

GEORGE A WORTH 31428357, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 December 1944 near Bebenthal, Germany. Sergeant Worth's platoon was digging in defensive positions when one of the men was wounded by shell fragments. Learning that a litter squad was not immediately available, Sergeant Worth placed the wounded man on his back and, despite the heavy enemy fire and steep difficult terrain, carried him to the company command post where the wounded man was given additional attention and evacuated. Sergeant Worth's concern for his fellow soldier was responsible for bringing prompt medical attention to the wounded man. Entered the military service from Lynn, Massachusetts.

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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:

FRED J BRUNER 33132246, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), 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 Richmond, Virginia.

STANLEY G CHRISTIANSEN 32194398, Medical Department, Sergeant (then Corporal), Medical Detachment, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 11 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germa Entered the military service from Staten Island, New York.

DANIEL J DUNN 31041014, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), 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 New Haven, Connecticut.

SEYMOUR FIER 32207528, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

JACK B FISH 32204254, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), Company G, 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 Jamaica, New York.

JACK D FOSTER 36050977, Infantry, Sergeant (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 Lewistown, Illinois.

DEMETRIO GARCIA JR 38358318, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), Company I, 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 Rio Grande City, Texas.

JOHN W HODAPP 35120784, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from February 1944 to May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

PETER G LOSUE 38005456, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), 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 Pikeview, Colorado.

PHILIP J MALOUIN 20111185, Infantry, Private First Class, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 28 February 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

JOSE R ROMERO 38006149, Infantry, Sergeant, Company C, 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 Trinidad, Colorado.

LAWRENCE G SMITH 35120848, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Service 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 Cincinnati, Ohio.

ROBERT T THOMPSON 33138049, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private and later Corporal), Company I, 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 Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania.

ALFRED J VIGLIANTE 32209021, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 25 February 1945 in Sicily, Italy and France. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

NAPOLEON P ZAMORA 38010266, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), Headquarters Company, Third 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 Santa Rosa, New Mexico.

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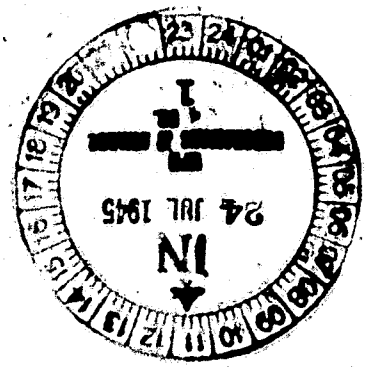

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Section I

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:

MAURICE E MERITHEW 32141864, Corps of Engineers, Technician Fourth Grade, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 19 March to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Rochester, New York.

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 C BOEDECKER 01117080, Corps of Engineers, First Lieutenant, Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 19 March to 3 May 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Short Hills, New Jersey.

JAMES CUBIC 39333924, Corps of Engineers, Private First Class (then Private), Company B, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 19 March to 1 May 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Maupin, Oregon.

THAYNE B JONGEWARD 0362074, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 29 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Litchville, North Dakota.

WALTER E OLESON 01106374, Corps of Engineers, First Lieutenant, Company C, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 March to 3 May 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Burlington, Iowa.

HOWARD R PETTEY 39919653, Corps of Engineers, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private and later Private First Class), Company A, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 19 March to 1 May 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

WILLIAM C SMITH JR 33195204, Infantry, Master 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 Fowlerton, Indiana.

WALTER SUMPTER 20842058, Corps of Engineers, Private First Class, Company B, 120th Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 19 March to 1 May 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Shawnee, Oklahoma.

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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:

RUDOLPH F BERG 20754391, Coast Artillery Corps, Staff Sergeant, Battery B, 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 Bagley, Minnesota.

FRANK BOTTALI 33084508, Coast Artillery Corps, Technician Fourth Grade, Battery B, 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 Avonmore, Pennsylvania.

ALBERT L BOYD 35118858, Coast Artillery Corps, Corporal, Battery B, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 September 1943 to 5 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Winchester, Kentucky.

BLAINE E CARRUTHERS 33077261, Coast Artillery Corps, Corporal, Battery B, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 8 November 1942 to 5 May 1945 in Africa, Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from New Cumberland, Pennsylvania.

GUSTAF DANIELSON 01047084, Coast Artillery Corps, First Lieutenant, Battery B, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 March 1943 to 5 May 1945 in Africa, Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Jamestown, New York.

ALVIN C DeMAY 02040691, Coast Artillery Corps, First Lieutenant, Battery B, 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 Saint Louis, Missouri.

JAMES H McCONNELL 37030357, Coast Artillery Corps, Sergeant, Battery B, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 8 November 1942 to 5 May 1945 in Africa, Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Worthington, Minnesota.

HAROLD SHADWICK 35101387, Coast Artillery Corps, Sergeant, Battery B, 106th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 8 November 1942 to 8 May 1945 in Africa, Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Clinton, Kentucky.

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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:

OTHA T AUTRY 0332367, Field Artillery, Major, Headquarters, 189th 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 Enid, Oklahoma.

BARNEY F BARGER 38017588, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private and later Technician Fifth Grade and Corporal), Headquarters Battery, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, 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 Lookeba, Oklahoma.

CLAYTON J BARNES 33165039, Field Artillery, Technical Sergeant (then Corporal and later Technician Fourth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, 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 Uniontown, Pennsylvania.

ANTHONY L CARPENTIERI 0368074, Medical Corps, Captain, Medical Detachment, 171st 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 New Haven, Connecticut.

ROBERT F FIANDT 37109901, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 189th 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 Pleasant Valley, Iowa.

THOMAS S FOREHAND JR 38058922, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal and later Technician Fourth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 2 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Houston, Texas.

JOHN F GALLAGHER 0452402, Field Artillery, Captain, 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 Kingston, Pennsylvania.

HAROLD E GRAHAM 32395563, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Service Battery, 171st 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 Old Town, Maine.

GEORGE L HAZEN 36211496, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 189th 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 Wauseka, Wisconsin.

FLOYD E HIGGINS 35169231, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Corporal), Battery B, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, 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 Goshen, Indiana.

JOSEPH HOMA 33172267, Field Artillery, Corporal, Battery A, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, 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 Bridgeport, Pennsylvania.

JAMES O HOOD 0345928, Medical Corps, Major, Medical Detachment, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 June 1944 to 2 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Norman, Oklahoma.

DELBERT S KING 0237486, Field Artillery, Major, Headquarters, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 May 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Minco, Oklahoma.

FRED A KNOWLES 11014468, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, 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 Bar Harbor, Maine.

HAROLD J LEOPARD 38017901, Field Artillery, Master Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 9 September 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

DAVID McALLISTER 11027988, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, 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 Gorham, Maine.

CHARLES R McNABNEY 37158719, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class and later Technician Fifth Grade and Corporal), Headquarters Battery, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, 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 Coffeyville, Kansas.

JAMES A MORGAN JR 20833784, Field Artillery, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Headquarters Battery, 189th 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 Tonkawa, Oklahoma.

THOMAS W RAGLAND 32309358, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 October 1944 to 10 March 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Kearny, New Jersey.

DONALD E WOLFE 37109852, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 16 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Independence, Iowa.

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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:

CLIFFORD G HARTLING 11047247, Armored, Sergeant, Company D, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brockton, Massachusetts.

Section II

Award of the Bronze Star Medal

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

GEORGE A BALTSOK 37509957, Armored, Technician Fourth Grade, Company A, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 December 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Concordia, Kansas.

MICHAEL F CALISE 20200785, Armored, Technical Sergeant, Service Company, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 January 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

JOSEPH W DUNCAN 15333556, Armored, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 April 1945 to 1 May 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Midway, Kentucky.

LOUIS C FLETCHER 31253473, Armored, Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Company A, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 December 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brattleboro, Vermont.

REINHARD F HENRY W2131534, Army of the United States, Warrant Officer Junio Grade, Service Company, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 January 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

TALMER A INGEBRETSON 37124092, Armored, Sergeant, Company A, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 1 December 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Canton, South Dakota.

GROVER C KLEIN 39301653, Armored, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 191st Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Eugene, Oregon.

GEORGE A URBAN 36310465, Armored, Staff Sergeant (then 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 Chicago, Illinois.

LAWRENCE E SCHWARTZ 35281527, Armored, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), 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 New Bremen, Ohio.

FRANCIS O WENNHOLD 39396376, Armored, Corporal, 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 Sacramento, California.

CARLYN L WINGER 39317390, Armored, Sergeant, 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 Corvallis, Oregon.

LEONARD J WOODWORTH 31047326, Armored, Technical Sergeant, 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 Norwich, Connecticut.

So much of General Orders Number 261, Section, II, Award of the Bronze Star Medal, this headquarters, cs, as pertains to CLIFFORD G HARTLING 11047247, Armored, Sergeant, Company D, 191st Tank Battalion, 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 men:

SHEW K WONG 33455333, Cavalry, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 4 November 1944 near Thiaville, France. When his platoon leader was wounded Sergeant Wong ran across five hundred yards of open field, covered by heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire, to secure a litter squad. Returning with the litter squad, he assisted in evacuating the wounded platoon leader. Entered the military service from Washington, D.C..

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:

PAUL J BENSON 42024935, Cavalry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 4 November 1944 near Thiaville, France. As his troop was fighting inside a town, Technician Benson observed an enemy anti-tank vehicle approaching the rear of his column. He turned his 57mm anti-tank gun on the approaching vehicle and succeeded in knocking it out. Technician Benson's action prevented his column from being cut off from the remainder of his troop. Entered the military service from Randolph, New York.

ARCHIBALD H CHAPMAN 35355520, Cavalry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 11 September 1944 near Gondy, France. When the combat patrol of which he was a member was halted by heavy fire from an enemy machine gun, Technician Chapman, on his own initiative, worked his way forward and, by accurate and continued fire from his automatic weapon, silenced the enemy position. His action enabled the patrol to resume the advance toward its objective. Entered the military service from Pelham, North Carolina.

PAUL J KISEL 13132236, Cavalry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 2 February 1945 near Reipertswiller, France. Sergeant Kisel volunteered to make a one-man patrol to secure information needed to help in the attack on an enemy-held town. Under heavy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire, Sergeant Kisel infiltrated through the enemy positions and returned with the desired information. The information secured by Sergeant Kisel contributed greatly to the success of the attack which resulted in the capture of the town. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

DURBIN R FOGLE 33736047, Cavalry, Corporal (then Private), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 23 October 1944 near Fromifontaine, France. During an attack to secure some high ground across the Mortagne River, Corporal Fogle was given the mission of covering the flank of his platoon with his machine gun. He moved his position four times during the attack, each time repulsing attempted enemy counterattacks. He forded the river under heavy mortar and small arms fire and helped secure the high ground on the other side. Entered the military service from Union Bridge, Maryland.

ROBERT KISH 32332169, Cavalry, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 6 November 1944 near Thiaville, France. As Sergeant Kish was leading his platoon in an attack, the enemy opened fire at close range with machine guns and mortars. In spite of the intense enemy fire, Sergeant Kish remained in position and, with his automatic weapon, destroyed one machine gun and inflicted several casualties upon the enemy. He then reorganized his platoon and continued the attack. Entered the military service from Blissville, New York.

ALCIDE J PARENT 33680382, Cavalry, Corporal (then Private First Class), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 1 September 1944 near Maximieux, France. While hauling rations forward to his platoon, Corporal Parent was subjected to enemy sniper fire but continued on his mission until he reached an infantry regiment engaged in repulsing a strong counterattack. On his own initiative, Corporal Parent manned an outpost and, by his accurate fire, inflicted heavy casualties upon the enemy and contributed materially toward the successful repulsing of the enemy attack. Entered the military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

FRANK S TOWNSEND 33548745, Cavalry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 10 October 1944 near Bruyeres, France. While manning an outpost Technician Townsend was wounded by an enemy artillery barrage preparatory to an enemy counterattack. In spite of his wounds, Technician Townsend remained in position and fired his machine gun at the oncoming enemy. His heavy and accurate fire stopped the counterattack and forced the enemy to withdraw with many casualties. Entered the military service from Pasadena, Maryland.

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ARCHIE E VAN NESS JR 34200258, Cavalry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 21 October 1944 near Fromifontaine, France. Technician Van Ness's platoon was attacked by the enemy on a broad front. When communications were destroyed and ammunition nearly expended Technician Van Ness made his way through enemy artillery and intense small arms fire to reestablish communications and return with sufficient ammunition to successfully repel the enemy attack. Entered the military service from Lake Worth, Florida.

HERBERT W WILLIAMS 36833563, Cavalry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), 45th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, for heroic achievement in action on 4 November 1944 near Thiaville, France. While approaching two enemy road blocks, the patrol for which Technician Williams was lead scout was halted by enemy fire and the platoon leader was seriously wounded. Technician Williams, in full view of the enemy, maintained an accurate fire on the enemy positions with his rifle, enabling the patrol to evacuate the wounded officer and to move to more favorable positions. Entered the military service from Cedarville, Michigan.

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NUMBER 291

ORIGINAL 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:

WILLIAM L APPLEGATE 13077393, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 158th 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.

PETER M BURBACH 37263407, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 13 September 1943 to 10 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hartington, Nebraska.

JOHN C FRENCH 35109200, Field Artillery, Corporal, Battery A, 158th 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.

RAYMOND J GILL 35157527, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 158th 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 Logansport, Indiana.

SAMUEL F HOWARD 37092031, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 158th 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.

EDWARD M KUZA 20314389, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 158th 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 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

ARTHUR LaCOSSE 31212178, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 158th 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 Williamstown, Massachusetts.

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SETH LEACOCK 38418514, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 November 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Houston, Texas.

DANIEL L MARTINOVICH 35393991, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 158th 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 Berlin Center, Ohio.

ARTHUR L MOYER 33075657, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 158th 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 Reading, Pennsylvania.

HARRY NEUHAUS 36325031, Field Artillery, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 September 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

HENRY T RUHS 32325241, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 158th 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 New York, New York.

ROBERT L SALES 37022880, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 158th 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 Brainard, Minnesota.

PAUL D SANDS 36230178, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 158th 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 Mackinaw, Illinois.

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13 July 1945

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ORIGINAL ORDER

Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart..... I
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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 each of the following officers for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

HARLOS V HATTER 0375864, Infantry, Major, Service Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 11 September 1943. Home address: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

OLIVER W GROW 0296298, Infantry, Captain, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 16 March 1945. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

MICHAEL J O'HACO 0446852, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 15 April 1945. Home address: Wickenberg, Arizona.

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:

EUGENE B AUKER 33826724, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 6 October 1944. Home address: Birdsboro, Pennsylvania.

PAUL E RUTLEDGE 33902335, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 31 October 1944. Home address: Middle River, Maryland.

ANDREW GRUNZA 33569086, Infantry, Sergeant, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 17 April 1945. Home address: Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

THOMAS A GUNNING 37639362, Infantry, Private, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 5 December 1944. Home address: St. Louis, Missouri.

MERVIN E KELLER 36601071, Infantry, Private, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 31 October 1944. Home address: Holly Grove, Arkansas.

DANIEL C O'BRIEN 36911216, Infantry, Private First Class, Company M, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 24 March 1945. Home address: Momence, Illinois.

MILLARD SCOTT 34734431, Infantry, Private, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 21 May 1944. Home address: Lookwood, Tennessee.

[redacted] 36661394, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 179th Infantry Regiment, France, 2 December 1944. Home address: Chicago Heights, Illinois.

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~~[redacted] 01310601, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 29 November 1944. Home address: Battle Creek, Michigan.~~

So much of General Orders Number 275, Section II, Award of the Purple Heart, this headquarters, as, as pertains to JOHN E DAVIDSON 02006187, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

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SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Amendment of General Orders

So much of General Orders 196, Headquarters, 6th Infantry Division, dated 13 July 1945, as provides in the award of the Purple Heart to Pvt. W. Pritchard, JS 6th Inf, as reads "for wounds received in action on 2 December 1944", is amended to read "for wounds received in action on 1 December 1944".

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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Section I

Award of the Purple Heart and the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster

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

REINHOLD E TIETJE 36833830, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 24 September 1944 and Germany, 5 April 1945. Home address: Reedsburg, Wisconsin.

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 officer and enlisted man for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

JESSE L HERSHFIELD 33810667, Infantry, Private First Class, Company E, 180th Infantry Regiment, France, 21 December 1944. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

CHARLES L KILGORE 01290082, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 26 March 1945. Home address: Muskogee, Oklahoma.

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 officers and enlisted men for wounds received as a result of enemy action:

ARTHUR W BELLIVEAU 39049317, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 December 1944. Home address: San Francisco, California.

BERT V EDMUNDS 01030467, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 28 August 1944. Home address: Akron, Ohio.

WOODSON M GROOM 37523233, Infantry, Private First Class, Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 31 March 1945. Home address: Grant City, Missouri.

REGINAL KING 01692641, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company F, 157th Infantry Regiment, France, 28 October 1944. Home address: Montrose, Colorado.

SAMUEL WARHAFTIG 33468647, Infantry, Private First Class, Company L, 157th Infantry Regiment, Germany, 29 March 1945. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

So much of General Orders Number 283, Award of the Purple Heart, this headquarters, as, as pertains to CHARLES L KILGORE 01290082, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, is hereby revoked.

Section IV

Award of the Combat Infantryman Badge

Under the provisions of War Department Circular Number 408, 1944, as amended, the Combat Infantryman Badge is awarded to the following enlisted man:

ERIC J HIRSCHMANN 329[illegible], Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy in Germany.

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ORIGINAL 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:

CHARLES E BABCOCK 37016239, Field Artillery, Private First Class, 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 St. Joseph, Missouri.

SHIRLEY D BARBER 34208868, Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private), 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 Bonifay, Florida.

JAMES W BARNETT 35162925, 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 20 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

JOHN P BIXBY 37662600, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class and later Technician Fifth Grade), Headquarters 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 Hudson, Iowa.

ROY L CARR 31634253, Field Artillery, Private First Class (then Private), 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 Roanoke, Virginia.

JOSEPH C CHENEY 20831793, Field Artillery, Corporal (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 Tulsa, Oklahoma.

EDWARD N CLARK 11071034, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then Private and later Technician Fifth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 28 October 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Waltham, Massachusetts.

WILLIAM R CUSTER 35040121, Field Artillery, Corporal (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 Lima, Ohio.

ANDRE E DULUDE 31120335, 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 Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

GEORGE H FLOYD 31044316, 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 Sanford, Maine.

FRANCIS J GATES 20832189, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Private and later Technician Fourth 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 Seminole, Oklahoma.

SILAS C HANSON 37432526, 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 Thor, Iowa.

MARION K HOOPER 38017650, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then 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 Sand Springs, Oklahoma.

MARVIN JONES 38023253, 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 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Garfield County, Oklahoma.

EMORY C KEITH 34140934, Field Artillery, Corporal (then 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 Henagar, Alabama.

JACK LAPIDES 36511670, 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 Detroit, Michigan.

[redacted] 37504640, Field Artillery, 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 El Dorado Springs, Missouri.

WILLIAM G O'CONNOR 12190778, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 September 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

RAYMOND P RUFF 36580100, Field Artillery, Corporal (then Private First Class), Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 25 October 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Adrian, Michigan.

ALBERT F [redacted] 33424787, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), Service Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 22 August 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

BILL J [redacted] 20832448, Field Artillery, Private, 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 [redacted], Oklahoma.

JACK [redacted] 38017739, Field Artillery, Corporal (then Private and later 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 Collinsville, Oklahoma.

ELVIS E SMITH 20832220, 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 Bowlegs, Oklahoma.

MARION W [redacted] 37074583, Field Artillery, Corporal (then Technician Fifth Grade), 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 Malvern, Iowa.

ANDREW G [redacted] 20832451, Field Artillery, Private, 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 [redacted], Oklahoma.

JOHN L [redacted] 38017702, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then 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 Locust Grove, Oklahoma.

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HILBERT F MAHLER 36444783, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 10 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Peoria, Illinois.

JOSEPH A WALLACE 36120672, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 4 to 9 January 1945 near Hochfold, France. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

GORDON K WILLISON 37123982, 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 Beresford, South Dakota.

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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:

WALTER E JORDAN JR 11063271, 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 Apponaug, Rhode Island.

PAUL SIMKOVITCH 33411 45, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 August 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Girard, 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 E BAUERLIN 35533033, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 26 January 1944 to 5 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Parma, Ohio.

ROBERT V BARRETT 32227103, 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 5 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Essex County, New York.

GEORGE G BEECHER 35023634, Infantry, Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade), 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 Ashland, Ohio.

HARVEY F BELL 0505760, Corps of Chaplains, Chaplain (Captain), Headquarters, 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 Macon, Georgia.

RICHARD P BLANKS 01284637, Infantry, Major (then First Lieutenant and later Captain), Headquarters, Second Battalion, 180th 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 Henderson, North Carolina.

PAUL N CALFEE 37243624, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 3 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Elmo, Missouri.

GLENN L DICKSON 33410250, Infantry, Private, 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 Grove City, Pennsylvania.

JOHN GERTNER 37343602, 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 Iliff, Colorado.

ROBERT N HERALD 33106650, Infantry, First Sergeant, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 25 October 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JOHN E HELCH 33141448, 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 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

ORIS L KING 36857612, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 26 January 1944 to 3 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Pontiac, Michigan.

WILLIAM LEVENTHAL 32213162, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 August 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Albany, New York.

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STANLEY R McCUMBER 36451185, Infantry, Corporal, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 3 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Crystal Falls, Michigan.

CLIFTON W MILLS 20828120, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 26 January 1944 to 3 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Atoka, Oklahoma.

CARL E RASMUSSEN 36817282, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 3 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Manitowoc, Wisconsin.

WALTER E RICHARDS 16071673, 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 Houghton, Michigan.

HAROLD J RIDDLE 38016056, Infantry, Private, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 19 March 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hanson, Oklahoma.

LAWRENCE V STAPLETON 0496728, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Service Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 14 September 1943 to 6 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

LEE R STILL 38449925, Infantry, Corporal, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 15 August 1944 to 3 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hope, Arkansas.

HAROLD A TAUB 12214401, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 November 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Hazleton, Pennsylvania.

RAYMOND THOMAS 20301195, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private and later Private First Class and Technician Fifth Grade), 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 Scranton, Pennsylvania.

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ROBERT W TONKIN 32837727, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (the Private and later Private First Class), Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 3 August 1943 to 3 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Oswego, New York.

WILLENE B TURNER 35805979, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 26 January 1944 to 3 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Norwood, Ohio.

BRONISLAUS A URBANCZYK 32233432, 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 Lackawanna, New York.

KENNETH E WAGNER 33110665, Infantry, Staff 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 Etna, Pennsylvania.

WALTER A YEAGER 36900694, Infantry, Sergeant, Company I, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 23 October 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Staunton, Illinois.

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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 man:

ANTHONY J ERICKSEN 37125977, Medical Department, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 25 March 1944 on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. When an American artillery observation plane crashed and caught fire, the enemy fired a heavy concentration of artillery in the area to prevent the rescue of the pilot. Entering the artillery impact area Technician Ericksen ran to the burning plane and extricated the pilot from the wreckage. After applying first aid measures, Technician Ericksen then supervised the evacuation of the wounded pilot. Entered the military service from Sioux City, Iowa.

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 the following enlisted man:

LAWRENCE W MARSO 37022572, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant, Service Battery, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 13 May 1945 near Munich, Germany. While swimming in an extremely cold river, one of Sergeant Marso's companions was seized with cold water cramps and began to drown. Despite the danger of having the same occur to himself, Sergeant Marso, who was on shore, immediately dove into the water and succeeded in towing his struggling comrade to safety. His quick and selfless action was responsible for saving the life of a fellow soldier. Entered the military service from [redacted], Minnesota.

Section III.

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Revocation of General Orders

General Orders, Number 197, this headquarters, 1 June 1945, pertaining to the augmentation of Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 45th Infantry Division Artillery, is revoked effective 15 July 1945. Authority: Letter, Headquarters Third United States Army, 13 July 1945, AG 320.2 - GNMCC, Subject: Reorganization of Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 45th Division Artillery.

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Section I

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

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

RALPH W FINK 33618273, [illegible], Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company D, 157th In[illegible] Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945 near [illegible], Germany. In charge of four machine guns attached to an infantry [illegible]on which was forcing a crossing of the Danube River, Sergeant Fink [illegible] the guns in four widely separated positions to give maximum suppo[illegible] attacking forces. As time did not permit a communications sy[illegible] established and although the area was subjected to intense enemy [illegible] artillery and mortar fire, Sergeant Fink moved from one positi[illegible]ther, effectively directing the fire of his guns upon enemy positi[illegible]s the River. The leadership and courage of Sergeant Fink contribut[illegible]y to the success of the operation. Entered the military servic[illegible]ding, Pennsylvania.

ROGER H TAGGE 368300[illegible]try, First Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant), Company B, 157th [illegible] Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 nea[illegible]lback, France. During a night attack against enemy positions, [illegible] Tagge, platoon sergeant, kept his platoon organized to bring strong[illegible]r upon the enemy. Under heavy enemy artillery, mortar and sm[illegible]fire, and hampered by darkness and thickly wooded areas, Sergeant T[illegible]ntly moved about, keeping contact between squads of the plat[illegible]r his leadership the platoon maintained coordinated fire upon en[illegible]ions throughout the night. Entered the military service from St[illegible]y, 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 officers and enlisted men:

ALDO C BLASIOLI 31287516, Infantry, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company A, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945 in the Siegfried Line, Germany. When his squad was halted by enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant Blasioli moved forward, alone, and destroyed the machine gun nest. When the squad again moved forward, three of the men were wounded by an enemy mortar barrage. Sergeant Blasioli administered first aid and then helped to evacuate his wounded comrades from the danger area. Entered the military service from Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

BERT V EDMUNDS 01030467, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When his company approached an enemy-held railroad yard, Lieutenant Edmunds found that the enemy had built excellent positions in the rubble upon which artillery and mortar fire had little effect. Lieutenant Edmunds organized a small patrol and led it over the area to discover the location of enemy strongpoints. After returning to his company, he led a flanking movement which completely surrounded the enemy and resulted in the taking of a large number of prisoners. Entered the military service from Akron, Ohio.

WILLIAM R FERENCZ 33765263, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945 near Obergailback, France. During a company attack, Private Ferencz, platoon runner, was frequently under enemy machine gun and rifle fire while delivering important messages between his platoon and the company commander. On several occasions the enemy observed his route and directed fire at him but Private Ferencz continued until he had completed his missions. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Indiana, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT D GORMAN 36470560, Infantry, Private First Class, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. While standing guard in the doorway of the house in which his platoon was quartered, Private Gorman observed a group of enemy soldiers approaching. Firing at the enemy with his automatic pistol, Private Gorman was wounded by the return fire of the enemy but he held his position until the remainder of his platoon came to his aid and scattered the enemy force. Entered the military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

FREDERICK L GRAHAM 34535333, Infantry, Sergeant (then Corporal), Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 31 March 1945 near Aschaffenberg, Germany. Sergeant Graham was leader of a five-man patrol enroute to check an area supposedly cleared of the enemy. While advancing towards the area, the patrol discovered a 20mm enemy gun firing into friendly positions. Sergeant Graham led his patrol and succeeded in approaching the enemy position unobserved, surprising the personnel and capturing the crew [illegible] weapons intact. Entered the military service from Jacksonville, Florida.

DENCIL A. LAYMON 35841258, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 March 1945 near Aschaffenburg, Germany. When the aid man was killed and several other members of his platoon were wounded, Sergeant Laymon went forward under enemy fire and administered first aid to his wounded comrades. He then returned to the rear for litter bearers and directed them to the wounded men. Entered the military service from Bloomfield, Indiana.

FRANCISCO J. PERERIA 01332527, Infantry, Second Lieutenant, Company C, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. When the advance of a task force was temporarily halted by enemy machine gun fire from the vicinity of an important bridge, Lieutenant Pereria, acting on his own initiative, formed a combat patrol to take and hold the bridge. Despite intense enemy fire, Lieutenant Pereria so skillfully directed the patrol's movements that it captured the bridge, enabling the task force to continue its advance. Shortly afterwards, Lieutenant Pereria volunteered to take a motorized patrol to gain information about the enemy. This patrol captured several prisoners, who, upon interrogation, disclosed vital information concerning enemy troop concentrations and installations. Entered the military service from Biggs, California.

ROGER H TAGGE 36830065, Infantry, First Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company B, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 January 1945 near Rothbach, France. When his company was ordered to withdraw to an assembly area approximately four miles to the rear, Sergeant Tagge, with several other men, volunteered to remain to cover the withdrawal of the company. For six hours Sergeant Tagge held his position, returning enemy fire with fire from his rifle. Only after learning that the company had reached the assembly area did Sergeant Tagge and his men leave their positions. Entered the military service from Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin.

WILLIAM J. ADAMS 36579568, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

HERMAN GOLDSTONE 42033354, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Company M, 157th Infantry Regiment.
Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

For heroic achievement in action on 31 March 1945 near Aschaffenburg, Germany. During an attack on strong enemy positions, Private Adams and Private Goldstone manned a 60mm mortar and maintained effective fire upon the enemy strongpoints. Although constantly exposed to enemy mortar and small arms fire, Private Adams and Private Goldstone continued to fire, enabling their organization to move to more favorable positions from which to launch an effective attack.

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RICHARD J. WEBER 33826755, Infantry, Corporal, Company D, 157th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 April 1945 near Aschaffenburg, Germany. When his platoon leader and section sergeant were killed, Corporal Weber assumed command of the heavy machine gun section. He placed the guns in a position to give maximum support to the rifle company to which his platoon was attached. The heavy and accurate fire by Corporal Weber's section neutralized several enemy positions and aided the rifle company to gain its objective. Entered the military service from Reading, Pennsylvania.

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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:

THOMAS M COY 20826434, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 September 1944 near Moximieux, France. When enemy forces launched a sudden attack and began to infiltrate into the positions held by his company, Sergeant Coy quickly assumed the initiative and organized a line of defense with his kitchen force and some personnel from the company motor pool. Having placed his men in well-located positions, Sergeant Coy inspired and encouraged them by moving from one position to another directing their fire. Through his excellent leadership, this heterogeneous group was able to inflict heavy casualties on the attacking enemy force and delay its advance until additional help could be obtained. Entered the military service from Baird, Texas.

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 officer:

DELBERT P EASTON 02006964, Infantry, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 January 1945 near Dambach, France. During an enemy counter-attack, Lieutenant Easton personally supervised the firing of each gun of his machine gun section. Running through heavy small arms and mortar fire, he continually checked on fields of fire and encouraged his men. When enemy personnel infiltrated into the right flank, he killed or wounded several of the enemy with fire from his carbine. The fire of Lieutenant Easton's section forced the enemy to abandon their counterattack and prevented them from encircling the company. Entered the military service from Williamsfield, Ohio. Next of kin: Mrs Vera Marie Easton (Mother), Williamsfield, Ohio.

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:

NORMAN W BONE 36242031, Infantry, Technical Sergeant, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 22 September 1944 near Archottes, France. When his company commander asked for volunteers to swim the Moselle River in order to secure a towline, Sergeant Bone immediately responded, but, due to the swift current, swimming proved impossible. Shortly thereafter, when the assault boat containing his platoon leader turned over, Sergeant Bone assumed command of the platoon and with his men made a successful crossing in assault boats. The prompt action of Sergeant Bone resulted in the establishment of the initial bridgehead across the River. Entered the military service from Evansville, Wisconsin.

VANICE S BOOTS 36900836, Infantry, Private First Class, Company I, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 December 1944 near Ober Otterbach, Germany. When enemy mortar fire cut communication lines between his company and supporting units, Private Boots left his foxhole and went out to repair the lines. While one rifleman furnished covering fire, Private Boots successfully repaired the wire. The action of Private Boots enabled the company to have supporting fire which aided materially in repelling the enemy attack. Entered the military service from Ziegler, Illinois.

THOMAS A FLOWERS 33731562, Medical Department, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 December 1944 near Ehrwiller, France. Technician Flowers, company aid man, left the safety of his foxhole and ran over fifty yards through heavy enemy mortar fire to administer first aid to two seriously wounded men. Using a raincoat, he made a litter and prepared the men for immediate evacuation. The actions of Technician Flowers enabled the wounded men to receive prompt medical attention. Entered the military service from Fishing Creek, Maryland.

CHARLES R HORN 35090937, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 January 1945 near Gootzenbruck, France. When enemy riflemen attempted to encircle two friendly machine guns, Private Horn covered the machine gunners with fire from his Thompson submachine gun. Seeing a sniper hidden behind the wall of a house, Private Horn circled the building and, approaching from the rear, captured the enemy rifleman. Private Horn's effective covering fire permitted the two machine guns to remain in action and to keep the enemy from overrunning their positions. Entered the military service from Camden, Indiana.

GUY T HOWDYSHELL 38015482, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3-4 January 1945 near Wingen, France. When American tanks fired at the building in which he and some fellow soldiers were being held prisoners, Private Howdysholl, escaping from his captors, ran through a concentration of tank and small arms fire to the tank commander and informed him of the presence of American soldiers in the building. Private Howdysholl then made his way through enemy lines to a command post of an attacking battalion and gave valuable information to the battalion commanding officer which aided materially in the ensuing attack. Entered the military service from Keyes, Oklahoma.

CARMINE MANGO 12051087, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944 near Oberbronn, France. During an enemy counterattack, Sergeant Mango, forward observer for an 81mm mortar platoon, realized that his observation post was not giving him the best possible observation. In spite of heavy enemy fire, he moved across an open field to a better position and directed accurate fire which caused numerous enemy casualties and helped repulse the enemy counterattack. Entered the military service from Newark, New Jersey.

ELMER PARKER 38471762, Medical Department, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 January 1945 near Goetzenbruck, France. When the progress of his platoon was halted and several of the men were wounded, Private Parker, in spite of the heavy volume of enemy fire, moved among the wounded, administering first aid until they were evacuated. His prompt action undoubtedly saved the lives of two seriously wounded men and expedited the removal of the others. Entered the military service from Colbert, Oklahoma.

ROBERT E PITMAN 36661157, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company M, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 December 1944 near Gumbrechtshoffen, France. Sergeant Pitman, a machine gun section leader, while leading his men was wounded by enemy shell fire. Realizing the impossibility of his continuing the attack, he reorganized the section and ordered it to continue on its mission. He then crawled to three of his men who were also wounded, rendered first aid, and moved them to safer positions for evacuation. Entered the military service from Antioch, Illinois.

LEON D WITHROW 36291933, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 September 1944 near Reng, France. During an attack in which his heavy weapons company was giving close support to the battalion, Private Withrow maintained communication lines. Although enemy mortar fire frequently disrupted communications, Private Withrow repaired the damage in a minimum of time. When the mortar observer was wounded and evacuated, Private Withrow, although himself wounded, assumed the observer's duties and directed accurate fire, aiding greatly in securing his company's objective. Entered the military service from Viola, Wisconsin.

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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 to each of the following enlisted men:

WILLIAM I BELLEMAN 32950050, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 January 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Salem, New Jersey.

ROBERT J BRISBANE, JR 33745802, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 March 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Washington, D.C.

ANTONIO A DIAZ 38010276, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), 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 Lordsburg, New Mexico.

HAROLD R DIBBLE 31041325, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 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 Naugatuck, Connecticut.

JOHN M DUNBAR, JR 35558337, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 January 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Bluffton, Ohio.

PAUL J GALLAGHER 33141261, Infantry, 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 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

LESTER GERENCER 12050971, Infantry, Corporal (then Private and later Private First Class), Headquarters Company, 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 Phillipsburg, New Jersey.

ROBERT L HEATH 34665670, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 1 October 1943 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Snow Hill, North Carolina.

MARCEL LERNER 32990323, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 26 February 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Forest Hills, New York.

CARLOS A MARTINEZ 38005248, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Company K, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 December 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Antonito Colorado.

TENNIS MAYNARD 35650623, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from September 1943 to May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Logan, West Virginia.

HENRY G MILLS 20304171, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 30 April 1945 Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Altoona, Pennsylvania.

CLIFFORD M NEIL 38005176, 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 Denver, Colorado.

WALTER P O'BRIEN 06413, Infantry, Colonel, Headquarters, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 30 August 1944 to 27 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Washington, D.C.

CHARLES W POLK 31060883, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 July 1943 to 1 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

MILTON H RICE 36105289, 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 30 March 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

MAURICE B SMITH 38005209, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, 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 Dove Creek, Colorado.

PHILIP STIRTZINGER 35765278, Infantry, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 25 February 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Mansfield, Ohio.

JEREMY R WALDRON JR 11040582, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 2 August 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

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ROBERT C WINBURN 37512355, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 10 January 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Weston, Missouri.

WALTER R WOLFF 32898060, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private and later Private First Class), Headquarters Company, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 12 December 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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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 officers and enlisted men:

CHARLES V BOLAN, 13041658, Field Artillery, Corporal, Company A, 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 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

MOORE N COOK 02055521, Adjutant General's Department, Captain (then Chief Warrant Officer and later Second Lieutenant and First Lieutenant), 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 Seminole, Oklahoma.

JAMES B GREGORY 0403577, Adjutant General's Department, 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 Fort Worth, Texas.

DONALD B KONOVER 0387455, Adjutant General's Department, Captain, Headquarters, 45th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 February 1943 to 8 May 1945 in United States, Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

LEONARD S PETERS W2117829, Army of the United States, Chief Warrant Officer, 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 Denver, Colorado.

GEORGE PANICK JR 13068679, Field Artillery, Sergeant, Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 9 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

JOHN REARICK 01633025, Signal Corps, Captain, 45th Signal Company, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 2 December 1943 to 4 June 1944 in Italy. Entered the military service from Linden, New Jersey.

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FREDERICK W SOUTHER 0452661, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Company C, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 2 April to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered the military service from Fayetteville, Arkansas.

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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 officers and enlisted men:

JAMES F BOYLE JR 20315908, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery B, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 5 December 1944 near Hertzwiller, France. While acting as radio operator for a forward observation party Technician Boyle remained at his telephone and radio during an enemy counterattack which put the observation post under direct tank and 20mm fire. Although given the opportunity to go to the cellar for security, Technician Boyle chose to remain at his post. His actions materially aided in the successful defense of the sector. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

MARTIN J GAVIN 12154532, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Corporal), Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945 near Lauf, Germany. When his forward observation post was subjected to heavy enemy flak gun fire the officer in charge was seriously wounded. Sergeant Gavin, on his own initiative, immediately took charge. Under the continued heavy enemy fire he evacuated the wounded officer and by skillfully directing artillery fire succeeded in destroying several enemy flak guns which were holding up the advance of our troops. His actions contributed materially toward the successful taking of the objective. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

WILLIAM R HEFFERNAN 31471620, Field Artillery, Private, Battery B, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 31 March 1945 near Aschaffenburg, Germany. Private Heffernan's forward observer party followed a rifle squad into a house which had been selected as an observation post. As soon as they entered the building, however, the enemy began firing into it with rifles and machine guns, forcing the group to take cover on the floor. Private Heffernan, by moving from window to window, maintained a steady fire on the enemy with his carbine for several hours until he was seriously wounded. His courage and aggressiveness prevented the enemy assaulting the position. Entered the military service from Auburn, Massachusetts.

[illegible] M KUBANY 01179927, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant (then Second [illegible]), Battery C, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement on 29 March 1945 near Schweinheim, Germany. When the rifle [illegible] which he was attached was halted by enemy artillery and small [illegible] Lieutenant Kubany crawled forward to a place of observation and [illegible] battalion's fire with such effect that the enemy suffered many [illegible] the company was enabled to advance. After the company had [illegible] objective Lieutenant Kubany established an observation post and [illegible] adjustment of fire, aided in repelling an enemy counterattack. [illegible] Kubany manned this observation post continuously for twelve hours [illegible] enemy mortar and small arms fire. His courage and devotion [illegible] credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Tarentum, Pennsylvania.

cBRYDE 14073621, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, d Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on near Dambach, France. Left in charge of a forward observat strong enemy counterattack, Technician McBryde directed th of his medium artillery battalion and a battery of heavy enemy targets almost continuously for a period of two days. ive fire destroyed two batteries of horse-drawn artillery, three one antitank gun, and forced one entire enemy company to surrender rces. During this period, it was necessary for Technician McBryde te his own radio in directing fire. His courage and devotion to ded materially in repulsing the enemy counterattack and reflect credit himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Fayette-, North Carolina.

BURTON SACHS 01180030, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Battery A; 58th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 near Obergailbach, France. When the leader and several of the noncommissioned officers of a nearby friendly platoon were killed or wounded in an enemy mine field, Lieutenant Sachs, a forward artillery observer, entered the mine infected area, reorganized the platoon, and led the men from the dangerous zone. He continued to direct the operations of the platoon until the next senior officer of the company arrived. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

RALPH E SIBERT 01018569, Cavalry, First Lieutenant,
Company A, 191st Tank Battalion.
Entered the military service from Corydon, Indiana.

EDWIN E KEEVER 34683470, Armored, Sergeant (then Corporal),
Company A, 191st Tank Battalion.
Entered the military service from White, Georgia.

VICTOR E McLENDON 34133115, Armored, Private First Class,
Company A, 191st Tank Battalion.
Entered the military service from Quitman, Mississippi.

For heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945 near Wattweiler, Germany. When a tank in their platoon was hit by enemy antitank fire, the driver was seriously wounded. In spite of the undiminished enemy artillery and small arms fire, these three men made their way to the disabled tank and administered first aid to the wounded man. Still under enemy fire, they then evacuated him to an aid station.

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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 M BIGGELN 42036228, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 December 1944 near Nordweiller, Germany. When the leading elements of his company were halted by accurate enemy mortar and machine gune fire, Sergeant Biggeln crept forward across a road covered by the enemy fire to a favorable observation post and directed chemical mortar fire, which silenced the enemy guns and enabled his company to move forward and take its objective. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.

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:

EARL S CASEY 39262628, Medical Department, Private, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945 near Nurnberg, Germany. As the platoon to which Private Casey was attached as aid man was advancing, two men were wounded. Moving forward under the intense enemy small arms and bazooka fire, Private Casey administered first aid and supervised the evacuation of the two men. Shortly thereafter, Private Casey was killed while attempting to reach another wounded soldier. His courage and devotion to his fellow men reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from San Diego, California. Next of kin: Mrs. Olive E Casey (Mother), 3769 Highland Avenue, San Diego, California.

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:

WILLIAM A BROWN 39391263, Infantry, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Antitank Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945 near Bobelsheim, Germany. As Sergeant Brown was advancing with the leading squad of a rifle company, he noticed a slight rise in the ground and, upon investigation, unearthed a shoe mine. Continuing to probe, he uncovered a large number of wooden mines. He then marked a path through the mine field, enabling the company to pass through without casualties. Entered the military service from Lodi, California.

JAMES J HERKING 35875032, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945 in the vicinity of the Blies River, Germany. While delivering a message to his platoon, Private Herking was fired upon from a wooded area which had been by-passed by friendly troops. After returning the fire, he crawled to a covered route, reached his platoon, and informed the platoon leader of the enemy location and threat. The platoon then destroyed the enemy force. His aggressiveness reflects credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

ANTHONY IZIDRO 31337537, Infantry, Private First Class (then Private), Antitank Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 September 1944 near Deyvilliers, France. The rifle company to which Private Izidro was attached as a mine sweeper was temporarily halted by enemy machine gun fire. The supporting tanks were prevented by a mined road block from approaching close enough to knock out the machine gun nests. Private Izidro crooped and crawled under the enemy fire to the road block and removed the mines, enabling the tanks to smash through the road block and destroy the enemy positions. Shortly thereafter, Private Izidro was wounded while removing mines, but chose to remain on his job until he had cleared a path for the armor. Entered the military service from New Haven, Connecticut.

PAUL B JACKSON 35761007, Infantry, Private First Class, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 April 1945 near Munich, Germany. When the company radio operator was killed while carrying his radio across an open field, Private Jackson, on his own initiative, went out to recover the set. Although subjected to heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire, he secured the radio and returned with it to his company commander. Private Jackson then directed supporting artillery and mortar fire which materially aided the company in taking its objective. Entered the military service from Gassaway, West Virginia.

SYLVESTER W LITTEKEN 37606163, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Antitank Company, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 January 1945 near Sagemuth, France. When his antitank gun squad was given the mission of firing direct fire into an enemy-held town prior to an attack, Technician Litteken, despite heavy enemy fire covering the approach to the position, set up his gun in a selected spot and carried out the firing mission. His accurate fire inflicted many casualties and so demoralized the enemy that an entire company surrendered as soon as our riflemen entered the town. Subsequent fire from Technician Litteken's gun was largely responsible for repulsing an attempted enemy counterattack upon the town. Entered the military service from St. Louis, Mississippi.

HAROLD R PHILLIPS 39716317, Infantry, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945 near Wildenguth, France. When enemy fire halted the advance of the company to which his machine gun section was attached, Sergeant Phillips moved about under enemy observation until he located a favorable gun position. Then, in spite of the heavy enemy fire, he moved his gun to the position and brought accurate fire to bear upon the enemy. The prompt actions of Sergeant Phillips materially assisted the company in overcoming the enemy resistance. Entered the military service from San Diego, California.

IRVIN E SMITH 37476209, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945 near Wimmenau, France. When a machine gun section was cut off by an enemy counterattack, Private Smith volunteered to infiltrate through the enemy-held terrain to bring the section back to safety. Private Smith skillfully worked his way through the enemy lines and found the machine gun section, as well as several riflemen who had become separated from their unit. After quickly orienting this group as to the route he was going to take, Private Smith led them back to safety. The actions of Private Smith were responsible for preventing the capture of these American soldiers. Entered the military service from Los Angeles, California.

ABRAM L VENABLE 01299496, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945 in Nurnberg, Germany. When his company was temporarily halted by enemy machine gun, bazooka, and sniper fire, Lieutenant Venable immediately set out to bring up tank support. While enroute, he observed six of the enemy moving into position with a machine gun and a bazooka. Working his way to a favorable position, Lieutenant Venable launched three successive rifle grenades, killing all six of the enemy. Continuing on his mission, he succeeded in bringing up supporting tanks and directed accurate fire which routed the enemy force and enabled his company to take its objective. Entered the military service from Craigsville, 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 enlisted man:

LEO L ANASIEWICZ 35040157, 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 Toledo, Ohio.

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:

GORDON A BAKER 31290694, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 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 Harrisville, Rhode Island.

WILLIAM O BRUTON 20832356, Field Artillery, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 20 May 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Mcalester, Oklahoma.

HARRY G HURLEY 32025381, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade and later 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 Syracuse, New York.

JOSEPH K BUSH 38474762, Field Artillery, Private First Class, (then Private), Battery C, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 28 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Tylor, Texas.

WILMONT W CASSEL 33234077, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private and later 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 Marysville, Pennsylvania.

LEON W CATHEY 20832017, 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 Roff, Oklahoma.

CHARLES CHIKIS 35208353, Field Artillery, Corporal (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 Pursglove, West Virginia.

RICHARD C CREAGH 39200853, 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 Bremerton, Washington.

JOE F DERRICK 20832186, 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 Wewoka, Oklahoma.

PATSY DISIPIO 31048301, Field Artillery, Corporal (then 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 East Hartford, Connecticut.

EDWARD A DUGAN 33178093, 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 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

CLARENCE FIELDS 38017639, 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 Red Rock, Oklahoma.

LEON E FONTAINE 31074999, 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 Lowell, Massachusetts.

FARRIS G STELLO 38018273, Field Artillery, Corporal (then Private First Class), 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 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

EDWARD L GLESON Jr 34180581, 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 Nashville, Tennessee.

MARION HART 34012304, 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 Conyers, Georgia.

JOHN H HEMBD 39616571, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 24 October 1943 to 20 April 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Wolf Point, Montana.

CLETUS D KELLEY 20832056, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then 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 Roff, Oklahoma.

KILLY J LAB 38017671, Field Artillery, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Sperry, Oklahoma.

ZENUS D MARTINDALE 20832444, Field Artillery, Private, 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 McAlester, Oklahoma.

BOBBY J MINER 20832205, Field Artillery, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Battery A, 160th Field Artillery 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 Wewoka, Oklahoma.

GENE E NOLEN 38017728, 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 Tulsa, Oklahoma.

IRA A POPE 38039781, 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 Weatherford, Texas.

JEROME POWELL 13101760, Field Artillery, Corporal (then Private First Class), Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in combat from 15 September 1944 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Chevy Chase, Maryland.

MILLARD M ROBBINS 35142567, Field Artillery, Sergeant (then Private First Class and later 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 Fort Thomas, Kentucky.

FRANK A ROWLEE 36246719, Field Artillery, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 August 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Black River Falls, Wisconsin.

BENJAMIN F SCHNEIDER 36024740, Field Artillery, Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 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 Streator, Illinois.

HAROLD D SMITH 37543913, Field Artillery, Private First Class, Battery A, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 22 August 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Lantry, South Dakota.

RALPH J STAHL 35040111, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade (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 Sandusky, Ohio.

REO T STRICKER 20831987, Medical Department, Staff Sergeant, 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 Wewoka, Oklahoma.

ALEX TODOLOVICH 33134489, Field Artillery, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 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 Joliet, Illinois.

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JOSEPH P WINTERS 37022744, 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 West St. Paul, Minnesota.

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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 officers and enlisted men:

JAMES D ARNETT T2109822, Army of the United States, Warrant Officer Junior 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 Wagoner, Oklahoma.

WILLIAM J BARRETT 35314490, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Company C, 180th Infantry Regiment, 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 Cleveland, Ohio.

ALFRED F BROWN 01291576, Infantry, First Lieutenant, Company D, 179th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 22 October 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

CLITUS D BURROW 38017256, 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 Elmer, Oklahoma.

ALFRED M FINNEY JR 33439912, Infantry, Private First Class, Company H, 179th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 18 November to 6 December 1943 in the vicinity of Pigliano and Venafro, Italy. Entered the military service from McKeesport, Pennsylvania.

ALBERT J HARR 13070072, Infantry, Technician Fourth Grade, Company B, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 18 October 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

CARLTON F JOHNSON 32677931, Infantry, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 157th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in combat from 11 September 1943 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Binghamton, New York.

PAUL F PRICE 0495187, Dental Corps, Captain, Medical Detachment, 180th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 9 January 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Italy, France and Germany. Entered the military service from Morgantown, West Virginia.

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JOHN E [illegible]LDEN 31 15306081, Infantry, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 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 Lexington, Kentucky.

JOHN C [illegible] 32233433, 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 Lackawanna, New York.

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