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VII--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 29 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Air Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, a second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, and a third bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster are awarded to the following named officers as indicated:

1. Oak-Leaf Cluster.--First Lieutenant JAMES M. MCKAY, 01179152, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 16 November 1944 to 30 December 1944 in France, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Indiana.
2. Oak-Leaf Cluster.--First Lieutenant EUGENE F. SORNSSEN, 01170564, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 1 September 1944 to 29 September 1944 in France, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Texas.
3. Oak-Leaf Cluster.--Second Lieutenant (then staff sergeant) RALPH W. YOUNG, 08200061, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 2 to 30 December 1944 in France, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Ohio.
4. Second Oak-Leaf Cluster.--First Lieutenant EUGENE E. SORNSSEN, 01170564, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 2 October 1944 to 30 December 1944 in France, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Texas.
5. Second Oak-Leaf Cluster.--First Lieutenant ELLIS E. THOMPSON, 01182726, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 8 October 1944 to 4 December 1944 in France, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from North Dakota.
6. Second Oak-Leaf Cluster.--First Lieutenant ROBERT H. MATHESON, 01178239, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 12 September 1944 to 11 November 1944 in France, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Minnesota.
7. Second Oak-Leaf Cluster.--Second Lieutenant PRESLEY M. PINFR, 01172601, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 2 September 1944 to 16 November 1944 in France, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Kansas.
8. Second Oak-Leaf Cluster.--Second Lieutenant WILLIAM H. CHAMBERS, 0527225, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 5th Division Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 15 October 1944 to 27 December 1944 in France, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from New York.
9. Third Oak-Leaf Cluster.--First Lieutenant ROBERT N. TEDD, 01132471, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 4 October 1944 to 18 December 1944 in France, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from New York.
10. Third Oak-Leaf Cluster.--First Lieutenant JOHN X. WALSH, 01169813, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 5th Division Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 11 October 1944

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1944 in France, having completed the required number of operations against the enemy. Entered military service from New York.

1st Lt. Charles H. Conway, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For service in the European Theater of Operations, participating in aerial flights from 15 October 1944 to 29 December 1944 in France, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

By command of Major General ISHIN:

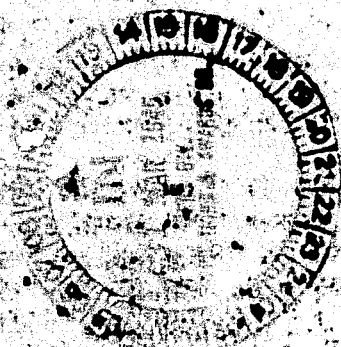
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I---AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant CHARLES E. KARCHER, 01016891, Infantry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 18 December 1944 in the vicinity of BREITENWALD, Germany. Lieutenant KARCHER was serving in the capacity of a tank-platoon leader in a combined tank-infantry offensive on a vital enemy town. Although wounded and in great pain Lieutenant KARCHER refused evacuation or medical care and continued the pursuit of two enemy tanks. Maneuvering his platoon in such a manner as to enable our forces to direct fire upon the enemy's tanks, Lieutenant KARCHER succeeded in destroying one and forcing the other to seek cover. Continuing his hazardous mission of clearing the wooded area of the enemy's forces, Lieutenant KARCHER was again wounded in the head. Bleeding profusely from his many wounds, Lieutenant KARCHER heroically refused to be evacuated to an aid station until his platoon had taken up satisfactory defensive positions in the woods. He then consented to medical care and evacuation. Due to Lieutenant KARCHER's aggressive actions, his tactical acumen and tenacity of purpose his platoon was able to accomplish its mission of clearing the enemy from the forest. His intrepid and splendid leadership and bravery inspired his men to greater effort. His courage and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

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~~First Lieutenant RICHARD S. MASLIKOSA, 01017771, Cavalry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 December 1944 in the vicinity of CONSIDRE, Luxembourg. Lieutenant MASLIKOSA was serving in the capacity of a platoon leader in a fierce and determined tank-infantry attack on a strongly resisting enemy position. When his tank was hit by the intense enemy anti-tank fire from a range of 300 yards, immobilizing the vehicle in full observation of the enemy and subjecting his position to a heavy and continuous barrage of enemy artillery fire, Lieutenant MASLIKOSA, despite the danger and with utter disregard for his personal safety remained in his exposed position in the tank for a three hour period, continued to direct the advance of his platoon and supported them with accurate fire from his heavy tank weapon. At times because of the intense enemy fire Lieutenant MASLIKOSA was forced to screen his position by the use of hand grenades in order to properly protect himself from the heavy enemy fire and observation. His intrepid and courageous leadership and initiative enabled our forces to accomplish their mission with a minimum of casualties. His bravery and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military services of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.~~

Sergeant JOHN F. MENDOZA, 36108713, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 September 1944 in the vicinity of LANGUEVILLE-LES-CHEMINOT, France. When shrapnel from a bursting shell exploded within two feet of his platoon sergeant, rendering him unconscious and covering his person with about three feet of wet dirt subjecting him to suffocation, Sergeant MENDOZA, a mortar squad leader, without hesitation went to the aid of his platoon sergeant and immediately began resuscitating the sergeant by the expert and skillful use of artificial respiration. His courage and heroic actions, his deep devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and are in complete accordance with the finest traditions of the United States Army.

Sergeant MENDOZA's actions in resuscitating the platoon sergeant by the expert and skillful use of artificial respiration, and his courage and heroic actions, his deep devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and are in complete accordance with the finest traditions of the United States Army.

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service of the United States. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant EDWIN J. POPIEL, 36150624, Cavalry, 5th Reconnaissance Troop, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 August 1944. Sergeant POPIEL was serving in the capacity of a section leader of a town. Although being informed of the presence of enemy troops the French Forces of the Interior in the vicinity of a bridge the section moved forward. Continuing on the section came under heavy fire from enemy forces sealed on both banks of the river. Despite the great danger from the intense fire Sergeant POPIEL instructed his scout section to dismount and take cover. He then moved his armor vehicle nearer the bridge to get a better field of fire. Disregarding personal safety and completely exposed in the open terrain Sergeant POPIEL acted as a loader while his gunner inflicted numerous casualties on the enemy's forces attempting to cross the bridge from the opposite bank. Sergeant POPIEL then continued to load and direct fire until the driver of the vehicle was wounded. Dismounting from the turret still under the intense enemy fire Sergeant POPIEL entered the drivers compartment, assumed the drivers seat and drove the vehicle to a place of comparative safety where medical aid could be administered to his wounded comrade. Sergeant POPIEL's heroism and courageous determination, his cool-headed thinking in the face of numerically superior enemy and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Michigan.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel HOWARD H. BASS, 0320409, Medical Corps, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of PONT-A-MOUSSON, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Lieutenant Colonel PAUL T. CARROLL, 019146, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 July 1944 in the vicinity of VIDOUVILLE, France. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Lieutenant Colonel FREDERICK D. KENISON, 0219874, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in France. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

Major JAMES F. COUTY, 0389464, Corps of Military Police, Military Police Platoon, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 near PONT-A-MOUSSON, France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Major (then Captain) WOODROW W. MORSE, 0374021, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 19 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Major JOSEPH P. MULIOLIS, 0367818, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 5 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain WERRY A. HORN, 0407358, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 26 August 1944 to 4 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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Captain JAMES B. KELLY, 024490, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 1 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Captain FRANCIS J. MANLY, 0104032, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from ~~Delaware~~ Maryland.

Captain DAVID S. SMIA, 0383832, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 18 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Lieutenant MITCHELL J. HAZAM, 0448951, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 September 1944 near CORNY, France. Lieutenant HAZAM was an anti-tank platoon leader whose platoon was in support of the infantry in a newly established bridgehead across the Moselle River. At the approach of four enemy tanks Lieutenant HAZAM left the building where he had established his headquarters to run 150 yards in full view and under direct fire of the enemy tanks in order to alert his gun crew. Without regard for personal safety Lieutenant HAZAM then proceeded boldly to direct effective fire on the approaching enemy tanks knocking one out of action and destroying another. One of the remaining two was destroyed in its attempt to withdraw. The skill, courage and devotion to duty of Lieutenant HAZAM reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant NOBLE M. BATHOR, 0172588, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. Entered military service from Georgia.

First Lieutenant HARRY E. POLLOCK, JR., 01296898, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 near ALLMONT, France. Entered military service from North Carolina.

First Lieutenant EDWARD ROSENSTOCK, 01168890, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 January 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Second Lieutenant NEAL C. GREER, 01179871, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 3 October 1944 to 12 October 1944 in the vicinity of GORZE, France. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Second Lieutenant GEPHAN F. PAYNE, 01174402, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 August 1944 in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Second Lieutenant JOSEPH T. ZAWISTOWSKI, 01344573, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 1 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from New York.

Lieutenant ZAWISTOWSKI, disregarding the intense fire, courageously continued to lead his men and inspire them in their difficult task. The enemy's force then launched a fierce and determined tank-infantry counter-offensive employing numerically

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superior forces. Lieutenant ZAWISTOWSKI again disregarding personal safety boldly and aggressively directed counter-defensive measures against the enemy attack and succeeded in holding and securing his position on the left flank of the bridgehead. Due to Lieutenant ZAWISTOWSKI's courageous and intrepid actions the enemy counterattack was repulsed with tremendous casualties inflicted on the enemy. His valiant actions reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the best traditions of the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Chief Warrant Officer HUBERT L. SHIVEL, W-211331, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 16 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Master Sergeant RUSSELL R. FROST, W-183193, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 9 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Missouri.

Master Sergeant ROBERT C. HERRMANN, 36025331, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Sergeant FRED BARRITT, W-1043087, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 January 1944 to 2 November 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Technical Sergeant ELMER P. CLAYSON, 6665535, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 9 October 1944, in France. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Technical Sergeant ABE JENKINS, 6928039, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 21 November 1944 in France. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant VERA S. COPPLE, 6827629, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 8 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant GILLES E. CONNELL, 36154519, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 8 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant CLYDE O. DEVINE, 6669648, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant MILTON H. BOSS, 3515564, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 9 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant TED N. SMALL, 36052069, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 16 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant DAVID M. STANLEY, 6665762, Quartermaster Corps, 5th Quartermaster Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with

Sergeant **HENDRICKSON** succeeded in dispersing the enemy's soldiers and forcing them to abandon their weapon. His courageous determination, cool-headed thinking in the face of the enemy and deep devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant **JOSEPH JESCO**, 33291853, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 4 August 1944 to 31 December 1944 in France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant **JOHN J. LIEB**, 33189180, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 27 July 1944 to 24 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Virginia.

Sergeant **JOSEPH E. ROBERTS**, 15056544, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 25 December 1944 to 26 December 1944 in HALLER, Luxembourg. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Sergeant **ARTHUR P. WOLF, JR.**, 16012561, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 21 November 1944 in France. Entered the military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade **WALTER L. JURASZEK**, 36025180, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 August 1944 in the vicinity of FONTAINELEAU, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade **MERRITT E. MCCLAIN**, 35011228, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 July 1944 to 10 August 1944 in France. Entered military service from Ohio.

Corporal **STANLEY L. FOLTA**, 31191336, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 July 1944 in the vicinity of MOULOGNES, France. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Corporal **BILL PARKER**, 6665974, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 10 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Corporal **LOUIS HUTKOSKI**, 6861783, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 September 1944 to 26 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Corporal **JOHN C. SMEDLEY**, 33380854, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 27 November 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. Entered military service from Maryland. *SMEDLEY - Name amended by Post 7 - Jan. 21, 1945*

Corporal **VINCENT R. TAURONE**, 32183759, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 25 October 1944 in France.

Entered military service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 to 25 December 1944 near CONSDORF, Luxembourg. Entered military service from North Carolina.

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Staff Sergeant **FRANK T. WBO**, 36030764, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 8 January 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Third Grade **LOUIS F. ESCH**, 36111470, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 9 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Third Grade **JOSEPH F. MAGIN**, 36154414, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 9 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Third Grade **ARCHIE R. SMITH**, 36101395, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 9 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant **LEROY J. ANDERSON**, 36019806, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 9 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant **EDWARD W. BONBRAKE**, 35610400, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 26 September 1944 to 27 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant **LOWELL H. BUCHLE**, 39162285, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 October 1944 in the vicinity of MARDENY, France. Entered military service from California.

Sergeant **DONALD L. COOK**, 16021433, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 18 September 1944 to 26 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Sergeant **CARL F. GRESLAM**, 37391771, Infantry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Missouri.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) **CHARLES H. HEAD**, 15056530, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 September 1944 to 31 December 1944 in France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant **KENNETH D. HENDRICKSON**, 36002445, Cavalry, 5th Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 August 1944 near NOGENT-SUR-SEINE, France. Sergeant **HENDRICKSON**, a section leader, was in temporary charge of a platoon with the mission of establishing a security for the platoon. Posting his security, Sergeant **HENDRICKSON** on his own volition went forward to reconnoiter the enemy's strength and position to his front. As Sergeant **HENDRICKSON** proceeded through a wooded area he perceived an enemy automatic weapon in position covering the road over which it would be necessary for the platoon to advance. Slowly working his way forward to within a few yards of the enemy emplacement Sergeant **HENDRICKSON** disregarding personal safety, attempted to liquidate the enemy's position with his automatic weapon. The weapon failed to fire, Sergeant **HENDRICKSON** then attempted to annihilate the enemy gun position with the use of a hand grenade which also failed to explode. With his remaining hand grenade

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Technician Fifth Grade WILFRED J. BARAGREY, 36101680, Infantry, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of FONT-A-MOUSSON, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade OSCAR B. ELIER, 36076670, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 September 1944 at ARNAVILLE, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade SILVIO E. GRASSO, 32593265, Coast Artillery Corps, 49th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 October 1944 in the vicinity of LOERY, France. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) QUINCY D. JUDAN, 34761833, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 26 to 27 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from Georgia.

Technician Fifth Grade JAMES E. MARFIA, 37412215, Coast Artillery Corps, 49th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARMY, France. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class WELBORTH E. NUNGESTER, 35216950, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 September 1944 at ARNAVILLE, France. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade EDWARD T. PING, 15058348, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 5 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT J. SPENCE, 15064425, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 September 1944 in the vicinity of CUMMOY, France. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade REGGIE H. STAFFORD, 33213372, Coast Artillery Corps, 49th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of ANCERVILLE, France. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class (then Staff Sergeant) FRED D. BASTISTUTTI, 15057015, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class JACK BRAY, 33106839, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 13 November 1944 in France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class ISADORE J. C. PLETTE, 31085267, Coast Artillery Corps, 49th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army.

Private First Class BRUCE L. SIMS, 34415001, Coast Artillery Corps, 49th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of ANCERVILLE, France. Entered military service from Mississippi.

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Private First Class EDWARD J. STELLANS, 7031777, Infantry, 13th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 November 1944 in the vicinity of [redacted]. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class THOMAS W. WATSON, [redacted] Infantry, [redacted] Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 21 November 1944 in France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class JAMES F. WRIGHT, 55296428, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 near AMANVILLERS, France. When his platoon leader became a casualty Private WRIGHT, an ammunition bearer, despite the great danger from heavy enemy mortar and automatic fire and exposed to the intense fire left his place of cover to procure the services of an aid man. Crawling back to the position occupied by his platoon leader Private WRIGHT assisted the aid man in removing the casualty to a medical transport. Shortly thereafter, Private WRIGHT returning to his own unit encountered an enemy patrol attempting to infiltrate to the rear of his platoon. Dauntlessly, he placed himself in position to ambush the enemy patrol. Waiting until the enemy drew closer Private WRIGHT aggressively opened fire upon the patrol and succeeded in breaking up their attempt to infiltrate and captured two of the enemy's soldiers. His intrepid and fearless actions, his utter disregard for personal safety in exposing himself to aid his wounded platoon leader, his willingness to engage the enemy although greatly outnumbered reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class ROLAND G. LAMUREUX, 31085232, Coast Artillery Corps, 149th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of ANCEVILLE, France. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private LESTER M. MINTZ, 33627352, Quartermaster Corps, 5th Quartermaster Company, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 August 1944 in the vicinity of CARQUEPOU, France. Private MINTZ, vehicle driver was serving as a member of a detail assigned the hazardous mission of convoying six quartermaster transports loaded with personnel and rations to a road junction blocking a road running south to the strategic city of NANTES. French civilians notified the task force that a heavily armed enemy patrol was proceeding south on the road in an attempt to enter the city. Awaiting the enemy's approach, the task force engaged the enemy in a fierce fire fight. Private MINTZ assisting the task force in the engagement and with the use of his heavy automatic weapon mounted on the vehicle succeeded in completing the destruction on one armored car, two troop carrier vehicles and in the capture of a third carrier vehicle and killing an enemy officer in the vehicle. In the ensuing actions our forces were able to liberate a patrol of our soldiers that the enemy had previously taken prisoners and capture 39 of the enemy. His heroic and fearless determination, his loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private PAUL L. MURMAN, 35067541, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 21 November 1944 in France. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private EDWARD F. WOODMAN, 20118552, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 20 November 1944 in France. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

III--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq. STUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq. STUSA, 22 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a

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bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster and a second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster are awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men as indicated:

1. Oak-Leaf Cluster.--Captain HARRY R. ANDERSON, 0392639, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 and 12 September 1944 near COMY, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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* 2. Oak-Leaf Cluster.--Captain ~~W. COOPER~~, 0394724, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 5 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

3. Oak-Leaf Cluster.--Second Lieutenant MARK A. FREEMAN, 0312369, Signal Corps, 166th Signal Photo Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 7 to 9 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. Entered military service from Missouri.

4. Oak-Leaf Cluster.--Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant) ROY F. BUDZIAR, 02006440, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 26 September 1944 to 22 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

5. Oak-Leaf Cluster.--Staff Sergeant LESTER H. CARTER, 6984864, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 to 18 November 1944 in the vicinity of France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

6. Oak-Leaf Cluster.--Sergeant BURNELL K. CHAVE, 32183368, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 October 1944 in the vicinity of GORZE, France. Entered military service from New Jersey.

7. Oak-Leaf Cluster.--Technician Fourth Grade JOHN T. BAIA, 39552157, Signal Corps, 166th Signal Photo Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 7 to 9 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. Entered military service from California.

8. Oak-Leaf Cluster.--Corporal JULIAN B. HOWARD, 33717293, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 November 1944 to 2 December 1944 in France. Entered military service from Maryland.

9. Second Oak-Leaf Cluster.--Private First Class GERALD V. HORTON, 35530760, Signal Corps, 166th Signal Photo Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 7 to 10 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. Entered military service from Ohio.

By command of Major General IRWIN:

PAUL O. FRANSON,
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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class (then Sergeant) GUNTHER B. BODEN, 32780260, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 August 1944 in the vicinity of FONTAINEBLEAU, France. Under heavy and concentrated fire from enemy tanks, pinning our forces down, Private BODEN, an anti-tank rocket gunner, with the aid of another enlisted man, fired three shots at the leading enemy tank, hitting it twice and causing its withdrawal. Private BODEN, with utter disregard for his personal safety, then rode an enemy bicycle to the ammunition dump and replenished his ammunition, returned to the scene of the attack in time to enable him to use his weapon on the return of the tanks. Due in part to the actions of Private BODEN, our forces were again able to move into position and continue their attack. Private BODEN's heroism and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class (then Private) THOMAS C. PEPE, 32735360, Coast Artillery Corps, 419th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 22 September 1944 in the vicinity of NOYEANT, France. Under intense enemy small arms fire a motor vehicle in which four enlisted men were riding was forced to stop and three of the men succeeded in dismounting and taking cover. One of the enlisted men was seriously wounded and unable to leave the vehicle. When a medical aid man jumped into the vehicle to render first aid to the casualty, Private PEPE, a rifleman, without hesitation and with complete disregard for his personal safety, volunteered to accompany the aid man and furnish fire cover in an attempt to evacuate their wounded comrade. When the medical aid man himself was struck by enemy fire, Private PEPE assisted in driving the vehicle and evacuating his wounded comrades to a place of security behind friendly lines. Private PEPE's bravery and devotion to duty undoubtedly aided in the saving of the casualties' lives, reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

II--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Silver Star previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted man:

First Lieutenant NICHOLAS G. MASLIKOSA, 01017771, Cavalry, 757th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 December 1944 in the vicinity of CONSDREF, Luxembourg. Lieutenant MASLIKOSA was serving in the capacity of a platoon leader in a fierce and determined tank-infantry attack on a strongly resisting enemy position. When his tank was hit by the intense enemy anti-tank fire from a range of 200 yards, immobilizing the vehicle in full observation of the enemy and subjecting his position to a heavy and continuous barrage of enemy artillery fire, Lieutenant MASLIKOSA, despite the danger and with utter disregard for his personal safety remained in his exposed position in the tank

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for a three hour period, continued to direct the advance of his platoon and reported them with accurate fire from his heavy tank weapon. At times because of the intense enemy fire Lieutenant MASLIKOSA was forced to screen his position with the use of hand grenades in order to properly protect himself from the heavy enemy fire and observation. His intrepid and courageous leadership and initiative enabled our forces to accomplish their mission with a minimum of casualties. His bravery and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military services of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant M. J. ROBERTSON, 6970290, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 4 to 8 October 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. Sergeant ROBERTSON, a platoon guide, was a member of a company given the mission of holding a sector of the fortification Fort de Briant taken from the enemy. Our forces were receiving intense and direct artillery and mortar fire from a distance of only 400 yards. Sergeant ROBERTSON disregarding personal safety on numerous occasions went from foxhole to foxhole checking and encouraging the men on to greater effort. Sergeant ROBERTSON further shifted the men to more advantageous positions to combat the enemy. When casualties were in need of medical treatment Sergeant ROBERTSON administered first aid treatment and then assisted the wounded to a place of safety. Sergeant ROBERTSON performed these duties in an exemplary manner for a four day period. Due to Sergeant ROBERTSON's heroic actions and his calmness under fire, the men in his company were inspired on to greater effort. His courage, bravery and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Tennessee.

III--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant JESS W. HINKLE, 15014813, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 August 1944 near ANGERS, France. Sergeant HINKLE was a squad leader during a coordinated tank-infantry attack on the city of ANGERS. The attacking troops encountered an anti-tank ditch and the attack was held up. At this point the enemy launched a violent counterattack which consisted of a heavy barrage of direct fire from artillery, machine gun and small arms forcing the company to withdraw. Sergeant HINKLE with utter disregard for his own safety, exposed himself to enemy fire to cover the withdrawal of his squad. Sergeant HINKLE's bravery, leadership and devotion to duty made possible the withdrawal of his squad to a defensive line and were an inspiration to the men of the entire company. His act reflects great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Sergeant EDD W. SMITH, 38040754, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 25 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Texas.

IV--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel DANIEL R. TAYLOR, 018217, Quartermaster Corps, 5th Quartermaster Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 4 August 1944 to 1 November 1944 in France. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Captain CHARLES L. BLAIR, 0347138, Field Artillery, 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 22 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

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Captain THOMAS H. COOPER, 0394724, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 5 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Captain LEWIS W. FOGG, III, 024160, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in France. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) RAYMOND V. THAYER, 0405661, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 July 1942 to 24 May 1943 in Iceland. Entered military service from Indiana.

First Lieutenant CHESTER E. PAUL, 01176544, Field Artillery, 16th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 September 1944 to 26 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from West Virginia.

First Lieutenant LESSER EBER, 02040936, Medical Administrative Corps, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 29 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant ROBERT E. LEE, 01179130, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRY, France. Lieutenant LEE was serving in the capacity of a forward observer for his artillery battalion with the foremost element of our forces occupying a sector in a wooded area. The enemy's forces attempted a fierce and determined counterattack and succeeded in penetrating the outer positions. Despite the great danger and completely exposed to the enemy's small arm fire and shrapnel from bursting hand grenades Lieutenant LEE remained in his forward position and continued to adjust and direct accurate, effective and precision artillery fire from his artillery battalion upon the enemy close to his position. Due to Lieutenant LEE's heroism, indomitable courage and calmness under fire the enemy's counterattack was repulsed with heavy casualties to their personnel. His skill in the adjustment of fire and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from California.

Second Lieutenant LANGDON SMITH, 01018041, Cavalry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 December 1944 near BEBELSHEIM, Germany. Lieutenant SMITH was serving in the capacity of a tank platoon leader in a coordinated infantry-tank attack upon a strategic enemy town. During the course of the attack our forces were pinned down by the intense enemy artillery, mortar and small arm fire and his tank directing the offensive pierced by a direct hit from an artillery shell, wounding two members of the crew, severely shaking him up and immobilizing the gun turret and his heavy weapon. Despite his dazed condition Lieutenant SMITH succeeded in directing his disabled tank to the rear and successfully evacuated his wounded crew members. Procuring another tank Lieutenant SMITH immediately returned to the scene of the battle, rallied and encouraged his men, and successfully maneuvered his platoon in a more favorable position to engage the enemy. His fearless and courageous actions drew the intense fire from the pinned down forces and again enabled them to continue their advance. His utter disregard for personal safety and unwavering devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wyoming.

Second Lieutenant FRANKLIN D. WELLS, 01174739, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 August 1944 in the vicinity of FONTAINELEAU, France. Lieutenant WELLS was serving in the capacity of a forward artillery observer for his artillery battalion in a fierce and determined night offensive by our combat team against the city of FERICY. Positions were occupied

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by our troops under cover of darkness with the attack to be continued on the following day. Lieutenant WELLS disregarding personal safety remained exposed in open terrain to the intense enemy mortar and small arms fire and continued to direct and adjust accurate and effective artillery fire from his artillery battalion upon the strongly entrenched enemy position. Lieutenant WELLS' utter disregard for personal safety, his courageous and heroic determination enabled our forces to again continue their advance and subsequently attain their objective. His skill, calmness under fire and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Florida.

Chief Warrant Officer ENL G. OSCHWALD, W-211341, 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 20 December 1944 in France. Entered military service from Maryland.

First Sergeant DOUGLAS H. WRIGHT, 6366617, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DENOT, France. Entered military service from Idaho.

Staff Sergeant MELVIN G. CONNOR, 36651932, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 29 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) WALTER G. KELLER, 36206266, Field Artillery, 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 July 1942 to 30 June 1943 in Iceland. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant CLARENCE J. STEVENS, 34195942, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. Sergeant STEVENS was serving in the capacity of a rifle squad leader in the hazardous mission of dislodging strongly entrenched enemy troops from strategic high ground near a bridgehead on the Moselle River. The vicinity of the command post was under continuous and intermittent artillery and mortar fire. When his commanding officer completely exposed to the heavy enemy fire was wounded Sergeant STEVENS without hesitation and oblivious to the rain of shrapnel ran to the side of the wounded officer. Ignoring the bursting shrapnel Sergeant STEVENS knelt by the side of the wounded officer and skillfully and expertly administered necessary first aid treatment. Despite the great danger Sergeant STEVENS then carefully lifted his commanding officer and succeeded in carrying him over a perilous uphill route to the comparative safety of a battalion aid station. His courageous and fearless determination saved his officer from further injury from the enemy fire and undoubtedly was the means of saving his life. His calmness under fire and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

Staff Sergeant CHESTER S. TARKA, 36019765, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 September 1944 in the vicinity of VERDUN, France. When aerial bombs from enemy planes were dropped and scored direct hits upon an area occupied by an artillery battery, Sergeant TARKA, a medical aid man, without hesitation immediately went to the aid of several injured men. Despite the danger from the flying shrapnel from the falling bombs Sergeant TARKA, with utter disregard for personal safety continued to administer necessary medical attention to his wounded comrades. Emergency medical aid having been rendered the casualties were carefully and expertly evacuated through the efforts of Sergeant TARKA to a battalion aid station. Sergeant TARKA's bravery and courageous determination and his steadiness under fire undoubtedly were the means of saving the lives of the wounded men and alleviating their pain and suffering. His efficiency and skill inspired the men of the entire company. His deep devotion to duty reflects great credit on

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himself and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade) ELLIS V. FUNK, 16026089, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant GEORGE LAZAR, 36110096, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 November 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) CLARENCE A. RITCHEY, JR., 15064575, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. Under an intense and concentrated barrage of enemy artillery, mortar and automatic fire our forces fought desperately against the strongly resisting enemy in an attempt to enlarge a small bridgehead on the east bank of the Moselle River. Despite the great danger Sergeant RITCHEY, a rifleman, without hesitation or thought of personal safety volunteered to assist in the evacuation of several casualties from the field of battle. When it became imperative that our forces withdraw because of the heavy enemy fire and numerical superiority of the enemy forces in the attempted crossing to the west bank of the river, many of our personnel were wounded as they arrived at the rivers edge. Although terribly fatigued by the ordeal and his efforts Sergeant RITCHEY, again volunteered to assist in the evacuation of his wounded comrades from their exposed position on the rivers bank. Oblivious to the bursting enemy shrapnel and near the exhaustion point Sergeant RITCHEY and another enlisted man formed a litter bearer team and succeeded in carrying a litter patient a distance of a mile to a battalion aid station. His indomitable courage and fearless actions resulted in the saving of his comrade's life. His zealous devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant ALFRED W. STABENOW, 36228263, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. In a fierce attack upon the enemy's position, our squad was halted by an anti-tank ditch. Under a heavy barrage of artillery and mortar fire, the enemy launched a counterattack. Sergeant STABENOW, an assistant squad leader, without thought of personal safety, exposed himself to the enemy's view and fire to cover the withdrawal of his squad to a place of safety. Sergeant STABENOW's heroism and devotion to duty inspired his comrades to greater effort and his actions reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade) ALBERT TREVILING, 33108437, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 to 30 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRY, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) GEORGE D. JAFFKE, 36155808, Field Artillery, 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 July 1942 to 30 June 1943 in Iceland. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade WILLIAM L. SNYDER, 6665256, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRY, France. Technician SNYDER was a member of a forward artillery observation party with the infantry forces occupying a sector in a well wooded area. A large force of the enemy's soldiers attempted a strong and determined counterattack and succeeded in penetrating well into the outer defenses of our position. One of the enemy soldiers hurled a hand grenade into the foxhole

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Technician **SYDER** was using as protective cover. Skillfully eluding the grenade and its bursting effects, Technician **SYDER** succeeded in killing the enemy soldier. Despite the great danger from the intense enemy fire Technician **SYDER** remained in his exposed position and continued to direct and adjust accurate and precision artillery fire from his artillery battalion upon the oncoming enemy. Due to his heroic and determined actions the enemy's counter-attack was completely repulsed. The accurate artillery fire also resulted in the complete destruction of the entire attacking force. His courage and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal **JOHNIE O. DAVIS**, 36076576, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of **ARNAVILLE**, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) **MATTHEW S. BORKOWSKI**, 31330395, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of **ARNAVILLE**, France. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Technician Fifth Grade **JOHN DROST**, 36040711, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of **DOMOT**, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade **CHARLES F. HAUDENSHIELD**, 33102539, Field Artillery, 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 July 1942 to 30 June 1943 in Iceland. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) **ALBERICK LABBE**, 31262989, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 August 1944 in the vicinity of **ANGERS**, France. Following a fierce and determined attack against a strongly resisting enemy position many of our casualties lay exposed to intense enemy mortar and automatic fire. Technician **LABBE** serving in the capacity of a medical aid man with the attacking forces without hesitation or thought of personal safety left his place of cover to go forward and administer necessary medical treatment to his wounded comrades. Despite the great danger from flying shrapnel and the intense automatic fire Technician **LABBE** remained exposed to the heavy fire, continued to work and succeeded in rendering necessary first aid treatment to the many wounded exposed. His fearless actions undoubtedly resulted in the saving of many of the lives of his wounded comrades and aided in the alleviation of their pain. His courageous determination, bravery, his every thought and deep concern for his fellow soldier and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade **TOBIAS W. MAYNARD, JR.**, 15064991, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 7 September 1944 to 3 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class **ARNOLD A. BAKER**, 36227715, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 near **DOMOT**, France. When our forces fighting desperately in a determined attempt to enlarge a small bridgehead across the Moselle River, were in dire need of ammunition, food and other vital supplies, Private **BAKER**, a member of a reconnaissance platoon, without hesitation volunteered to assist in the dangerous mission. Disregarding personal safety and utterly exposed to the intense enemy fire Private **BAKER** assisted in the moving of the essential supplies to the river bank and then aided in the loading of the supplies into assault boats to be ferried to the east bank

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of the river. Shortly thereafter, still oblivious to the intense enemy fire and working in exposed terrain Private BAKER serving as a litter bearer, administered medical care and treatment to many of his wounded comrades, guided the walking casualties to the aid station and assisted in the carrying of the litter patients. As a result of his courageous actions the bridgehead forces were assured of adequate supplies and his valiant action in assisting his wounded comrades was the means of saving their lives. His bravery and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in complete accordance with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class (then Private) JOSEPH V. CHIESA, 35932478, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DOMOT, France. Private CHIESA, a rifleman, was in the foremost element of our forces attempting to enlarge a small bridgehead on the east bank of the Moselle River. When it became vitally necessary for our forces to withdraw due to the intense enemy fire and the numerical superiority of the enemy forces, Private CHIESA, despite the great danger, remained in the exposed terrain assisting in the evacuation of numerous of his wounded comrades. When it became necessary to recross to the west bank of the river several enlisted men were wounded by bursting shrapnel in the attempted crossing. Undeterred by the flying shrapnel and the intense enemy fire Private CHIESA near exhaustion from his efforts with another enlisted man formed a litter team and succeeded in evacuating a seriously wounded casualty a full mile to a battalion aid station. His courageous actions and cool-headed determination under fire undoubtedly was the means of saving his comrade's life. His bravery and deep devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class HARRY E. HENSEL, 33625215, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class NORMAN LIND, 36025295, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class ANDREW L. MILLS, 36151199, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class PETE A. MOLINA, 39694480, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 August 1944 in the vicinity of FERICY, France. When our troops were in dire need of ammunition during an assault on a strongly resisting enemy position in the city of FERICY, Private MOLINA, a member of a rifle squad, without hesitation volunteered for the hazardous mission. Private MOLINA then left his forward position and made his way to the rear for the vital ammunition. Returning to his unit with the ammunition Private MOLINA perceived that his route was under intense enemy fire from anti-tank weapons. Despite the great danger from bursting shrapnel Private MOLINA continued his dangerous task and succeeded in delivering the much needed ammunition to his unit. His bold and aggressive actions again enabled our forces to advance and successfully attain their objective. His fearless and determined actions, calmness under fire and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered the military service from California.

Private HARRY E. KELLY, 6985381, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 September 1944 near DOMOT, France. Private KELLY was serving in the capacity of a lineman with his artillery battalion. Under a heavy and intermittent barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire Private KELLY, accompanied his section chief in the hazardous mission of establishing wire communications between the forward observation post and the

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fire direction center of his artillery battalions. When essential communication lines were disrupted by bursting shrapnel Private KILLY without hesitation or thought of personal safety again reestablished the vital lines of communication. His untiring energy and efforts, bravery and fearless determination kept vital and essential lines of communication between the artillery observer and the fire direction center serviced at all times thereby enabling our forces to repel the enemy's fierce counterattacks. His outstanding heroism and deep devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private MILTON C. SPENCER, JR., 34792799, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. Entered military service from Florida.

Private CHARLIE H. WARREN, 34887221, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. Entered military service from Tennessee.

V--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETCJSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel PHILIP W. MERRILL, 017767, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. Colonel MERRILL was serving in the capacity of regimental executive officer in the attack and subsequent capture of the strategic city of ANGERS. Realizing that all three battalions of his unit would converge at approximately the same time Colonel MERRILL, despite the great danger unhesitatingly went to the foremost element of one of the battalions to efficiently coordinate and personally direct the offensive against the city. Disregarding personal safety Colonel MERRILL crossed the bridge into ANGERS with the advance element of the attacking forces under the enemy's intense artillery and automatic fire. Oblivious to enemy aerial bursts and remaining in exposed terrain Colonel MERRILL effectively coordinated and assigned areas to the three attacking battalions. His fearless and courageous determination greatly accelerated the fall of this vital and strategic city to our forces. His bravery and indomitable courage and his loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the finest traditions of the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Captain LEWIS W. FOGG, III, 024160, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of PONT-A-MOUSSON, France. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technical Sergeant KENNETH W. DUNHAM, 36052868, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant JAMES CRAIG, 15014857, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. Entered military service from West Virginia.

VI--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. - Revocation of Award. 1. So much of Section II, General Orders No. 1, this headquarters, dated 3 January 1945, as pertains to Staff Sergeant M. J. ROBERTSON, 6970290, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army is revoked. This award is republished as a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star, in Section II, of this General Order.

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OK 2. So much of Section I, General Orders No. 6, this headquarters, dated 26 January 1945, as pertains to First Lieutenant NICHOLAS G. MASLIKOSA, 0101777, Cavalry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army, is revoked. This award is republished as a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star, in Section II, of this General Order.

OK VII--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. -- Revocation of Award. So much of Section III, General Orders No. 5, this headquarters, dated 26 January 1945, as pertains to Captain THOMAS H. COOPER, 0594724, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, is revoked. This award is republished as a Bronze Star Medal in Section IV, of this General Order.

OK VIII--AWARD OF SILVER STAR--Correction in General Order. So much of Section II, General Orders No. 35, this headquarters, dated 25 September 1944, as pertains to "Second Lieutenant WILLIAM RANILE, 01317819, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army," is corrected to read, "First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) WILLIAM RANILE, 01317819, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army."

OK IX--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL-- Correction in General Order. So much of Section II, General Orders No. 6, this headquarters, dated 26 January 1945, which pertains to "Corporal JOHN C. SHELEY, 33380854, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army," is corrected to read "Corporal JOHN C. SHELEY, 33380854, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army."

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ORIGINAL ORDER

Award of Bronze Star Medal SECTION I
Award of Oak-Leaf Cluster SECTION II

I--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain WILLIAM F. ELLIOTT, 0306278, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 20 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Captain WILLIAM I. PATRICK, 01821907, Cavalry, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 4 August to 6 August 1944 in France. Entered military service from New Jersey.

First Lieutenant JOHN E. MEADE, 01172171, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 5th Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 22 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant JOSEPH F. WEBER, 01644203, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRAVILLE, France. Entered military service from California.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) ROY W. HARDY, 0467193, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 12 September to 13 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRY, France. Lieutenant HARDY was serving in the capacity of an artillery forward observer for his artillery battalion in the supporting of an infantry assault crossing of the Moselle River. Establishing his forward observation post 300 yards from the enemy lines, Lieutenant HARDY remained in position for a 30 hour period in exposed terrain adjusting accurate and precision artillery fire from his artillery battalion upon the enemy's position. When the enemy's forces commenced a series of fierce counter-offensives upon our position, Lieutenant HARDY completely exposed to bursting shrapnel and enemy small arm fire remained in position and continued to direct effective artillery fire upon the charging enemy. His technical skill, heroic and courageous determination resulted in a complete rout of the enemy's offensive with severe losses to their personnel. His bravery and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of military forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

Technical Sergeant JAMES R. MONTOYA, 6916586, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 July 1944 in the vicinity of CAUMONT, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant ARNOLD JOHNSON, 15056451, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 5th Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period from 1944 to 30 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant OLEN E. MOINTOSH, 36150929, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mech), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 December 1944 near WADGASSEN, Germany.

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Germany. When one of our vehicles was disabled and the driver seriously wounded by intense enemy automatic fire in attempting to enter the town, Sergeant McINTOSH, a platoon leader, accompanied by two other enlisted men, without hesitation volunteered for the hazardous mission of evacuating the wounded. Due to the devastating enemy automatic fire, the medical personnel were unable to evacuate the wounded man from his precarious position. Despite the great danger and oblivious to the heavy enemy fire, Sergeant McINTOSH drove a one-ton vehicle and succeeded in making two trips over the exposed terrain with the two enlisted men, manning automatic weapons mounted on his vehicle, successfully furnishing necessary fire cover while his wounded comrade was successfully evacuated from his exposed position by a rescue party. Due in part to Sergeant McINTOSH's fearless and aggressive actions the casualty was safely evacuated. Sergeant McINTOSH's utter disregard for personal safety and his courageous actions reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant CHARLES W. MURPHY, 3100294, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 December 1944 near HALLER, Luxembourg. When the battery command post was subjected to an intense barrage of enemy artillery fire causing several casualties among the battery personnel, Sergeant MURPHY, serving as a medical aid man, without hesitation left his place of cover to administer medical care to his wounded comrades. Oblivious to the flying shrapnel and despite the great danger, Sergeant MURPHY went to the side of his wounded comrades and remained with them until proper facilities for their evacuation was arranged. Due to Sergeant MURPHY's efficient and courageous actions, the wounded were skillfully rendered medical care and evacuated. His heroic determination and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant JAMES E. WITHERSPOON, 35100977, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 August 1944 near FLINES, France. Sergeant WITHERSPOON was serving in the capacity of squad leader of an automatic weapon section. Perceiving one of his squad wounded by flying shrapnel from the intense enemy bombardment, Sergeant WITHERSPOON, oblivious to the rain of fire, without hesitation or thought of personal safety, went to the aid of his wounded comrade. Remaining by the side of the casualty, Sergeant WITHERSPOON administered medical care until he was relieved by a medical aid man. Sergeant WITHERSPOON then returned to again direct the activities of his weapon section. Shortly thereafter, Sergeant WITHERSPOON observed the medical aid man himself struck by a flying fragment. Again, despite the great danger, Sergeant WITHERSPOON went forward and succeeded in administering necessary medical treatment to the wounded aid man. While so engaged Sergeant WITHERSPOON was himself severely wounded by the intense fire. His courageous determination, deep concern for the welfare of his men, and intrepid actions reflect great credit on himself. His loyal devotion to duty and coolness under fire exemplify the highest traditions of the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) WOODROW D. MAIN, 35113625, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. When our forces were fighting desperately in a determined effort to enlarge a small bridgehead on the east bank of the Moselle River, Sergeant MAIN, an assistant squad leader, accompanied by another enlisted man, succeeded in preventing an assault boat from floating away. With utter disregard for personal safety and completely exposed to the intense enemy fire, Sergeant MAIN dove into the treacherous waters of the Moselle River, swam out into the middle and retrieved the assault boat so vitally needed to convey troops across the river. His bravery and courageous actions, calmness under fire and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Sergeant WILLIAM F. DANIEL, 33224735, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (K), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 July 1944 in the vicinity of FOULGUES, France. When large enemy shells were falling in the vicinity of his battery's gun position, Sergeant DANIEL voluntarily entered the area to examine the shell craters and to obtain a "shellrep", which is a calculation to determine the approximate location and calibre of the gun laying down the barrage. With complete disregard for his personal safety, he fearlessly exposed himself to the bombardment, observing from dangerously close range the trajectory and explosive impact of each shell as it hurtled to earth. Due to his bravery and proficiency, our artillery was able to deliver effective counterbattery fire upon the enemy's gun position. His courage and unstinting devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on himself and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Virginia.

Sergeant CHARLES E. HUMPHREY, 36151169, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. Sergeant HUMPHREY was serving in the capacity of assistant section leader of a litter platoon. Under an intense barrage of enemy artillery fire upon a bridgehead occupied by our forces across the Moselle River, causing numerous casualties among our personnel, Sergeant HUMPHREY, disregarding personal safety, continued the hazardous mission of evacuating the casualties from the bridgehead under the heavy enemy fire for a three hour period. In order to speed the evacuation of the casualties across the river, Sergeant HUMPHREY succeeded in locating an assault boat and successfully evacuated the casualties from the far shore of the Moselle River to the safe side. His courage and bravery, cool headed thinking in an emergency and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant GLENNARD G. HESS, 6667364, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Moc), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 December 1944 near WAGASSEN, Germany. When one of our vehicles was disabled and the driver seriously wounded by intense enemy automatic fire in attempting to enter the town, Sergeant HESS, assistant patrol leader, accompanied by two other enlisted men, without hesitation volunteered for the dangerous mission of evacuating their wounded comrade. Due to the devastating enemy fire, the medical personnel were prevented from evacuating the wounded man from his precarious position. Despite the great danger and oblivious to the enemy fire, Sergeant HESS, manning an automatic weapon mounted on a one quarter ton vehicle, made two trips over the exposed terrain and succeeded in furnishing fire cover while his wounded comrade was successfully evacuated from his exposed position by a rescue party. Due in part to Sergeant HESS' fearless and aggressive actions, the casualty was safely evacuated. Sergeant HESS' utter disregard for personal safety and courageous actions reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

Sergeant ERNEST D. LANMAN, 15014996, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 7 September 1944 to 10 September 1944 near BORIOT, France. Sergeant LANMAN was serving as a wire chief with the assault elements of our forces attempting to enlarge a small bridgehead across the Moselle River. When due to intense enemy fire it became necessary to move the command post, Sergeant LANMAN, with utter disregard for personal safety succeeded in laying 400 yards of wire over exposed terrain to the new command post. When vital wire communications were needed to the battalion aid station, Sergeant LANMAN, under cover of darkness and still under intense enemy fire, succeeded in laying a wire line from the aid station to the town of BORIOT. On the following day under enemy observation and despite the great danger from automatic and small arms fire, Sergeant LANMAN and his wire crew succeeded in laying a mile long communication line to the regimental headquarters. When bursting enemy shrapnel again severed the wire line, Sergeant LANMAN again exposed himself to the flying shrapnel to service the wire line. Due to Sergeant LANMAN's untiring efforts, technical skill and courage, essential and vital lines were at all times established among

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our forces. His loyal and unswerving devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) RALPH F. BORCHARDT, 3622772, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 August to 9 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. Technician BORCHARDT was serving in the capacity of a medical aid man with an infantry force. The enemy's forces attempted a number of fierce counter-attacks in an effort to dislodge our forces from a bridgehead across the Maine River. When several casualties were sustained, Technician BORCHARDT, disregarding personal safety, left his place of cover and under intense enemy fire, went forward to administer medical attention to his wounded comrades. Due to Technician BORCHARDT's daring and fearless actions, the wounded were rendered skilful medical care, thereby alleviating their pain while awaiting evacuation. His courage and bravery, utter disregard for personal safety and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal HARRY G. DUKAS, 36025752, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 December 1944 in the vicinity of BREITVILLER, Luxembourg. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal CLARENCE M. KELLY, 31207541, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 149th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 September 1944 in the vicinity of LOREY, France. During a heavy barrage of enemy artillery, an enlisted man was wounded in the stomach by flying shrapnel. Corporal KELLY, serving as a medical aid man, without hesitation or thought of personal safety went to the aid of his wounded comrade. While proceeding over exposed terrain to the location of the casualty, Corporal KELLY was himself severely wounded by an artillery burst. Refusing evacuation or medical care, Corporal KELLY continued his work of ministering to the needs of his wounded comrade. His mission performed, Corporal KELLY then consented to evacuation and medical care. His prompt, efficient and skilful first aid treatment assisted materially in the saving of the life of the wounded soldier. His bravery and courage reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Corporal JAMES FAIRCHILDS, 6985733, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. Corporal FAIRCHILDS, an instrument corporal, together with another enlisted man, volunteered to accompany the artillery forward observer in establishing an observation post well forward of our front lines. His unit was supporting the infantry in an assault crossing of the strategic Moselle River. Despite the great danger, Corporal FAIRCHILDS, utterly exposed to the intense enemy small arm fire, engaged the enemy with his individual weapon in defending the artillery observer. When it became necessary for the observer to leave his post to report to the artillery liaison officer, Corporal FAIRCHILDS took charge of the observation post and continued to transmit accurate radio instructions to his artillery battalion, thereby enabling them to destroy two heavy enemy weapons and prime movers, neutralize two enemy gun batteries and inflict heavy casualties upon their personnel. His technical skill, bravery and calmness under fire, his unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) EVERETT R. BURKE, 33636918, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 September 1944 in the vicinity of LOREY, France. When one of our vehicles received a direct hit from a heavy shell immediately setting it on

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fire, Technician BURKE, a medical aid man, from a place of cover observed a soldier trying to extricate himself from the blazing inferno. With the flaming vehicle making a perfect target for the heavy enemy artillery fire, Technician BURKE, despite the great danger proceeded over 100 yards of exposed terrain to the vehicle and succeeded in extricating his wounded comrade from the blazing vehicle. Still exposed to the flying shrapnel, Technician BURKE lifted the wounded man and succeeded in carrying him a distance of 170 yards to a battalion aid station and comparative safety. His courageous action, utter disregard for personal safety, and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Technician Fifth Grade RALPH E. SCHELLER, 13170403, Coast Artillery Corps, 149th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 November 1944 to 10 November 1944 near LORRY, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade GLEN PORTER, 15058125, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 October 1944 in the vicinity of MARIULLES, France. Technician PORTER was serving in the capacity of a car quarter and vehicle driver. When a motor transport heavily laden with high explosive ammunition was struck by a bursting artillery shell and immediately set on fire, Technician PORTER, without hesitation or thought of personal safety, assisted in extinguishing the fire and preventing the ammunition from blowing up. While so engaged in his hazardous mission, Technician PORTER was in immediate danger of bodily harm from the exploding small arm fire in the vicinity of the vehicle. His heroic action and deep devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military forces of the United States. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Grade *Technician QUINCY I. THOMPSON, 15043908, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. Technician THOMPSON was serving in the capacity of an assistant medical transport driver. With the hazardous mission of evacuating casualties from a bridgehead across the Moselle River to a collecting station. Under an intense barrage of enemy artillery combined with smoke and dust from smoke generators, the medical transport fully loaded with casualties proceeded through the town of ARNAVILLE. Due to the smoke, the road became obscure forcing the medical transport to come to a halt. Realizing the immediate necessity of delivering two of the casualties to the aid station, the driver and Technician THOMPSON decided to drive through the heavy smoke. With utter disregard for personal safety and oblivious to the flying shrapnel, Technician THOMPSON walked in front of the medical transport safely guiding it through the streets of ARNAVILLE. Technician THOMPSON's heroic and courageous determination, his cool headed thinking and deep concern for the welfare of the wounded were contributing factors to the saving of the lives of two wounded men. His loyal devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Grade Corporal ROBERT N. SMITH, 35142502, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 September 1944 near ARMY, France. Corporal SMITH, an instrument operator, was a member of an artillery forward observer party supporting an infantry combat team in an assault crossing of the Moselle River. The observation post itself was established within 500 yards of the enemy position. For the next 30 hours, the observation post was under constant observation by the enemy which resulted in intense artillery and mortar fire. Corporal SMITH unduly exposed himself during this time so that communications could be established, which in turn rendered artillery support for the infantry on numerous occasions to repel counterattacks. His technical skill, utter disregard for personal safety and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

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Technician Fifth Grade HARVEY T. SHANK, 36109202, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 December 1944 in the vicinity of SCHEIDEN, Luxembourg. Technician SHANK serving in the capacity of a Chaplain's assistant, volunteered to accompany a medical transport driver well forward of our front lines to evacuate several casualties. With the entire route to be followed under intense artillery fire and with shrapnel bursting all about the vicinity of the vehicle, Technician SHANK with utter disregard for personal safety, went to within 100 yards of the enemy line and succeeded in evacuating many of his wounded comrades to a battalion aid station and comparative safety. Technician SHANK still under intense enemy fire succeeded in performing his daring and fearless mission four more times until all of the casualties were safely evacuated. Technician SHANK's heroic determination and indomitable courage, his loyal and unswerving devotion to duty were the means of saving the lives of the wounded and alleviating their sufferings. His actions reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the finest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade BERYL A. RADBAUGH, 36121515, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 23 August 1944 in France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade CARL A. SCHIESS, 36214291, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 23 August 1944 in France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade ALVIN A. WOGT, 36201221, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 23 August 1944 in France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade NORBERT L. WINDLANDT, 36215045, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 23 August 1944 in France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade CONRAD J. BAUMANN, 35250586, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 23 August 1944 in France. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade JAMES P. EDINGTON, 34702096, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 December 1944 in the vicinity of CONSIDRE, Luxembourg. Technician EDINGTON was serving in the capacity of a medical aid man with a tank battalion. Technician EDINGTON volunteered for the perilous task of evacuating several wounded riflemen lying in exposed terrain. Despite the great danger and completely oblivious to the flying shrapnel about him, Technician EDINGTON made numerous trips well forward to the front lines and heroically succeeded in assisting in the evacuation of his wounded comrades to a place of comparative safety behind friendly lines. His courageous and intrepid actions, his every and deep concern for the welfare of the wounded was the means of saving many of their lives and alleviating much of their pain and sufferings. His loyalty and unswerving devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on himself and are in accord with the finest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Alabama.

Technician Fifth Grade KENNETH O. SAWYER, 34664330, Infantry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 December 1944 in the vicinity of HASKIRCHEN, Germany. When his tank platoon was in dire need of ammunition and by reason of the tactical situation, they could not withdraw in order to replenish their supply without losing ground, Technician SAWYER, a vehicle driver, realizing the critical situation, without hesitation, volunteered to perform the hazardous mission. Despite the danger from bursting shrapnel and the sweeping enemy automatic fire, Technician SAWYER, with complete disregard for personal

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safety, succeeded in driving his two and one half ton motor transport heavily laden with ammunition 3,000 yards beyond the furthest forward supply point. When he reached this tank unit he found they were heavily engaged with the enemy's force in a fierce tank duel. Calmly and fearlessly he drove his ammunition transport to each tank and oblivious to the rain of shrapnel about him loaded the much needed ammunition from his vehicle to the rear deck of each tank of his platoon. His heroic and courageous determination, his intrepid action enabled his platoon to continue to engage the enemy and resulted in a complete rout to their armor. His calmness under fire, tenacity of purpose and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class JOHN HUNT, 35651755, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 21 September to 24 September 1944 in the vicinity of POURNOY, France. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class EARL A. THOMAS, 39382739, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 12 September to 13 September 1944 in the vicinity of ANNAVILLE, France. Private THOMAS was serving in the capacity of a medical transport driver in the evacuation of casualties from a bridgehead across the Moselle River. With the town of ANNAVILLE ablaze from a heavy enemy artillery bombardment combined with smoke and dust from our smoke generators obscuring the driver's vision, the medical transport was forced to come to a stop. Realizing the immediate need of medical treatment to two severely wounded men, the transport proceeded on its way with the assistant driver acting as a guide through the blazing town. In its perilous and dangerous trip through the town the medical transport was struck several times by flying shrapnel. His courage and utter disregard for personal safety and coolness under fire, undoubtedly aided in saving the lives of the wounded men. His loyalty and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Washington.

Private First Class HILARY J. JOZWICK, 37177229, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 September 1944 in the vicinity of COIN-SUR-SEILLE, France. Private JOZWICK was serving in the capacity of a medical aid man in a determined attack by our forces upon the enemy. Under an intense barrage of heavy enemy automatic and small arm fire, the advance element of our forces succeeded in working their way forward of a railroad embankment. In so doing several of our personnel were wounded and laying in exposed terrain. With complete disregard for personal safety, Private JOZWICK went forward on numerous occasions to administer first aid to his wounded comrades. On one of his trips forward, Private JOZWICK received a bullet through his helmet but remained unharmed and calmly continued to render medical assistance to the wounded. His technical skill, courage and bravery alleviated the pain and suffering of many of the wounded. His unswerving and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class EUGENE W. WAIBLER, 372810, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944 in the vicinity of SAAR-LAUTERBACH, Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class EDWARD F. DENNY, 32295734, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 23 August 1944 in France. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class LARVEST DEAR, 15043139, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 23 August 1944 in France. Entered military service from Indiana.

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Private First Class JOHNNIE N. WHITE, 38045078, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 23 August 1944 in France. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class GUS F. DEAR, 38394178, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944 in the vicinity of SAARLAUTERN, Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private GERALD R. BURNHAM, 31220621, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 August 1944 in the vicinity of MUMIFERS, France. When the forward advance of our forces were pinned down by intense mortar and automatic fire from strongly fortified enemy positions leaving many severely wounded casualties lying in an exposed field, Private BURNHAM, a medical aid man, although advised not to go forward because of the heavy enemy barrage, without hesitation volunteered to go into the field of fire to assist his wounded comrades. Oblivious to the bursting shrapnel about him, Private BURNHAM strode into the exposed terrain and skilfully administered necessary medical treatment to several of his wounded comrades. While so engaged on his errand of mercy, Private BURNHAM was himself struck by flying shrapnel necessitating his removal to a battalion aid station. His bravery and courageous determination, his deep and every concern for his fellow soldiers and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Maine.

II--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Captain DONALD E. ROBINSON, 0423502, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mech), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 18 January to 29 January 1945 in Luxembourg. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technical Sergeant WILLIAM V. HEATHERLY, 34254991, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944 in the vicinity of SAARLAUTERN, Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Sergeant DONALD D. SLINGERLAND, 36107356, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 August 1944 near FLAPES, France. When leading elements of our forces were pinned down by intense enemy automatic fire, Sergeant SLINGERLAND, a squad leader, without hesitation or thought of personal safety, immediately went forward to liquidate the automatic strongpoint. Perceiving the enemy's concealed entrenchment, Sergeant SLINGERLAND daringly and aggressively crawled forward over exposed terrain and under the heavy enemy fire, succeeded in outflanking the enemy's automatic weapon and with accurate and skilful fire, killed two of the enemy's soldiers and captured the remaining three members of the weapons crew. Due to the courageous and heroic actions of Sergeant SLINGERLAND, a forward artillery observer was enabled to again go forward to advantageous ground thereby enabling our artillery battalion to adjust accurate and precision artillery fire upon the enemy's position. His bravery, intrepid actions and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in complete accordance with the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal RAYMOND L. SOKOL, 36228239, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 September to 9 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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Technician Fifth Grade CHARLES F. DEVRICK, 36076618, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 December 1944 near SCHEIDGEN, Luxembourg. Under a heavy barrage of enemy artillery fire, Technician DEVRICK, a medical transport driver, oblivious to the bursting shrapnel about his vehicle and with utter disregard for personal safety, succeeded in driving to within 100 yards of the enemy's position and evacuating several of his wounded comrades to a battalion aid station. With the road itself under intense enemy fire, Technician DEVRICK succeeded in repeating his daring operation five times and evacuated all the casualties from the exposed terrain. His bravery and courageous action undoubtedly resulted in the saving of the lives of his comrades and alleviating their sufferings. His loyal and unswerving devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain JOHN C. RICHTER, JR., 0349626, Medical Corps, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 13 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. During the above mentioned period Captain RICHTER, not only performed the ordinary duties of Battalion Surgeon, but also promulgated, supervised and executed a plan whereby medical assistance was immediately available to all tank crews of the battalion and has constantly and conspicuously been with the forward elements in his professional capacity. In the bocage country, after worming his way through a hedgerow and crawling over a hundred yards across an open field swept by intense cross machine gun and mortar fire, he performed a life saving tracheotomy. On another occasion he went approximately three hundred yards beyond the furthest friendly troops to evacuate an injured soldier. At MORTAIN he was with the tanks when they were out off by strong pockets of enemy resistance. In the race across France he followed directly in the wake of the advancing tanks rendering expert medical care to the wounded, directing and encouraging the activities of his own aid men, and was continuously exposed to enemy sniper, machine gun and mortar fire. On innumerable occasions he visited advance tank positions when enemy fire was so intense that the tank crews could not leave the comparative safety of their vehicles. The instances cited are not isolated cases where Captain RICHTER placed the welfare of the wounded above the risk of his own life, but are merely a few of the many deeds which exemplify his courage, skill, fortitude and zealous devotion to duty which are in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

First Lieutenant RUSSELL Y. MITCHELL, 01295581, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 October 1944 in the vicinity of CORNY, France. Lieutenant MITCHELL, a platoon leader, accompanied by an enlisted man voluntarily left his protective cover during an intense barrage of enemy mortar and artillery concentration around his position to evacuate four wounded men to a place of safety. Lieutenant MITCHELL then proceeded to evacuate the wounded to an open foxhole for protection and administered first aid in an attempt to save their lives and alleviate their pain and sufferings. During the process of administering first aid an enemy shell made a direct hit where Lieutenant MITCHELL was working, killing three of the wounded men, wounding Lieutenant MITCHELL, and seriously injuring the enlisted man who had accompanied him on his mission of mercy. In the area which Lieutenant MITCHELL was working approximately 8 enemy shells fell within 25 yards of his position. His courage and deep devotion to duty were an inspiration to all who witnessed his action, and reflect distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) T. H. PRITCHETT, 02049687, Medical Administrative Corps, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 8 to 10 September 1944 near IDROT, France. Lieutenant PRITCHETT, together with another officer, organized the evacuation of many wounded from the bridgehead area across a river to the aid station and to the ambulance collecting points. Lieutenant PRITCHETT's work during the entire 60 hour period was done under incessant artillery, mortar, machine gun and sniper fire which failed to deter him from his mission. He repeatedly and personally went out under heavy fire to evacuate wounded personnel. His work, both in organization and in physical personal evacuation, saved the lives and alleviated the suffering of nearly three hundred men. His courage and devotion to duty reflect the great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Texas.

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Staff Sergeant CLINT O. DAVANEY, 34280137, Infantry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 13 July 1944 to December 1944 in France. Sergeant DAVANEY serving in the capacity of platoon sergeant repeatedly displayed outstanding courage and fearless leadership in the conduct of his platoon. Overcoming many difficult obstacles such as inclement weather conditions, intense ground and aerial fire combined with difficult and rugged terrain; Sergeant DAVANEY has continued to gallantly lead his platoon into combat. When the platoon was ambushed, the platoon leader wounded and captured and several tanks disabled in the engagement at DOMJEAN, Sergeant DAVANEY assumed command and safely extricated the remaining tanks from their untenable position. Again in the offensive and assault on the cliffs of MORPAIN Sergeant DAVANEY led his platoon in support of an infantry battalion to prevent an enemy break-through to AVRANCHES. Early in the attack when the platoon leader's tank was disabled Sergeant DAVANEY again assumed command and led his platoon in successful completion of their mission. During this period Sergeant DAVANEY has successfully brought his platoon over several rivers into the enemy's country and when the front line was stabilized he directed the indirect fire missions of his platoon in the repulsing of many of the enemy's counterattacks. Sergeant DAVANEY has been forced to evacuate his tank on five distinct occasions when his tank had been struck by enemy fire. Sergeant DAVANEY's heroic determination, his fearless and intrepid leadership and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) MICHAEL J. LUDENAS, 36119501, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 8 to 10 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. During an attempt by our forces to establish a bridgehead across the Moselle River, the enemy was strongly entrenched in well fortified positions and had excellent observation of all our troop movements. Steady and intense enemy artillery and automatic fire, with tank and infantry attacks failed to curb the advance of our forces. With utter disregard for personal safety Sergeant LUDENAS, a platoon guide, volunteered to rescue a wounded comrade who was trapped between ours and the enemy lines. Exposing himself on numerous occasions to enemy machine gun fire, he succeeded in reaching the casualty administered first aid to him and immediately evacuated him to a place of comparative safety. Sergeant LUDENAS' courage and bravery undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded soldier and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant RAYMOND A. MOORHEAD, 6931253, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. When our forces fighting determinedly against the resisting enemy to establish a vital bridgehead on the east bank of the Moselle River were in dire need of ammunition, Sergeant MOORHEAD, the battalion supply sergeant, despite the great danger, without hesitation volunteered to drive a 2 1/2 ton ammunition vehicle to the west bank of the river. With utter disregard for personal safety and completely exposed to the intense enemy fire, Sergeant MOORHEAD drove his ammunition vehicle through the main street of the blazing town of DORNOT to the river bank. Still exposed to the enemy's heavy fire Sergeant MOORHEAD succeeded in reaching the river's bank and unloading his ammunition from his vehicle. As a direct result of his courageous actions, the bridgehead forces were supplied with needed ammunition to repel numerous violent enemy counterattacks. His heroic and gallant determination and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) GEORGE L. WOODALL, 6664769, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of COLEBEUFY, France. As a squad leader with defending forces during a fanatical enemy attack on the unit's position, Sergeant WOODALL heroically emerged from a position of protection and cover under direct enemy fire to personally annihilate an entire enemy automatic weapons crew with a round of rifle grenade fire. Sergeant WOODALL then directed his men in a fierce hand grenade assault against the numerically superior enemy to drive them from a ridge and secure a vital flank. During the balance of the engagement, Sergeant WOODALL constantly remained exposed to close range small arms fire and bursting grenades while leading and rallying his men in the successful defense of the vitally impor-

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tant location. His bravery and heroism reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Sergeant CHARLES M. SHORB, 33371819, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 7 September 1944 near BUXIERES, France. When a friendly observation plane was shot down by intense enemy fire in the vicinity of his gun position Sergeant SHORB, a section chief, accompanied by two other enlisted men, with utter disregard for personal safety immediately went to the aid of the wounded personnel. Despite the great danger from the flying shrapnel Sergeant SHORB assisted in removing the wounded personnel from the disabled plane, administering necessary first aid and remaining by the side of the wounded until they were safely evacuated to a place of cover. Returning to the disabled aircraft Sergeant SHORB and the two enlisted men succeeded in concealing the plane in a nearby thicket. His courageous and heroic actions assisted materially in the evacuation of the wounded and saved the aircraft from total destruction. His unswerving and distinct devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Maryland.

Corporal ALFRED G. BRETON, 11097471, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 7 September 1944 near BUXIERES, France. When a friendly artillery observation plane was shot down by intense enemy fire in the vicinity of his gun position, Corporal BRETON, a cannoneer, accompanied by two other enlisted men, with utter disregard for personal safety immediately went to the aid of the wounded personnel. While so engaged, Corporal BRETON was wounded by the bursting shrapnel. Ignoring his pain he assisted in removing the wounded personnel from the plane, administered necessary first aid and continued to remain with the wounded until they were safely evacuated to a place of comparative safety. Returning to the damaged aircraft Corporal BRETON and the two enlisted men succeeded in concealing the disabled plane in a nearby thicket. His courageous and heroic actions assisted materially in the evacuation of the wounded and saved the plane from total destruction. His unswerving and distinct devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Maine.

Corporal LOUIS RUTKOSKI, 6861783, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 8 to 12 October 1944 near METZ, France. Corporal RUTKOSKI was serving as a wire corporal with an artillery liaison section in an attack on the enemy's powerful fortification known as Fort Driant. Corporal RUTKOSKI worked long hours with untiring energy under intense enemy artillery and mortar fire to lay and service the wire communications from the forward switchboard to the artillery liaison officer. When the wire lines were disrupted by artillery bursts, Corporal RUTKOSKI, despite the great danger, immediately went forward over exposed terrain to again establish essential wire communication lines between the forward observer and his artillery battalion. Due in great part to his courageous actions our artillery was at all times able to deliver accurate and effective artillery fire upon the enemy's position. His bravery and deep devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade RICHARD W. SHARP, 15012130, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 30 September 1944 in the vicinity of LONGEVILLE, France. Technician SHARP was serving as a lineman with his battalion during a heavy enemy artillery barrage. Shell fragments destroyed over 500 feet of communication lines over which fire commands were being transmitted from the forward platoon to the artillery. Realizing the importance of maintaining essential wire communications, Technician SHARP crawled forward under the wire with him no longer in uniform. Technician SHARP crawled until essential wire communications were re-established. His courageous

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by two other enlisted men, with utter disregard for personal safety immediately went to the aid of the wounded personnel. While so engaged, Private BUCCELLI was wounded by the bursting shrapnel. Ignoring his pain he assisted in removing the wounded personnel from the plane, administered necessary first aid and continued to remain with the wounded until they were safely evacuated to a place of comparative safety. Returning to the damaged aircraft Private BUCCELLI and the two enlisted men succeeded in concealing the disabled plane in a nearby thicket. His courageous and heroic actions assisted materially in the evacuation of the wounded and saved the plane from total destruction. His unswerving and distinct devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service of the United States Army. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class ANDERSON T. McCULLOUGH, 34358020, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 September 1944 near DOMOT, France. During a determined attempt by our forces to enlarge a small bridgehead on the east bank of the Mogelle River, the enemy held well concealed hillside fortifications which proved to be natural defensive barriers and included well protected concrete gun emplacements. Private McCULLOUGH, a member of a rifle squad, volunteered to swim the river under intense enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire with a telephone wire tied around his body in order that a boat might be pulled across to be used in the evacuation of the heavy casualties among the bridgehead forces. Upon securing aid of medical attendants at the battalion aid station, he returned with them to the river bank to assist in the evacuation but was seriously wounded before he could help in the actual evacuation. By his courage he made possible the evacuation of 4 wounded officers, 150 wounded enlisted men and 14 wounded enemy personnel. Private McCULLOUGH's calmness under fire, his courage and devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Georgia.

II--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended; and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted men:

Sergeant LOVIC SWINT, JR., 34684504, Infantry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of HABRIROCHIN, Germany. When the platoon of tanks he was leading was subjected to direct anti-tank fire, Sergeant SWINT, serving in the capacity of reconnaissance sergeant, without hesitation immediately went forward to determine the source of the enemy fire. Reconnoitering to his front Sergeant SWINT succeeded in locating an enemy self-propelled anti-tank weapon 500 yards to his front. With total disregard for personal safety and remaining in the exposed terrain Sergeant SWINT called for and directed accurate and effective fire upon the enemy's weapon, completely destroying it. His skill, courageous and efficient actions prevented possible serious damage to our materiel and injury to our personnel. His bravery, technical knowledge and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class (then Private) FRED F. BABB, 35899800, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 October 1944 near METZ, France. Private BABB, a medical aid man, was serving with an infantry unit in a fierce and determined tank-infantry assault on the defenses of the fortification known as Fort Briant. Under an intense barrage of enemy artillery and small arms fire Private BABB with utter disregard for personal safety continued to advance with the forward elements of our forces. Despite the great danger and completely exposed to the intense enemy fire, Private BABB continued in his heroic task of administering medical attention to his wounded comrades.

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When the enemy attempted a number of strong counterattacks, Private BABB continued to remain in place, rendering first aid and evacuating his wounded comrades as rapidly as humanly possible. When medical supplies ran low, Private BABB calmly worked his way to the rear, replenished his supplies and immediately returned to again administer skilful and expert medical attention to many of his wounded comrades. Private BABB's courageous and heroic actions succeeded in alleviating the pain and sufferings of many of the wounded. His bravery and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in complete accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Indiana.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain ELWOOD M. CHIPMAN, 0356714, Medical Corps, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 29 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Second Lieutenant EDWARD C. MELANE, 01312965, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of CORNY, France. Lieutenant MELANE, a platoon leader, took a group of 7 volunteers across the Moselle River under long-range enemy shelling in order to probe unknown enemy positions. Arriving on the forward slope of a hill, Lieutenant MELANE sighted one of the enemy and immediately opened fire. This drew fire from other enemy points, but just as Lieutenant MELANE issued an advance order to his squad, a lone enemy soldier came forward indicating that he wished to surrender. During the process of search another of the enemy gave himself up and through a slight knowledge of German, Lieutenant MELANE learned that more of the enemy were willing to surrender. At this point seven additional Germans emerged from hiding, but almost simultaneously small arms fire opened from another quarter. Lieutenant MELANE exposed himself to enemy fire to personally search for more prisoners, and while so engaged discovered three more Germans hiding in nearby brush with two 81mm mortars, thus making a total of 12 Germans. The squad then made a successful withdrawal with the prisoners. His heroic and courageous determination, intrepid leadership and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

Master Sergeant GEORGE R. FIELD, 37605352, Military Intelligence Service, Order of Battle Team No. 21, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 23 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Missouri.

Master Sergeant HENRY R. SADOWSKI, 6881246, Military Intelligence Service, Photo Interpretation Team No. 67, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 23 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant AUGUST ALLARD, 36040545, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 near LORNOT, France. Sergeant ALLARD a squad leader, was with the advance element of our forces fighting desperately to enlarge a small bridgehead across the Moselle River. The enemy located in high, well concealed fortifications was firing on our positions with artillery, mortar and automatic guns. Sergeant ALLARD's squad was in position protecting the left flank of our forces. Oblivious to the intense enemy fire Sergeant ALLARD di-

them to a shell-shocked comrade and succeeded in swimming across the river. courageous and fearless actions, his calmness under fire and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant ENGELBERT BURTSCHER, 32086782, Military Intelligence Service, Interrogation Prisoner of War Team No. 3, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 25 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant DAVID McNULTY, 36018074, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operation against the enemy on 10 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. When it became necessary for our forces to withdraw from a bridgehead across the Moselle River for the purpose of reorganization, Sergeant McNULTY assumed the duties of platoon sergeant and efficiently and skillfully coordinated the movements of his platoon. Under intense enemy fire of all types Sergeant McNULTY at all times exposed to enemy fire kept contact with the men in his platoon, encouraging them and spurring them on to greater effort. When his platoon had safely recrossed to the west bank of the Moselle River, Sergeant McNULTY remained on the east bank making a thorough search of the area for any of the men and assisting in the evacuation of the casualties into assault boats. The wounded having been removed to a place of safety Sergeant McNULTY then swam across the river. Arriving on the west bank of the river, Sergeant McNULTY still under intense enemy fire assisted in the carrying of a litter patient to a battalion aid station located on the top of a hill. His superb and intrepid leadership, courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) JOHN L. SERRECCHIO, 32215574, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 September 1944 near DORNO France. Sergeant SERRECCHIO was serving in the capacity of a squad leader with the advance elements of our forces attempting to enlarge a small bridgehead across the Moselle River. With utter disregard for his personal safety Sergeant SERRECCHIO exposed himself to the intense enemy fire to bring vital ammunition, food and water to the forward elements. Under cover of darkness the enemy attempted to infiltrate into our positions and cut the unit off from the river. Realizing the enemy's intentions Sergeant SERRECCHIO oblivious to the bursting shrapnel and small arm fire faced the enemy with his individual weapon. Continuing to load and fearlessly fire his weapon Sergeant SERRECCHIO succeeded in pinning down the enemy's offensive until the arrival of reinforcements. Organizing effective defensive measures Sergeant SERRECCHIO with the other members of the platoon succeeded in routing the enemy's forces, killing twelve of their soldiers and wounding seven. His courage and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant WOODFORD W. DINNING, 34333644, Counter Intelligence Corps, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 12 July 1944 to 23 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

Sergeant WALTER S. PEDIGO, JR., 13103713, Counter Intelligence Corps, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 12 July 1944 to 23 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class ROBERT E. HOGAN, 31354242, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 near DORNO

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France. Private HOGAN was serving in the capacity of a medical aid man assigned to an engineering company given the hazardous mission of ferrying infantrymen in an assault crossing of the strategic Moselle River. The enemy's forces situated on high wooded area on the west bank of the river affording excellent observation, delivered intense artillery, mortar, automatic and small arms fire upon the exposed assault boats resulting in many casualties amongst our personnel. Despite the great danger from the intense fire Private HOGAN continued to administer medical care to his wounded comrades and succeeded in evacuating many of them to the far shore of the river for removal to the comparative safety of the battalion aid station. Although greatly fatigued by his untiring efforts, Private HOGAN refused proffered relief and continued in his dangerous task of assisting the wounded until he himself was rendered unconscious by the terrific concussion of a nearby enemy shell. Unable to continue further Private HOGAN was then evacuated to a medical installation for medical care. His distinctive heroism and courageous action were the means of saving the lives and alleviating the pain of many of his comrades. His bravery and deep concern for his fellow soldier and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class HARRY SAGHBAZARIAN, 31309434, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 September 1944 near CORNY, France. Private SAGHBAZARIAN was serving in the capacity of company messenger and guide. When word was received at battalion headquarters that the enemy forces had launched a combined tank-infantry offensive from two directions in a determined attempt to infiltrate a town and split our forward elements, Private SAGHBAZARIAN volunteered to contact our forces in an attempt to intercept the enemy. Despite the great danger and completely oblivious to the intense enemy fire, Private SAGHBAZARIAN succeeded in contacting the tank destroyers 1000 yards south of the battalion command post and personally guiding them into firing position. The destroyers were enabled to deliver accurate and effective fire upon the surprised enemy. Due in great part to the courageous and heroic actions of Private SAGHBAZARIAN our forces were able to destroy one of the enemy's tanks and caused the others to withdraw. His fearless and valiant actions, cool-headed thinking and utter disregard for personal safety and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class MELVIN S. WAINSCOTT, 35901172, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 near SIELLY-EN-SAULOIS, France. Private WAINSCOTT was serving in the capacity of an assistant automatic weapon gunner in a fierce and determined assault by our forces on a vital town. Under an intense barrage of enemy artillery, mortar and automatic fire the attacking forces became demoralized, although small groups of the forward element succeeded in infiltrating into the town. When the platoon leader became a casualty and the platoon sergeant upon assuming command ordered the platoon to advance, Private WAINSCOTT himself twice wounded by the intense enemy fire and suffering from shock and despite the great danger, immediately proceeded towards the town carrying his weapon. Advised to return to the rear for medical aid, Private WAINSCOTT refused and staggering under the heavy weight of the weapon succeeded in carrying the weapon 200 yards into the town. After placing the weapon in position Private WAINSCOTT collapsed from his multiple injuries. Due to Private WAINSCOTT's heroic and courageous actions, his weapon was the only one in the section in position to repulse a possible strong enemy counter-offensive. His fearless actions and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

IV--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, 4 for USA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named officers:

Captain PAGE H. BROWNFIELD, 0350536, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 August 1944 near CHARTRES, France. When two companies of our forces were committed on the right flank of the enemy in an enveloping movement during

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their advance lost contact with each other, Captain BROWNFIELD, the assistant regimental S-3 acting in a liaison capacity, undertook the hazardous mission of again establishing control between the two forward elements. Learning from an artillery commander that the attacking units could have artillery support, proper communications could be effected, Captain BROWNFIELD with utter disregard for personal safety went forward under intense automatic and small arms fire and succeeded in establishing radio communications between the battalion headquarters and the advance elements of our assault forces. Vital and essential communications being again established, the forward observer was able to adjust accurate and precision artillery fire upon the enemy's position thereby enabling the battalion to successfully attain its objective. His bravery, courage and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

First Lieutenant STEPHEN T. LOWRY, O412545, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 8 to 10 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. During an intense enemy barrage of artillery, mortar, automatic and small arms fire, the enemy attempted a fanatical counterattack upon our forces as they attempted to enlarge a small bridgehead across the Moselle River. Lieutenant LOWRY, a company commander, personally evacuated four wounded men from the front lines when they were injured by enemy artillery fire. After evacuating the casualties, he administered necessary first aid to them and then he secured and delivered rations to the men in their foxholes to obviate necessity of exposure by them to the constant artillery fire. Lieutenant LOWRY obtained a heavy automatic weapon and moved to the front of his company to bolster his lines, and in so doing, drew enemy fire and was fatally wounded. His outstanding devotion to duty and self-sacrifice reflect much credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class FLOYD W. SNIDER, 34185558, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action 3 October 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. During a coordinated tank-infantry assault on southwestern perimeter defenses of enemy-held Fort Driant, our infantry had breached protective barbed wire entanglements, by-passed hostile armored outposts, and while subjected to fierce enemy artillery and small arms fire, seized three of four assigned objectives. As a platoon runner with assault troops, Private SNIDER courageously remained exposed to intense shellfire while carrying vitally important messages to both unit and company command post. Our forces were in a defensive position in front of the powerful fortification and were subjected to artillery fire on the main route of supply to front line positions. Private SNIDER volunteered to carry rations to these forward positions and while performing this mission was killed by artillery fire. The devotion to duty and heroism displayed by Private SNIDER, his self-sacrifice and bravery reflect distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Tennessee.

II--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain (then First Lieutenant) HARRY C. BEAUMONT, O417544, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. During the drive on METZ, Captain BEAUMONT, a Battalion S-3 officer, watching the action from a position near the front lines, saw a company pinned down by enemy artillery, mortar and extremely heavy automatic and sniper fire and badly disorganized. He moved through a mine field and an artillery barrage to reach the company. He then moved about encouraging the men, who had concentrated their automatic and

around the left flank of the well-entrenched enemy position in an attempt to
strate the enemy's position. Severely wounded in the action Lieutenant KECK refused
evacuation or medical treatment and fearlessly continued to direct his squad to-
wards the enemy position. Engaging in hand-to-hand combat with the enemy Lieuten-
ant KECK and his squad succeeded in wresting this vital objective from the enemy.
Lieutenant KECK's heroic and intrepid actions though wounded, his indomitable
courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exempli-
fy the highest traditions of the military service of the United States. Entered
military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant ROSS W. STANLEY, 01292080, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment,
United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity
of DOMOT, France. Lieutenant STANLEY was serving as a platoon leader with an
automatic weapons platoon which had succeeded in crossing the Moselle River and
establishing a bridgehead on the east bank. When it became necessary for our
forces to withdraw across the river under intense enemy artillery fire, Lieutenant
STANLEY without hesitation assumed command of the situation and succeeded in
efficiently reorganizing the platoon and preparing the men for an assault boat
crossing to the west bank of the river. Despite the great danger from bursting
shrapnel, Lieutenant STANLEY with utter disregard for personal safety remained
completely exposed and continued to organize our forces installing confidence in
the men as they awaited evacuation. The enemy's forces sensing evacuation then
attempted a strong tank-infantry attack bringing direct tank fire upon our forces
awaiting evacuation. Still under intense enemy fire Lieutenant STANLEY remained
on the bridgehead until all of our personnel had been evacuated and the enemy's
forces could be seen approaching. His intrepid leadership, bravery and heroic
determination and his every and deep concern for his men reflect great credit on
himself and are in complete accordance with the highest traditions of the military
service of the United States. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Technical Sergeant ABE JENKINS, 6228039, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment,
United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 September 1944 near ARAVILLE,
France. When his battalion was in dire need of ammunition of all types following
an assault crossing and the establishment of a bridgehead across the Moselle River,
Sergeant JENKINS, a platoon sergeant, volunteered for the hazardous task of supply-
ing the battalion with the vital ammunition. Despite the great danger and oblivious
to the bursting shrapnel all about him Sergeant JENKINS and his crew succeeded in
loading an assault boat and ferrying the ammunition to the east bank. Sergeant
JENKINS still under intense enemy fire succeeded in carrying the much needed
ammunition up a steep hill on foot to the ammunition supply depot. His heroic and
courageous determination resulted in the ultimate attainment of their objective.
His distinct devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies
the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from
North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant TROY E. KEY, 3L185523, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, Uni-
States Army. For gallantry in action on 3 October 1944 in the vicinity of METZ,
France. As a squad leader with assault forces attacking a powerful enemy fortifi-
cation, Sergeant KEY assumed command of his unit when the platoon sergeant became
a casualty. Sergeant KEY inspired his men, when, under direct enemy fire, he
personally advanced to the top of a concrete pillbox and dropped explosives down
the ventilating shaft to neutralize the strongpoint. When objectives within the
fort were taken, as a result of this courageous act, the enemy launched fierce
counterattacks, but Sergeant KEY discovered a concealed passage that linked two
objectives and by later use of this passage his members of the unit saved many who
otherwise would have been exposed to the high long enemy sniping. Due in part
to Sergeant KEY's efforts the enemy counterattacks were repulsed. His bravery and
heroism reflect much credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military
service from Kentucky.

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Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) HAROLD J. KOWALSKY, 36103614, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. Under intense enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, Sergeant KOWALSKY, an assistant squad leader, with utter disregard for his personal safety volunteered to man a forward outpost. When the enemy attempted a strong counterattack, Sergeant KOWALSKY, completely exposed to the enemy's view and fire, successfully repulsed his unit of the enemy's attempt and further organized a defense which resulted in the annihilation of the complete enemy patrol. Shortly thereafter, Sergeant KOWALSKY again went forward to assume his duties at the outpost and successfully prevented the enemy from advancing by firing rifle grenades into enemy troop concentrations. Sergeant KOWALSKY's skill, initiative, and courage, and his devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant ALBERT J. NARDI, 36003090, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 8 to 10 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. Under a heavy barrage of enemy artillery, mortar and automatic fire, Sergeant NARDI, a supply sergeant, succeeded in the hazardous mission of supplying the bridgehead forces with sufficient ammunition and other essential supplies. Although wounded in the face by bursting shrapnel and despite the great danger, Sergeant NARDI, refusing medical care, continued to ferry the vital supplies and ammunition across the Moselle River to the east bank on which our forces had established a bridgehead. Sergeant NARDI then successfully maintained his supply line from the river's edge to the forward elements thereby enabling our forces to have an ample supply of ammunition at all times in their attack on the enemy. His display of bravery and courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the armed service. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Staff Sergeant DAVID E. PALMER, 35512, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRY, France. Sergeant PALMER was serving in the capacity of communications sergeant with a unit of our forces during an extremely heavy barrage of enemy artillery on their position which disrupted vital communications lines in the area of the command post. Sergeant PALMER, with complete disregard for his personal safety, left the cover of his foxhole and went out to repair the lines. Finding the break in the line he proceeded to repair it, despite the heavy enemy shell fire. By this action of Sergeant PALMER's, our forward observation post was enabled to again function, and as a result, our forces brought a fire mission to bear upon the enemy, smashing an imminent counterattack and killing over one hundred of their men. His bravery and heroic devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant ALBERT S. PARTAIN, 34195653, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 3 October 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. Prior to a concerted tank-infantry attack on the powerful defenses of Fort Driant, Sergeant PARTAIN, a squad leader, together with another member of the squad and a tank commander of the assault troops, voluntarily made an audacious reconnaissance of objective sites within the fort. The three worked their way through thick barbed wire entanglements and while subjected to potentially excellent enemy observation and enemy fire, they probed defenses and mapped the plan of attack. When the assault was launched, Sergeant PARTAIN was the first to reach the barbed wire, led his squad through the gap and drove on to the first objective. Sergeant PARTAIN forced an entry into the first objective, and engaged the enemy in a fierce small arms and grenade fight, and despite overwhelming enemy fire that killed and wounded several members of his squad, he held his ground and maintained constant control over his men. Sergeant PARTAIN's bravery and courage culminated in the enemy's withdrawal from the objective and reflect distinct credit on himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Georgia.

Technician Third Grade VERNON D. PETERSON, 372 0073, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 to 21 September 1944 near FOURNOY LA CHIFFRE, France. During an attack by our forces on a vital enemy strongpoint, intense enemy fire made it impossible to evacuate the wounded or bring up the aid station from behind the line of departure.

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When litter bearers became disorganized, Technician PETTEMAN, a surgical technician disregarding personal safety and the heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire, went forward in an attempt to reorganize the litter teams. Seeing that it was impossible to evacuate the wounded, Technician PETTEMAN, on his own initiative, set up an aid station and later searched for and found an abandoned aid station from which he bolstered his dwindling medical supplies. Due to the number of casualties, he realized the need for additional assistance and with the aid of an interpreter solicited the aid of an enemy medical corpsman and two French women. His efforts and untiring energy undoubtedly saved the lives of many of his wounded comrades; his coolness and courage under fire reflect much credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kansas.

Sergeant JOHN H. HARRIS, 7081983, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 September 1944 in the vicinity of POURC LA CHETIVE, France. During a relentless barrage of heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire upon our positions, disrupting all communication lines between the battalion command post and the mortar section, Sergeant HARRIS, a communications sergeant, with utter disregard for his personal safety and completely exposed to the enemy's fire without hesitation volunteered to go forward and restore the disrupted wire lines. Due to the actions of Sergeant HARRIS, excellent and essential wire communications were maintained at all times, thereby enabling our mortar section to deliver accurate and effective fire and to assist in repulsing a strong enemy counterattack. Sergeant HARRIS' skill, courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Georgia.

Sergeant EDWARD P. WEAKMAN, 36108764, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. During a determined attempt by our forces to enlarge a small bridgehead on the east bank of the Moselle River, Sergeant WEAKMAN, a mortar squad leader, maintained his position throughout a violent barrage of enemy artillery, mortar, and tank shelling. This intense shelling preceded a strong infantry-tank attack by the enemy and the constant barrage prevented engineers from attempting the construction of a bridge across the river. When heavy shelling ceased, enemy machine guns opened fire on the squad at a distance of 25 yards, and hand grenades wounded two members of the mortar squad. Overwhelmingly outnumbered and under severe small arms fire, Sergeant WEAKMAN ordered and personally covered a withdrawal. Devastating rifle fire by Sergeant WEAKMAN killed approximately five of the enemy, wounded others and drove the remaining attackers in his sector back. This act of bravery on the part of Sergeant WEAKMAN reflects great credit on himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private) CHARLES M. WILLIAMS, 34807317, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. Under intense enemy shelling and small arms fire, Technician WILLIAMS, an aidman, assisted in the evacuation of wounded across the Moselle River at a critical time when litter bearers were being fired upon and consequently were unable to reach the wounded. He later crossed the river during the daylight hours and under constant enemy fire to secure additional medical supplies at a time when they were vitally needed. On several occasions Technician WILLIAMS went well forward of our front lines in order to reach the casualties who were in dire need of medical care. This display of bravery and courage on the part of Technician WILLIAMS, was instrumental in saving the wounded much pain and suffering as well as further injury from enemy fire. His actions reflect distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class JOHN A. BAULO, 15014550, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 near ANNAVILLE, France. Private BAULO, a rifleman, was a member of a four-man patrol assigned the hazardous mission of reconnoitering the enemy's strength and position forward of our lines. When the patrol had advanced about 200 yards it was surprised by sweeping automatic fire from a concealed enemy strongpoint, killing the automatic rifleman and pinning down the surviving members of the patrol. Private BAULO perceiving the situation without hesitation or thought of personal safety crawled over the exposed terrain under intense enemy fire to his fallen comrade and succeeded in retrieving the automatic weapon. Despite the great danger Private BAULO picked up the weapon and fearlessly fired accurate and devastating fire upon the enemy emplacement, kill-

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ing the members of the gun crew. Private BAULO's courageous and aggressive actions were of immeasurable value in the prevention of casualties to the patrol and the attainment of our forces' objective. His loyalty and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class FRANK H. BILLINGSLEY, 39531526, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 11 to 15 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRY, France. Private BILLINGSLEY was serving as a medical transport driver in the engagement for a vital objective. Many casualties were sustained by our forces in this offensive and Private BILLINGSLEY without regard for personal safety braved the intense enemy fire to evacuate the numerous casualties. With shrapnel bursting all about his vehicle and despite the great danger, Private BILLINGSLEY worked continuously for a four-day period, with untiring energy, refusing sleep and rest to evacuate his wounded comrades from the field of fire. Frequently traversing unfamiliar and difficult terrain in his search for the wounded, Private BILLINGSLEY, unhesitatingly went to the aid of his wounded comrades and succeeded in accomplishing his hazardous mission. His heroic and courageous actions resulted in the successful evacuation of many of the casualties and aided in easing their sufferings. His loyalty and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class EDWARD J. PIVOVAR, 36226176, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 August 1944 near ANGERS, France. Upon learning that four men of another unit had been wounded during an intense enemy barrage of artillery and mortar fire and that medical aid men considered it impossible to evacuate the men because of the continuing intensity of the barrage, Private PIVOVAR, a rifleman, moved forward voluntarily and without hesitation in face of the enemy barrage and with disregard for personal safety crawled 50 yards forward and evacuated each of the four men to a spot where they were protected from the enemy fire and aidmen could reach them. His bravery aided immeasurably in the saving of the lives of four soldiers, at the risk of his own life and reflects great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class JOHN D. BURR, 34099792, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 August 1944 near ANGERS, France. The platoon to which Private BURR's mortar squad was attached was being subjected to steady and violent automatic weapon fire from three directions. The enemy also launched an intense barrage of mortar and artillery fire on the whole area. The platoon was temporarily pinned down. Private BURR with total disregard for personal safety voluntarily exposed himself to the automatic weapon fire and crawled forward with only the tube of his 60mm mortar until he could no longer advance. He fired with the tube only and by his skilful handling of the mortar tube was able to bring accurate fire, scoring direct hits on the house containing an enemy automatic weapon, knocked it out of action and captured several prisoners who came out, more than willing to surrender. Private BURR's skilful fire with the mortar tube enabled the riflemen to alter their positions and deploy again so that they could continue the attack, thus saving valuable time and enabling them to keep the enemy on the move. His skill, courage and devotion to duty under the relentless fire were an influential factor in the company's successful operation. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class FRANCIS A. BUTTS, 36227930, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 September 1944 in the vicinity of Reg METZ, France. When the enemy's forces launched a determined tank-infantry offensive under a heavy barrage of their artillery and mortar fire, Private BUTTS, an anti-tank rocket gunner, without hesitation or thought of personal safety moved forward in an attempt to stop the counterattack. Oblivious to the possibility of his own death, he fired his rocket completely empty.

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under intense enemy mortar fire. Voluntarily exposing himself to enemy fire and with total disregard for personal safety, Private STURGILL kept up his constant fire on the enemy, despite the heavy barrage of artillery and mortar shells landing near him. A direct hit by an enemy shell wounded several squad members including Private STURGILL, but, in spite of his painful wound, Private STURGILL refused evacuation and helped to evacuate other wounded and returned to operate his gun. Private STURGILL insisted on manning his gun with his depleted squad. His presence meant the difference of an additional automatic weapons squad which later proved invaluable when the company launched several more attacks later the same day. His courage and devotion to duty served as an inspiration to all members who witnessed his actions. These acts of heroism on the part of Private STURGILL reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

III--AWARD C STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following, named officers and enlisted men:

Captain (then First Lieutenant) HARRY E. ARTHARS, JR., 0417540, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 29 to 30 July 1944 near TORIGNY, France. Lieutenant ARTHARS, serving in the capacity of S-2, distinguished himself by an outstanding display of courage and superior leadership. The battalion was committed to the assault and capture of a vital hill feature. Under a heavy bombardment of enemy artillery, mortar and automatic fire our forces fighting fiercely succeeded in reaching the top of the hill. With the right flank of our forces opened, the enemy counterattacked and succeeded in infiltrating through the opening. Lieutenant ARTHARS, despite the great danger from the intense enemy fire, efficiently coordinated his defense, spurred and encouraged his men on, and succeeded in repelling the enemy's determined attack with heavy casualties to their personnel. His bravery under fire and intense devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the army of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant PETE ROVE, 01821540, Infantry, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operation against the enemy from 13 June 1944 to 8 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New Mexico.

First Lieutenant JAMES H. BOWMAN, 01821541, Infantry, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 June 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. During this period Lieutenant BOWMAN served in the capacity of a reconnaissance platoon leader for his tank destroyer battalion. In the Normandy campaign Lieutenant BOWMAN leading his platoon in advance of the battalion succeeded in breaching the hedgerows and selected the battalion gun positions thereby enabling them to move into firing positions with better fields of fire. His platoon swept a path through mine fields so that his tank destroyer battalion could follow in safety. Lieutenant BOWMAN's unit was the first to enter numerous small towns in the advance through Belgium and to establish outposts and roadblocks on numerous occasions under intense small arm fire. Included in his multiple duties was the task of furnishing an armed escort for the delivery of supplies, frequently through hostile territory, to the forward elements. Although under direct observation from enemy artillery positions and subjected to their continuous fire, he successfully led his platoon in true reconnaissance missions across Belgium obtaining vital information on enemy positions and strength and at all times obtaining the complete information desired. Lieutenant BOWMAN's aggressive and superb leadership, his utter disregard for personal safety and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant ALLEN DYER, 6646205, Quartermaster Corps, 5th Quartermaster

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Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant BERNARD G. MEHLINGER, 35152570, Field Artillery, 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 8 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Sergeant HENRY T. MATELSKI, 36016629, Quartermaster Corps, 5th Quartermaster Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade LENNETH B. RETTEY, 33118423, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 August 1944 near PLESSIS MERIOT, France. When word was received that a column of the enemy was proceeding toward the battalion area a company of our forces was immediately sent forward to intercept and engage the enemy. In the fierce engagement that followed the battalion commander's radio operator was severely wounded. Technician RETTEY, the battalion commander's runner and assistant radio operator, without hesitation or thought of personal safety opened fire with his individual weapon in an attempt to furnish cover for the commander. Still under intense small arm fire and despite the great danger Technician RETTEY assisted in the evacuation of the wounded radio operator to a place of comparative safety. Technician RETTEY still actively engaged in the conflict assisted in the capture of six of the enemy's soldiers. His heroic determination, indomitable courage and distinct devotion to duty was the means of saving the life of a comrade and valuable radio equipment. His actions reflect great credit on himself and the armed service of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade VICTOR H. BROWN, 36302293, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 to 20 November 1944 in France. Technician BROWN was a member of a detail charged with the responsibility of supplying our forces with ammunition. On one occasion under enemy observation Technician BROWN went well forward to aid in the construction of a battalion command post. When the roads were unusable due to the mud Technician BROWN without thought of personal welfare succeeded in carrying ammunition by hand to a forward area. In the offensive at LOUVIGNY, Technician BROWN was with the forward element and kept them well supplied with ammunition at all times. On another occasion Technician BROWN swept the road for hidden mines so that it could be cleared for motor vehicle traffic. Following that Technician BROWN searched the houses in a captured town for enemy soldiers and hidden anti-personnel mines. When our forces were attacking the fortress city of METZ, Technician BROWN, at all times under intense enemy fire, succeeded in driving an ammunition vehicle through the barrage to the attacking forces. Technician BROWN's courageous actions were of inestimable value to our forces in the attainment of their objective. His bravery and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class (then Technician Fifth Grade) JAMES LEMASTER, 15090230, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 to 20 November 1944 in France. Private LEMASTER was a member of a detail charged with the responsibility of supplying our forces with ammunition. On one occasion under enemy observation Private LEMASTER went well forward to aid in the construction of a battalion command post. When the roads were unusable due to the mud, Private LEMASTER, without thought of personal welfare, succeeded in carrying ammunition by hand to a forward area. In the offensive at LOUVIGNY Private LEMASTER was with the forward element and kept them well supplied with ammunition at all times. On another occasion Private LEMASTER swept the road for hidden mines so that the road could be cleared for motor vehicle traffic. Following that Private LEMASTER searched the houses in a captured town for enemy soldiers and hidden anti-personnel mines. When our forces were attacking the fortress city of METZ, Private LEMASTER,

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at all times under intense enemy fire succeeded in driving an ammunition vehicle through the barrage to the attacking forces. Private FLETCHER's courageous actions were of inestimable value to our forces in the attainment of their objectives. His bravery and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from: Italy.

IV--AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named officer:

Major HAROLD H. McCONNELL, O202907, Air Corps, 19th Tactical Air Command, United States Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 4 February 1945 in Luxembourg.

V--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL - Correction in General Orders. So much of Section I, General Orders No. 8, this headquarters, dated 3 February 1945, as reads, "Technician QUINCY I. THOMPSON, 15043908, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army," is corrected to read, "Technician Fifth Grade QUINCY I. THOMPSON, 15043908, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army."

By command of Major General IRTW:

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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 21 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain FRANK G. FRANKS, 0370857, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 December 1944 near HEMSTAL, Luxembourg. Captain FRANKS serving as battery commander distinguished himself by an outstanding display of courage and superior technical knowledge. When large enemy shells were falling in the vicinity of a gun position of his battery, Captain FRANKS, without hesitation or thought of personal safety, entered the area to obtain a "shell read", which is a calculation that determines the approximate location and size of the gun laying down the barrage. Despite the great danger from the flying shrapnel Captain FRANKS fearlessly exposed himself for a 45 minute period to the bombardment, observing from close range the trajectory and explosive impact of each shell as it hurtled to earth. Captain FRANKS' bravery and proficiency enabled his battalion to initiate counterbattery fire upon the enemy's gun positions. His indomitable courage and unstinting devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on himself and the army of the United States. Entered military service from Oregon.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) GORION S. HENRY, 01172067, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRY, France. Lieutenant HENRY, serving as a forward observer, was a member of a forward observation party which established an observation post under heavy enemy fire near the town of ARRY. A short time after the observation post was established enemy shelling from self-propelled guns caused the observation party to withdraw, but Lieutenant HENRY, together with an enlisted man, returned and succeeded in retrieving the valuable equipment and putting it into operation a short distance from the former location. In the following four hours Lieutenant HENRY operated the radio, still under intense enemy fire, and brought artillery fire to bear on the enemy and successfully broke numerous counterattacks which, if allowed to form would have endangered the situation greatly at that time. This act was done, knowing no infantry support was available at that time. His bravery, devotion to duty and calmness under fire reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the United States Armed Forces. Entered military service from Connecticut.

First Lieutenant FRANCIS A. MacISAAC, 01172234, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 December 1944 near BROUCH, Luxembourg. Lieutenant MacISAAC was serving in the capacity of assistant S-2 for his artillery battalion. When large enemy shells were falling in the vicinity of the battalion command post, Lieutenant MacISAAC, without hesitation or thought of personal safety, entered the area to obtain a "shell read" which is a calculation that determines the approximate location and size of the gun laying down the barrage. Despite the great danger from the flying shrapnel Lieutenant MacISAAC fearlessly exposed himself to the heavy bombardment observing from close range the trajectory and explosive impact of each shell as it hurtled to earth. Lieutenant MacISAAC's bravery and proficiency enabled his artillery battalion to initiate counterbattery fire upon the enemy's gun position. His indomitable courage and unstinting devotion to duty reflect credit on himself and the army of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

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Technical Sergeant GEORGE GRITZMACHER, 6733717, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. When it became necessary for our forces to withdraw from a bridgehead across the Moselle River due to the intense enemy fire, Sergeant GRITZMACHER, a platoon sergeant, assisted the platoon leader in efficiently controlling the evacuation proceedings. With utter disregard for personal safety and remaining in an exposed position, Sergeant GRITZMACHER succeeded in organizing the men into groups for the purpose of evacuation. Despite violent shelling and an insufficient number of boats, Sergeant GRITZMACHER installed a measure of confidence among panic stricken non-swimmers and officers when he ordered them to their foxholes to await boats. The enemy, sensing the evacuation proceedings, began closing in with their tanks bringing the bridgehead under direct tank fire. Successfully evacuating his men to the west side of the Moselle River, Sergeant GRITZMACHER was one of the last men to leave the bridgehead. His courage and bravery and deep concern for the welfare of his comrades reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM N. BARBUTO, 6657502, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. Following an assault crossing of the strategic Moselle River, Sergeant BARBUTO, a squad leader, was a member of a reconnaissance patrol probing the enemy's strength and location forward of the company's position. As the patrol proceeded through a wooded area the platoon leader was wounded by a burst of enemy automatic fire. Without hesitation or thought of personal safety, Sergeant BARBUTO braved the intense automatic fire to go forward and evacuate the platoon leader. In so doing Sergeant BARBUTO himself was severely wounded. Ignoring his great pain and oblivious to the sweeping automatic fire Sergeant BARBUTO heroically continued his hazardous mission and succeeded in evacuating the wounded officer to the safety of friendly lines. His valiant and courageous actions aided immeasurably in the saving of the officer's life. His loyalty and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant DONALD L. COULTER, 15015850, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 10 to 17 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. Sergeant COULTER, a squad leader, was moving his mortar squad across the Moselle River in an assault boat, when enemy machine guns from the opposite bank of the river opened fire on the squad and disrupted the crew of the boat to such an extent that no effort was being made to move the boat across the river and escape the withering enemy fire. Sergeant COULTER took charge of the entire group, organized paddlers, got the boat moving and made a safe landing on the opposite bank of the river. On the following day the enemy launched a determined counterattack. Sergeant COULTER coolly kept his squad in position and disregarding personal safety and the intense enemy mortar and artillery barrages, left his position to repair vital communication lines, assist, comfort and give first aid to the wounded. He later carried two wounded enlisted men through thick underbrush and under continuous mortar and artillery barrages, to the top of a hill where litters were waiting to evacuate them. The personal bravery and determined leadership exhibited by Sergeant COULTER reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) CLARK B. SAGER, 32749147, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. When the communication sergeant was seriously wounded by bursting shrapnel, Sergeant SAGER, without hesitation or thought of personal safety, assumed the duties of communication sergeant and undertook the hazardous mission of maintaining essential wire lines from the forward positions of the heavy weapons and mortar observation posts to the company and battalion command posts. Under an intermittent barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire the enemy's forces launched a determined counterattack. Despite the great danger and completely oblivious to the flying shrapnel, Sergeant SAGER continued his difficult mission in exposed terrain and succeeded in maintaining excellent wire communications between the forward positions and fire direction center. While so engaged, Sergeant SAGER was himself wounded. Refusing evacuation or medical treatment Sergeant SAGER heroically continued his difficult task until the counterattacking enemy was repulsed. His fearless and dauntless actions in maintaining excellent and essential

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wire lines intact assisted materially in the holding of an important bridgehead across the Moselle River. His bravery and courageous actions, loyalty and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) JOHN E. GREENTREE, 15040476, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. Under a heavy barrage of artillery the enemy's forces launched a fierce and determined tank-infantry attack against our bridgehead forces. Sergeant GREENTREE, an automatic weapons gunner, without hesitation or thought of personal safety volunteered to attempt the destruction of the enemy's tanks. Oblivious to the falling shrapnel and sweeping automatic fire Sergeant GREENTREE went forward with an anti-tank rocket launcher and from close range fired six rounds at the oncoming tank. Three of his rounds registered but failed to stop the enemy tank. His rocket ammunition expended, he himself wounded in the face by shell fragments and with tank fire all about him, Sergeant GREENTREE undeterred continued to engage the enemy with his individual weapon. Fearlessly and aggressively he fired at the charging enemy, killing three and wounding several more of their personnel. Ordered to return to the rear for medical aid, Sergeant GREENTREE still under intense enemy fire assisted a more seriously wounded comrade to a place of comparative safety. His heroic and courageous actions assisted materially in the accomplishment of the battalion's mission. His indomitable courage and deep devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) EBERARD R. GOHL, 36102517, Field Artillery, 2nd Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRY, France. Technician GOHL, a radio operator, was a member of a forward observation party which established an observation post under heavy enemy fire near the town of ARRY. A short time after the observation post was established enemy shelling from self-propelled guns caused the observation party to withdraw, but Technician GOHL, together with an officer, returned and succeeded in retrieving the valuable equipment and putting it into operation a short distance from the former location. In the following four hours Technician GOHL operated the radio, still under intense enemy fire, and brought artillery fire to bear on the enemy and successfully broke numerous counterattacks which, if allowed to form would have endangered the situation greatly at that time. This act was done, knowing no infantry support was available at that time. His bravery, devotion to duty and calmness under fire reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the United States Armed Forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal DONALD L. JOHNSON, 15015921, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 11 to 17 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. When our forces on the east bank of the Moselle River were in dire need of essential supplies after establishing a small bridgehead, Corporal JOHNSON, a transport corporal, without hesitation or thought of personal safety volunteered for the hazardous mission of taking several $\frac{1}{4}$ ton motor vehicles across the Moselle River with the critical supplies. Despite the great danger and completely exposed to intense enemy shelling, Corporal JOHNSON and his convoy of vehicles succeeded in being ferried across the Moselle River. The following seven days Corporal JOHNSON with untiring energy although near the exhaustion point from his arduous labors continued to work in the exposed terrain under enemy shell fire delivering vitally needed supplies to the bridgehead forces. Although wounded on the second day while performing his perilous tasks, Corporal JOHNSON refused medical care or evacuation and fearlessly continued to supply the forward elements and also successfully assisted in the evacuation of several casualties. His bravery and courageous actions assisted immeasurably in the accomplishment of the battalion's objective. His indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1913, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq DTUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

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Major JOHN R. O'CONNOR, 0366729, Field Artillery, 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 8 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Captain THEODORE R. STEVENS, 0413207, Medical Corps, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 January 1945 in the vicinity of MEDERNACH, Luxembourg. When several enlisted men became casualties due to heavy enemy counterbattery fire, Captain STEVENS, the battalion medical officer, despite the great danger from bursting shrapnel without hesitation, went forward from the battalion aid station to administer medical attention to the wounded. Without thought of personal safety Captain STEVENS, working in the exposed terrain, rendered necessary first aid treatment to the injured men thereby alleviating their sufferings as much as humanly possible. His courageous and heroic determination, loyalty, and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Medical Corps. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant ELWOOD V. HATTERSLEY, 01048808, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 June 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Connecticut.

First Sergeant WALTER F. WEGNOW, 34257625, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 30 September 1944 to 25 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Technical Sergeant GEORGE SHORRAS, 36076548, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 January 1945 near BEDEFACH, Luxembourg. Sergeant SHORRAS was serving his artillery battalion in the capacity of communication chief. When essential wire lines of communications were severed by bursting shrapnel between his artillery battalion and an adjacent battalion Sergeant SHORRAS together with another enlisted man, undertook the hazardous mission of again re-establishing the vital lines of communications. Despite the great danger and completely exposed to the flying shrapnel, Sergeant SHORRAS with utter disregard for his personal welfare worked for a 45 minute period in the exposed terrain and succeeded in making the necessary repairs. His mission accomplished the battalion was again enabled to deliver accurate and effective counterbattery fire upon the enemy's position. His courageous and valiant actions, loyalty, and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in complete accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technical Sergeant VIRGIL A. SMOOTS, 36305452, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 14 November 1944 in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant VINCENT J. GUARINERA, 33419009, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 June 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from District of Columbia.

Staff Sergeant CHARLES A. KENNEDY, 31181507, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 June 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

Staff Sergeant ERICH G. F. REIFBERG, 6180968, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from

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12 August 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fourth Grade JAMES F. HAYNES, 14185582, Coast Artillery Corps, 149th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 June 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Technician Fourth Grade TAYLOR H. RUSH, 35152450, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 January 1945 in the vicinity of MEDFRAACH, Luxembourg. Under an intermittent and concentrated enemy bombardment of the battery command post several enlisted men were wounded by bursting shrapnel. Technician RUSH, serving in the capacity of vehicle driver and radio operator with his battalion, without hesitation or thought of personal safety volunteered for the perilous mission of procuring medical aid men for the casualties. Driving 800 yards over a road entirely subjected to the bursting shrapnel, Technician RUSH succeeded in procuring the services of medical aid men. His courageous and heroic determination in seeking medical aid for his wounded comrades, his loyalty and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Corporal EVERETTE D. COFFEY, 6923323, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 14 November 1944 in France. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Corporal JAMES T. LEAZENBY, 16012829, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 January 1945 in the vicinity of STZEN, Luxembourg. Corporal LEAZENBY, serving as a gunner in the first section of a battery of 105mm howitzers, remained at his post and assisted in delivering accurate fire upon the enemy while his own battery was being subjected to enemy counterbattery fire. In utter disregard of the counterbattery fire, the piece was serviced promptly and accurately until the completion of the mission. Corporal LEAZENBY's courage and distinctive service against the enemy reflect great credit on himself and the United States Army. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal HOWARD G. RILEY, 36101368, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 28 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal WILLIAM C. WAYBRIGHT, 33262591, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 October 1944 near LARDIGNY, France. When enemy artillery severed all wire communication lines at the battalion command post, Corporal WAYBRIGHT, a wireman, with utter disregard for his own safety during the course of the shelling succeeded in repairing and maintaining wire communication lines which permitted the accurate adjustment of our own artillery fire upon the enemy. Corporal WAYBRIGHT's courage and devotion to duty under fire reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the army of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade DAVID E. RUNDOLPH, 33416750, Coast Artillery Corps, 149th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 21 September 1944 to 25 September 1944 near METZ, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade BENJAMIN H. SWANN, 33262502, Coast Artillery Corps, 149th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 21 September 1944 near METZ, France. Entered military service from West Virginia.

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Private First Class ANTHONY J. COMUNALE, 33439195, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 January 1945 near MUDERNACH, Luxembourg. Under a heavy bombardment of enemy artillery in the vicinity of a gun position several enlisted men were severely wounded by the bursting shrapnel. Private COMUNALE, a medical aid man, without hesitation or thought of personal safety volunteered for the difficult and dangerous mission of evacuating his wounded comrades from the impact area. Despite the great danger and oblivious to the flying shrapnel, Private COMUNALE drove a medical transport well forward over exposed terrain to the position occupied by the casualties. Rendering prompt and skilful medical treatment to his wounded comrades, Private COMUNALE then succeeded in evacuating the injured men to a place of comparative safety. His courageous and heroic actions undoubtedly were the means of preventing further injury to the wounded and easing their pain and suffering. His deep and every concern for his fellow soldiers and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class ROCKWELL N. BLENDY, JR., 33717219, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class GROVER S. KEARNS, 6985155, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 14 November 1944 in France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class HOWARD N. MILLER, 32962321, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (L), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 January 1945 near ERMSDORF, Luxembourg. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class CARL W. RICHARDS, 36030676, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 January 1945 in the vicinity of STEGEN, Luxembourg. Private RICHARDS, as a cannoneer in the first section of a battery of 105mm howitzers, remained at his post and assisted in delivering accurate fire upon the enemy while his own battery was being subjected to enemy counterbattery fire. In utter disregard of the counterbattery fire, the piece was serviced promptly and accurately until the completion of the mission. Private RICHARDS' courage and distinctive service against the enemy reflect great credit on himself and the United States Army. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class WALTER J. STRYZINSKI, 36025205, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 January 1945 in the vicinity of STEGEN, Luxembourg. Private STRYZINSKI, as a cannoneer in the first section of a battery of 105mm howitzers, remained at his post and assisted in delivering accurate fire upon the enemy while his own battery was being subjected to enemy counterbattery fire. In utter disregard of the counterbattery fire, the piece was serviced promptly and accurately until the completion of the mission. Private STRYZINSKI's courage and distinctive service against the enemy reflect great credit on himself and the United States Army. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private LUCIUS A. GRIFFITH, 267, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (L), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 January 1945 near ERMSDORF, Luxembourg. When bursting enemy shrapnel scored a direct hit on his gun section killing one and wounding seven other enlisted men, Private GRIFFITH, a cannoneer, although himself severely wounded by the flying shrapnel, undertook the dangerous mission of seeking medical aid for his wounded comrades. Calmly, with utter disregard for personal safety, Private GRIFFITH succeeded in making his way over the exposed terrain, a distance of 100 yards, and called for medical transport. Immediately thereafter, shell fragments from

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bursting shrapnel severed the telephone lines. Still ignoring his great pain, Private GRIFFITH returned to the side of his wounded comrades, expertly and skillfully administered medical care to the casualties, and remained with them until they were evacuated to a place of comparative safety. His heroic and courageous determination, calmness under fire, and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private HERMAN SITTMANN, 32915069, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 January 1945 in the vicinity of STEGEN, Luxembourg. Private SITTMANN, serving as a cannoneer in the first section of a battery of 105mm howitzers, remained at his post and assisted in delivering accurate fire upon the enemy while his own battery was being subjected to enemy counterbattery fire. In utter disregard of the counterbattery fire, the piece was serviced promptly and accurately until the completion of the mission. Private SITTMANN's courage and distinctive service against the enemy reflect great credit on himself and the United States Army. Entered military service from New Jersey.

III--AWARD OF AIR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to the following named officers:

Second Lieutenant WILLIAM J. HENTHORN, 01181905, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 13 December 1944 to 23 January 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Second Lieutenant JOHN H. STALEY, 0535336, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 12 November 1944 to 28 December 1944 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Maryland.

IV--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 29 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Air Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, a third bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, and a fourth bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster are awarded to the following named officers, warrant officer and enlisted man as indicated:

1. First Oak-Leaf Cluster--Staff Sergeant ALBERT R. LUNE, 7040762, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 16 December 1944 to 22 January 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Kentucky.

2. First Oak-Leaf Cluster--Warrant Officer, Junior Grade, HUBERT A. FLUMMERFELT, W-2111332, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 20 November 1944 to 9 January 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Indiana.

3. First Oak-Leaf Cluster--Second Lieutenant JOHN H. STALEY, 0535336, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 29 December 1944 to 27 January 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Maryland.

4. Third Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant ELLIS F. THOMPSON, 01182726, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 4 December 1944 to

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20 January 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from North Dakota.

5. Fourth Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant ROBERT N. TEDD, 01182471, Field Artillery, 16th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 21 December 1944 to 25 January 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from New York.

V--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--Correction in General Orders. So much of Section I, General Orders No. 8, this headquarters, dated 3 February 1945, pertaining to Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) WOODROW D. MAIN, 33113625, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army, as reads "For meritorious achievement" is corrected to read "For distinctive heroism".

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Award of Silver Star.....SECTION I
Award of Bronze Star Medal.....SECTION II
Award of Bronze Star Medal--Correction in General Orders.....SECTION III

I---AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain (then First Lieutenant) WILLIAM H. HALLOWELL, O403274, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRY, France. When the company commander became a casual. Captain HALLOWELL, the executive officer, assumed the duties of the commanding officer and by his superior leadership succeeded in efficiently reorganizing and coordinating the activities of the men into an effective fighting unit. With utter disregard for personal safety and completely exposed to the intense enemy artillery and small arm fire, Captain HALLOWELL fearlessly went to the foremost elements of his company encouraging and spurring his men on to greater efforts. Due to Capt. HALLOWELL's dauntless and intrepid actions numerous counterattacks of the enemy in an attempt to dislodge a small bridgehead across the Moselle River were repulsed with heavy loss to the enemy's personnel. His indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) HENRY B. COLBORN, O531287, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 17 to 19 November 1944 near METZ, France. The company of which Lieutenant COLBORN was serving as a platoon leader had been assigned the mission of capturing a formidable fort which guarded approaches to the city of METZ. Lieutenant COLBORN led his men to the pill-boxes directly in front of the fort's steel reinforced enclosure and threw hand grenades into their ports, as well as spraying the ports with automatic weapon fire. Despite his exposed position on the perimeter of the fort, he inspired his men to greater efforts and remained there until ordered to withdraw. His platoon prevented the enemy from interfering with a flanking movement to the east which entered METZ. During the time he occupied the captured pill-boxes, the enemy was denied entrance to the fort. This action was also responsible for 30 enemy casualties, including 5 killed. Lieutenant COLBORN's intrepid leadership and coolness under fire and his utter disregard for personal safety reflect distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technical Sergeant AURELIO AGNOLI, 6875979, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRY, France. As our forces placed automatic weapons in position to defend a vital bridgehead on the east bank of the Moselle River, the enemy laid down a heavy concentration of mortar fire, followed by a tank supported counterattack. Sergeant AGNOLI, a platoon sergeant, calmly assisted the uncommitted automatic weapons section into position and secured an anti-tank rocket launcher, with ammunition. The leading enemy tank had by this time begun firing on the gun positions thus making any movement extremely hazardous. Sergeant AGNOLI, with total disregard for personal safety, succeeded in organizing a rocket launcher team and directed automatic and rocket fire against the counterattacking enemy. Sergeant AGNOLI was wounded in this action, but refused medical aid to continue the fight and assisted in the evacuation of the wounded, the withdrawal of necessary equipment and reorganization of new defense positions. Only after the platoon was securely in position did he seek medical attention for his wound. His heroic bravery and calmness under fire reflect distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Technical Sergeant DONALD J. McFALL, 6911165, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 October 1944 near METZ,

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France. A company of our forces was given the mission of holding a portion of the enemy fortification of Fort Driant, which had been occupied by other elements while additional friendly troops attacked. At this time a terrific explosion occurred which caused much confusion and wounded many of our personnel. As the company had no officer remaining, Sergeant McFALL, a platoon leader, took complete charge of the situation and reorganization of the guards. A strong enemy patrol supported by small arms and mortar fire was reported approaching their position. Sergeant McFALL, using information relayed from the observation post and with prearranged firing data, set up a mortar in open terrain and accurately fired eleven rounds into the enemy position, causing an undetermined number of casualties among their personnel. Through his heroic actions and disregard for personal safety any attempted counterattack by the enemy was repulsed. His personal bravery reflects distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant HOWARD A. DOROW, 1602184, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 near ARRY, France. Sergeant DOROW, a section sergeant, was serving in the capacity of a medical aid man with our forces in an assault crossing of the strategic Moselle River. Although his duties normally required his presence at the battalion aid station located in the rear, Sergeant DOROW, without hesitation, braved the intense enemy artillery, mortar and automatic fire to make numerous trips to the forward areas to administer medical care to many of his wounded comrades. He, then, acting as a litter bearer, assisted in the evacuation of many of the casualties to the battalion aid station and comparative safety. While engaged in his valiant efforts, Sergeant DOROW was himself struck and seriously wounded by bursting enemy shrapnel. Refusing evacuation or medical aid until many of his wounded comrades were first treated and evacuated, Sergeant DOROW was then evacuated to the safety of the battalion aid station. His heroic actions assisted immeasurably in the saving of the lives of many of the wounded and in easing their sufferings. His courageous determination, loyal and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the medical department. Entered the military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant LALE E. JORDAN, 6668337, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 near ARRY, France. The enemy launched a determined tank-infantry counterattack upon our defensive position overlooking the village of ARRY. As the counterattack developed, Sergeant JORDAN, a section leader, returned to the company command post over approximately 250 yards of open terrain and exposed to extremely heavy enemy small arm and mortar fire where he radioed the azimuth of the counterattacking enemy to the fire direction center. Sergeant JORDAN then returned to his former position, but it was later necessary for him to again make the hazardous trip to the command post to request artillery support because of continued enemy attacks. Due to his heroic efforts the enemy counterattack was successfully repulsed. As Sergeant JORDAN attempted to return to his post of duty he was seriously wounded, however he was instrumental in enabling his company to complete its mission. His bravery and calmness under fire reflect distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM C. OSBORNE, 6897422, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 11 to 15 September 1944 near AINAVILLE, France. Sergeant OSBORNE, a supply sergeant, succeeded in crossing the Moselle River in a ferried vehicle in order to insure our bridgehead forces ample supplies and ammunition. His crossing was made during continuous artillery and mortar fire on the river which made it impossible for the engineers to complete a bridge over the river. Sergeant OSBORNE was not required to stay on the exposed side of the river, but he did so voluntarily in order to keep the much needed supplies moving up to the forward elements of our troops. During an extremely heavy artillery barrage, Sergeant OSBORNE and a messenger were wounded. Spurning medical aid and evacuation, Sergeant OSBORNE carried important classified documents that were in the messenger's possession to their destination. Disregarding personal safety and despite his wounds and the continued enemy fire Sergeant OSBORNE remained at the supply and ammunition dump until normal supply methods were set up several days later. His heroism and bravery materially assisted the battalion in securing the vital bridgehead and reflect distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

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Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) JAMES ROBINSON, 15046293, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 22 September 1944 in the vicinity of MARIUELLES, France. Under a heavy and intermittent bombardment by enemy artillery, vital wire communications to a forward outpost of our forces were severed by bursting shrapnel. Disregarding his personal safety Sergeant ROBINSON left his place of cover, remained in the exposed terrain for a 45 minute period and succeeded in again repairing the severed wire lines. Frequently during the night when vital lines of communications were disrupted by enemy artillery fire, Sergeant ROBINSON, despite the danger, successfully reestablished essential wire communications to the forward observation post. His technical skill courage and bravery and his calmness under fire reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant WILLIAM M. FINN, 6667659, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 1 December 1944 near HAM-SOUS-VARSBERG, France. Under a sweeping barrage of enemy automatic and small arm fire pinning down the forward advance of our forces, a casualty was left lying in an exposed position. Sergeant FINN, an automatic weapon squad leader, with utter disregard for personal safety dashed through the intense fire over exposed terrain a distance of 100 yards to the side of his wounded comrade. Crawling and dragging the injured soldier, Sergeant FINN succeeded in evacuating him to the shelter of a farm house where medical assistance was immediately administered to the wounded man. Sergeant FINN's bravery and courageous actions undoubtedly assisted in the saving of the wounded man's life as well as alleviating his sufferings. His loyalty and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) THOMAS C. IVAN, 35059868, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 10 to 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. The battalion of which Technician IVAN, a wireman, was a member, had been given the hazardous mission of taking a high hill overlooking the east bank of the Moselle River. Technician IVAN, accompanied by two other wiremen succeeded in establishing a switchboard approximately 800 yards east of the crossing. This area was under enemy observation and constant artillery and mortar fire, and at times under enemy small arms and automatic fire. During this entire time Technician IVAN continued to lay and service essential communication lines and maintained communication between the forward and rear units as long as humanly possible. In spite of continuous work both day and night with little or no rest, the wire lines were constantly being disrupted by the bursting artillery and mortar fire. Due in part to the untiring efforts and energy of Technician IVAN, essential and vital wire communication lines were maintained at all times and the battalion was able to communicate with higher and subordinate units. His courage, tenacity of purpose and deep devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class (then Private) ALBERT F. JONES, 7081947, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 22 September 1944 near MARIUELLES, France. When a direct hit from an enemy artillery shell struck a 2 1/2 ton motor transport setting it on fire which threatened to spread to two other vehicles in the area, Private JONES, a vehicle driver, with utter disregard for personal safety and subjected to the intense enemy fire without hesitation ran to the blazing vehicle and succeeded in evacuating it from the vicinity. With the intense heat from the burning gasoline exploding the ammunition Private JONES again, despite the great danger returned to the area and succeeded in removing two 1/4 ton vehicles threatened by the conflagration. His courageous and dauntless actions were the means of saving the government's valuable and irreplaceable equipment. His loyalty and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class JOHN H. LINSLEY, 31338385, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 10 to 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. The battalion of which Private LINSLEY, a wireman, was a member, had been given the hazardous mission of taking a high hill

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overlooking the east bank of the Moselle River. Private LINSLEY, accompanied by two other wiremen, succeeded in establishing a switchboard approximately 800 yards east of the crossing. This area was under enemy observation and constant artillery and mortar fire, and at times under enemy small arms and automatic fire. During this entire time Private LINSLEY continued to lay and service essential communication lines and maintained communication between the forward and rear units as long as humanly possible. In spite of continuous work both day and night with little or no rest, the wire lines were constantly being disrupted by the bursting artillery and mortar fire. Due in part to the untiring efforts and energy of Private LINSLEY, essential and vital wire communication lines were maintained at all times and the battalion was able to communicate with higher and subordinate units. His courage, tenacity of purpose and deep devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private (then Technician Fifth Grade) THOMAS L. DAVIS, 15011873, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 10 to 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. The battalion of which Private DAVIS, a wireman, was a member, had been given the hazardous mission of taking a high hill overlooking the east bank of the Moselle River. Private DAVIS, accompanied by two other wiremen, succeeded in establishing a switchboard approximately 800 yards east of the crossing. This area was under enemy observation and constant artillery and mortar fire, and at times under enemy small arms and automatic fire. During this entire time Private DAVIS continued to lay and service essential communication lines and maintained communication between the forward and rear units as long as humanly possible. In spite of continuous work both day and night with little or no rest, the wire lines were constantly being disrupted by the bursting artillery and mortar fire. Due in part to the untiring efforts and energy of Private DAVIS, essential and vital wire communication lines were maintained at all times and the battalion was able to communicate with higher and subordinate units. His courage, tenacity of purpose and deep devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Major (then Captain) KENNETH P. COAN, 0326349, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 5th Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 September to 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

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* Major (then Captain) JOHN W. HENNING, JR., 0380062, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 September 1944 in the vicinity of MARIEULLES, France. Entered military service from Michigan, Illinois.

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Captain RICHARD D. MARTIN, 0395243, Medical Corps, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 September 1944 in the vicinity of MARIEULLES, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN E. LALLY, 6669786, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 August 1944 in the vicinity of MONTEREAU, France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) GORDON B. TUTTLE, 11091885, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 29 July 1944 in the vicinity of MOUFFET, France. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Corporal ALFRED J. SOLCZAK, 15060408, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mech), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 December 1944 near MADGASSEN, Germany. When one

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of our vehicles was disabled and the driver seriously wounded by intense enemy automatic fire in attempting to enter the town, Corporal SOLCZAK, a member of the patrol, accompanied by two other enlisted men, without hesitation volunteered for the dangerous mission of evacuating their wounded comrade. Due to the devastating enemy fire the medical personnel were prevented from evacuating the wounded man from his precarious position. Despite the great danger and oblivious to the enemy fire Corporal SOLCZAK, manning an automatic weapon mounted on a $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehicle, made two trips over the exposed terrain and proceeded in furnishing fire cover while his wounded comrade was successfully evacuated from his exposed position by a rescue party. Due in part to Corporal SOLCZAK's fearless and aggressive actions the casualty was safely evacuated. Corporal SOLCZAK's utter disregard for personal safety and courageous actions reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois

Technician Fifth Grade HOMER HACKER, 6985525, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 28 July 1944 to 28 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class (then Private) ROY W. ANDERSON, 16012858, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 December 1944 near SCHIEDGEN, Luxembourg. Private ANDERSON, serving as a member of a field artillery forward observation party with an infantry unit, with utter disregard of his own safety and with great risk of life, set up a radio while his position was subjected to a withering hostile fire of both small arms and heavy mortars. By Private ANDERSON's undaunted courage and ingenuity, communication to the field artillery battalion supporting the infantry was established, thereby enabling the neutralization of the enemy strong point allowing the infantry to move forward, seize and hold their objective. Private ANDERSON's courageous deed reflects great credit on himself and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private DONALD R. CUSHING, 33740269, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 July 1944 in the vicinity of BOUFFET, France. Entered military service from Maryland.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL--Correction in General Orders. So much of Section II, General Orders No. 6, this headquarters, dated 26 January 1945, pertaining to Captain FRANCIS J. HANLEY, 01040432, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army, which reads, "Entered military service from Pennsylvania", is corrected to read, "Entered military service from Maryland".

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Award of Bronze Star Medal.....SECTION I
Award of Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster.....SECTION II

I---AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to Authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq. ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq. ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel ABE BOCK, 0255198, Infantry, 735th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 12 July 1944 to 21 December 1944 in France. Entered military service from Texas.

Major FRANKLIN P. HOLDER, 0297338, Medical Corps, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Georgia.

First Lieutenant CLAYTON B. GEER, 01047531, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 September 1944 near ARRY, France. When word was received that a forward gun section had been heavily shelled by enemy artillery and several enlisted men severely wounded, Lieutenant GEER, a platoon commander, without hesitation personally went forward to administer medical care and evacuate the wounded from their exposed position. Despite the great danger and oblivious to the flying shrapnel Lieutenant GEER, heroically remained exposed rendering first aid treatment to the injured personnel and succeeded in evacuating them to a place of comparative safety. His mission accomplished Lieutenant GEER then moved the gun section to a more advantageous position, encouraged and spurred the men on to greater effort thereby enabling them to again perform their fire mission. His fearless and intrepid actions, his every and deep concern for the welfare of his men, his calm and cool-headed thinking under fire and deep devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

First Lieutenant CARL HORWICH, 01044247, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 December 1944 near HALLER, Luxembourg. During a heavy bombardment of enemy artillery an infantry officer was struck by bursting shrapnel. Lieutenant HORWICH, a battery commander, perceiving the officer's plight without hesitation or thought of personal safety immediately went to the assistance of the wounded officer. A rapid examination of the wounded officer revealed the fact that he had died instantly. Still oblivious to the intense enemy fire Lieutenant HORWICH succeeded in evacuating the vehicle in which the officer was a passenger to a place of safety. Shortly thereafter, Lieutenant HORWICH, despite the great danger, went forward, administered necessary and skilful medical care, and succeeded in evacuating a wounded enlisted man lying in an exposed position. Returning to the command post still under enemy fire, Lieutenant HORWICH efficiently coordinated the movement of his battery to a more advantageous position to deliver accurate and effective counter battery fire upon the enemy's gun positions. His courageous and heroic actions were the means of preventing numerous casualties amongst our personnel and resulted in the saving of much valuable and irreplaceable equipment. His cool-headed thinking in an emergency and unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) RICHARD E. RAYMER, 01179179, Field Artillery, 24th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 January 1945

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near MEDERNACH, Luxembourg. Lieutenant RAYMER, as assistant battalion S-2, distinguished himself by an outstanding display of courage and superior technical knowledge. When large enemy shells were falling on the road between MEDERNACH and ERMSDORF, Luxembourg, on which our forces were moving, Lieutenant RAYMER, accompanied by another officer, without hesitation or thought of personal safety, entered the area for the purpose of obtaining a shell report. Despite the great danger he fearlessly exposed himself to the bombardment, gathering shell fragments, taking azimuths and observing from dangerously close range the trajectory and explosive impact of each shell as it hurtled to earth. Lieutenant RAYMER's bravery, proficiency and unstinting devotion to duty enabled our artillery to deliver effective counterbattery fire upon the enemy position and reflect distinct credit on himself and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

First Lieutenant STANLEY A. SWIECKOWSKI, 01016223, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mecz), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 December 1944 in the vicinity of UBERHERIN, Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Master Sergeant HENRY TILLINGER, 32530779, Infantry, Interrogation Prisoner of War Team No. 19, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 19 to 21 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant HOMER J. BUTLER, 13092004, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 December 1944 near HALLER, Luxembourg. Under a heavy concentration of enemy artillery fire Sergeant BUTLER, a platoon sergeant, accompanied by another enlisted man, went forward to a gun section to administer medical care and evacuate a wounded comrade from his exposed position. When the litter on the medical transport became wedged against a tree, Sergeant BUTLER, despite the great danger from bursting shrapnel, succeeded in prying the litter loose and driving the casualty over exposed terrain to the comparative safety of a battalion aid station. Sergeant BUTLER's courageous actions and heroic determination undoubtedly were the means of saving his comrade's life and alleviating his pain and sufferings. His indomitable courage, calmness under fire, and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant FRANK S. CSENCITZ, 33361006, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 June 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) PATRICK M. HENRY, 15011287, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mecz), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 August 1944 near BRAY-SUR-SEINE, France. When the forward element of a motor vehicle column came under sweeping enemy automatic fire from high, well entrenched positions on the opposite bank of the river, Sergeant HENRY, a liaison sergeant, without thought of personal safety, calmly and fearlessly drove his vehicle into town firing his automatic weapon and spraying the enemy concealed position in an attempt to draw their fire. Sergeant HENRY dauntlessly continued his heroic actions, until he himself was wounded, necessitating medical attention and evacuation. His courageous actions enabled our forces to withdraw with a minimum of casualties. His indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT J. THOMPSON, 36010372, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 August 1943 to 1 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Sergeant MICHAEL BENETSKY, 33360261, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 21 September 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant JESSE C. KENT, JR., 34664675, Infantry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 1 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Sergeant DAVID E. ROBBINS, 31130619, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 to 16 November 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERVILLE, France. Sergeant ROBBINS, serving as a chief of section, and another enlisted man were assigned the hazardous mission of maintaining wire communications from a forward gun section across a bridge to the platoon command post. When vital communications were disrupted by bursting shrapnel, Sergeant ROBBINS, disregarding his personal safety went forward under the intense enemy fire on numerous occasions during the night and day to again reestablish the vital wire lines. Due in part to the courageous and valiant actions of Sergeant ROBBINS excellent and essential lines of communications were at all times maintained between the forward gun section and the platoon command post. His initiative, technical skill and aggressive actions, his calmness under fire, and his unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Sergeant JOSEPH STRINER, 13061589, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 September 1944 near ARRY, France. Sergeant STRINER was serving with his battalion in the capacity of chief of section. During an intense bombardment by enemy artillery and mortar fire, Sergeant STRINER, without thought of personal safety succeeded in administering first aid and evacuating several of his wounded comrades to a place of comparative safety. Still under the intense enemy fire Sergeant STRINER succeeded in efficiently reorganizing his section into a fighting unit, spurring and encouraging his men and then moving both personnel and equipment to a more advantageous position to continue operations against the enemy. His courageous and fearless actions resulted in the keeping of casualties to a minimum and the saving of much valuable and irreplaceable government equipment. His distinct and unswerving devotion to duty and deep concern for the welfare of his men reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal (then Private) WILLIAM C. HELLEMS, 32840240, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 September 1944 to 25 September 1944 in France. Under a heavy bombardment by enemy artillery in the vicinity of his gun section, the chief of section was wounded, necessitating his evacuation. Corporal HELLEMS, serving as a cannoneer, without hesitation or thought of personal safety assumed command of the section. Corporal HELLEMS then efficiently and skilfully directed the displacement of the battery under the heavy enemy fire to two new positions. Shortly thereafter, the battery in its new position again came under a concentrated enemy barrage, which wounded several members of the gun section. Corporal HELLEMS, using reinforcements from other batteries, efficiently and expertly maintained his section functioning in an outstanding and exemplary manner. Corporal HELLEMS' skill and initiative, his courage and calmness under fire and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Corporal IRA C. KING, 6985847, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 November 1944 in the vicinity of MAGNY, France. Corporal KING, an instrument operator, was a member of a forward observation party serving with an infantry task force in a determined attack upon a strategic town. Under an intermittent bombardment of enemy artillery, Corporal KING, despite the great danger, went forward on numerous occasions to repair essential

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wire communication lines. His aggressive and fearless actions enabled the forward observer to maintain excellent communications with his artillery battalion's fire direction center and resulted in accurate, effective and precision fire being delivered upon the town. His courageous determination, technical skill and knowledge assisted immeasurably in the attainment of our forces' objective. His distinct devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Kentucky.

* Corporal ROBERT A. MAKOVY, 18060068, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Texas.

Technician Fifth Grade VICTOR G. GRESSETT, 7081929, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. Technician GRESSETT, was serving in the capacity of a radio operator for an artillery forward observer with assault elements of our forces attempting to establish a bridgehead on the east bank of the strategic Moselle River. Despite the great danger from bursting shrapnel and completely exposed to the intense fire Technician GRESSETT succeeded in establishing his observation post well forward of our front lines. During the next 30 hours he remained at his forward observation post and maintained excellent communications with the battalion fire direction center, successfully bringing accurate and precision artillery fire on the enemy's positions, greatly assisting our forces in the attainment of their objectives and in the repelling of numerous enemy counterattacks which, had they been allowed to form, would have endangered the situation at that time. Technician GRESSETT's skill and knowledge, his courage and deep devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of our military forces. Entered military service from Mississippi.

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Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM L. McCOURT, 32665510, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 14 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. During a relentless barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire, Technician McCOURT, a field lineman, with utter disregard for personal safety and at all times completely exposed to the intense enemy fire assisted in establishing vital and essential wire communications across the Maine River. When wire lines were severed by bursting enemy shrapnel on numerous occasions, Technician McCOURT, despite the great danger, succeeded in repairing the disrupted wire communications. His courageous and intrepid actions resulted in excellent and essential wire communications being maintained at all times between the forward gun sections and the platoon command post. His loyal and unswerving devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and the military service of the United States. Entered military service from *San. New York*.

* Technician Fifth Grade (then Private) MILBURN T. NUIR, 33721404, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) CLINTON M. WHITT, 6985293, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 12 to 13 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. Technician WHITT, a radio operator, was serving with an observation party in an assault crossing of the strategic Moselle River by our forces. Under an intermittent bombardment of observed enemy artillery and mortar fire the observation post was established within 600 yards of the enemy lines. On the following day the enemy's forces attempted a fierce and determined counteroffensive upon our position. Disregarding personal safety Technician WHITT continued to remain in his exposed position in the observation post and maintained direct and essential communications to the battalion fire direction center. His heroic and courageous determination enabled the forward observer to deliver accurate and precision artillery fire upon the charging enemy repulsing their counterattack and inflicting heavy losses to their personnel.

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His technical skill, initiative and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class (then Private) CLAUDE R. HATFIELD, 6924103, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 January 1945 in the vicinity of EL WACH, Luxembourg. When three enlisted men were reported wounded by bursting shrapnel, Private HATFIELD, a medical aid man, without hesitation or thought of personal safety volunteered for the hazardous mission of evacuating the casualties from the impact area. Driving a $\frac{1}{4}$ ton vehicle over the exposed terrain and oblivious to the flying fragments, Private HATFIELD drove to the position occupied by the casualties and succeeded in administering necessary medical care to the wounded men and then successfully evacuating them to a place of comparative safety. His courageous actions undoubtedly aided in saving the lives of the injured men, alleviating their pain and sufferings and inspired the men of the entire battery. His heroic determination and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class JOHN J. RYAN, 31085193, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 to 16 November 1944 in the vicinity of AM-CERVILLE, France. Private RYAN, serving as a cannoneer, and another enlisted man were assigned the hazardous mission of maintaining wire communications from a forward gun section across a bridge to the platoon command post. When vital communications were disrupted by bursting shrapnel, Private RYAN, disregarding his personal safety, went forward under the intense enemy fire on numerous occasions during the night and day to again re-establish the vital wire lines. Due in part to the courageous and valiant actions of Private RYAN, excellent and essential lines of communications were at all times maintained between the forward gun section and the platoon command post. His initiative, technical skill and aggressive actions, his calmness under fire, and his unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class (then Private) CARL . THURMAN, 6257711, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of SANRY SUR NIFE, France. During the assault crossing of the Meid River near SANRY by our forward elements, Private THURMAN, a lineman, without hesitation volunteered to lay a wire line across the river to the artillery liaison officer with the infantry forces. While working the line across the river, he was under direct artillery and mortar fire from strong enemy fortifications. The line was continually being severed by bursting shrapnel and each time Private THURMAN, with utter disregard for his own safety, went forward to repair it, thus maintaining essential communications necessary for the accurate adjustment of the battalion's fire upon the enemy position. Private THURMAN's courage and devotion to duty under fire reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class (then Private) OLIVER T. VEAL, 34700765, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 December 1944 near HALLER, Luxembourg. Under a heavy concentration of enemy artillery fire Private VEAL, an aid man, accompanied by another enlisted man, went forward to a gun section to administer medical care and evacuate a wounded comrade from his exposed position. When the litter on the medical transport became wedged against a tree, Private VEAL, despite the great danger from bursting shrapnel, succeeded in prying the litter loose and driving the casualty over exposed terrain to the comparative safety of a battalion aid station. Private VEAL's courageous actions and heroic determination undoubtedly were the means of saving his comrade's life and alleviating his pain and sufferings. His indomitable courage, calmness under fire, and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military

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service from Alabama.

Private (then Corporal) CHARLES J. FRANK, 35518680, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 September 1944 in the vicinity of MANUELLES, France. When a direct hit was scored by an enemy shell on his gun position, severely wounding the chief of section and disrupting wire communications to his platoon, Private FRANK, a cannoneer, without hesitation or thought of personal safety left the safety of his cover to seek medical assistance for his wounded comrade. Walking $\frac{1}{4}$ mile over exposed terrain and under the intense enemy fire, Private FRANK reported the casualty to his commanding officer who with the assistance of a medical aid man succeeded in evacuating the injured man to a place of safety. Private FRANK's bravery and courageous actions were the means of saving his wounded comrade's life and easing his sufferings. His heroic determination and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private BLYTHE G. NANCE, 35531140, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 14 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. During a relentless barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire, Private NANCE, a field lineman, with utter disregard for personal safety and at all times completely exposed to the intense enemy fire assisted in establishing vital and essential wire communications across the Maine River. When the wire lines were severed by bursting enemy shrapnel on numerous occasions, Private NANCE, despite the great danger, succeeded in repairing the disrupted wire communications. His courageous and untrepid actions resulted in excellent and essential wire communications being maintained at all times between the forward gun sections and the platoon command post. His loyal and unswerving devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

II--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant FRANK S. CSENCOSITZ, 33361006, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of EEMSDORF, Luxembourg. Word was received that several enlisted men had become casualties due to heavy enemy artillery fire. Sergeant CSENCOSITZ, a platoon sergeant, without hesitation or thought of personal safety proceeded to the assistance of his wounded comrades. Driving his $\frac{1}{4}$ ton vehicle over exposed terrain and under bursting shrapnel fire to the position of the casualties, Sergeant CSENCOSITZ succeeded in locating the wounded men. Carefully lifting and loading two of his comrades upon his vehicle, Sergeant CSENCOSITZ successfully evacuated the two remaining injured men to the comparative safety of the battalion aid station. Sergeant CSENCOSITZ's heroic determination, indomitable courage and deep concern for his fellow soldiers undoubtedly were the means of saving their lives and easing their sufferings. His cool-headed thinking in an emergency and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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I---AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant ALBERT A. HORKOMMER, 42045265, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of MECLÉUVES, France. Sergeant HORKOMMER, a platoon sergeant, exhibited outstanding leadership qualities in reorganizing his platoon to withstand a determined enemy counterattack. Sergeant HORKOMMER with total disregard for his own personal safety made trip after trip over the snow blanketed slope of a hill exposed to heavy enemy automatic and small arms fire to evacuate the wounded and lead the lost to the company area. On one trip while leading nine men across the open slope, he encountered a strong enemy combat patrol. Though exposed to still heavier and closer hostile fire due to this attack, Sergeant HORKOMMER continued his mission at great personal risk. His courage was in a large measure responsible for the enemy's repulse. Sergeant HORKOMMER was later killed while in action with his company. His undaunted courage and self-sacrifice reflect distinct credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) LEONARD F. POTTS, 36019612, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. When the advance of his unit was pinned down, Sergeant POTTS, an automatic weapon section leader, together with his first gunner, undertook the perilous task of eliminating the enemy strongpoint. With the other enlisted man furnishing covering fire with his automatic weapon, Sergeant POTTS, despite the great danger from the sweeping automatic fire, advanced upon the enemy emplacement and with two well directed rifle grenades succeeded in annihilating it. His courageous actions prevented casualties to his own unit and again allowed our forces to advance. His conspicuous heroism and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

II--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel PHILIP W. MERRILL, 01767, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 and 10 September 1944 in DORNOT, France. As regimental executive officer during bridgehead operations on the east bank of the Moselle River, Colonel MERRILL, while under intense artillery fire, coordinated the attack of a battalion that was fighting in a confined bridgehead against overwhelming odds. He coordinated the use of another battalion in direct support so as to contain large enemy forces and enable other elements of the division to establish a bridgehead several miles to the south. The devotion to duty displayed by Colonel MERRILL reflects great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Captain HARRY M. SMITH, 0389435, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 August 1944 near ANGERS, France. Captain SMITH, a cannon company commander, was among those pinned down by enemy aerial bursts at a forward command post. From his exposed position, without thought of personal welfare, Captain SMITH succeeded in establishing communication with his

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company's guns and directing a devastatingly accurate fire upon the enemy resulting in the destruction of a total of nine enemy artillery pieces and sufficient neutralization of enemy fire to permit our infantry forces to continue their advance. This display of courage on the part of Captain SMITH reflects great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

First Sergeant CLAUDE W. HEMBREE, 6652877, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. As first sergeant of an assault company fighting to hold its bridgehead on the east bank of the Moselle River, Sergeant HEMBREE inspired all members of his unit by constantly remaining exposed to intense enemy shelling and automatic weapons fire while organizing defensive measures against powerful enemy counterattacks. Taking command of the company when all officers became casualties and it became necessary to evacuate the bridgehead, Sergeant HEMBREE, still exposed to intense enemy fire, successfully organized the evacuation of the company and all of its wounded to the far shore. The courage and outstanding leadership displayed by Sergeant HEMBREE reflect great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) LEE D. GRIFFIN, 36173676, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. A unit of our forces established a vitally important bridgehead on the east bank of the Maine River despite fanatical enemy attempts to dislodge them. As a member of a tank supported unit attacking enemy positions Sergeant GRIFFIN, a squad leader, remained exposed to intense enemy artillery and automatic weapons fire while preceding armor on foot. Under the direction of Sergeant GRIFFIN, who audaciously remained exposed to the concentration of enemy fire, supporting tanks knocked out three enemy cannon and inflicted tremendous casualties on the enemy force, thus causing them to withdraw. The courage displayed by Sergeant GRIFFIN reflects great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant ALEXANDER J. LONEY, 36101501, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 September 1944 near ARRY, France. During an enemy artillery barrage Sergeant LONEY, an assistant forward observer, and the artillery officer were forced to withdraw. Shortly thereafter, Sergeant LONEY and the officer succeeded in retrieving the radio equipment and establishing another observation post 150 yards to the left of the one vacated. Still under intense enemy fire Sergeant LONEY remained in his exposed position for a four hour period without friendly infantry support and transmitted excellent radio instructions to the artillery thereby repulsing numerous enemy counterattacks which would have severely endangered the situation at that time had they been successful. His bravery and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) DEERALD D. DEAL, 37259635, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 September 1944 near ANANVILLERS, France. Under an intense concentration of enemy mortar, automatic and small arm fire and with the enemy's forces staging a fierce counter-attack, Sergeant DEAL, an ammunition bearer, volunteered to go forward and evacuate several wounded enlisted men lying exposed in a field. Despite the great danger and with utter disregard for personal safety, Sergeant DEAL crawled 800 yards forward under intense fire and succeeded in evacuating several of his comrades to a place of comparative safety. His heroic and courageous determination assisted in the saving of the lives of many of the wounded. His bravery and deep concern for his comrades was an inspiration to his company and reflects great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from South Dakota.

Sergeant ROGER B. LOWDEN 36034924, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 and 9 August 1944 near ANGERS, France. With utter disregard for personal safety, and despite the intense small arms fire, Sergeant LOWDEN worked his way through enemy positions surrounding an element of our forces which had established a vital bridgehead across the Maine River and returned to the friendly shore. Still under intense enemy fire, Sergeant LOWDEN then proceeded to guide a supporting force across the river and into a position on

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the right flank of his company, thus securing the bridgehead. His conspicuous courage, tenacity of purpose and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant CHESTER J. MURAWSKY, 33086177, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 November 1944, near SILLY-EN-SAULNOIS, France. Following a fierce engagement of our forces with the enemy several of our casualties were lying in an exposed field subjected to the intense enemy fire. Although near physical exhaustion from the heavy fighting, Sergeant MURAWSKY, a mortar squad leader, succeeded in efficiently organizing a seven man litter team from the members of his platoon. Improvising litters from blankets and long poles found in the vicinity Sergeant MURAWSKY fearlessly and valiantly led the litter bearers into the field which was still under enemy mortar fire. Working with untiring energy throughout the night Sergeant MURAWSKY and his litter team successfully evacuated nine of his wounded comrades to a shelter where medical aid men could immediately administer medical attention to the casualties. His heroic and courageous actions acted as an inspiration to the men in his platoon and reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant JOHN C. De SANTIS, 42028595, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 to 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of SANRY SURNIED, France. Sergeant De SANTIS was serving as a forward artillery observer directing artillery and mortar fire from a position 300 yards from the town. The enemy's forces attempted several fierce and determined counterattacks during the night, but disregarding personal safety and exposed to the intense enemy fire, Sergeant De SANTIS continued to remain in position directing accurate, precision and effective artillery fire some of which fell within 50 yards of his position. The following morning 50 of the enemy soldiers were found dead lying between Sergeant De SANTIS' position and the town. Due to the heroism and bravery of Sergeant De SANTIS, his calmness under fire, his technical skill and knowledge in reporting the enemy's movements, our forces were able to repulse numerous counterattacks of the enemy resulting in heavy losses to their personnel. His loyal devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT F. STONE, 36103597, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 August 1944 in the vicinity of BRAY, France. In a night engagement with numerical superior forces of the enemy the intelligence platoon was nearly encircled by the enemy, leaving only a secondary road that could be used as an escape gap. Technician STONE, serving in the capacity of a transportation corporal, was assigned the hazardous mission of moving seven of our vehicles to a position of concealment from the intense enemy artillery and mortar fire. He personally drove each vehicle through the heavy fire and returned each trip by means of crawling along a roadside ditch until his mission was accomplished. Technician STONE on one of his return trips noticed three of his comrades lying wounded in an exposed position in an open field and, oblivious to the bursting shrapnel about him, administered medical aid to the wounded. Technician STONE's heroic and courageous determination undoubtedly saved the lives of the three injured men, and insured the protection of several vehicles from possible destruction. His loyal devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class (then Private) PAUL P. DUBIEL, 31455361, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of LOUVIGNY, France. When his platoon's advance was slowed down by intense mortar and automatic fire from the right flank; Private DUBIEL, an automatic rifleman, despite the great danger from the heavy enemy fire and disregarding personal safety succeeded in moving forward and annihilating the strong enemy emplacement again allowing his platoon to move forward. As the platoon slowly advanced several enemy snipers were encountered on the left flank hindering the platoon's movements. Firing his automatic weapon from the hip, Private DUBIEL valiantly and fearlessly went forward to clear a path for his comrades. Private DUBIEL's intrepid and courageous determination, his outstanding bravery and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify

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the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class (then Private) WALLACE H. GRAFING, 37580779, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of LOUVIGNY, France. When intense and withering machine gun fire to their front halted the forward advance of his platoon, Private GRAFING, serving as an automatic rifleman, perceiving the enemy's concealed strongpoint, without hesitation, crawled over open and exposed terrain a distance of 20 yards and succeeded in annihilating the enemy's gun position. Still utterly exposed to intense enemy mortar and small arm fire and disregarding personal safety, Private GRAFING observed another enemy machine gun emplacement on his right. Working his way to the rear of the enemy strongpoint, Private GRAFING succeeded in liquidating the enemy gun emplacement. His daring and aggressive actions again enabled his platoon to advance and attain its objective. His heroic determination, bravery and deep devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from South Dakota.

Private First Class ANTHONY A. RUTKOSKI, 33113680, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 4 October 1944 near METZ, France. When several casualties were sustained and the movement of his platoon hindered by sweeping fire from a well concealed enemy automatic weapon, Private RUTKOSKI, a member of a reconnaissance platoon, without hesitation volunteered to undertake the difficult mission of liquidating the enemy emplacement. Despite the great danger Private RUTKOSKI advanced alone over the exposed terrain, penetrated the enemy's position and succeeded in eliminating their strongpoint. His fearless audacious actions enabled his platoon to continue their planned withdrawal. His total disregard for personal safety and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class ALOSIUS SZCZEPANIAK, 36151298, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 November 1944 near AUCNY, France. When an enemy shell scored a direct hit on a vehicle containing two of our personnel, the heavy fire made it impossible for aid men to reach the occupants. Private SZCZEPANIAK, a medical transport driver, volunteered for the hazardous mission of evacuating the casualties. Braving the intense fire, Private SZCZEPANIAK, despite the great danger, reached the vehicle and succeeded in extricating the men from the wreckage, and by his courageous efforts raised the morale of the many soldiers who witnessed his gallant deed. His actions reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Michigan.

III--AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Silver Star previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named officer:

Captain HARRY M. SMITH, 0589495, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 August 1944 near CHARTRES, France. As company commander of Cannon Company, Captain SMITH manned a forward observation post near strong enemy positions in the outskirts of the city. As a result of accurate fire, directed by Captain SMITH, who not only remained exposed to enemy aerial bursts but to his own company's fire as well, tremendous casualties were inflicted on the enemy, a contributing factor in causing large numbers to surrender. His bravery and devotion to duty, calmness under fire and complete disregard for personal safety reflect distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

IV--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

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Major HENRY N. HOOVER, 0499013, Infantry, Headquarters, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain NICK POKRAJAC, 0380072, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 near LOINOT, France. Captain POKRAJAC was assigned the hazardous and difficult mission of supervising the ferrying of infantrymen in an assault crossing of the Moselle River. Under a heavy barrage of enemy artillery, mortar, tank and small arms fire, Captain POKRAJAC remained completely exposed and efficiently coordinated the assault crossing by our forces. When our forces were in need of ammunition and supplies, Captain POKRAJAC, still exposed to the intense fire supervised the ferrying of the needed supplies to the far shore and on the return trip skilfully and expertly supervised the evacuation of the wounded. His bravery and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Illinois.

Second Lieutenant QUENTIN S. JONES, 0138293, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 29 September 1944 in the vicinity of LONGEVILLE, France. During a heavy and concentrated enemy artillery barrage an enlisted man was stunned and buried by bursting shrapnel near his position. Lieutenant JONES, serving as platoon leader, without thought of personal safety and oblivious to the flying shrapnel crawled from the safety and protection of his fox hole over open terrain to the location of the buried soldier. Completely exposed to the intense fire and despite the great danger, Lieutenant JONES succeeded in extricating the enlisted man and then evacuating him to a place of comparative safety. His courageous and fearless determination undoubtedly saved the life of the buried soldier and acted as an inspiration to the men in the entire command. His bravery and indomitable courage reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from South Dakota.

Technical Sergeant EDWARD F. SKOWRONSKI, 15012818, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. When vital radio communications were imperative, Sergeant SKOWRONSKI, the battalion communication chief, succeeded in establishing a radio relay station from his artillery battalion to the forward observer across the Moselle River. Remaining completely exposed to a heavy barrage of enemy artillery fire for a period of 36 hours, Sergeant SKOWRONSKI personally operated the relay and succeeded in bringing a tremendous amount of artillery fire upon the enemy position. His technical skill, initiative, bravery and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant JOHN S. BALLING, 36018141, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 October 1944 near METZ, France. When Sergeant BALLING, a rifle squad leader in a determined attack against a strongpoint defending Fort Driant advanced under cover of darkness to a forward outpost, the squad was fired upon at a range of 75 yards by intense enemy automatic fire necessitating withdrawal. Discovering that five of the squad were missing, Sergeant BALLING, undeterred by the great danger, went forward in quest of the missing soldiers. Searching in the dark under the enemy fire Sergeant BALLING succeeded in locating his men, two of whom were wounded. Carefully lifting and carrying the two injured men Sergeant BALLING made his way back to comparative safety. His superior and intrepid leadership, his heroic determination, and his loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) ANDREW J. FAIR, 34706585, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 August 1944 near STAMPEES, France. Sergeant FAIR, a rifleman, was serving as a scout assigned the mission of recon-

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noitering the enemy's position and strength forward of our lines. When our assault forces attacked the enemy, Sergeant FAIR, disregarding personal safety and exposing himself to intense enemy automatic fire, succeeded in diverting the enemy's fire thereby enabling his squad to take protective cover. Due to the skill, initiative and courageous determination of Sergeant FAIR, our forces were able to obtain vital information as to the enemy's strength, gun dispositions and enemy outposts thereby assisting materially in the attack on the strategic city of STAMPESS. His personal bravery, cool determination and aggressive actions reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Alabama.

Staff Sergeant JOHN GABRIEL JR., 6345196, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 16th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 September 1944 near MARIBOULESS, France. When a firing battery area was subjected to a heavy enemy artillery barrage resulting in a number of casualties, Sergeant GABRIEL, chief of the medical detachment, without hesitation or thought of personal safety went to the aid of his wounded comrades. Sergeant GABRIEL remained in the exposed terrain administering medical aid to the casualties and then assisted in their evacuation to the battalion aid station. His courageous and heroic actions resulted in the saving of many lives and alleviating the sufferings of many of the injured men. His skill, initiative and unwavering devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) MARTIN STOEKL, 36201688, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 and 10 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. Sergeant STOEKL was serving in the capacity of squad leader, assisting in the supervision of a detail charged with the mission of ferrying infantrymen in an assault crossing of the Moselle River. Throughout this operation the crossing sites as well as the assault boats were subjected to heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. In spite of the hazards of this mission, Sergeant STOEKL continued with his assigned task and set an inspiring example to the other members of his squad, as well as the infantrymen. The personal heroism and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant STOEKL reflect credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Sergeant VIRGIL W. HAYNIE, 34834379, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 October 1944 near METZ, France. Sergeant HAYNIE was serving in the capacity of assistant squad leader in a fierce offensive against a strongly entrenched position in the vicinity of Fort Dabant. While his squad was proceeding forward, they came under intense enemy small arms fire, wounding two of the enlisted men and forcing the squad to withdraw to the command post for the purpose of regrouping. Realizing that the wounded had been left exposed in a field and certain members of the squad were still missing Sergeant HAYNIE, without hesitation and disregarding the heavy small arms fire from the enemy position only 75 yards away, boldly and aggressively went forward and succeeded in evacuating his wounded comrades to a place of safety and located the missing personnel. His bravery and fearless actions and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Georgia.

Sergeant (then Private) RICHARD D. MEREDITH, 6985782, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 August 1944 in the vicinity of MONTEREAU, France. When it became vitally necessary to obtain an antenna to establish radio communications, Sergeant MEREDITH, a member of an artillery forward observer section, without hesitation or thought of personal safety succeeded in infiltrating a distance of two miles through an area infested with the enemy. Securing the antenna, Sergeant MEREDITH, despite the danger from enemy small arms fire, succeeded in returning to the observation post, thus enabling essential radio communications to be again established between the forward observer and his artillery battalion. Sergeant MEREDITH's courage, calmness under fire and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

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Sergeant ORAL N. McMURPHY, 36103322, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 30 September 1944, near LONGUEVILLE-LES-CHEMINOT, France. Under a heavy and intermittent barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire, bursting shrapnel severed vital wire communications between the forward platoon and the battalion command post. Realizing the vital need for adequate communication between our forces Sergeant McMURPHY, a communication sergeant, with utter disregard for personal safety and working over exposed terrain under intense fire crawled to within a position 300 yards of the enemy's line and succeeded in again repairing the wire line and reestablishing essential wire communications between our forces. His bravery and courageous actions and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in complete accordance with the highest traditions of the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant ISHMAEL W. VELO, 6290902, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 October 1944 near METZ, France. During a fierce engagement with the enemy in the tunnels of Fort Driant, it became necessary that a sand bag barricade be erected to protect our position against the enemy. Disregarding the intense enemy fire from the opposite end of the tunnel and his personal safety, Sergeant VELO began the dangerous and difficult task of erecting and maintaining the barricade despite continuous enemy fire upon the position. The personal courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant VELO are in accord with the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Texas.

Technician Fourth Grade MAURICE R. HEIDISH, 33686473, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 September 1944 in the vicinity of BOUXIERIS, France. When a severely wounded casualty was observed lying in an exposed field under an intense barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire, Technician HEIDISH, a medical aid man, without hesitation and despite the great danger from enemy shrapnel went to the assistance of his wounded comrade. Remaining by the side of the casualty until dark Technician HEIDISH, with the aid of a litter, succeeded in evacuating his wounded comrade to a place of comparative safety. His bravery and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal (then Private First Class) DONALD H. DUNLAP, 31429919, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 December 1944 in the vicinity of BIERFORT, Luxembourg. Corporal DUNLAP was serving his unit in the capacity of a machine gunner in an offensive against strongly resisting enemy forces situated in a wooded area. Entering the woods and preparing to set up his weapon he came under heavy enemy fire. Despite the great danger and utterly exposed to the enemy fire, Corporal DUNLAP fearlessly and aggressively advanced upon the enemy's concealed strongpoint. Firing his weapon from the hip, Corporal DUNLAP succeeded in silencing the enemy's weapons and dispersing their soldiers. Corporal DUNLAP's heroic determination, bravery, and his cool-headed thinking in an emergency undoubtedly saved the lives of many of his comrades. His courageous actions and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Corporal KURT W. WALKER, 32905688, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 October 1944 near METZ, France. When it became essential that communications be maintained between our forces engaged in combat with the enemy at Fort Driant, Corporal WALKER, a messenger, braving the fire of enemy snipers dominating the open ground necessary for him to traverse, succeeded in negotiating 200 yards of exposed terrain and delivering the message, although in so doing, part of his equipment was shot away from his person. Corporal WALKER's utter disregard for personal safety, his cool-headed and courageous performance of duty assisted materially in the operations of our forces against the powerful fortification. His actions reflect great credit on himself and are in complete accordance with the highest traditions of the military forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

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Technician Fifth Grade HOWARD E. NIELSEN, 37669343, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 October 1944 near METZ, France. During a fierce engagement with the enemy in the tunnels of Fort Driant, it became necessary that a sand bag barricade be erected to protect our position against the enemy. Disregarding the intense enemy fire from the opposite end of the tunnel, and his personal safety, Technician NIELSEN began the dangerous and difficult task of erecting and maintaining the barricade despite continuous enemy fire upon the position. The personal courage and devotion to duty displayed by Technician NIELSEN are in accord with the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class LEE F. EULER, 38077802, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 December 1944 near BERDORF, Luxembourg. With our forces fiercely engaged in hand-to-hand combat in an attempt to clear the enemy from the town, Private EULER, a radio operator, realizing that radio communications were impossible from the interior of the dwelling being used as a command post, without hesitation or thought of personal safety, moved his radio into the street. Despite the danger from bursting enemy shrapnel and small arms fire Private EULER remained in his exposed position and continued to transmit excellent and essential radio communications to his battalion command post. His heroic and courageous actions aided immeasurably in the attaining of the battalion objective. Private EULER's indomitable courage, initiative and technical skill reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class THOMAS H. FULGHAM, 34876771, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 December 1944 near SAKLAUTEN, Germany. Following a fierce hand-to-hand engagement with the enemy in the town itself a concentration of enemy artillery severed essential wire lines running from the company command post to the forward elements. Realizing the vital importance of adequate communications and anticipating an enemy counterattack at dusk, Private FULGHAM, a wireman, without hesitation and with complete disregard for personal safety checked wire by edging his way down the open street flat on his back, dragging the wire across his chest to effect the necessary repairs. Finding three breaks in the wire line due to bursting shrapnel Private FULGHAM succeeded in again restoring essential wire communications between the two elements of our forces. His loyalty and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Mississippi.

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Private First Class WILLIAM H. McGRATH, 42103090, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 December 1944 near BERDORF, Luxembourg. Private McGRATH was serving in the capacity of an assistant machine gunner in an offensive against a strongly resisting enemy position situated in a wooded area. As he proceeded to set up his weapon our forces were fired upon by two enemy automatic weapons. Despite the great danger and oblivious to the enemy fire, Private McGRATH accompanied by the gunner, fearlessly and aggressively advanced upon the enemy gun emplacement, loading and feeding the weapon as the gunner fired a well directed and accurate burst, silencing the enemy's automatic weapons. Private McGRATH's heroism and bravery undoubtedly saved the lives of many of his comrades. His courageous actions and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from New Jersey.

V--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-15, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named officer:

Second Lieutenant ALLAN R. HUMASON, 01179110, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 December 1944 near ERMSDORF,

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Luxembourg. When an enemy plane bombed the dwelling, housing the battalion command post and officers' quarters, causing numerous casualties, Lieutenant HUMASON, himself suffering from severe shock, without hesitation or thought of personal safety began the rapid evacuation of the casualties from the debris. Efficiently organizing details, Lieutenant HUMASON succeeded in extinguishing the conflagration caused by the bomb. His bravery, indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty were the means of saving many lives and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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I---AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain (then First Lieutenant) **RAYMOND M. GALT**, 0518927, Medical Corps, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. Under an intense barrage of enemy artillery, mortar, and automatic fire, Lieutenant GALT, a battalion surgeon, led a detail of medical aid men, accompanying the assault element of our forces crossing the Moselle River. Despite the great danger from bursting shrapnel and automatic weapons fire, Lieutenant GALT remained completely exposed, efficiently supervising the evacuation of casualties from the bridgehead, and administering skilful and expert medical care to the wounded. His courageous actions and deep devotion to duty were an inspiration to his men and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Corps. Entered military service from Illinois.

Captain **WILLIAM S. YOCUM**, 0411238, Medical Corps, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. When heavy casualties were sustained following an assault crossing of the Moselle River, Captain YOCUM, the battalion surgeon, went forward under intense enemy artillery and small arm fire to administer medical care and to supervise the evacuation of the wounded across the river to a place of safety. Disregarding personal safety Captain YOCUM then supervised the movement of his aid station across 200 yards of open terrain and established a safe route of evacuation. His conspicuous courage and diligent efforts were the means of saving many lives, reflect great credit on himself, and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Corps. Entered military service from Indiana.

First Lieutenant **BERNARD J. CRONIN**, 01320435, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 6 to 15 September 1944 near VERNEVILLE, France. When three of his company commanders became casualties in succession, Lieutenant CRONIN, a platoon leader, assumed command and by his courageous leadership succeeded in reorganizing his company into an efficient fighting unit. Lieutenant CRONIN then spurred and encouraged his men on to greater effort, and although handicapped by numerous casualties, succeeded in attaining the company's objective. Under a concentrated barrage of their artillery the enemy attempted several fierce counterattacks which were repulsed due to Lieutenant CRONIN's intrepid actions. His courageous leadership, bravery, calmness under fire, and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant **GEORGE DUTKO**, 01178770, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 22 August 1944 in the vicinity of BUTTEAUX, France. Lieutenant DUTKO, serving as an artillery forward observer in support of an infantry unit, completely exposed to intense enemy artillery fire and sweeping small arms fire, succeeded in establishing his observation post on the flat open terrain before the village and neutralizing the fire of the enemy artillery, causing innumerable casualties and the surrender of approximately 50 enemy personnel, thus enabling the infantry forces to advance and seize the village of BUTTEAUX. His audacious determination, tenacity, and high technical skill are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant **VIRGIL B. BANKS**, 6842438, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 11 September 1944 to 17 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. Under intense enemy artillery fire, Sergeant BANKS,

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the battalion communication chief, maintained excellent and essential wire communications between the battalion command post and the brigade forces. Disregarding personal safety Sergeant BANKS succeeded in carrying alternate wire lines across the Moselle River. When wire supplies were needed at the forward command post, Sergeant BANKS, despite the great danger, succeeded in ferrying a $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehicle with the necessary equipment to the forward command post. Due to Sergeant BANKS' courageous efforts essential and excellent wire communications were maintained at all times. His bravery, skill and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant ARTHUR O. McGAHA, 15053497, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 22 August 1944 in the vicinity of LUTERPAUX, France. When several casualties were reported lying in an exposed position subjected to intense enemy fire, Sergeant McGAHA, a detachment sergeant, whose normal duties required his presence at the aid station undertook the hazardous mission of evacuating the wounded personnel. Braving the intense fire Sergeant McGAHA went forward and with the use of a medic transport succeeded in evacuating his comrades to the comparative safety of a battalion aid station. Engaged later in a similar mission Sergeant McGAHA was himself wounded. His heroic actions reflect great credit on himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade) ROBERT E. HARP, 6665939, Field Artillery 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 December 1944 in the vicinity of HILLER, Luxembourg. Sergeant HARP, a radio operator, despite heavy enemy automatic fire from strongpoints situated in two houses, ran forward and fired several rounds through the door of the first building capturing three of the enemy and using them as a shield. Sergeant HARP ran forward to the next house accompanied by four infantrymen. By tossing hand grenades into this house Sergeant HARP succeeded in capturing seventeen more of the enemy, and later assisted in the destruction of an automatic weapon concealed in a straw pile. Sergeant HARP's courage, initiative and leadership reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) FRED E. A. JACOBSON, 32893290, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 near LOUVIGNY, France. When the commanding officer was mortally wounded and the advance of our forces pinned down by intense automatic fire, Sergeant JACOBSON, a scout, disregarding personal safety carried messages, spurred the men forward, and by his courageous leadership inspired the men against heavy enemy opposition. During the attack Sergeant JACOBSON was himself wounded, but refused medical aid so as not to endanger the life of another. Despite his painful wound Sergeant JACOBSON was able to crawl to safety. His bravery and deep devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade) JOHN A. STEPHENS, 6669058, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 10 to 17 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. Sergeant STEPHENS was a member of a wire team given the difficult task of crossing the Moselle River with the assault element and establishing and maintaining wire communications to the forward command post. The group worked continuously for a seven day period with untiring energy, frequently under intense enemy artillery fire which continued to sever the wire lines to the forward command posts. Due to their courageous efforts, excellent and vital wire communications were maintained thereby enabling the advance battalion command post to communicate with higher and lower echelons. His utter disregard for personal safety, calmness under fire, technical skill and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on Sergeant STEPHENS and our armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade EDWIN BOWMAN, 6667350, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 10 to 17 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. Technician BOWMAN was a member of a wire team given the difficult task of crossing the Moselle River with the assault element and establishing and maintaining wire communications to the forward command post. The group worked continuously for a seven day period with untiring energy, frequently under intense enemy artillery fire which continued to sever the wire lines to the forward command

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post. Due to their courageous efforts, excellent and vital wire communications were maintained thereby enabling the advance battalion command post to communicate with higher and lower echelons. His utter disregard for personal safety, calmness under fire, technical skill and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on Technician BOWMAN and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade ERNEST G. MOORE, 15015268, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 10 to 15 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. Technician MOORE was a member of a wire team given the difficult task of crossing the Moselle River with the assault element and establishing and maintaining wire communications to the forward command post. The group worked continuously for a seven-day period with untiring energy, frequently under intense enemy artillery fire which continued to sever the wire lines to the forward command post. Due to their courageous efforts excellent and vital wire communications were maintained thereby enabling the advance battalion command post to communicate with higher and lower echelons. His utter disregard for personal safety, calmness under fire, technical skill and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on Technician MOORE and our armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class JAMES F. PICKERING, 15060492, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 10 to 17 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. Private PICKERING was a member of a wire team given the difficult task of crossing the Moselle River with the assault element and establishing and maintaining wire communications to the forward command post. The group worked continuously for a seven-day period with untiring energy, frequently under intense enemy artillery fire which continued to sever the wire lines to the forward command post. Due to their courageous efforts excellent and vital wire communications were maintained thereby enabling the advance battalion command post to communicate with the higher and lower echelons. His utter disregard for personal safety, calmness under fire, technical skill and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on Private PICKERING and our armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class WILSON VAUGHN, 7030717, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 10 to 17 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. Private VAUGHN was a member of a wire team given the difficult task of crossing the Moselle River with the assault element and establishing and maintaining wire communications to the forward command post. The group worked continuously for a seven-day period with untiring energy, frequently under intense enemy artillery fire which continued to sever the wire lines to the forward command post. Due to their courageous efforts excellent and vital wire communications were maintained thereby enabling the advance battalion command post to communicate with higher and lower echelons. His utter disregard for personal safety, calmness under fire, technical skill and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on Private VAUGHN and our armed forces. Entered military service from ILLINOIS.

Private First Class FERRELL T. PRICE, 37378441, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of ST JURE, France. When the advance of his platoon was pinned down by a concealed enemy automatic weapon dug in along a road, Private PRICE, an automatic rifleman, despite the great danger braved the sweeping automatic fire; went forward and with accurate fire succeeded in liquidating the enemy strongpoint. Then perceiving an enemy anti-tank weapon to his front Private PRICE still under intense fire again crawled forward and with accurate fire killed the enemy manning the weapon. His fearless actions resulted in the killing of 30 of the enemy and the capture of 30 more and enabled his platoon to continue its advance. His audacity, courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private (then Sergeant) JOHN C. TRICKEY, 15058264, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 10 to 17 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. Private TRICKEY, the battalion wire chief, was given the difficult task of crossing the Moselle River with the assault element and establishing and maintaining wire communications to the forward command post. The group worked continuously for a seven-day period with untiring energy, frequently under intense enemy artillery fire which continued to sever the wire lines to the forward

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command post. Due to their courageous efforts excellent and vital wire communications were maintained thereby enabling the advance battalion command post to communicate with higher and lower echelons. His utter disregard for personal safety, calmness under fire, technical skill and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on Private TRICKY and our armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

II--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class JOHN C. STEVENS, 31399928, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of SILLY EN SAULNOIS, France. Entered military service from Maine.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant LESTER C. EASTMAN, 0105046, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 August 1944 near PENAGE, France. While proceeding on his mission of convoying two motor vehicles through enemy infested territory, Lieutenant EASTMAN was suddenly confronted by an enemy automatic weapon set up in the center of the road. Accelerating his vehicle Lieutenant EASTMAN drove over the enemy weapon and gunner, destroying both. Later, upon encountering 6 to 8 enemy scout cars parked along the road, Lieutenant EASTMAN again accelerated his vehicle, weaving his way through the surprised enemy and inflicting casualties upon them with effective small arms fire. His courage, quick thinking, and audacious actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant EDWARD J. SLABA, 01234736, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 September 1944 in the vicinity of COE-SUR-SEILLE, France. When the forward elements of our forces were pinned down by sweeping enemy automatic fire to their front, Lieutenant SLABA, the company commander, without hesitation or thought of personal safety and completely exposed to the intense enemy artillery fire, left the protection of the battalion observation post, succeeded in crawling 200 yards forward, efficiently reorganized the platoon, restored confidence in the leaders and skilfully and fearlessly directed their actions, resulting in the annihilation of the enemy's concealed automatic strongpoint. His heroic determination, superior leadership and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Maryland.

Staff Sergeant GLEN E. MARTIN, 16012007, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 November 1944 near SAURY, France. Under a relentless barrage of enemy artillery an enlisted man was severely wounded in the chest. Sergeant MARTIN, a squad leader, observing his comrades plight and despite the great danger from bursting shrapnel, without hesitation or thought of personal safety moved to the position occupied by his wounded comrade and succeeded in carrying him through the intense fire to a place of comparative safety where medical aid could be quickly administered. His courageous actions, every thought and deep concern for the members of his squad reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant LEROY R. WYLER, 35003963, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 to 17 September 1944 near PACNY, France. When vital wire communications were needed by the bridgehead forces across the Moselle River, Sergeant WYLER, the regimental wire chief, despite the great danger and under intense enemy

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fire, succeeded in crossing the river by means of an assault boat and running the lines to the forward elements. On numerous occasions, Sergeant WYLER, still under intense enemy fire, succeeded in repairing essential wire lines severed by the bursting enemy shrapnel. His technical skill and indomitable courage enabled his regiment to maintain excellent wire communication to the bridgehead forces and reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Third Grade (then Technician Fourth Grade) LEWIS W. GOULD, 6916030, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 December 1944 in the vicinity of MULLERTHAL, Luxembourg. When three casualties were sustained under a heavy barrage of enemy artillery fire, Technician GOULD, a medical aid man, without hesitation, braved the intense enemy fire to go to the aid of his wounded comrades. Skillfully rendering first aid to two of the wounded men Technician GOULD then succeeded in evacuating them to a place of safety. Examination of the third casualty revealed him to be dead whereby Technician GOULD returned to his two wounded comrades and continued their further medical treatment. His conspicuous heroism exemplifies the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Third Grade ARNOLD H. LAZARUS, 13108371, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 December 1944 in the vicinity of SAARLAUTERN, Germany. When an enemy shell scored a direct hit on a moving vehicle severely wounding the driver, Technician LAZARUS, a medical aid man, accompanied by three other aid men, without hesitation left his place of security to evacuate the injured man. Oblivious to the flying shrapnel and disregarding personal safety, Technician LAZARUS assisted in extricating the casualty from the wreckage and removing him to a place of comparative safety. His bravery reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant DEB RAINS, 15056481, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 29 July 1944 to 17 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Third Grade KENNETH C. SCOTT, 31192108, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 December 1944 in the vicinity of SAARLAUTERN, Germany. When an enemy shell scored a direct hit on a moving vehicle severely wounding the driver, Technician SCOTT, a medical aid man, accompanied by three other aid men, without hesitation left his place of security to evacuate the injured man. Oblivious to the flying shrapnel and disregarding personal safety, Technician SCOTT assisted in extricating the casualty from the wreckage and removing him to a place of comparative safety. His bravery reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH BORNSTEIN, 31206614, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 December 1944 in the vicinity of SAARLAUTERN, Germany. When an enemy shell scored a direct hit on a moving vehicle severely wounding the driver, Technician BORNSTEIN, a medical aid man, accompanied by three other aid men, without hesitation left his place of security to evacuate the injured man. Oblivious to the flying shrapnel and disregarding personal safety, Technician BORNSTEIN assisted in extricating the casualty from the wreckage and removing him to a place of comparative safety. His bravery reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Technician Fourth Grade MARIO J. DeCARO, 31192001, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (M), United States Army.

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States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 December 1944 in the vicinity of SAARLAUTERN, Germany. When an enemy shell scored a direct hit on a moving vehicle wounding the driver, Technician DeCARO, a medical aid man, accompanied by three other aid men, without hesitation left his place of security to evacuate the injured man. Oblivious to the flying shrapnel and disregarding personal safety, Technician DeCARO assisted in extricating the casualty from the wreckage and removing him to a place of comparative safety. His bravery reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest tradition of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class) DAVID L. FEE, 33662170, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 December 1944 in the vicinity of COESDORF, Luxembourg. When the urgent necessity for medical aid arose in a supporting platoon during a fierce engagement with strongly resisting enemy forces, Technician FEE, a medical aid man, heedless of the intense enemy artillery and small arms fire falling in the area, dashed across 400 yards of open terrain to administer medical aid to the wounded. His heroic actions resulted in saving the lives of at least two men and alleviating the sufferings of many others. His distinct devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Virginia.

Corporal CARL M. PEDERSON, 16021131, Field Artillery, 16th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 22 December 1944 to 22 January 1945 in the vicinity of GILSDORF, Luxembourg. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade PETER P. DELGADO, 57218827, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 January 1945 near INGELLORF, Luxembourg. During a fierce engagement with strongly resisting enemy forces several casualties were sustained by our forces and left in an exposed position subjected to further enemy fire. Technician DELGADO, a medical aid man, without hesitation or thought of personal safety braved the intense enemy fire to go to the aid of three of his wounded comrades. By a series of short runs and falls Technician DELGADO succeeded in reaching each of his wounded comrades, skillfully rendering medical treatment, thereby alleviating their pain and saving their lives. His heroic actions exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Kansas.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private) WILLIAM D. KIRK, 14185297, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 September 1944 in the vicinity of LORRY, France. When bursting enemy shrapnel severed vital wire communications to the forward observers, Technician KIRK, a wireman, with utter disregard for personal safety braved the intense enemy fire and succeeded in running and maintaining three new wire lines from the fire direction center to the forward observers enabling them to adjust accurate fire upon the enemy's position thereby neutralizing his gun fire. His bravery, skill and calmness under fire reflect great credit on himself and the United States Army. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class BILL HUNDELEY, 35802728, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 January 1945 near BASTENICORF, Luxembourg. Our assault forces having attained their objective several enlisted men were wounded and left lying in an exposed position. Private HUNDELEY, a medical aid man, despite the great danger from sweeping enemy automatic fire, immediately went forward to administer medical aid to the casualties and then removed them to a place of comparative safety. During a lull in the attack Private HUNDELEY, still under intense enemy fire again went forward, assisting the wounded in a supporting platoon. His heroic actions which undoubtedly assisted in the saving of the lives of his comrades exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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IV.---AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named officer:

Second Lieutenant ROBERT SCHONFELD, O555163, Headquarters, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 1 January 1945 in Luxembourg.

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---AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL---Correction in General Orders. So much of Section General Orders No. 12, this headquarters, dated 14 February 1945, pertaining to "Private First Class JOHN H. LINGLEY, 31333365, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army," is corrected to read, "Private First Class JOHN H. LINGLEY, 31333365, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army."

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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers, warrant officer and enlisted men:

Major **PALPH L. NORLING**, 0336176, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 and 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When a battalion of our forces was isolated during a fierce engagement with strongly resisting enemy forces and in dire need of vital ammunition, food, and medical supplies, Major NORLING, an assistant G-4 acting as an observer, without hesitation undertook the hazardous mission of supplying the isolated element with their essential needs by air. Despite the great danger from intense antiaircraft fire and with shrapnel bursting all about him, Major NORLING made repeated trips at low altitude to effect resupply of the isolated unit. His utter disregard for personal welfare, indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Lieutenant **EUGENE E. SORNSEN**, 01170564, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 and 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When a battalion of our forces was isolated during a fierce engagement with strongly resisting enemy forces and in dire need of vital ammunition, food, and medical supplies, Lieutenant SORNSEN, a liaison pilot, without hesitation undertook the hazardous mission of supplying the isolated element with their essential needs by air. Despite the great danger from intense antiaircraft fire and with shrapnel bursting all about him, Lieutenant SORNSEN made repeated trips at low altitude to effect resupply of the isolated unit. His utter disregard for personal welfare, indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant **ROBERT M. TEDD**, 01182471, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 and 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When a battalion of our forces was isolated during a fierce engagement with strongly resisting enemy forces and in dire need of vital ammunition, food, and medical supplies, Lieutenant TEDD, a liaison pilot, without hesitation undertook the hazardous mission of supplying the isolated element with their essential needs by air. Despite the great danger from intense antiaircraft fire and with shrapnel bursting all about him, Lieutenant TEDD made repeated trips at low altitude to effect resupply of the isolated unit. His utter disregard for personal welfare, indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant **ROBERT M. WEBB**, 01172707, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 and 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When a battalion of our forces was isolated and in dire need of vital ammunition, food, and medical supplies, Lieutenant WEBB, an artillery air observer, without hesitation undertook the hazardous mission of supplying it by air. Despite the great danger from the intense antiaircraft fire, Lieutenant WEBB made repeated trips at low altitude to effect resupply of the isolated battalion. Due to the intense enemy fire on one of his flights, the pilot was wounded and the plane in which Lieutenant WEBB acted as observer was forced down. His indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

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First Lieutenant **ORLANDO D. WILLS**, 01176228, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 and 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When a battalion of our forces was isolated during a fierce engagement with strongly resisting enemy forces and in dire need of vital ammunition, food, and medical supplies, Lieutenant WILLS, a liaison pilot, without hesitation undertook the hazardous mission of supplying the isolated element with their essential needs by air. Despite the great danger from intense anti-aircraft fire and with shrapnel bursting all about him, Lieutenant WILLS made repeated trips at low altitude to effect resupply of the isolated unit. His utter disregard for personal welfare, indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Second Lieutenant **HAROLD W. ASHLEY**, 01180404, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 and 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When a battalion of our forces was isolated during a fierce engagement with strongly resisting enemy forces and in dire need of vital ammunition, food, and medical supplies, Lieutenant ASHLEY, a liaison pilot, without hesitation undertook the hazardous mission of supplying the isolated element with their essential needs by air. Despite the great danger from intense anti-aircraft fire and with shrapnel bursting all about him, Lieutenant ASHLEY made repeated trips at low altitude to effect resupply of the isolated unit. His utter disregard for personal welfare, indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Second Lieutenant **WILLIAM J. HENTHORN**, 01181905, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 and 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When a battalion of our forces was isolated during a fierce engagement with strongly resisting enemy forces and in dire need of vital ammunition, food, and medical supplies Lieutenant HENTHORN, an artillery observer, without hesitation undertook the hazardous mission of supplying the isolated element with their essential needs by air. Despite the great danger from intense anti-aircraft fire and with shrapnel bursting all about him, Lieutenant HENTHORN made repeated trips at low altitude to effect resupply of the isolated unit. His utter disregard for personal welfare, indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Second Lieutenant **HAROLD V. MOORE**, 01178573, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 and 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When a battalion of our forces was isolated during a fierce engagement with strongly resisting enemy forces and in dire need of vital ammunition, food, and medical supplies Lieutenant MOORE, an artillery observer, without hesitation undertook the hazardous mission of supplying the isolated element with their essential needs by air. Despite the great danger from intense anti-aircraft fire and with shrapnel bursting all about him, Lieutenant MOORE made repeated trips at low altitude to effect resupply of the isolated unit. His utter disregard for personal welfare, indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Arkansas.

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*Second Lieutenant **FRANK ASHLEY M. FINER**, 01172601, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 and 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When a battalion of our forces was isolated during a fierce engagement with strongly resisting enemy forces and in dire need of vital ammunition, food, and medical supplies, Lieutenant FINER, an artillery observer, without hesitation undertook the hazardous mission of supplying the isolated element with their essential needs by air. Despite the great danger from intense anti-aircraft fire and with shrapnel bursting all about him, Lieutenant FINER made repeated trips at low altitude to effect resupply of the isolated unit. His utter disregard for personal welfare, indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kansas.

Warrant Officer, Junior Grade, **HUBERT A. MCWHIRTER**, W-2411332, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 and 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When a battalion of our forces was isolated during a fierce engagement with strongly resisting enemy forces and in dire need of vital ammunition, food, and medical supplies, Warrant Officer McWhirter, without hesitation undertook the hazardous mission of supplying the isolated element with their essential needs by air. Despite the great danger from intense anti-aircraft fire and with shrapnel bursting all about him, Warrant Officer McWhirter made repeated trips at low altitude to effect resupply of the isolated unit. His utter disregard for personal welfare, indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kansas.

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on 8 and 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When a battalion of our forces was isolated during a fierce engagement with strongly resisting enemy forces and in dire need of vital ammunition, food, and medical supplies, Warrant Officer FLORENZ FELTS, an artillery observer, without hesitation undertook the hazardous mission of supplying the isolated element with their essential needs by air. Despite the great danger from intense antiaircraft fire and with shrapnel bursting all about him, Warrant Officer FLORENZ FELTS made repeated trips at low altitude to effect resupply of the isolated unit. His utter disregard for personal welfare, indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant MARION F. CABLE, 17056353, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 and 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When a battalion of our forces was isolated during a fierce engagement with strongly resisting enemy forces and in dire need of vital ammunition, food, and medical supplies, Sergeant CABLE, an artillery observer, without hesitation undertook the hazardous mission of supplying the isolated element with their essential needs by air. Despite the great danger from intense antiaircraft fire and with shrapnel bursting all about him, Sergeant CABLE made repeated trips at low altitude to effect resupply of the isolated unit. His utter disregard for personal welfare, indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kansas.

Staff Sergeant ALBERT R. DURN, 7040762, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 and 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When a battalion of our forces was isolated during a fierce engagement with strongly resisting enemy forces and in dire need of vital ammunition, food, and medical supplies, Sergeant DURN, an artillery observer, without hesitation undertook the hazardous mission of supplying the isolated element with their essential needs by air. Despite the great danger from intense antiaircraft fire and with shrapnel bursting all about him, Sergeant DURN made repeated trips at low altitude to effect resupply of the isolated unit. His utter disregard for personal welfare, indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant HENRY F. SZEPHENEC, 36019725, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 December 1944 near SAARLUTERN, Germany. Wounded by a bursting enemy hand grenade, Sergeant SZEPHENEC, a rifle squad leader, refused medical care and evacuation and continued to aggressively rally and encourage his squad in their efforts against the enemy's fierce counter-attack. His heroic and fearless actions and utter disregard for personal welfare although himself a casualty resulted in the repulse of the enemy's determined counter offensive with heavy losses to their personnel. Their counterattack repulsed, Sergeant SZEPHENEC then allowed himself to be evacuated to an aid station. His bravery and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant FREDIE TEBB, 36030764, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 and 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When a battalion of our forces was isolated during a fierce engagement with strongly resisting enemy forces and in dire need of vital ammunition, food, and medical supplies, Sergeant TEBB, an artillery observer, without hesitation undertook the hazardous mission of supplying the isolated element with their essential needs by air. Despite the great danger from intense antiaircraft fire and with shrapnel bursting all about him, Sergeant TEBB made repeated trips at low altitude to effect resupply of the isolated unit. His utter disregard for personal welfare, indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade CLAUDE K. ROSEN, 36154409, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of GOIN, France. When a radio operator was wounded during an attack to secure the high ground west of the town, Technician ROSEN, a radio operator, assumed his duties. Under the intense enemy barrage Technician ROSEN was himself

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rendered unconscious. Quickly recovering and realizing that his radio was not functioning properly, he contacted the artillery observer on his right flank and by interchanging parts with the other radio was able to operate his radio set in an efficient manner. By his technical skill, indomitable courage and utter disregard for personal safety the two artillery observers were able to communicate with the fire direction center thereby eliminating an enemy strongpoint. His bravery and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade MANLEY J. MOAN, 36206261, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of BOFFOT, France. During an assault crossing of the Moselle River Technician MOAN, totally disregarding his personal safety and under intense enemy artillery fire, succeeded in making innumerable crossings of the river carrying assault infantrymen, vital supplies of food, water and ammunition and evacuating casualties from the bridgehead. When extremely heavy enemy fire disorganized landing attempts during the initial phase of the operation, Technician MOAN single-handedly assembled a group of infantrymen and ferried them to the opposite shore. The heroic actions and invaluable services performed by Technician MOAN reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private ROBERT R. BRAUNBERNS, 35245479, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 December 1944 near BERLORF, Luxembourg. Under an intermittent enemy mortar barrage Private BRAUNBERNS, an ammunition bearer, was severely wounded by bursting shrapnel. Realizing his squad's weakness due to casualties Private BRAUNBERNS refused to report his painful wound. On the following two days Private BRAUNBERNS, disregarding his painful injury continued to perform his hazardous duties, and carried 60 pounds of ammunition through several attacks. Only when the platoon's mission had been accomplished did Private BRAUNBERNS finally consent to medical care and evacuation. His courageous determination reflects great credit on himself and is in keeping with the highest tradition of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

II--AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class MARVIN J. MUNDY, 7004726, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroism on 5 November 1944 in the vicinity of VITTONVILLE, France. When an immersion type heater caught on fire and resulted in an explosion enveloping the mess attendant in flames, Private MUNDY, a cannoneer, at the risk of his life succeeded in rolling the attendant on the ground thereby extinguishing the fire. His heroic actions resulted in the saving of a fellow soldier's life. His loyalty and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class CHARLES ALBRIGHT, 35152837, Field Artillery, 16th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 September 1944 near MARLEUILLES, France. When the battery area was subjected to an intense artillery bombardment resulting in the wounding of several enlisted men, Private ALBRIGHT, a cannoneer, without hesitation went to the aid of his wounded comrades. Braving the flying fragments Private ALBRIGHT assisted in administering necessary first aid treatment and then evacuated the wounded to a place of comparative safety. His courageous actions which undoubtedly assisted in the saving of his comrades' lives reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

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IV--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT GIBSON, 15046854, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 17 September 1944 near ARRY, France. When wire lines to the bridgehead forces were severed by enemy artillery and vital wire equipment was needed by forward elements, Technician GIBSON, a member of an artillery liaison section, disregarding the intense enemy fire succeeded in reestablishing the disrupted wire lines and delivering the essential wire supplies. Technician GIBSON, remaining completely exposed, continued his hazardous task for a seven day period and due in part to his courageous actions his artillery battalion was enabled to deliver accurate fire upon the enemy thereby repulsing five of their counterattacks. His loyalty and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

V--UNIT CITATION. Under the provisions of Section IV, Circular No. 333, War Department, 1943, the following units are cited:

Company E, 2d Infantry Regiment, 1st Section, 3d Platoon, Company H, 2d Infantry Regiment, and 1st Platoon, Company A, 735th Tank Battalion, for outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy:

The mission of Company E on 12 November 1944 was to cross the river Neid at SARRY-SUR-NEID, France, in the METZ sector, seize and hold the village of SARRY and the surrounding high ground thus protecting the bridge over the river Neid. The assigned mission was accomplished during the ensuing 24 hours in the face of a series of desperate furious counterattacks by a fanatical enemy determined to regain the village and eliminate the bridgehead at any cost. Crossing the river Neid and quickly clearing the village of SARRY of hostile forces, Company E, together with its supporting forces, took up defensive positions within the village and on the high ground surrounding it under heavy enemy artillery fire. Almost immediately, supported by intense artillery, mortar, and small arms fire and disregarding staggering losses to his personnel, the enemy launched the first of his series of futile counterattacks with an estimated strength of two companies. Battling fiercely and heroically against overwhelming odds, the personnel of Company E flung back no less than six counterattacks during the night and following day. At one time during the night, the enemy penetrated to within thirty yards of Company E's command post located in the village, but he was forced to withdraw by the stubborn unyielding resistance and indomitable courage of the personnel of Company E. Finally, his will to continue the struggle broken by the determination of purpose, esprit de corps, and extraordinary heroism of the officers and men of Company E, the enemy withdrew from the field of battle on the morning of 13 November 1944 and the success of the bridgehead was insured. Based on observations and statements of prisoners, it is estimated that the determined resistance of the defending troops cost the enemy 525 to 550 killed, wounded and captured and only remnants remained of all the units totalling an estimated strength of 700 to 750 men that participated in the six counterattacks. The actions of the personnel of Company E and its supporting units in successfully accomplishing their mission in the face of the heaviest odds are in accordance with the highest standards of the military service.

VI--ANNOUNCEMENT OF DIVISION SIGNAL OFFICER. Major JOHN T. NEWMAN, 024281, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, is announced as the Division Signal Officer, 5th Infantry Division.

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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class SALVATORE R. RAINONE, 32865701, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 29 July 1944 in the vicinity of VILLOUVILLE, France. When his gun section was displaced forward to perform a registration, Private RAINONE, a cannoneer, despite a heavy barrage of enemy observed artillery fire succeeded in accurately performing the necessary registration. Due in part to Private RAINONE's heroic efforts his battalion was enabled to obtain accurate adjusted data resulting in effective and precision artillery fire being delivered upon the enemy's position. Private RAINONE's courage, technical skill, calmness under fire, and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

II--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Major ROBERT C. CANADAY, 0345063, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 29 July 1944 in the vicinity of VILLOUVILLE, France. Under an intense barrage of heavy enemy artillery fire and with shells bursting within 50 yards of his position, Major CANADAY, battalion S-3, with utter disregard for personal safety and completely exposed to the enemy's view and fire remained at his forward position and supervised the registration of the gun which enabled the battalion to later support our infantry with accurate, massed fire. Major CANADAY's courage, devotion to duty and calmness under fire reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Major CHARLES F. STRUNK, 0397509, Field Artillery, 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 and 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When a battalion of our forces was isolated during a fierce engagement with strongly resisting enemy forces and in dire need of vital ammunition, food, and medical supplies, Major STRUNK, an artillery liaison pilot, undertook the hazardous mission of supplying the isolated element by air. Despite the great danger from intense enemy antiaircraft and automatic fire and with shrapnel bursting all about him Major STRUNK succeeded in making repeated trips at low altitude to effect resupply of the isolated unit. Major STRUNK's utter disregard for personal welfare, his indomitable courage, and his unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kansas.

Major HORACE E. TOWNSEND, 0205573, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 September 1944 in the vicinity of VERNIVILLE, France. After several days of continuous attack upon our forces, Major TOWNSEND, although himself physically exhausted, personally reorganized two companies who were holding a wooded sector. Disregarding personal safety and bursting enemy shrapnel, Major TOWNSEND moved from man to man, covering a distance of 1000 yards in order to encourage and inspire the depleted forces to maintain their bitterly contested location. His heroism and bravery was an example greatly needed at that time, and resulted in the companies holding firm their position. Major TOWNSEND's fearless leadership reflects distinct credit on himself and our

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armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain EDWARD P. DOWNING, 0394242, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 January 1945 near GILLESBORF, Luxembourg. During a heavy bombardment by enemy artillery in the area occupied by his battery Captain DOWNING, the battery commander, left his place of cover for the purpose of taking a shelling report in the impact area. Despite the great danger from bursting shrapnel, Captain DOWNING, with utter disregard for his personal welfare remained in an exposed position, succeeded in taking an azimuth with a prismatic compass and transmitted the location of the enemy guns to his battalion fire direction center. His courageous actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

S Captain KARL KITTSTEIN, JR., 01170808, Field Artillery, Interrogation Prisoner of War Team # 19, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 22 November 1944 to 1 December 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. During the attack on the fortifications surrounding the city of METZ, Captain KITTSTEIN, commander of a Prisoner of War Interrogation Team, undertook the hazardous mission of convincing the fort commanders of the untenability of their position. Without prior arrangement with the enemy Captain KITTSTEIN, braving the bursting shrapnel and concealed mine fields, strode over the exposed terrain to the individual fortifications and succeeded in convincing the fortification commanders of the hopelessness of their situation. Shortly thereafter, the several garrisons capitulated resulting in the surrender of hundreds of their soldiers. His courageous actions reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) CLARK WESLEY, 0413117, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 29 July 1944 in the vicinity of VIDOUVILLE, France. Under an intense barrage of enemy artillery fire and with shells bursting within fifty yards of his position, Captain WESLEY, a battery commander, with utter disregard for personal safety, remained at his forward exposed position under enemy observation to obtain the valuable adjusted data of registration which permitted the battalion to support our infantry with accurate massed fire. Captain WESLEY's skill, calmness under fire, outstanding courage and deep devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant PETE BOVE, 01821540, Infantry, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 18 July 1944 to 20 July 1944 near ST LO, France. When the company commander was killed, Lieutenant BOVE serving as platoon leader, 1st platoon, immediately assumed command and efficiently continued to direct the activities of his company assisting an infantry task force in the attack on the strategic city of ST LO. Lieutenant BOVE, despite the great danger from intense enemy fire, succeeded in making a foot reconnaissance and with his tank destroyers placing accurate and effective fire upon the enemy's position. Lieutenant BOVE then informed our artillery as to the exact location of the enemy's dug in self-propelled weapons and artillery positions and our artillery was enabled to deliver accurate counterbattery fire upon the enemy. His courageous actions exemplify the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from New Mexico.

First Lieutenant JOHN K. WALSH, 01169813, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 5th Division Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 and 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When a battalion of our forces was isolated during a fierce engagement with strongly resisting enemy forces and in dire need of vital ammunition, food, and medical supplies, Lieutenant WALSH, an artillery liaison pilot, undertook the hazardous mission of supplying the isolated element by air. Despite the great danger from intense enemy antiaircraft and automatic fire and with shrapnel bursting all about him Lieutenant WALSH succeeded in making repeated trips at low altitude to effect resupply of the isolated unit. Lieutenant WALSH's utter disregard for personal welfare, his indomitable courage, and his unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

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Second Lieutenant JOHN J. WAMPLER JR., 0152738, Cavalry, 5th Reconnaissance Troop (Mech), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of MICHELAU, Luxembourg. Lieutenant WAMPLER, a platoon leader, leading a 3 man patrol succeeded in capturing a delaying force composed of one officer and 7 enemy soldiers. He then proceeded into the town itself, the patrol still under intense enemy automatic fire, surprised and captured 20 more of the enemy. Lieutenant WAMPLER then successfully forced the prisoners to cross the exposed area, returning them to a prisoner of war enclosure. His conspicuous bravery resulted in the capture of 28 of the enemy and again allowed our forces to advance. His actions reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

Technical Sergeant CLAUD W. GARNER JR., 6291257, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 October 1944 near METZ, France. When our forces were in dire need of ammunition and supplies during an attack upon a powerful enemy fortification, Sergeant GARNER, a reconnaissance sergeant, without hesitation or thought of personal safety undertook the hazardous task of leveling the trail leading to our forward elements. Completely exposed to intense enemy fire Sergeant GARNER voluntarily mounted the top of a tank dozer and fearlessly directed the driver in the operation of the vehicle. His dauntless actions contributed materially to the construction of a road leading to the forward elements enabling an adequate flow of supplies to be maintained. His courageous and intrepid actions reflect great credit on himself and the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Colorado.

Staff Sergeant VIRGIL GWIN, 6666137, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 29 July 1944 in the vicinity of VIDOUVILLE, France. When his gun section was displaced forward to perform a registration, Sergeant GWIN, the assistant executive, despite a heavy barrage of enemy observed artillery fire succeeded in accurately performing the necessary registration. Due in part to Sergeant GWIN's heroic efforts his battalion was enabled to obtain accurate adjusted data resulting in effective and precision artillery fire being delivered upon the enemy's position. Sergeant GWIN's courage, technical skill, calmness under fire, and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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~~Staff Sergeant HARRY C. HARTWIG, 37272153, Infantry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 January 1945 in the vicinity of HOSCHELD, Luxembourg. When the platoon leader's tank was immobilized due to intense enemy artillery fire, Sergeant HARTWIG, a tank platoon sergeant, assumed command of the two remaining tanks and completed the platoon's mission of clearing the enemy from the town. Disregarding personal safety Sergeant HARTWIG on three separate occasions dismounted from his tank to make a personal reconnaissance for targets and by his fearless actions enabled his platoon to destroy two enemy self-propelled 75mm guns and probably damage a third. His intrepid leadership and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Minnesota.~~

Sergeant JOHN R. PAWASZUSKAS, 31191222, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (A), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 January 1945 near ERLSDORF, Luxembourg. Although painfully wounded when an enemy artillery barrage landed in the vicinity of his gun section, Sergeant PAWASZUSKAS, chief of section, refused medical aid or evacuation and continued to efficiently coordinate the activities of his section. Remaining fully exposed to the intense shelling Sergeant PAWASZUSKAS efficiently directed his men in the manning of their weapon and insisted that the other wounded be administered medical care before consenting to treatment. His courage, bravery and calmness under fire and his deep concern for his comrades reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Sergeant JOHN H. YATES, 6660073, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 29 July 1944 in the vicinity of VIDOUVILLE, France. When his gun section was displaced forward to perform a registration, Sergeant YATES, chief of section, despite a heavy barrage of enemy observed artillery fire succeeded in accurately performing the necessary registration. Due in part to Sergeant YATES' heroic efforts his battalion was

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enabled to obtain accurate adjusted data resulting in effective and precision artillery fire being delivered upon the enemy's position. Sergeant YATES' courage, technical skill, calmness under fire and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fourth Grade CHESTER W. LINDEMAN, 36076501, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 September 1944 near MARIEULLES, France. When several rounds of enemy shells fell in the vicinity of the battery position during a concentrated enemy barrage, severely wounding several enlisted men, Technician LINDEMAN, although wounded in both arms and legs by the flying fragments, without hesitation or thought of personal safety assisted in evacuating his wounded comrades. Despite his great pain Technician LINDEMAN assisted his two comrades into a $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehicle and successfully evacuated them to a place of comparative safety. His heroic and courageous determination undoubtedly saved the injured men from death or further injury and saved the vehicle from damage. His valiant actions and cool-headed thinking in an emergency acted as an inspiration to the men in the entire battery and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal (then Private) BERNARD F. HOSTETTER, 35729080, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 September 1944 near MARIEULLES, France. When his chief of section became a casualty during an intense enemy bombardment, Corporal HOSTETTER, a cannoneer, despite the great danger from bursting shrapnel immediately assumed command of the section. Corporal HOSTETTER, still exposed to the fire, notified the battery commander of the casualties and skilfully assisted in the administration of medical attention and evacuation of his wounded comrades. Efficiently coordinating the operation of his gun crew with able reinforcements from other batteries, he enabled it to continue to perform as an effective part of the firing battery. His bravery, skill, calmness under fire and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Corporal IRA R. WIGGINS, 6666148, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 29 July 1944 in the vicinity of VIDOUVILLE, France. When his gun section was displaced forward to perform a registration, Corporal WIGGINS, a gunner, despite a heavy barrage of enemy observed artillery fire succeeded in accurately performing the necessary registration. Due in part to Corporal WIGGINS' heroic efforts his battalion was enabled to obtain accurate adjusted data resulting in effective and precision artillery fire being delivered upon the enemy's position. Corporal WIGGINS' courage, technical skill, calmness under fire and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class ORLANDO T. LUCERO, 38217986, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 December 1944 near HULLENTHAL, Luxembourg. When the forward advance of our forces were pinned down by concealed enemy automatic fire, Private LUCERO, a rifleman, voluntarily and without thought of personal safety assumed the task of liquidating the strong-point. Crawling to within 10 yards of the enemy position Private LUCERO hurled a smoke grenade within the gun emplacement. His heroic action forced the enemy to disperse and silenced their weapons. Private LUCERO then succeeded in killing three of the enemy and assisted in the killing of the remainder of the crew. His bravery and aggressiveness enabled our forces to again advance and attain their objective. His zealous devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and the military service of the United States. Entered military service from New Mexico.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain MARTIN V. CONDE, 01017840, Infantry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 January 1945 near DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. Under an intense

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barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire Captain CONDE, a tank commander, with utter disregard for personal safety fearlessly directed the activities of his command by radio from a 4-ton vehicle. Dismounting from his vehicle to make a personal reconnaissance of the difficult terrain, Captain CONDE unexpectedly came upon a concealed enemy emplacement occupied by 13 of the enemy. Despite the great danger Captain CONDE, armed only with his side arm, forced the surrender of the entire group. His conspicuous courage and aggressive actions assisted materially in the attainment of the battalion's objective and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Captain WALTER A. DANIEL, 0388514, Medical Corps, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 31 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Lieutenant LEPOY S. GUY, 01625210, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 28 to 29 November 1944 in Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

First Lieutenant DALE V. ORFF, 01285484, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 September 1944 near AMANVILLERS, France. When a number of vehicles were left behind the enemy lines following a fierce engagement, Lieutenant ORFF, the executive officer, volunteered for the hazardous mission of evacuating the vehicles and other abandoned equipment. Despite the danger from intense enemy fire and anti-personnel mines, Lieutenant ORFF accompanied by an enlisted man made six trips during the night into the enemy lines and succeeded in evacuating six motor vehicles to the comparative safety of our lines. His courageous actions were the means of saving the government much valuable and irreplaceable equipment. His conspicuous bravery exemplifies the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Minnesota.

First Lieutenant ALBERT E. BRENDERCAST, 01594398, Quartermaster Corps, 5th Quartermaster Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 October 1944 to 31 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Technical Sergeant LLOYD O. FEVEY, 39078074, Infantry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 1 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kansas.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) HARRY W. PUMBIL, 15055055, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 September 1944 near AMANVILLERS, France. When a number of vehicles were left behind the enemy lines following a fierce engagement, Sergeant PUMBIL, the assistant squad leader, volunteered for the hazardous mission of evacuating the vehicles and other abandoned equipment. Despite the danger from intense enemy fire and anti-personnel mines, Sergeant PUMBIL accompanied by an officer made six trips during the night into the enemy lines and succeeded in evacuating six motor vehicles to the comparative safety of our lines. His courageous actions were the means of saving the government much valuable and irreplaceable equipment. His conspicuous bravery exemplifies the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered the military service from Ohio.

Sergeant OSCAR C. ANDERSON, 17003166, Infantry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 January 1945 near WOSCHELDORFLOKT, Luxembourg. When a round of ammunition became jammed in his heavy tank weapon, Sergeant ANDERSON, the tank commander, despite the great danger from bursting enemy shrapnel and sweeping automatic fire dismounted from the tank and completely exposed to the intense enemy fire succeeded with the aid of a round extractor in removing the ruptured round from the gun chamber. His courageous actions enabled his tank to continue in combat and accomplish its mission, and served as an inspiration to the entire command. His conspicuous bravery exemplifies the highest traditions of the

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military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

Sergeant ROWAN G. BEHNER, 36101495, Corps of Military Police, Military Police Platoon, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant GORMAN D. FRIEZE, 6913341, Corps of Military Police, Military Police Platoon, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of PAGNY SUR MOSELLE, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant JEROME J. NEUMAN, 35019178, Corps of Military Police, Military Police Platoon, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant CLAUDE L. WEST, 15063481, Corps of Military Police, Military Police Platoon, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technician Fourth Grade STEPHEN J. KOWATCH, 36101613, Cavalry, 5th Reconnaissance Troop (Mech), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal JAMES H. THOMPSON, 32267603, Corps of Military Police, Military Police Platoon, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. Entered military service from Delaware.

Private First Class EARL H. ATWATER, 31134893, Corps of Military Police, Military Police Platoon, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of PONT A MOUSSON, France. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class JOSEPH W. SHERFEY, 33450837, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 January 1945 near ENCHINGRE, Luxembourg. During a fierce and determined enemy counterattack a number of our casualties were left lying in an exposed position. Private SHERFEY, a medical aid man, with utter disregard for personal safety and the intense enemy automatic fire immediately went forward over the exposed terrain and, moving from man to man, succeeded in administering necessary medical treatment to many of his wounded comrades. His conspicuous courage and deep concern for his fellow soldiers exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

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~~* Private DALE B. YOUNG, 35876991, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 January 1945 near ENCHINGRE, Luxembourg. When the advance of our forces was pinned down by intense automatic and small arms fire from a concealed enemy emplacement, Private YOUNG, a rifleman, volunteered to accompany his platoon sergeant in the perilous task of liquidating the enemy strongpoint. While his platoon sergeant went forward, Private YOUNG succeeded in infiltrating to the rear of the enemy position and with accurate and effective fire captured two enemy riflemen and an automatic weapons crew with its weapons. His fearless actions enabled our forces to again proceed and attain their objective. His conspicuous heroism exemplifies the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.~~

IV--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL--Correction in General Orders. So much of Section II, General Orders No. 12, this headquarters, 14 February 1945, pertaining to Major (then Captain) JOHN W. HERNUNDE, JR., 0380062, Corps of Engineers, 7th

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OK Engineer Battalion, United States Army, as reads, "For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 September 1944 in the vicinity of MARIEULLES, France. Entered military service from Michigan." is corrected to read, "For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 2 November 1944 to 25 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois."

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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant BENJAMIN RUGG, 01291907, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 26 July 1944 to 1 August 1944 near VIDOUVILLE, France. When his company's position became desperate due to severe casualties and heavy enemy pressure on the left flank, Lieutenant RUGG, the company commander, disregarding his personal safety and the intense enemy fire immediately went forward to efficiently reorganize his unit. Fearlessly braving the enemy fire Lieutenant RUGG went among his men bolstering their spirits and spurring and encouraging them in their efforts. His intrepid leadership enabled our forces to hold their objective and accomplish their mission. His calm determination and conspicuous bravery exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant SALVATORE M. DETESO, 31135772, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 December 1944 in the vicinity of MULLERTHAL, Luxembourg. When his platoon was pinned down by intense mortar and small arms fire emanating from a well concealed enemy emplacement, Sergeant DETESO, an assistant squad leader, despite the great danger and upon his own volition undertook the perilous task of liquidating the strongpoint. Advancing under sweeping automatic fire Sergeant DETESO dauntlessly hurled two grenades into the enemy emplacement wounding four of the enemy and silencing their weapon. Then with a borrowed automatic rifle Sergeant DETESO succeeded in capturing one of the enemy and inflicting further casualties on the remainder. His conspicuous heroism exemplifies the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT ROSEMAN, 36076644, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 September 1944 near LORRY, France. Though painfully wounded Technician ROSEMAN a medical aid man refused proffered medical aid and despite the great danger from bursting shrapnel continued his hazardous duties of administering medical care to his wounded comrades. His courageous actions resulted in the saving of the lives of two of the casualties and alleviated the sufferings of many more. Only when all possible aid had been administered to his wounded comrades did Technician ROSEMAN submit to medical treatment. His conspicuous heroism and continuance in his mission of mercy though himself wounded exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class (then Private) WILLIE CONTRERAS, 38031022, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 December 1944 near BRIENWEILER, Luxembourg. When the forward advance of his platoon was pinned down by sweeping concealed automatic fire, Private CONTRERAS, a rifleman, with utter disregard for personal safety went forward over exposed terrain and succeeded in delivering accurate enfilade fire from a flanking position upon the enemy's gun emplacement. By his heroic actions he succeeded in silencing the enemy weapon and forcing the surrender of four of the enemy together with their automatic weapon. His conspicuous bravery, cool determination and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class LESTER OWENS, 15059917, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 and 20 January 1945 in the vicinity of GILSDORF, Luxembourg. Under an intense barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire Private OWENS, a medical transport driver, together with

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his assistant driver volunteered to evacuate several casualties from a bridgehead on the Sauer River. Despite the great danger from bursting shrapnel and although advised that the bridgehead was being evacuated Private OWENS, disregarding personal safety, succeeded in making several trips under fire across the river and evacuating his wounded comrades to a place of comparative safety. His indomitable courage undoubtedly saved the lives of the wounded men, reflects great credit upon himself and is in accord with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private LUTHER M. BIRKHEAD, 13032769, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 and 20 January 1945 in the vicinity of GILSDORF, Luxembourg. Under an intense barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire Private BIRKHEAD, an assistant driver, together with a medical transport driver volunteered to evacuate several casualties from a bridgehead on the Sauer River. Despite the great danger from bursting shrapnel and although advised that the bridgehead was being evacuated Private BIRKHEAD, disregarding personal safety, succeeded in making several trips under fire across the river and evacuating his wounded comrades to a place of comparative safety. His indomitable courage undoubtedly saved the lives of the wounded men, reflects great credit upon himself and is in accord with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Virginia.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers, warrant officer and enlisted men:

Major HENRY G. METZGER, 0325958, Quartermaster Corps, 5th Quartermaster Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 28 August 1944 to 30 November 1944 in France. Entered military service from Ohio.

Second Lieutenant HOWARD H. FROMENT, 01018559, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mech), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 January 1945 near CONSTRUM, Luxembourg. Lieutenant FROMENT, a platoon leader, was assigned the perilous mission of securing and clearing the town of the enemy. Deciding on a bold ruse, Lieutenant FROMENT, disregarding personal safety and without prior arrangements, succeeded in entering the town by waving a flag of truce. Convincing the numerically superior enemy of the hopelessness of their situation, Lieutenant FROMENT caused the surrender of the enemy force. Lieutenant FROMENT then skillfully employed his small group and succeeded in forcing the capitulation of the enemy in an adjacent town. Due to his courageous actions two vital places were secured together with 32 of the enemy without a casualty to our forces. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Chief Warrant Officer ROBERT V. WILSON, W-2111336, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 June 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

Master Sergeant DONALD J. BARTH, 16008461, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 2 July 1944 to 5 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Master Sergeant CLEAVE COZANT, 6654023, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 June 1944 to 31 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technical Sergeant FOREST J. BOWDEN, 36101579, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 31 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Technical Sergeant JAMES H. LITTLE, 6768363, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Colorado.

Staff Sergeant MILTON L. JACKSON, E0811399, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 August 1944 to 15 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Texas.

Technician Fourth Grade RAY A. BATTEN, 36151006, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade JOE SALL, 36151091, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal (then Private) WILLIAM R. CRAIG, 6912594, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mech), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 September 1944 near ARRY, France. Corporal CRAIG was a member of a reconnaissance patrol assigned the hazardous mission of probing enemy strength and gun positions and securing prisoners for the purpose of interrogation. Disregarding personal safety and intense enemy fire Corporal CRAIG personally went forward and succeeded in capturing two members of an enemy anti-tank rocket launcher team. Still under enemy fire Corporal CRAIG then succeeded in crossing the open terrain and safely delivering his prisoners to the rear for immediate interrogation. His heroic determination and zealous devotion to duty assisted materially in the accomplishment of the mission and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade PAUL F. BEAUREGARD, 36103556, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 February 1945 in the vicinity of BOLLENLORF, Luxembourg. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade ARTHUR CARLSON, 36017317, Quartermaster Corps, 5th Quartermaster Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade FRANK J. W. SOLASKUS, 36151070, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

III--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant FREDERICK R. FIELD JR., 36150598, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mech), United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 October 1944 to 31 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

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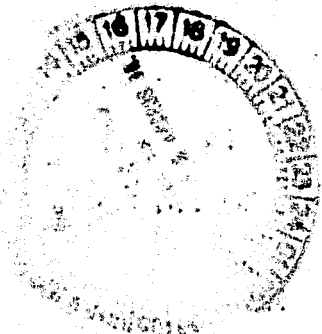
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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant **HARRY C. HARTWIG**, 37272153, Infantry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 January 1945 in the vicinity of **HOSCHIED**, Luxembourg. When the platoon leader's tank was immobilized due to intense enemy artillery fire, Sergeant **HARTWIG**, a tank platoon sergeant, assumed command of the two remaining tanks and completed the platoon's mission of clearing the enemy from the town. Disregarding personal safety Sergeant **HARTWIG** on three separate occasions dismounted from his tank to make a personal reconnaissance for targets and by his fearless actions enabled his platoon to destroy two enemy self-propelled 75mm guns and probably damage a third. His intrepid leadership and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Minnesota.

II--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain (then First Lieutenant) **THEODORE M. SIEGRIST**, 0429884, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 30 July 1944 near **VIDOUVILLE**, France. When his battalion was in need of vital information relative to the enemy's strength and position forward of our lines, Captain **SIEGRIST**, the battalion's S-2, without hesitation or thought of personal safety volunteered for the hazardous mission of leading a reconnaissance patrol into the enemy held country. Fearlessly, Captain **SIEGRIST** led the patrol 2,000 yards forward of our advance outpost and succeeded in obtaining the necessary information as to the enemy's position and began his return to his own lines by means of a $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehicle. Proceeding towards our lines under a heavy barrage of enemy artillery the vehicle struck a mine, severely injuring Captain **SIEGRIST** and disabling the vehicle. Refusing medical care or evacuation Captain **SIEGRIST** proceeded on foot and conveyed the necessary information which enabled our forces to again advance. His heroic actions, courage and unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of our military forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant **JOHN A. ROGERS**, 01176488, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 January 1945 in the vicinity of **MEFERNACH**, Luxembourg. Under an intense barrage of enemy artillery and with shrapnel bursting within 10 yards of his exposed position Lieutenant **ROGERS**, the battery executive officer, despite the great danger continued to remain in his exposed position and calmly and efficiently secured a "shell report." His skill, initiative and courageous actions enabled our artillery to deliver accurate, effective and precision counterbattery fire upon the enemy position. His utter disregard for personal safety, bravery and unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

First Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant) **LAWRENCE E. PIERCE**, 35152817, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 January 1945 near **NEPELDANGE**, Luxembourg. When the enemy attempted a fierce counterattack with automatic weapons upon our position, Sergeant **PIERCE**, a weapons

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platoon sergeant, disregarding personal safety retrieved an automatic weapon and fearlessly remained in position firing at the oncoming enemy. Heroically continuing in his exposed position Sergeant PIERCE succeeded in killing a charging enemy automatic weapons team within thirty feet of his position. His courageous and intrepid actions resulted in a repulse of the fanatical enemy counterattack and again enabled our forces to resume the offensive. His bravery and unswerving devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Sergeant KENNETH B. BRENNIN, 37272101, Infantry, 73rd Tank Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 January 1945 in the vicinity of ROSCHELD, Luxembourg. Though his tank was struck by heavy enemy artillery fire immobilizing it, Sergeant BRENNIN, the tank commander, continued to direct accurate and effective tank fire on the enemy's entrenched positions. When his tank was again struck by the intense fire forcing the crew to evacuate, Sergeant BRENNIN, despite the great danger, returned to the tank over exposed terrain in an attempt to evacuate it to a place of safety. Finding the tank completely disabled Sergeant BRENNIN took command of another tank and returned to the battle. His courageous efforts enabled his battalion to accomplish its mission and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Corporal ALEXANDER J. PAVIN, 36019815, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 January 1945 in the vicinity of MEDERNACH, Luxembourg. Under an intense barrage of enemy artillery and with shrapnel bursting within 10 yards of his exposed position Corporal PAVIN, an ammunition corporal, despite the great danger continued to remain in his exposed position and calmly and efficiently secured a "shell report." His skill, initiative and courageous actions enabled our artillery to deliver accurate, effective and precision counterbattery fire upon the enemy position. His utter disregard for personal safety, bravery and unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant ROBERT J. BARNETT, 01311087, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 5 to 9 November 1944 near LONGUEVILLE, France. Lieutenant BARNETT, a platoon leader, was assigned the hazardous mission of leading patrols across the Seille River for the purpose of probing the enemy's strength and defensive positions. Working under cover of darkness and under enemy fire Lieutenant BARNETT succeeded in crossing the flooded and icy river by means of an assault boat on four consecutive nights. His courageous and intrepid actions and careful reconnaissance assisted materially in the establishment of a bridgehead thereby enabling our forces to attain their objective. His superior leadership, bravery and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant LEON A. HANKINS, 7032464, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 September 1944 near VERNEVILLE, France. When our forward advance was temporarily halted by intense enemy automatic, mortar and artillery fire, Sergeant HANKINS, a mortar squad leader, without hesitation volunteered to assist an automatic weapons gunner man his weapon against the enemy. Remaining in his exposed position Sergeant HANKINS fearlessly directed accurate fire upon the enemy thereby enabling the platoon to maneuver to a place of security. His heroic actions and intrepid leadership assisted materially in the saving of many lives. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade) WILLIAM A. POWERS, 35100910, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 September 1944 near VERNEVILLE, France. When his company was in dire need of vital ammunition and other supplies, Sergeant POWERS, an armorer artificer, undertook the hazardous mission of supplying the forward elements by means of a $\frac{1}{4}$ ton vehicle and trailer. Driving through bursting shrapnel and intense enemy artillery, Sergeant POWERS operated his vehicle with his hands while leaning out of the vehicle to afford all possible cover and succeeded in reinforcing his unit with the essential supplies. His courageous and intrepid actions, utter disregard for personal safety and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant HERBERT SCHLIMBACH, 36017030, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 October 1944 near METZ, France. Under a barrage of enemy artillery Sergeant SCHLIMBACH, a squad leader, with utter disregard for personal safety led a patrol in a reconnaissance of enemy held positions directly to his front. Locating and plotting several mine fields and anti-personnel traps Sergeant SCHLIMBACH succeeded in returning to his command post with the vital information. His intrepid and superior leadership aided materially in keeping our casualties to a minimum and insured the safety of our mechanized equipment. His indomitable courage and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant LAURIE W. STOBIE, 36108992, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of ST JURE, France. Under a heavy barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire Sergeant STOBIE, a mortar section leader, fearlessly and without thought of personal safety led his section through an enemy mine field to bring accurate and effective mortar fire upon the enemy position. Due in part to his courageous and intrepid actions his section was able to destroy an enemy automatic weapon emplacement and inflict further casualties upon enemy personnel in adjacent strongpoints. His superior leadership and unswerving devotion to duty again allowed our forces to advance and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant FREDERICK J. DEJANOVICH, 36150935, Quartermaster Corps, 5th Quartermaster Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant DALE F. LEACH, 37153406, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 January 1945 in the vicinity of GRALINGEN, Luxembourg. When a group of the enemy was observed in his sector, Sergeant LEACH, a tank destroyer commander, disregarding the intense enemy artillery fire, dismounted from his vehicle to make a personal reconnaissance and to better observe and direct fire upon the enemy thereby enabling his tank destroyer to inflict heavy casualties upon them. Repeating his heroic act later that day, Sergeant LEACH succeeded in delivering accurate and effective fire upon several enemy vehicles resulting in a total destruction of two tanks, a half-track and an anti-tank weapon. His indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

Sergeant GERALD E. WOOD, 36103513, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 17 December 1944 to 21 December 1944 in the vicinity of SAARLAUTERN, Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade TOROM KETEVIAN, 36124366, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 25 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Corporal LEWIS A. LOWRY, 37152900, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 January 1945 in the vicinity of GRALINGEN, Luxembourg. With his vehicle under enemy observation and heavy artillery fire Corporal LOWRY, a tank destroyer gunner, disregarding personal safety remained at his gun position and continued to deliver accurate and precision fire upon the enemy. Due to Corporal LOWRY'S courageous actions and gunnery skill, he was able to complete the destruction of four enemy tanks, two anti-tank weapons and two half-tracks and approximately sixty of the enemy soldiers. His bravery and distinct devotion to duty assisted materially in the attainment of our forces objective and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Private First Class DON CESSNA, 36019748, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 September 1944 in the vicinity of CHAMPENOIS, France. When vital radio communications were needed between the battalion command post and the forward elements, Private CESSNA, a radio operator, disregarding personal safety undertook the dangerous mission of maintaining the communications. Braving the intense enemy fire and with two antennae shot away from the radio on his back, Private CESSNA continued forward establishing essential communications with the battalion command post thereby enabling the artillery to direct accurate and effective fire upon the enemy. His heroic and intrepid actions reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

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IV--AWARD OF SILVER STAR--Revocation of Award. So much of Section II, General Orders No. 17, this headquarters, dated 28 February 1945, as pertains to Staff Sergeant HARRY C. HARTWIG, 37272153, Infantry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army is revoked. This award is republished in Section I, this General Orders.

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V--AWARD OF SILVER STAR--Correction in General Orders. So much of Section I, General Orders No. 16, this headquarters, dated 25 February 1945, which pertains to, "Second Lieutenant PRESLEY M. PINER, 01172601, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army," is corrected to read, "Second Lieutenant PRESLEY M. PINER, 01172601, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army."

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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers:

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) WILLIAM B. HIGGINS, 01822999, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 January 1945 near GILSDORF, Luxembourg. When his armored car was completely immobilized due to the treacherous waters of the Sauer River, Lieutenant HIGGINS, a platoon leader, after destroying his signal code equipment and dismounting his automatic weapons undertook the hazardous mission of reconnoitering the enemy's position on foot. Despite the great danger from enemy fire Lieutenant HIGGINS remained exposed and succeeded in crossing the icy waters of the river six times. His courageous actions enabled his destroyers to pass through the mined terrain and select advantageous positions thereby neutralizing the enemy armor threat. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) ROY R. LARR, 01825014, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 January 1945 in the vicinity of HOSCHEID, Luxembourg. When the advance of our forces was pinned down by intense enemy small arms fire, Lieutenant LARR, a platoon leader, without thought of personal safety dismounted from his tank destroyer and continued to direct accurate fire upon the enemy. When the enemy attempted to halt his forward advance, Lieutenant LARR, armed only with his side arm, continued to lead his destroyers forward. His intrepid and courageous actions resulted in the clearing of the town, the killing of several of the enemy, and the capture of six of the enemy including one of their officers. His heroic actions inspired the men in the entire command and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

II--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Captain ROBERT S. McCORMACK, 0377753, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 and 9 October 1943 in Europe. Entered military service from North Dakota.

Technician Fourth Grade FORREST J. BOSWELL, 34734610, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 December 1944 near GONSEORF, Luxembourg. When severe casualties were sustained by our forces, Technician BOSWELL, a medical aid man, undertook the hazardous mission of evacuating the casualties from the field of battle. Oblivious to the bursting shrapnel Technician BOSWELL, working in exposed terrain, went from one casualty to another administering medical care and assisting in their evacuation. While engaged in his work of mercy Technician BOSWELL was himself mortally wounded. His heroic actions and supreme devotion to duty undoubtedly were the means of saving the lives of many of the wounded, reflect great credit upon himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Tennessee.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA,

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27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Colonel (then Lieutenant Colonel) WALTER R. GRAHAM, 05020, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 August 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Major NORMAN E. BEARD, 0407266, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 August 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Major GARRET E. BUHNER, 0394720, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 4 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Major ROBERT C. CANADAY, 0343063, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 September 1944 to 19 November 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Major BERYEL J. PACE, 0287041, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Captain MARSHALL S. ALLMAN, 0405542, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Captain SILAS C. CARPENTER, 0303528, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Vermont.

Captain WALTER P. DAVIDSON, 0393916, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 8 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain JOHN E. DRINKARD, 0365282, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Captain WILLIAM P. JENSEN, 0343553, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 8 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Iowa.

Captain WILLIAM F. SCHABLEY, 0326420, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 30 September 1944 to 8 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Captain (then First Lieutenant), GEORGE M. SPILLER, 0116827, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 28 September 1944 to 8 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) ALEXANDER E. CANTWELL, 02048242, Medical Administrative Corps, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy

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from 8 October 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant PAUL W. ENGELMAN, 01319086, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of MECLÉUVES, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant MICHAEL A. LEISTER, 0404222, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 October 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) KENNETH J. GORDON, 37163695, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 September 1944 near VERNEVILLE, France. When his platoon leader was killed and the platoon guide became a casualty Sergeant GORDON, a squad leader, although himself wounded refused medical care or evacuation, assumed command of the platoon and efficiently coordinated the movement to a more advantageous position to repel the enemy counterattack. His intrepid leadership and utter disregard for personal safety were an inspiration to his men. His heroic determination enabled the platoon to regroup with a minimum of casualties and reflects great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

Technical Sergeant FRANCIS J. LYNCH, 6834517, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant ELVIN A. MAURITZ, 691939, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 26 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant ARCH C. BUELL, 17030831, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 10 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Staff Sergeant EDWIN E. BUKOWSKI, 36108570, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 to 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of SARRY SUR NIEL, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant GLENDON R. FRANK, 16021626, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 August 1944 to 15 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM M. HOLT, 15051106, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 8 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) FRED P. MASON, 6799129, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 8 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant MEDDIE R. MORGAN, 34110905, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 10 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant DITO J. RUTT, 16002716, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations

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against the enemy on 14 and 15 November 1944 near MECLEUVES, France. When radio communications were impractical during an attack, Sergeant RUTT, a communications sergeant, together with two wiremen succeeded in maintaining wire communications between the battalion command post and the forward company commanders. Though bursting shrapnel and enemy tank action continued to sever the vital wire lines Sergeant RUTT, despite the great danger, worked through the entire night in the exposed terrain keeping intact excellent and essential wire communications. His courageous actions assisted materially in making close coordination between the attacking forces possible and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant WALLACE V. BAUGH, 6668697, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 8 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade) DUTRELL BEGLEY, 15056416, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 8 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade) LEONARD A. BORDUA, 36211300, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 8 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) JOHN G. HUNTZINGER, 33618427, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 30 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) RICHARD C. JOHNSON, 36732501, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of SILLY EN SAULNOIS, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant RAYMOND P. PICKARD, 36051780, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 30 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade CLARENCE M. FOLTZ, 36154124, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 17 to 21 December 1944 in the vicinity of SAARELAUTER, Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class (then Private) AUGUST M. GROSS, 36101715, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 September 1944 near CHAMPENOISE, France. When communications from the company command post to the forward elements were vitally needed during a fierce engagement with the enemy, Private GROSS, the company messenger, disregarding personal safety went forward on numerous occasions to deliver the essential messages. Undeterred by the intense enemy artillery and small arms fire Private GROSS repeatedly crawled forward approximately 400 yards to accomplish his mission. His courageous actions enabled our forces to function in an efficient manner and attain their objective. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class SALVATORE LONGO, 42103661, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of SILLY EN SAULNOIS, France. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class CARL J. MANGIACALDO, 42103511, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of SILLY EN

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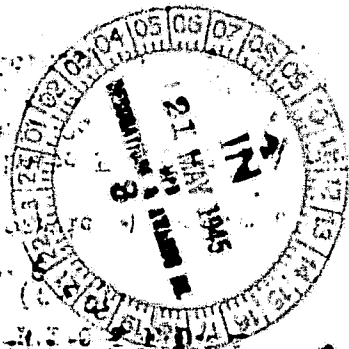
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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class ROBERT F. LUDWIG, 39129060, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of MECLIEUVE, France. When the advance of his platoon was pinned down by intense enemy automatic fire emanating from the front and flanks, Private LUDWIG, an automatic rifleman, disregarding personal safety remained in an exposed position and continued to engage the enemy with his automatic weapon. His fearless and aggressive actions enabled his platoon to maneuver to a more advantageous position and continue its advance. His heroic and intrepid actions resulting in his supreme self-sacrifice reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Washington.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain EDWARD L. STEVENSON, 0371683, Medical Corps, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of SANXY SUR NEELD, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

First Lieutenant IRVING KRIEGER, 01285441, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 25 July 1944 to 24 November 1944 in France. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Technician Fifth Grade WALTER H. ZINK, 36076595, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of SILLY EN SAULNOIS, France. Under a barrage of enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire Technician ZINK, a medical aid man, though suffering from a severely frostbitten foot and scarcely able to walk administered necessary medical care to his wounded comrades. Upon reaching the objective Technician ZINK remained exposed, directing the work of the litter teams and assisting throughout the night in an improvised aid station thereby easing the pains of the casualties. His indomitable courage and unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class CLARENCE E. BARR, 37152822, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 January 1945 near GILSBERG, Luxembourg. When the vehicle in which they were attempting to ford the Saar River was immobilized due to deep water, Private BARR, an anti-tank gunner, accompanied his platoon leader on a foot reconnaissance of enemy held territory to select gun positions for his tank destroyer company. Despite the danger from enemy fire Private BARR succeeded in swimming the icy river six times, covering the officer with his individual weapon and then assisted in leading the destroyers into position to direct accurate fire upon the enemy. His courageous actions aided materi-

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ly in the attainment of his company's objective and his unswerving devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Private First Class (then Private) FLOYD B. BAKER, 15090101, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of AMN-VILLE, France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

III--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named officer:

Lieutenant Colonel DAVID P. GIBBS, 019189, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operation against the enemy during the period 13 August 1944 to 3 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from West Virginia.

IV--AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to the following named officers:

First Lieutenant ORMAN D. WILLS, 01176228, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 19 August 1944 to 27 September 1944 in France, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Second Lieutenant HAROLD V. MOORE, 01178573, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 19 January 1945 to 15 February 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Arkansas.

V--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943 as amended and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Air Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, a second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, a third bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, a fourth bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster and a fifth bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster are awarded to the following named officers as indicated:

1. First Oak-Leaf Cluster--Major CHARLES E. STUNK, 0397509, Field Artillery, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 10 November 1944 to 10 February 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Kansas.

2. First Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant ORMAN D. WILLS, 01176228, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 25 September 1944 to 10 November 1944 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Mississippi.

3. First Oak-Leaf Cluster--Second Lieutenant WILLIAM J. HENTHORN, 01181905, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 21 January 1945 to 21 February 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from New Jersey.

4. Second Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant ORMAN D. WILLS, 01176228, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 11 November 1944 to 18 Dec

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ber 1944 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Mississippi.

5. Third Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant EUGENE E. SORENSEN, 01170564, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 31 December 1944 to 11 February 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Texas.

6. Third Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant ORMAN D. WILLS, 01176228, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 23 December 1944 to 13 January 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Mississippi.

7. Third Oak-Leaf Cluster--Second Lieutenant PRUSSLEY M. PINER, 01172601, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 18 November 1944 to 30 December 1944 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Kansas.

8. Fourth Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant EUGENE E. SORENSEN, 01170564, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 11 February 1945 to 3 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Texas.

9. Fourth Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant ELLIS E. THOMPSON, 01182726, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 22 January 1945 to 22 February 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from North Dakota.

10. Fourth Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant ORMAN D. WILLS, 01176228, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 13 January 1945 to 30 January 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Mississippi.

11. Fifth Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant ROBERT N. TEDD, 01102471, Field Artillery, 16th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 26 January 1945 to 21 February 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from New York.

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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant DAVID F. PALMER, 6558512, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRY, France. Sergeant PALMER was serving in the capacity of communications sergeant with a unit of our forces during an extremely heavy barrage of enemy artillery on their position which disrupted vital communication lines in the area of the command post. Sergeant PALMER, with complete disregard for his personal safety, left the cover of his foxhole and went out to repair the lines. Finding the break in the line he proceeded to repair it, despite the heavy enemy shell fire. By this action of Sergeant PALMER's, our forward observation post was enabled to again function, and as a result, our forces brought a fire mission to bear upon the enemy, smashing an imminent counterattack and killing over one hundred of their men. His bravery and heroic devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

II--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) MURRY L. SUMMERS, 01310523, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. Under an intense barrage of enemy artillery and automatic fire, Lieutenant SUMMERS, a heavy weapons platoon leader, remained in an exposed observation post for a three day period and directed accurate and effective mortar fire upon the enemy in support of our bridgehead forces. Observing a casualty lying in an exposed position Lieutenant SUMMERS, left his place of cover, skillfully rendered medical aid to the casualty and succeeded in evacuating him to the safety of an aid station. His heroism and indomitable courage exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class ALFRED J. CLEMENT, 36227750, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class JEROME C. DENEN, 36227925, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. When radio communications were vitally needed in bridgehead operations across the Moselle River, Private DENEN, a radio operator, despite the great danger from enemy artillery and automatic fire succeeded in carrying a radio over the exposed terrain to a forward position. His mission completed, Private DENEN was instantly killed while returning to his place of cover. His courageous actions assisted materially in establishing excellent radio communications thereby resulting in the success of the bridgehead operations. His bravery and distinct devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered

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military service from Wisconsin.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-15, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel **CHARLES P. BARTMAN**, 0318316, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Master Sergeant **CHARLIE T. BROOKS**, 6355108, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 1 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant) **ANTHONY M. GALGANO**, 4209738, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 January 1945 near **INCLERDORF**, Luxembourg. When sweeping automatic and small arms fire from an enemy strongpoint located on the left front halted the advance of his platoon, Sergeant **GALGANO**, a squad leader, undertook the hazardous mission of liquidating the enemy emplacement. Skilfully and aggressively and despite the great danger, Sergeant **GALGANO** and another enlisted man succeeded in encircling the strongpoint and capturing three of the defending enemy. Sergeant **GALGANO**'s fearless and heroic actions enabled his platoon to resume the advance and attain its objective. His courage and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fifth Grade **SMITH HIXSON**, 33274881, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade **EAL E. S. WOLKE**, 39185995, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Washington.

Technician Fifth Grade **EMIL M. VAN STEENKISTE**, 37300246, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class **PAUL R. BERKEBILE**, 33508823, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 and 9 September 1944 near **DORNOT**, France. Although wounded and in great pain, Private **BERKEBILE**, a radio operator, remained in an exposed position under intense enemy fire with utter disregard for personal safety and continued to relay accurate fire data to our field artillery. His courageous and intrepid action resulted in the inflicting of many casualties upon the enemy and the repulse of a fierce enemy counterattack. His bravery, skill and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class **FRED T. MADDOX**, 34704504, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of **DORNOT**, France. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class **GUIDO MAININI**, 32421697, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 September 1944 near **DORNOT**, France. When the enemy attempted to encircle his unit thereby isolating them from the bridgehead forces, Private **MAININI**, an automatic weapons gunner, braved the intense enemy

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artillery and automatic fire, moved to a more advantageous location under direct enemy observation and fearlessly continued to fire his automatic weapon at the charging enemy. Due to his courageous actions the enemy's determined counterattack was repulsed with heavy casualties to their personnel. His intrepid actions, calmness under fire and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class (then Private) DANIEL WORKMAN, 15015758, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. When a machine gunner became a casualty, Private WORKMAN, an ammunition bearer, assumed his duties and for a three day period remained exposed to intense enemy artillery and automatic fire, directing accurate and deadly fire upon the counterattacking enemy. Due in part to Private WORKMAN's fearless and aggressive actions all of the fanatical enemy counterattacks were repulsed with heavy casualties to their personnel. His intrepid and heroic act and utter disregard for personal safety reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private ERNEST C. KNIGHT, 11038756, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 November 1944 near METZ, France. When the radio operator became a casualty disrupting vital radio communications from his platoon to the company command post, Private KNIGHT, a rifleman, realizing the need for re-establishing the essential communications, volunteered to retrieve the radio set. Despite the intense enemy fire, Private KNIGHT succeeded in making his way into the enemy infested area and returning with the much needed equipment thus permitting communication to be resumed. His intrepid actions, utter disregard for personal safety and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

Private (then Sergeant) THEODORE K. ROMANUK, 36102536, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of CORNY, France. When a group of the enemy was observed preparing defensive positions on the right flank of our bridgehead forces, Private ROMANUK, together with a machine gun crew, succeeded in moving the weapon into position under the intense enemy fire and delivered accurate fire upon the enemy defensive position. His fearless actions prevented the enemy from completing their preparations and assisted materially in driving the enemy from the sector. His bravery, initiative and utter disregard for personal safety reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

IV--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Fourth Grade BENJAMIN G. ZMYESKI, 32923297, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 January 1945 near DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. When three casualties were left lying in an exposed position, subjected to further enemy fire, Technician ZMYESKI, a medical aid man, disregarding personal safety undertook the difficult mission of evacuating the casualties. Braving the intense fire Technician ZMYESKI succeeded after three attempts in reaching the casualties, administering skillful medical aid and evacuating them to a place of comparative safety. His courage and deep concern for his comrades reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class HERMAN JENNINGS, 34371326, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. Under a concentrated barrage of enemy artillery, mortar and automatic fire,

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Private JENNINGS, a rifleman, with utter disregard for personal safety, went forward over the exposed terrain to administer medical aid to a wounded comrade. Still under the intense fire Private JENNINGS succeeded in removing the casualty to a battalion aid station across the Moselle River. His courageous actions were undoubtedly the means of saving the wounded man's life and alleviating his sufferings. His bravery reflects great credit on himself and is in accord with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Tennessee.

V--AWARD OF SILVER STAR -- REVOCATION OF AWARD. So much of Section II, General Orders No. 10, this headquarters, dated 8 February 1945, which pertains to Staff Sergeant DAVID E. PALMER, 65585, 2 Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army is revoked. This award is republished in Section I, this General Orders.

VI--COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE--WITHDRAWAL OF RIGHT TO WEAR. Under the provisions of Section I, Paragraph 6b (1), War Department Circular 408, dated 17 October 1944 authority for WILLIAM D. WILSON, formerly Private First Class, 666894, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army, to wear the Combat Infantryman Badge is hereby withdrawn.

By command of Major General, LW. D. ...

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VI COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE --WITHDRAWAL OF RIGHT TO WEAR Under the provisions of Section I, Paragraph 6b (1), War Department Circular 408, dated 17 October 1944, authority for WILLIAM D WILSON, formerly Private First Class, 6668941, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army, to wear the Combat Infantryman Badge is hereby withdrawn.

By command of Major General IRWIN:

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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) **BARNEY A. GASSAWAY**, 15060893, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 September 1944 in the vicinity of CORNY, France. When the enemy attempted a strong counterattack and succeeded in infiltrating into his platoon's position from the left flank and rear, Sergeant GASSAWAY, a platoon sergeant, disregarding personal safety and the intense enemy small arms and automatic fire efficiently organized and rallied his platoon into a fighting unit, prevented the enemy from isolating his unit, and succeeded in regaining the platoon's objective. His mission accomplished, Sergeant GASSAWAY assisted in the evacuation of the wounded before seeking personal safety. His heroic actions and conspicuous courage exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class **JOSEPH M. COURCHESNE**, 31403312, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 December 1944 in Luxembourg. When five casualties were reported lying in an exposed position subjected to further enemy fire, Private COURCHESNE, a medical transport driver, undertook the hazardous mission of evacuating his wounded comrades from their perilous position. Driving his vehicle to the area of the casualties Private COURCHESNE, despite the great danger, led a litter team over the exposed terrain to evacuate the wounded. Oblivious to the enemy fire Private COURCHESNE then carried the remaining casualty to the vehicle and evacuated the casualties to the battalion aid station. His heroism and indomitable courage exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Vermont.

Private First Class **GEORGE A. KOLESARICH**, 36018840, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 18 January 1945 in the vicinity of DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. When his platoon leader was severely wounded and although himself suffering from severe concussion, Private KOLESARICH, a platoon runner, without hesitation or thought of personal safety went to the aid of the stricken officer. Oblivious to the intense enemy fire Private KOLESARICH skilfully administered medical aid to the wounded officer and then assisted him across the exposed terrain, a distance of two miles, to the aid station. His courageous and intrepid actions were the means of saving the officer's life and alleviating his sufferings. His efforts reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private **JAMES L. OUZTS**, 34976477, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 January 1945 near KIPPENHOF, Luxembourg. When our forces were pinned down by intense enemy fire and it became necessary to deliver mortar fire upon the enemy to relieve the pressure, Private OUZTS, a radio operator, accompanied a forward observer to a forward observation post. Oblivious to the enemy fire Private OUZTS crawled forward over the exposed terrain with a radio and remained in his position for a four hour period transmitting fire directions to his mortar section thereby enabling the section to deliver accurate and precision fire upon the enemy. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Georgia.

II--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No.

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56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) LAWSE BURKETTE, 34162642, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of COTE DE FEY, France. When the enemy attempted a fierce attack on our right flank, Sergeant BURKETTE, a squad leader, despite the intense enemy automatic fire left his place of cover to engage the enemy in a grenade battle. When his grenades were expended, Sergeant BURKETTE continued the battle with his individual weapon and then braved an intense mortar barrage to bring reinforcements and vital ammunition to his platoon. His fearless and intrepid actions resulted in the killing of many of the attacking enemy and assisted materially in the repulse of their fanatical attack. His efforts reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

Sergeant PAUL H. STANDAERT, 36033961, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of COTE DE FEY, France. When the enemy attempted a fierce and fanatical attack on our right flank, Sergeant STANDAERT, an assistant squad leader, despite the intense enemy automatic fire left his place of cover to engage the enemy in a grenade battle. When his grenades were expended, Sergeant STANDAERT efficiently coordinated and prepared his defense and, maintaining a heavy rate of fire, succeeded in killing many of the enemy and repulsing their fanatical attack. His courageous and intrepid actions reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Illinois.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AF 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant FRANK MAYER, 15011522, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 September 1944 near COTE DE FEY, France. When the enemy launched a fierce and fanatical attack upon our right flank, Sergeant MAYER, a platoon sergeant, despite the intense enemy automatic fire left his place of cover to engage the enemy in a grenade battle. When his grenades were expended, Sergeant MAYER efficiently and effectively coordinated his platoon and maintaining heavy fire upon the oncoming enemy succeeded in killing many of their soldiers and repelling their fanatical attack. His courageous and intrepid leadership, utter disregard for personal safety and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) GEORGE C. PELLAN, 36052146, Infantry 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of COTE DE FEY, France. When the enemy launched a fierce attack against our forces, Sergeant PELLAN, a rifleman, despite the intense enemy automatic fire held his position and dauntlessly engaged the enemy in a grenade battle. When the enemy then attempted to encircle his unit, Sergeant PELLAN efficiently coordinated his defenses and though exposed to their intense fire succeeded in killing many of the enemy thereby assisting materially in the repulse of their fanatical attack. His fearless and courageous actions reflect great credit on himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade NICHOLAS G. ZERITIS, 36019673, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 August 1944 in the vicinity of ETAMPES, France. Under a heavy barrage of enemy artillery Technician ZERITIS, a medical aid technician, whose normal duties required his presence at the aid station volunteered to go forward to assist in the evacuation of several casualties. Braving the intense fire Technician ZERITIS skilfully rendered medical care to the casualties and then succeeded in removing them to a

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position of comparative safety. His heroic actions were the means of saving the lives of several of the wounded and alleviating their sufferings. His courageous efforts and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade CARROLL B. HUNTRESS, 36019305, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 25 July 1944 to 28 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class JOHN H. BAXTER, 20605436, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 September 1944 near COIN SUR SEILLE, France. Private BAXTER, serving as a radio operator with the battalion commander, remained in a forward observation post throughout the day exposed to enemy view and under an intense barrage of enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. With utter disregard for personal safety and disregarding enemy shells falling within ten feet of his position, Private BAXTER stayed at his post and assisted in the maintenance of essential radio communications to the forward elements throughout the night. His courageous efforts aided immeasurably in the capture of the strategic city of COIN SUR SEILLE and his conspicuous heroism exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class (then Private) WILLIAM A. JULIAN, 42092971, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 September 1944 near COTE DE FEY, France. When the enemy attempted a fierce attack on our right flank, Private JULIAN, a rifleman, although wounded and despite the danger left his place of cover to engage the enemy in a grenade battle. When his grenades were expended, Private JULIAN remained in position and fearlessly maintained a heavy rate of fire at the charging enemy. By his heroic actions he succeeded in killing many of the enemy and assisted greatly in repelling their fanatical attack. His bravery reflects great credit on himself and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class HOWARD W. PHILLIPS, 36109229, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of CORNY, France. When a group of the enemy was observed preparing defensive positions on the right flank of our bridgehead forces, Private PHILLIPS, together with a machine gun crew, moved the weapon into position under direct observation and intense enemy fire and delivered accurate and effective fire upon the enemy defensive position. His fearless action prevented the enemy from completing their defensive preparations and assisted materially in driving them from the sector. His bravery, initiative and utter disregard for personal safety reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class ALFRED C. WASIELEWSKI, 32840061, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 September 1944 near COTE DE FEY, France. When the enemy attempted a fierce attack on our right flank, Private WASIELEWSKI, a rifleman, although wounded and despite the danger left his place of cover to engage the enemy in a grenade battle. When his grenades were expended, Private WASIELEWSKI remained in position and fearlessly maintained a heavy rate of fire at the charging enemy. By his heroic actions he succeeded in killing many of the enemy and assisted greatly in repelling their fanatical attack. His bravery reflects great credit on himself and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from New York.

IV--AWARD OF AIR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETUSA, 27 March 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to the following named officers:

Captain ROBERT F. SINCLAIR, 0392346, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while par...

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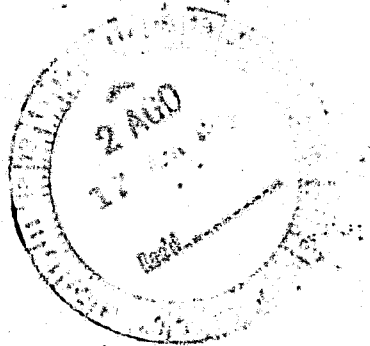
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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-15, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section 1, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section 1, Circular No. 54, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant HOWARD O. SOGGE, 3627607, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. When the enemy forces attempted to infiltrate and isolate the forward elements of our bridgehead across the strategic Moselle River, Sergeant SOGGE, a platoon sergeant, single-handedly, despite withering enemy automatic and small arms fire, held in his exposed position in order to cover the withdrawal of the forward elements and prevent encirclement by the enemy. By his heroic determination and courage he was enabled to successfully complete their withdrawal with a minimum of losses. His courageous actions and supreme devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant STANLEY J. SZYMANSKI, 3621212, Infantry, 88 Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 January 1945 in the vicinity of DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. Sergeant SZYMANSKI, a platoon guide, was assigned the hazardous mission of leading an element of our forces in an assault crossing of the strategic Sauer River. Fearlessly leading his men in the assault Sergeant SZYMANSKI succeeded in cutting the concertina wire blocking his company's advance. Sergeant SZYMANSKI then personally assaulted an enemy automatic weapon position, neutralizing the emplacement and aggressively directed operations that silenced several more enemy strongpoints. Due in part to his courageous and intrepid leadership and utter disregard for personal safety our forces were able to establish a bridgehead. His bravery reflects great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

II--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-15, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section 1, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section 1, Circular No. 54, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Major JOHN W. HEHLUND JR., 0360062, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 8 to 10 February 1945 in the vicinity of ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. Major HEHLUND, while serving as Battalion S-3, personally supervised an assault boat crossing and the construction of an infantry support raft bridge across the then flooded Sauer River. During the entire hazardous operations Major HEHLUND, oblivious to the intense enemy small arms and observed artillery fire, dauntlessly spurred his men on to complete the vital bridge which resulted in a successful offensive against a determined enemy. Major HEHLUND's disregard for personal safety and tenacity of purpose reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Illinois.

Captain FREDERIC C. THOMPSON, 0407028, Infantry, 84 Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 September 1944 near LORNY, France. When key personnel of an assault element became casualties due to intense enemy artillery fire, Captain THOMPSON, the Battalion S-3, disregarding personal safety went forward upon his own volition to reorganize the company. Despite the great danger Captain THOMPSON encouraged and spurred the men on to greater efforts than fearlessly led the assault on strongly resisting enemy positions. By his courageous

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determination and intrepid leadership he assisted materially in the attainment of the battalion's objective. His bravery and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Second Lieutenant JOHN PAUL CRAIG, 01170332, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 30 July 1944 in the vicinity of LES BOUGES TERRES, France. When it became imperative that an accurate registration of our artillery be completed, Lieutenant CRAIG, a liaison pilot, undertook the hazardous mission. While flying over the enemy lines at low altitude, Lieutenant CRAIG was wounded by enemy fire. With his left leg useless and overcoming a temporary unconsciousness, Lieutenant CRAIG successfully flew the plane back to his landing field. Due to his courageous and heroic determination the life of his fellow observer was saved as well as the plane and all its valuable equipment. His unswerving devotion to duty and tenacity of purpose reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant LEWIS E. SMITH, 36109214, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DEMOT, France. When strong enemy forces launched a series of fierce counterattacks to dislodge our forces from their precarious bridgehead across the Moselle River, Sergeant SMITH, an automatic weapons section sergeant with the bridgehead forces, remained in his exposed position despite the intense enemy fire in order to direct accurate and devastating fire upon the counterattacking enemy. Due in part to his heroic actions, our forces were able to repulse the enemy counterattack with heavy losses to their personnel. His distinct bravery and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal (then Private First Class) BERNARD V. DAVIS, 36150784, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 January 1945 in the vicinity of GELLEGER, Luxembourg. When the officer commanding an artillery forward observer party was wounded by enemy small arms fire, Corporal DAVIS, serving as a wireman and exposed to observed enemy fire, undertook the hazardous mission of returning to the rear to bring medical aid. Observing that the returning aid group was pinned down by intense small arms fire, Corporal DAVIS, oblivious to the danger, personally crawled forward and succeeded in placing the officer upon a ski stretcher and removing him to a place of comparative safety. His conspicuous action and unselfish devotion to duty resulted in saving the officer's life and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class NORMAN J. PALM, 33933384, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 November 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. Private PALM, a rifleman in a forward element of our forces which had bypassed a pocket of enemy resistance realized that the main body of our advancing forces had no knowledge of the enemy's presence and without hesitation, volunteered to warn them of the impending danger. Braving the intense enemy artillery and mortar fire Private PALM successfully fought his way through the enemy forces to contact the advancing unit thereby enabling our forces to avoid an enemy ambush. His heroic efforts and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

III-AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-15, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq AFMUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 30, Hq AFMUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted personnel:

Sergeant LARRY W. LITTLE, 3414811, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of COTE DE PEY, France. Serving as an assistant squad leader with the defending forces during a fanatical enemy attack, Sergeant LITTLE courageously braved withering and overwhelming enemy fire to engage the enemy in a fierce grenade battle. Remaining in his exposed

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action. Sergeant LIVELY succeeded in inflicting heavy losses on the charging enemy and thereby repulsed their attack. His heroic stand in the face of overwhelming odds was a decisive factor in the rout of the enemy. His distinct bravery, calmness under fire and supreme devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Tennessee.

17--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain ALEXANDER B. CAMPBELL, 0379412, Infantry, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 15 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Captain CHARLES J. HARRIS, 016058, Medical Corps, 25th Field Hospital, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of PONT-A-MOUSSON, France. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) ROBERT G. MCGRAW, 01895189, Medical Warfare Service, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 to 16 September 1944 in the vicinity of ANNAVILLE, France. In the course of an assault across the Moselle River, Captain MCGRAW, the division's medical officer, with total disregard for personal safety went forward to the front and effectively coordinated the flow of supplies, and to the rear, the use of smoke generators to protect the vital bridge. Braving the enemy's artillery and mortar fire, Captain MCGRAW by his untiring efforts met the medical needs of his command and contributed immeasurably to the success of the bridghead operation. His courageous actions and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the United States Army. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) ROBERT A. BERRY, 01895189, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGOULOME, France. When an enemy patrol infiltrated through our lines intent on destroying the vehicular bridge across the Maine River, Lieutenant BERRY, fearless, exposed himself to small arms fire and immediately engaged the patrol with his individual weapon. By his accurate fire Lieutenant BERRY killed the patrol leader and succeeded with the aid of two other men in driving off the patrol. The courageous actions of Lieutenant BERRY were instrumental in saving the vital bridge from destruction thus insuring the success of our bridghead. His bravery and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the United States Army. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant DOYLE O. ETTER, 0169847, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DOMNOT, France. Lieutenant ETTER, a platoon leader, was assigned the difficult mission of ferrying infantrymen in an assault crossing of the strategic Moselle River. When our assault forces were in dire need of ammunition and supplies, Lieutenant ETTER, despite the great danger, succeeded in ferrying the vital supplies across the river under intense enemy fire and evacuating numerous casualties by means of assault boats. His heroic actions assisted materially in the establishment of the bridghead, reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) CURTIS L. BERRY, 34172700, Infantry, 13th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 and 10 September 1944 near DOMNOT, France. Although exposed to intense enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire,

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Sergeant **BROOKS**, a member of a battalion reconnaissance platoon, assisted in furnishing vitally needed supplies to our bridgehead forces across the strategic Moselle River. When the bridgehead became untenable and evacuation began, he proceeded with the evacuation of his wounded comrades. The courageous acts of Sergeant **BROOKS** assured the bridgehead troops of adequate supplies and resulted in rapid evacuation and saving the lives of the wounded. His courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant **PAUL R. MILLER**, 36151069, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 near **DOMOT**, France. Under an intense barrage of enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire Sergeant **MILLER** was given the mission of ferrying infantrymen in an assault crossing of the Moselle River. Sergeant **MILLER** then volunteered to assist in ferrying vital supplies to our forces on the far shore and the evacuation of their wounded to the safe side of the river. Sergeant **MILLER**'s heroism and deep devotion to duty contributed immeasurably in the successful establishment of an important bridgehead, reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) **CLYDE B. HEILINGER**, 36150945, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 and 9 September 1944 near **DOMOT**, France. When our bridgehead forces across the Moselle River were in need of vital supplies, Sergeant **HEILINGER**, a squad leader, volunteered to lead a detail to ferry the supplies across the swollen river. For two nights Sergeant **HEILINGER** continued to supervise the delivery of equipment and the evacuation of casualties despite observed enemy mortar and artillery fire. With utter disregard for personal safety, Sergeant **HEILINGER** himself manned a ferry to aid in the operation. His courage and skill under fire contributed immeasurably to the success of the bridgehead and reflect great credit on himself and the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant **CLARENCE THOMSON**, 36150932, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 near **DOMOT**, France. Under an intense barrage of enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire Sergeant **THOMSON** was given the mission of ferrying infantrymen in an assault crossing of the Moselle River. Sergeant **THOMSON** then volunteered to assist in ferrying vital supplies to our forces on the far shore and the evacuation of their wounded to the safe side of the river. Sergeant **THOMSON**'s heroism and deep devotion to duty contributed immeasurably in the successful establishment of an important bridgehead, reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Third Grade **CARL F. GALLIE**, 36026759, Military Intelligence Service, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy 13 July 1944 to 31 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant **CARVIS CAPE**, 15047014, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 September 1944 near **COTE DE PEY**, France. Sergeant **CAPE**, serving as an assistant squad leader, braved withering enemy fire to organize his sector against fierce enemy counterattack. Engaging the determined enemy in a grenade battle, this intrepid soldier repulsed one assault, and when his supply of grenades was exhausted he fearlessly organized and directed an effective small arms defense which again drove the enemy back with heavy losses. His audacious actions and inspiring leadership reflect great credit upon himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant **DAVID S. BYERS**, 1944615, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of **VENVILLE**,

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France. Sergeant NYE was a member of an engineer detail given the hazardous mission of preparing defensive positions for the infantry. Working in an exposed position under a heavy barrage of enemy mortar and small arms fire, the group succeeded in completing its difficult task. Sergeant NYE then volunteered to assist in the evacuation of his wounded comrades to an aid station over 800 yards of exposed terrain. His courageous determination, utter disregard for personal safety and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal CHARLES O. BURNS, 3611424, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 September 1944 in the vicinity of DOMOT, France. Corporal BURNS, a truck driver, drove his truck into the blazing city of DOMOT, France, and down the main street under direct enemy observation and heavy artillery and mortar fire in order to transport supplies to a point from which they could be moved to bridgehead forces on the west bank of the Moselle River. Loading the west bank of the river and still exposed to enemy small arms and mortar fire, he then helped load assault boats with the vital supplies. His courage and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Corporal CLARE W. PURVES, 3615107, Engineer, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DOMOT, France. Corporal PURVES was a member of an engineer detail given the hazardous mission of ferrying infantrymen across the Moselle River in an assault boat. Successfully accomplishing this mission under intense enemy fire, Corporal PURVES then assisted in the ferrying of ammunition and supplies to the bridgehead forces and the evacuation of his wounded comrades to an aid station. Corporal PURVES was himself wounded near the end of the operation. His courageous efforts assisted materially in the success of the bridgehead and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade GEORGE A. DAHNKE, 3600267, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 near DOMOT, France. Under an intense barrage of enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire Technician DAHNKE was given the mission of ferrying infantrymen in an assault crossing of the Moselle River. Technician DAHNKE then volunteered to assist in ferrying vital supplies to our forces on the far shore and the evacuation of their wounded to the safe side of the river. Technician DAHNKE's courage and deep devotion to duty contributed immeasurably in the successful establishment of an important bridgehead, reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade LESTER E. DORRY, 1400240, Medical Department, 30th Field Hospital, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 23 November 1944 in the vicinity of PONT-A-MOUSSE, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade CAETON R. WAY, 31344700, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of VERNEVILLE, France. Technician WAY was a member of an engineer detail given the hazardous mission of preparing defensive positions for the infantry. Working in an exposed position under a heavy barrage of enemy mortar and small arms fire, the group succeeded in completing its difficult task. Technician WAY then volunteered to assist in the evacuation of his wounded comrades to an aid station over 800 yards of exposed terrain. His courageous determination, utter disregard for personal safety and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Connecticut.

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Private First Class (then Private) NICHOLAS J. PECENKO, 6897672, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of VENEVILLE, France. Private PECENKO was a member of an engineer detail given the hazardous mission of preparing defensive positions for the infantry. Working in an exposed position under a heavy barrage of enemy mortar and small arms fire, the group succeeded in completing its difficult task. Private PECENKO then volunteered to assist in the evacuation of his wounded comrades to an aid station over 800 yards of exposed terrain. His courageous determination, utter disregard for personal safety and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class CHARLES T. PARSONS, 14131039, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of VENEVILLE, France. Private PARSONS was a member of an engineer detail given the hazardous mission of preparing defensive positions for the infantry. Working in an exposed position under a heavy barrage of enemy mortar and small arms fire, the group succeeded in completing its difficult task. Private PARSONS then volunteered to assist in the evacuation of his wounded comrades to an aid station over 800 yards of exposed terrain. His courageous determination, utter disregard for personal safety and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class WALTER J. PAYTON, 7041293, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. Private PAYTON, a truck driver, drove his truck into the blazing city of DORNOT, France, and down the main street under direct enemy observation and heavy artillery and mortar fire in order to transport supplies to a point from which they could be moved to bridgehead forces on the east bank of the Moselle River. Reaching the west bank of the river and still exposed to enemy small arms and mortar fire, he then helped load assault boats with vital supplies. His courage and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class (then Private) JEROME H. PETERSON, 32931815, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of VENEVILLE, France. Private PETERSON was a member of an engineer detail given the hazardous mission of preparing defensive positions for the infantry. Working in an exposed position under a heavy barrage of enemy mortar and small arms fire, the group succeeded in completing its difficult task. Private PETERSON then volunteered to assist in the evacuation of his wounded comrades to an aid station over 800 yards of exposed terrain. His courageous determination, utter disregard for personal safety and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class ROBERT E. TEMPLER, 26109121, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. Under an intense barrage of enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire Private TEMPLER was given the mission of ferrying infantrymen in an assault across of the Moselle River. Private TEMPLER then volunteered to assist in ferrying vital supplies to our forces on the far shore and the evacuation of their wounded to the east side of the river. Private TEMPLER's heroism and deep devotion to duty contributed immeasurably in the successful establishment of an important bridgehead. His great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Michigan.

AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1944, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 1, Hq 5th Inf Div, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq 5th Inf Div, 17 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named officers:

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First Lieutenant JOSEPH E. DORSEY, O110700, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 9 September 1944, near DRENOT, France. Lieutenant DORSEY was in command of an engineering platoon charged with clearing mines and ferrying infantrymen in an assault crossing of the strategic Moselle River. When the assault force was in need of vital ammunition and supplies, Lieutenant DORSEY supervised the ferrying of these supplies across the river and the evacuation of the casualties under intense enemy artillery and mortar fire. His intrepid leadership and utter disregard for personal safety aided immeasurably in the establishment of the bridgehead. His efforts reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Missouri.

First Lieutenant ELTON L. MANN, O115015, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944, in the vicinity of DRENOT, France. Lieutenant MANN, a platoon leader, was assigned the difficult mission of ferrying infantrymen in an assault crossing of the strategic Moselle River. When our assault forces were in dire need of ammunition and supplies, Lieutenant MANN, despite the great danger, succeeded in ferrying the vital supplies across the river under intense enemy fire and evacuating numerous casualties by means of assault boats. His heroic actions assisted materially in the establishment of the bridgehead, reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

~~VI--COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE--WITH DENTIAL ON RIGHT TO WEAR. Under the provisions of Section 4, Paragraph 6b (1), War Department, Circular 408, dated 17 October 1944 authority for EDISON M. BURCHETT, formerly Staff Sergeant, 6667086, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army, to wear the Combat Infantryman Badge is hereby withdrawn.~~

By command of Major General IWHM.

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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain THOMAS G. MANOS, 0364643, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 5 to 9 February 1945 in the vicinity of ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. Prior to an assault crossing of the strategic Sauer River by our infantry, Captain MANOS, an engineering officer, made numerous reconnaissances forward to obtain information for the crossing. When due to the swift current and the intense enemy fire our forces were unable to construct a footbridge across the river, Captain MANOS braved the enemy fire and, completely exposed, efficiently coordinated and directed assault crossings by means of assault boats. His courageous actions contributed immeasurably to the successful establishment of the vital bridgehead. His courage, tenacity of purpose and marked ability reflect great credit on himself and the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from New Jersey.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM L. RIVERS, 0520429, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 5 to 9 February 1945 in the vicinity of ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. Prior to an assault crossing of the strategic Sauer River by our infantry, Lieutenant RIVERS, an engineering officer, made numerous reconnaissances forward to obtain information for the crossing. When due to the swift current and the intense enemy fire our forces were unable to construct a footbridge across the river, Lieutenant RIVERS braved the enemy fire and, completely exposed, efficiently coordinated and directed assault crossings by means of assault boats. His courageous actions contributed immeasurably to the successful establishment of the vital bridgehead. His courage, tenacity of purpose and marked ability reflect great credit on himself and the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT WINTON, 36226120, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 18 January 1945 in the vicinity of DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. When three casualties were sustained by our forces and were lying in an exposed position, Sergeant WINTON, a mortar section leader, undertook the hazardous mission of evacuating his wounded comrades to a place of safety. Dauntlessly crawling over the exposed terrain under intense enemy fire, Sergeant WINTON administered medical aid to each of the casualties then carried the wounded men a distance of 600 yards to the comparative safety of an aid station. His courageous actions resulted in saving the lives of his three comrades and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class ALEX L. KREMSREITER, 36101602, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. Private KREMSREITER was a member of a detail assigned the difficult mission of ferrying infantrymen across the Moselle River. Upon completion of this mission Private KREMSREITER volunteered, despite the great danger from intense artillery and mortar fire, to ferry vitally needed supplies to the bridgehead forces and to evacuate the casualties to the safe side of the river. While engaged in this hazardous task he was wounded necessitating his evacuation to an aid station. His courageous actions assisted materially in the establishment of the bridgehead and reflect great credit on himself and the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Michigan.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No.

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32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named off enlisted men:

Captain MATT A. BRITTON, 0408793, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 17 August 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Captain JOSEPH M. SWANTEK, 0347826, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 7 September 1944 to 12 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant HOLLEY W. LUDMUN, 34161939, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 September 1944 near COTE DE FEY, France. Sergeant LUDMUN, a squad leader, was on duty in a forward outpost when the enemy began a determined and fanatical attack on his unit's position. Despite the great volume of grenade and small arms fire, Sergeant LUDMUN left his covering protection to alert and organize his command. He personally expended his squad's rifle grenades to stop one thrust, and then directed his machine gun and small arms fire to repel an hour long enemy assault. His courageous, unhesitating action was largely responsible for the success of our determined defense and exemplifies the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Alabama.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH WERFEL, 34162180, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 September 1944 near COTE DE FEY, France. As a squad leader of a depleted unit given the mission of defending a vital ridge, Sergeant WERFEL and the few remaining members were confronted by a fanatical enemy striving to overrun their position. Sergeant WERFEL, unmindful of the heavy volume of mortar and automatic weapons fire, left his cover to engage them in a spirited grenade battle. His grenades expended, Sergeant WERFEL, continued to repel the enemy's hour long thrust, thus protecting the entire sector. His determined stand and utter disregard for personal safety are a credit to himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Alabama.

Sergeant ERNEST R. JOHNSON, 16046625, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 September 1944 near COTE DE FEY, France. When the enemy attempted a fierce and fanatical attack on our right flank, Sergeant JOHNSON, an assistant squad leader, despite the intense enemy automatic fire left his place of cover to engage the enemy in a grenade battle. When his grenades were expended, Sergeant JOHNSON, maintaining a heavy rate of fire with his individual weapon, succeeded in killing many of the enemy within 10 yards of his position, thereby assisting materially in the repulse of their attack. His courageous and intrepid actions reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM R. DUDLEY, 39531589, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 January 1945 in the vicinity of DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. Under an intense barrage of enemy mortar and automatic fire, Technician DUDLEY, a medical aid man, disregarding personal safety crawled forward to within 200 yards of the enemy position to skillfully administer necessary medical care to several of his wounded comrades. His courageous and heroic determination and every thought and deep concern for his fellow men undoubtedly were the means of saving the lives of many of the wounded. His skill and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class RALPH B. PARKER, 38147529, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 September 1944 near COTE DE FEY, France. When the enemy attempted a fierce and fanatical attack on our position, Private PARKER,

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an automatic rifleman, left his place of cover despite the intense enemy automatic fire to engage the enemy in a grenade battle. When his grenades were expended, Private PARKER, took up a defensive position and by maintaining a heavy rate of automatic fire succeeded in killing many of the enemy and repulsing their fanatical attack. His courageous and intrepid actions reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

III--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Captain CHARLES H. MARKS, 0407981, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 2 to 3 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) HARRY A. NOREN, 36014638, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 September 1944 near COTE DE FEY, France. When the enemy attempted a fierce and fanatical attack on our right flank, Sergeant NOREN, a squad leader, despite the intense enemy automatic fire, left his place of cover to engage the enemy in a grenade battle. When his grenades were expended, Sergeant NOREN efficiently coordinated and prepared his defense and, maintaining a heavy rate of fire, succeeded in killing many of the enemy and repulsing their fanatical attack. His courageous and intrepid actions reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Illinois.

By command of Major General IRWIN:

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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

Sergeant DEAN P. ROMANO, 34702142, Infantry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 4 March 1945 in the vicinity of ORDORF, Germany. When his tank was immobilized by enemy fire, Sergeant ROMANO, a tank commander, disregarding personal safety and completely exposed to the intense enemy fire, stood on the flaming rear deck to halt the approaching supporting tanks. When his platoon sergeant's tank was also immobilized by the enemy fire, Sergeant ROMANO, despite the great danger strode over the exposed terrain and succeeded in evacuating the wounded crew members to a place of safety. His courageous actions undoubtedly were the means of saving the lives of his wounded comrades and reflect great credit on himself and our arms forces. Entered military service from Alabama.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Private) HUBERT A SCHMIDT, 33625232, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. Painfully wounded by enemy shell fire, Technician SCHMIDT, a medical aid man, refused medical aid or evacuation in order to efficiently and skillfully direct the administration of medical assistance and evacuation to two severely wounded comrades needing immediate medical attention. His courageous conduct, deep concern and every thought for the welfare of the wounded men resulted in the alleviation of their sufferings and the saving of their lives. His distinctive efforts and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class KENNETH M. WANG, 36227839, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. When it became necessary for our bridgehead forces to withdraw across the Moselle River due to the numerical superiority of the enemy, Private WANG, a rifleman, disregarding personal safety, remained in his exposed position and continued to engage the enemy with his individual weapon and grenades in a fierce fire fight. His courageous actions assisted in repelling the enemy's fanatical counterattacks and enabled our bridgehead forces to disengage the enemy for the purpose of regrouping. His heroism reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain ORRIS S. HIBSTAND JR., 0425913, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

First Lieutenant ROBERT P. RITTER, 0379603, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 25 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

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First Lieutenant ROE E. SEIFER, 02040976, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 12 October 1944 in the vicinity of GORZE, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) WALTER W. STAINBACK, 01556805, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Virginia.

Staff Sergeant HAROLD C. JONES, 35027908, Quartermaster Corps, 5th Quartermaster Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Third Grade JOSEPH A. GORISHEK, 36312519, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 July 1944 to 15 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Third Grade WALTER A. LUDWIG, 6834025, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 July 1944 to 15 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Third Grade MATTHEW MAZEC, 36025339, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 January 1945 near KIPPENHOFF, Luxembourg. When three severely wounded casualties were left lying in an exposed field under continuous enemy artillery fire, Technician MAZEC, a surgical technician, without hesitation or thought of personal safety went forward to skillfully and expertly administer blood plasma to his wounded comrades. Due to Technician MAZEC's courageous actions, skill, and deep concern for his fellow men, the lives of the wounded men were saved. His distinctive efforts and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant ALEXANDER S. KULIG, 36109868, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 12 October 1944 in the vicinity of GORZE, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH G. BRUNN, 35070586, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 17 to 23 February 1945 in the vicinity of SHANKWEILER, Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade RILEY W. REYNOLDS, 36076627, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 12 October 1944 in the vicinity of GORZE, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade OTTO N. WEPFLA, 36109013, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 12 October 1944 in the vicinity of GORZE, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH F. WOLF, 36076577, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 12 October 1944 in the vicinity of GORZE, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade SHELBY M. DUNCAN, 39528612, Signal Corps, 5th Signal

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Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 12 to 20 September 1944 in the vicinity of AMNAVILLE, France. Entered military service from California.

Technician Fifth Grade TED J. FANOS, 36302588, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 February 1945 in the vicinity of WETTLINGEN, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade RAYMOND W. KIMMITH, 32931907, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 12 October 1944 in the vicinity of GORZE, France. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class CHARLES A. EDLER, 35719940, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 12 October 1944 in the vicinity of GORZE, France. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class ALFRED E. BAISETS, 33086132, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 17 to 23 February 1945 in the vicinity of SHANKWEILER, Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

III--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and pursuant to authority contained in Section 1, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section 1, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant HAROLD A. CONNER, 15043058, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 12 to 20 September 1944 in the vicinity of AMNAVILLE, France. Entered military service from Indiana.

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Award of Bronze Star Medal.....SECTION I

I--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain **RAYMOND T. GLOVE**, 0342621, Cavalry, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 June 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Lieutenant **RICHARD E. BALL**, 01017282, Infantry, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 June 1944 to 8 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Lieutenant **ROGER W. BENGTSON**, 01014007, Infantry, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 June 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Missouri.

First Lieutenant **HAROLD S. CROSS JR.**, 01821688, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 June 1944 to 7 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant **BENJAMIN L. DI NARDO**, 01018647, Cavalry, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 June 1944 to 28 August 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Lieutenant **ROBERT J. MATAS**, 01018500, Cavalry, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 30 June 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Second Lieutenant **FRED P. BODY**, 02047566, Medical Administrative Corps, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 December 1944 in the vicinity of BERDORF, Luxembourg. Entered military service from Illinois.

Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant) **ORRIN R. LARSEN**, 0199811, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 June 1944 to 18 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Washington.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) **MARTIN E. CAMPBELL**, 36227921, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 near DOFWOT, France. During bridgehead operations across the Moselle River, Sergeant CAMPBELL, an assistant squad leader, served as a member of a detail charged with the hazardous mission of ferrying vital supplies to our embattled forces attempting to maintain their small bridgehead. When it became imperative that our forces withdraw from the bridgehead, Sergeant CAMPBELL, heedless of the great danger from enemy fire, assisted in the evacuation of the numerous casualties to the west bank of the river. His courageous actions and utter disregard for personal safety reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant **DELOS G. WORTON**, 36025693, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment,

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United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 January 1945 near DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. When his platoon was forced to withdraw due to intense enemy automatic and small arms fire, Sergeant MORTON, a squad leader, despite the great danger elected to remain by the side of a wounded comrade and administered medical care to him. While engaged in his work of mercy, Sergeant MORTON continued to efficiently direct the fire of his platoon upon the enemy position. His heroic and courageous determination resulted in saving the life of the wounded man. His calmness under fire and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant JOHN M. PETRUSIC, 36017420, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. During bridgehead operations across the Moselle River, Sergeant PETRUSIC, a squad leader, served as a member of a detail charged with the hazardous mission of ferrying vital supplies to our embattled forces attempting to maintain their small bridgehead. When it became imperative that our forces withdraw from the bridgehead, Sergeant PETRUSIC, heedless of the great danger from enemy fire, assisted in the evacuation of the numerous casualties to the west bank of the river. His courageous actions and utter disregard for personal safety reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant RAYMOND E. WALL, 34603684, Infantry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 26 February 1945 in Luxembourg. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant WALTER ZURAF, 13006100, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 September 1944 in the vicinity of VERNEVILLE, France. Sergeant ZURAF was a member of a detail assigned the hazardous mission of preparing defensive positions for the infantry. While attempting to locate friendly infantrymen in the area, Sergeant ZURAF encountered a concealed enemy automatic weapon emplacement. Disregarding personal safety, Sergeant ZURAF engaged the enemy in a fire fight with his individual weapon wounding one of them and returning in ample time to warn his platoon of their presence. His courageous and intrepid actions saved his platoon from surprise attack and reflect great credit on himself and the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant CLYDE H. McDARIS, 39302971, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 June 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Oregon.

Sergeant CARL SEELYE, 6660152, Infantry, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 7 to 10 February 1945 in Luxembourg. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant EDWARD W. UHER, 37152911, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 June 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Sergeant (then Corporal) THOMAS H. WILSON, 37153322, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 June 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Technician Fifth Grade PAUL M. DeMEO, 31425794, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 December 1944 in the vicinity of MULLERTHAL, Luxembourg. When two severely wounded casualties were left lying in an exposed position subjected to further enemy fire, Technician

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Dalmo, a medical aid man, undertook the hazardous mission of evacuating them from their precarious position. Headless of the great danger and waving a red cross flag Technician Dalmo strode across the exposed terrain to within 50 yards of the enemy lines, administered medical care to the two casualties and evacuated them to a place of safety. His dauntless actions undoubtedly were the means of saving their lives, reflect great credit upon himself, and exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

X
Captain LEWIS R. ANDERSON, 0364394, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 30 July 1944 in the vicinity of TORIGNY SUR VIRE, France. During a determined attack by our forces on strongly held enemy positions, Captain ANDERSON, a company commander, led his men forward in an effort to dislodge the enemy from their prepared locations. Despite extremely heavy enemy defensive fire, Captain ANDERSON braved overwhelming odds and difficult terrain in order to overrun the enemy by use of every available weapon in his possession. Fighting relentlessly forward, our troops succeeded in gaining the enemy held position and killing many of their personnel, due in great part to the audacious leadership and devotion to duty displayed by Captain ANDERSON. His heroic actions reflect distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

X
Second Lieutenant MILTON W. JOHNSON, 01316056, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 24 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. During an assault crossing of the strategic Moselle River in the face of extremely accurate artillery and small arms fire registered in on the crossing site, Lieutenant JOHNSON, serving as a reconnaissance officer with a heavy weapons company, courageously led his men under the hail of enemy fire to the opposite shore where, spurring and encouraging them forward, he calmly and efficiently directed devastating fire upon the fiercely resisting enemy. His heroic actions and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

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Technical Sergeant FLOYD C. SIMPSON, 15054409, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. The company in which Sergeant SIMPSON was serving in the capacity of a platoon sergeant was committed to an assault on a chateau situated on a commanding ground. Disregarding personal safety and the rain of enemy fire, Sergeant SIMPSON fearlessly and aggressively directed his platoon over 100 yards of exposed terrain to reach the wall of the chateau. Sergeant SIMPSON then efficiently infiltrated his unit into the enemy strongpoint. His courageous actions and superior leadership resulted in the capture of the enemy strongpoint with a minimum of casualties and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

X
Technician Third Grade JOHN P. VAN MUN, 16007174, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 24 to 25 August 1944 near MONTPREAU, France. Following bridgehead operations across the Seine River numerous casualties were left lying in an exposed position subjected to further enemy fire. Technician VAN MUN, a medical aid man serving with the infantry in the assault crossing, without hesitation or thought of personal safety continued to work in the exposed terrain administering medical treatment and assisting in the evacuation of the casualties by means of assault boats. His heroic determination resulted in saving the lives of many of his wounded comrades and in the alleviation of their sufferings. His courageous actions reflect

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great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class CECIL D. CORBIN, 6399425, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 24 to 25 August 1944 near MONTREAU, France. Following bridgehead operations across the Seine River numerous casualties were left lying in an exposed position subjected to further enemy fire. Private CORBIN, a litter bearer serving with the infantry in the assault crossing, without hesitation or thought of personal safety continued to work in the exposed terrain administering medical treatment and assisting in the evacuation of the casualties by means of assault boats. His heroic determination resulted in saving the lives of many of his wounded comrades and in the alleviation of their sufferings. His courageous actions reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class (then Private) JACKIE HOWERTON, 15064343, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 August 1944 near ANGERS, France. The company in which Private HOWERTON was serving as a rifleman was committed to an assault on a chateau situated on high commanding ground. Disregarding personal safety and the rain of enemy fire, Private HOWERTON fearlessly and aggressively advanced over the 600 yards of exposed terrain to reach the wall of the chateau. He then aggressively forced entry into the chateau and engaged the enemy in fierce hand to hand struggle. His courageous actions and distinct devotion to duty resulted in the capture of the enemy strongpoint with a minimum of casualties and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class ROBERT E. JARVIS, 35810233, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 24 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. During an assault crossing of the strategic Moselle River in the face of extremely accurate artillery and small arms fire registered in on the crossing site, Private JARVIS, an ammunition bearer in a heavy weapons company, courageously advanced across the river to the opposite shore where he assisted in directing accurate and effective fire in support of the advancing riflemen upon the fiercely resisting enemy forces. His heroic actions and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain (then First Lieutenant) ROBERT B. FURMAN, JR., 0404888, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 near CORNY, France. When an enemy unit was observed preparing strong defensive positions during bridgehead operations on the Moselle River, Captain FURMAN, a company commander, disregarding personal safety and fully exposed to enemy observation, efficiently organized and directed an automatic weapons squad against the entrenching enemy. Placing accurate and effective automatic fire upon the enemy's position, Captain FURMAN succeeded in repulsing with heavy losses their attempt to fortify an area on the right flank of our bridgehead forces. His intrepid and aggressive leadership and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) FRANK H. BILL, 01319897, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 24 September 1944 in the

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vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. During an assault crossing of the strategic Moselle River in the face of extremely accurate artillery and small arms fire registered in on the crossing site, Lieutenant BELL, serving as a platoon leader with a heavy weapons company, courageously led his men under the hail of enemy fire to the opposite shore where, spurring and encouraging them forward, he calmly and efficiently directed devastating fire upon the fiercely resisting enemy. His heroic actions and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Connecticut.

First Lieutenant CHARLES DOUGET, 02041007, Medical Administrative Corps, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 9 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Louisiana.

First Lieutenant JOHN T. DUFOR, 01313221, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 to 24 January 1945 near EASTENDORF, Luxembourg. During an assault crossing of the Sauer River, Lieutenant DUFOR served in the capacity of a platoon leader with the leading assault elements. Headless of the great danger from intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, Lieutenant DUFOR remained in his forward exposed position and relayed accurate radio instructions to the fire direction center of his cannon company. Due to his courageous actions, our artillery was able to deliver accurate and effective fire upon the enemy positions. His technical skill and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) HENRY J. FITZGERALD, 01319405, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 24 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. During an assault crossing of the strategic Moselle River in the face of extremely accurate artillery and small arms fire registered in on the crossing site, Lieutenant FITZGERALD, serving as a platoon leader with a heavy weapons company, courageously led his men under the hail of enemy fire to the opposite shore where, spurring and encouraging them forward, he calmly and efficiently directed devastating fire upon the fiercely resisting enemy. His heroic actions and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant DANIEL F. KOEHLER, 0390240, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 30 July 1944 in the vicinity of TORIGNY SUR VIRE, France. During a determined attack by our forces on strongly held enemy position Lieutenant KOEHLER, a platoon leader, led his men forward in an effort to dislodge the enemy from their prepared locations. Despite extremely heavy enemy defensive fire, Lieutenant KOEHLER braved overwhelming odds and difficult terrain in order to overrun the enemy by use of every available weapon in his possession. Fighting relentlessly forward, our troops succeeded in gaining the enemy held position and killing many of their personnel, due in great part to the audacious leadership and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant KOEHLER. His heroic actions reflect distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant THOMAS G. McCracken, 01289450, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 24 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. During bridgehead operations across the Moselle River in the face of intense artillery and small arms fire, Lieutenant McCracken, a platoon leader serving with the bridgehead forces, courageously led his forces to the commanding ground dominating the sector where, under his cool and audacious leadership, they successfully repulsed innumerable enemy counterattacks while being subjected to almost continuous artillery fire. His heroic actions and distinct devotion to duty enabled additional forces to reinforce and secure the bridgehead, reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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First Lieutenant BERNARD G. UNGER, 01285667, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 30 July 1944 in the vicinity of TORIGNY SUR VIRE, France. During a determined attack by our forces on strongly held enemy positions, Lieutenant UNGER, a platoon leader, led his men forward in an effort to dislodge the enemy from their prepared locations. Despite extremely heavy enemy defensive fire, Lieutenant UNGER braved overwhelming odds and difficult terrain in order to overrun the enemy by use of every available weapon in his possession. Fighting relentlessly forward, our troops succeeded in gaining the enemy held position and killing many of their personnel, due in great part to the audacious leadership and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant UNGER. His heroic actions reflect distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Second Lieutenant MILFORD W. DELORME, 01293924, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 30 July 1944 in the vicinity of TORIGNY SUR VIRE, France. During a determined attack by our forces on strongly held enemy positions Lieutenant DELORME, a platoon leader, led his men forward in an effort to dislodge the enemy from their prepared locations. Despite extremely heavy enemy defensive fire, Lieutenant DELORME braved overwhelming odds and difficult terrain in order to overrun the enemy by use of every available weapon in his possession. Fighting relentlessly forward, our troops succeeded in gaining the enemy held position and killing many of their personnel, due in great part to the audacious leadership and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant DELORME. His heroic actions reflect distinct credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Vermont.

Second Lieutenant LYNN F. FORD, 01325438, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 24 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. During an assault crossing of the strategic Moselle River in the face of extremely accurate artillery and small arms fire registered in on the crossing site, Lieutenant FORD, a platoon leader serving with a heavy weapons company, courageously led his men under the hail of enemy fire to the opposite shore where, spurring and encouraging them forward, he calmly and efficiently directed devastating fire upon the fiercely resisting enemy. His heroic actions and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Second Lieutenant PAUL M. GESS, 01544777, Medical Administrative Corps, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 17 September 1944 near DONOT, France. During bridgehead operations across the Moselle River numerous casualties were sustained by our forces and left lying in an exposed position. Lieutenant GESS, in charge of a medical detachment supporting the infantry in the assault crossing, disregarding personal safety and oblivious to the intense enemy fire, went forward to administer medical treatment to the wounded and assist in their evacuation to the comparative safety of an aid station. His courageous actions resulted in saving the lives of many of the wounded and alleviating their sufferings and reflect great credit on himself and the Medical Corps. Entered military service from Illinois.

Second Lieutenant JAMES J. HAGERTY, JR., 01315302, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 to 24 January 1945 near BASTENDORF, Luxembourg. During an assault crossing of the Sauer River, Lieutenant HAGERTY served in the capacity of a forward observer with the leading assault elements. Heedless of the great danger from intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, Lieutenant HAGERTY remained in his forward exposed position and relayed accurate radio instructions to the fire direction center of his cannon company. Due to his courageous actions, our artillery was able to deliver accurate and effective fire upon the enemy positions. His technical skill and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

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Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant) STANLEY J. KUWIK, 0887675, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. During bridgehead operations on the Moselle River, Lieutenant KUWIK, a platoon leader, disregarding personal safety and completely exposed to intense enemy fire supervised the ferrying of vitally needed supplies and ammunition across the river to our embattled bridgehead forces. His mission accomplished Lieutenant KUWIK efficiently organized the evacuation of the bridgehead wounded across the river to the comparative safety of a battalion aid station. His heroic and courageous determination assisted materially in the successful accomplishment of the bridgehead operations. His distinctive efforts and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

First Sergeant JESSE L. OWENS, 6654343, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 24 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. During bridgehead operations across the Moselle River in the face of intense artillery and small arms fire, Sergeant OWENS, a first sergeant serving with the bridgehead forces, courageously led his forces to the commanding ground dominating the sector where, under his cool and audacious leadership, they successfully repulsed innumerable enemy counterattacks while being subjected to almost continuous artillery fire. His heroic actions and distinct devotion to duty enabled additional forces to reinforce and secure the bridgehead, reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Kentucky.

First Sergeant JOHN S. SINGLETON, 6360771, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. After the initial crossing of the Moselle River, Sergeant SINGLETON, a first sergeant serving with the advance element, was subjected to heavy enemy fire from an adjacent hill. When several attempts to dislodge the enemy by individual and supporting weapons failed to drive the entrenched enemy from their commanding high ground, Sergeant SINGLETON, with other men of his unit, fearlessly advanced into the withering fire to drive the stubborn enemy from the hill with grenade and bayonet assaults. His unswerving devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety helped secure our vital bridgehead and are a credit to himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Georgia.

Technical Sergeant PAUL W. BERNARDI, 6658972, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. The company in which Sergeant BERNARDI was serving in the capacity of a platoon sergeant was committed to an assault on a chateau situated on high commanding ground. Disregarding personal safety and the rain of enemy fire, Sergeant BERNARDI fearlessly and aggressively directed his platoon over 600 yards of exposed terrain to reach the wall of the chateau. Sergeant BERNARDI then efficiently infiltrated his unit into the enemy strongpoint. His courageous actions and superior leadership resulted in the capture of the enemy strongpoint with a minimum of casualties and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant) RALPH T. NEWTON, 6668920, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. After the initial crossing of the Moselle River, Sergeant NEWTON, a squad leader serving with the advance element, was subjected to heavy enemy fire from an adjacent hill. When several attempts to dislodge the enemy by individual and supporting weapons failed to drive the entrenched enemy from their commanding high ground, Sergeant NEWTON, with other men of his unit, fearlessly advanced into the withering fire to drive the stubborn enemy from the hill with grenade and bayonet assaults. His unswerving devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety helped secure our vital bridgehead and are a credit to himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) THURMAN NICHOLS, 7009598, Infantry,

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10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. The company in which Sergeant NICHOLS was serving in the capacity of a squad leader was committed to an assault on a chateau situated on high commanding ground. Disregarding personal safety and the rain of enemy fire, Sergeant NICHOLS fearlessly and aggressively directed his platoon over 600 yards of exposed terrain to reach the wall of the chateau. Sergeant NICHOLS then efficiently infiltrated his unit into the enemy strongpoint. His courageous actions and superior leadership resulted in the capture of the enemy strongpoint with a minimum of casualties and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Technical Sergeant BLAINE H. MILLER, 15063975, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. After the initial crossing of the Moselle River, Sergeant MILLER, a platoon sergeant serving with the advance element, was subjected to heavy enemy fire from an adjacent hill. When several attempts to dislodge the enemy by individual and supporting weapons failed to drive the entrenched enemy from their commanding high ground, Sergeant MILLER, with other men of his unit, fearlessly advanced into the withering fire to drive the stubborn enemy from the hill with grenade and bayonet assaults. His unswerving devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety helped secure our vital bridgehead and are a credit to himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) CHARLIE L. FATHERGILL, 7009506, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. The company in which Sergeant FATHERGILL was serving in the capacity of an acting squad leader was committed to an assault on a chateau situated on high commanding ground. Disregarding personal safety and the rain of enemy fire, Sergeant FATHERGILL fearlessly and aggressively directed his platoon over 600 yards of exposed terrain to reach the wall of the chateau. Sergeant FATHERGILL then efficiently infiltrated his unit into the enemy strongpoint. His courageous actions and superior leadership resulted in the capture of the enemy strongpoint with a minimum of casualties and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant (then Technician Third Grade) WALDO McINTYRE, 37259660, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 17 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. During bridgehead operations across the Moselle River numerous casualties were sustained by our forces and left lying in an exposed position. Sergeant McINTYRE, a medical aid man serving with the infantry in the assault crossing, disregarding personal safety and oblivious to the intense enemy fire, went forward to administer medical treatment to the wounded and assist in their evacuation to the comparative safety of an aid station. His courageous actions resulted in saving the lives of many of the wounded and alleviating their sufferings and reflect great credit on himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant REO E. WRIGHT, 15058190, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 24 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNAVILLE, France. During bridgehead operations across the Moselle River in the face of intense artillery and small arms fire, Sergeant WRIGHT, a mess sergeant serving with the bridgehead forces, courageously led his forces to the commanding ground dominating the sector where, under his cool and audacious leadership, they successfully repulsed innumerable enemy counterattacks while being subjected to almost continuous artillery fire. His heroic actions and distinct devotion to duty enabled additional forces to reinforce and secure the bridgehead, reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant LESTER T. SWECKARD, 36051802, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military oper-

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ations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. After the initial crossing of the Moselle River, Sergeant SWECKARD, a supply sergeant serving with the advance element, was subjected to heavy enemy fire from an adjacent hill. When several attempts to dislodge the enemy by individual and supporting weapons failed to drive the entrenched enemy from their commanding high ground, Sergeant SWECKARD, with other men of his unit, fearlessly advanced into the withering fire to drive the stubborn enemy from the hill with grenade and bayonet attacks. His unswerving devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety helped secure our vital bridgehead and are a credit to himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) RICHARD C. TRIGUEIRO, 39124040, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 to 10 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. During bridgehead operations on the Moselle River, Sergeant TRIGUEIRO, serving as a member of a reconnaissance platoon and despite the great danger from enemy fire, assisted in ferrying vitally needed supplies to the embattled bridgehead forces. When it became necessary for our forces to withdraw, Sergeant TRIGUEIRO, still exposed to the intense enemy fire, assisted in the evacuation of the wounded across the river to the comparative safety of an aid station. His courageous actions assisted materially in the success of the bridgehead operations, saved the lives of many of the wounded and reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from California.

Technician Third Grade (then Private) EARL H. CORBIN, 639949, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 24 to 25 August 1944 near MONTEREAU, France. Following bridgehead operations across the Seine River numerous casualties were left lying in an exposed position subjected to further enemy fire. Technician CORBIN, a member of a medical detachment serving with the infantry in the assault crossing, without hesitation or thought of personal safety continued to work in the exposed terrain administering medical treatment and assisting in the evacuation of the casualties by means of assault boats. His heroic determination resulted in saving the lives of many of his wounded comrades and in the alleviation of their sufferings. His courageous actions reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Florida.

Technician Third Grade ALBERT DORENFEST, 36000120, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 21 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Third Grade DELMONT E. SURRATT, 16016952, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 July 1944 to 22 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal (then Private First Class) CHARLES E. BLAZEK, 36667324, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 to 11 August 1944 near ANGERS, France. During bridgehead operations on the Maine River numerous casualties were left lying in an exposed position subjected to further enemy fire. Oblivious to the intense enemy artillery, mortar and automatic fire, Corporal BLAZEK, a member of a medical detachment, remained in the exposed terrain administering necessary medical treatment and assisting in the evacuation of his wounded comrades to a place of comparative safety. Due in part to his courageous and intrepid actions the lives of many of the wounded were saved and their sufferings alleviated. His dauntless efforts reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade HAROLD B. BRUMMOND, 37458194, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 to 17 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. During bridgehead operations across the

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Moselle River numerous casualties were sustained by our forces and left lying in an exposed position. Technician BRUMMOND, a medical technician serving with the infantry in the assault crossing, disregarding personal safety and oblivious to the intense enemy fire, went forward to administer medical treatment to the wounded and assist in their evacuation to the comparative safety of an aid station. His courageous actions resulted in saving the lives of many of the wounded and alleviating their sufferings and reflect great credit on himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from Wyoming.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) LOUIS J. FERRIGNO, 39134112 Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 to 11 August 1944 near ANGERS, France. During bridgehead operations on the Maine River numerous casualties were left lying in an exposed position subjected to further enemy fire. Oblivious to the intense enemy artillery, mortar and automatic fire, Technician FERRIGNO, a member of a medical detachment, remained in the exposed terrain administering necessary medical treatment and assisting in the evacuation of his wounded comrades to a place of comparative safety. Due in part to his courageous and intrepid actions the lives of many of the wounded were saved and their suffering alleviated. His dauntless efforts reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from California.

Technician Fifth Grade HAROLD SANDERS, 15064692, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 to 23 July 1944 near SALLEN, France. When vital wire communications from the regimental command post to the forward battalion command post and adjacent units became necessary, Technician SANDERS, a member of a wire detail, despite the great danger from intense enemy artillery fire remained exposed and continued to service and maintain essential wire communications between the higher and lower echelons. His initiative, technical skill and courageous actions assisted materially in the attainment of the objectives. His distinctive efforts and unwavering devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class CLYDE E. BACON, 35483205, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. After the initial crossing of the Moselle River, Private BACON, a rifleman with the advance element, was subjected to heavy enemy fire from an adjacent hill. When several attempts to dislodge the enemy by individual and supporting weapons failed to drive the entrenched enemy from their commanding high ground, Private BACON, with other men of his unit, fearlessly advanced into the withering fire to drive the stubborn enemy from the hill with grenade and bayonet assaults. His unwavering devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety helped secure our vital bridgehead and are a credit to himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class JULIUS R. BECK, 16021262, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 to 11 August 1944 near ANGERS, France. During bridgehead operations on the Maine River numerous casualties were left lying in an exposed position subjected to further enemy fire. Oblivious to the intense enemy artillery, mortar and automatic fire, Private BECK, a member of a medical detachment, remained in the exposed terrain administering necessary medical treatment and assisting in the evacuation of his wounded comrades to a place of comparative safety. Due in part to his courageous and intrepid actions the lives of many of the wounded were saved and their sufferings alleviated. His dauntless efforts reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class CASIMIR WLODARZYK, 16002672, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 to 23 July 1944 near SALLEN, France.

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When vital wire communications from the regimental command post to the forward battalion command post and adjacent units became necessary, Private WLODARCZYK, a member of a wire detail, despite the great danger from intense enemy artillery fire remained exposed and continued to service and maintain essential wire communications between the higher and lower echelons. His initiative, technical skill and courageous actions assisted materially in the attainment of the objectives. His distinctive efforts and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class LAVERN O. DARRON, 37667369, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 to 24 January 1945 near EASTENLORF, Luxembourg. During an assault crossing of the Sauer River, Private DARRON served in the capacity of a radio operator with the leading assault elements. Heedless of the great danger from intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, Private DARRON remained in his forward exposed position and relayed accurate radio instructions to the fire direction center of his cannon company. Due to his courageous action our artillery was able to deliver accurate and effective fire upon the enemy positions. His technical skill and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Iowa.

III--AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named officer:

Major WILLIAM A. KNESSLER, 0215416, Dental Corps, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army, for injuries received in action against the enemy on 23 March 1945 in Germany.

IV--ANNOUNCEMENT OF INSPECTOR GENERAL. Lieutenant Colonel ROBERT F. BATES, 0243892, Inspector General's Department, is announced as Inspector General, 5th Infantry Division. (VOCG, 24 March 1945)

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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. 1. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers:

First Lieutenant NORMAN R. HUGHES, 01821722, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 near FRIEHOFF, Luxembourg. With the enemy directing sweeping automatic and small arms fire from two buildings, Lieutenant HUGHES, a platoon leader, aggressively directed a frontal assault upon the building resulting in the surrender of 18 of the enemy. Lieutenant HUGHES, then fearlessly led his men over 200 yards of exposed terrain to the second objective and succeeded in convincing the enemy of the futility of further struggle thereby enabling our forces to capture a battalion commander, together with 58 of the enemy soldiers and liberating three American captives. His intrepid leadership, utter disregard for personal safety and unswerving devotion to duty, reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

2. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the award of a Silver Star Medal to the following named officer on 9 February 1945 is announced:

Second Lieutenant JOHN H. STALEY, 0535336, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 8 to 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When one of our battalions became isolated Lieutenant STALEY, a liaison pilot, despite the great danger from enemy anti-aircraft and automatic fire, undertook the hazardous mission of re-supplying the isolated battalion by air. Flying at an extremely low altitude on his third trip, Lieutenant STALEY succeeded in dropping the vitally needed equipment but in so doing was severely wounded. Ignoring his pain Lieutenant STALEY managed a successful landing thereby saving the life of his observer and preventing the destruction of the airplane. His heroic actions assisted in enabling the battalion to maintain an otherwise untenable position. His courageous actions reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Maryland.

II--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class FREDERICK A. SHUSTER, 33113486, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 September 1944 near COTE DE FEY, France. When the enemy attempted a series of fanatical counterattacks in an effort to dislodge our bridgehead forces, Private SHUSTER, an automatic weapon gunner, disregarding personal safety, remained in his position in the center of the line and fearlessly engaged the enemy in a grenade battle. Then working his way to his unit's rear and engaging the enemy in a fierce fire fight, Private SHUSTER assisted in preventing the encirclement of his unit's position. His heroic determination resulted in the complete route of the oncoming enemy with tremendous losses to their personnel and exemplify the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain WILLIAM E. ADAMS, 0394939, Field Artillery, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 23 to 24 March 1945 in the vicinity of NIERSTEIN, Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Captain GEORGE R. NEUFERT, 0326404, Field Artillery, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 16 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Captain HOWARD A. SEARL, 0365776, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 23 to 24 March 1945 in the vicinity of NIERSTEIN, Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant KARL F. SCHMIDT, 0513552, Infantry, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 27 to 24 March 1945 in the vicinity of NIERSTEIN, Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

Technical Sergeant ROBERT W. ADAMS, 6137241, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 20 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technical Sergeant JAMES F. BATES, 6399785, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Staff Sergeant WALTER E. ESSIG, 39269240, Military Intelligence Service, Interrogation Prisoner of War Team No. 19, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 December 1944 to 20 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from California.

Staff Sergeant RAY McCALLISTER, 15064886, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 September 1944 near COTE DE FEY, France. When the enemy attempted a series of fanatical counterattacks in an effort to dislodge our bridgehead positions, Sergeant McCALLISTER, a squad leader, disregarding personal safety and the hail of enemy fire remained in position and fearlessly engaged the enemy in a grenade battle. Although wounded, Sergeant McCALLISTER when his grenades were exhausted, dauntlessly continued to remain in his exposed position spurring his squad on and killing many of the enemy within 10 yards of his position. His heroic determination assisted in the repelling of the enemy counterattacks and reflects great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technician Third Grade SAMUEL PLESO, 36365980, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT M. HENRY, 36024708, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN C. GRISSETT, JR., 6985351, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For distinctive

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service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class DARREL S. OLIVER, 38147607, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of COTE DE FEY, France. When the enemy attempted a series of fanatical counterattacks upon our bridgehead positions, Private OLIVER, a rifleman, disregarding personal safety and the hail of enemy fire, remained in position and fearlessly engaged the enemy in a grenade battle. When his grenades were expended, Private OLIVER, continued to remain in his exposed position and dauntlessly engaged the enemy with his individual weapon, thereby assisting in repelling their determined attacks and killing many of their soldiers. His heroic and courageous determination, calmness under fire and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

IV--AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named officer:

Lieutenant Colonel DONALD W. THACKERAY, 021265, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy on 25 March 1945 in the vicinity of BODENHEIM, Germany.

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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1944, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant **JOHN J. FRANKLIN**, 32863189, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 December 1944 in the vicinity of MULLERTHAL, Luxembourg. When the advance of his squad was pinned down by intense enemy fire, Sergeant FRANKLIN, a squad leader, disregarding personal safety undertook the hazardous mission of ferreting out the enemy's position. Instructing his squad to seek cover, Sergeant FRANKLIN fearlessly advanced forward over the exposed terrain towards the enemy position. His courageous actions resulting in his supreme self sacrifice enabled his squad to extricate itself from its precarious position with a minimum of casualties. His heroic actions reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant **ALFRED LANGRIDGE**, 3610902, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 14 to 15 March 1945 near KARDEN, Germany. Sergeant LANGRIDGE was a member of a detail engaged in the hazardous task of constructing a footbridge across the Moselle River. Undeterred by the intense enemy artillery and mortar fire and the additional obstacle of the swiftly moving current, Sergeant LANGRIDGE remained exposed to enemy observation encouraging his men in the completion of the bridge. While engaged in his dangerous mission, Sergeant LANGRIDGE was mortally wounded by enemy fire. His courageous actions, intrepid leadership, and supreme devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant **BURVETT HATTEN**, 34358331, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 October 1944 in the vicinity of COMNY, France. When several of our casualties were observed lying in an exposed position, Sergeant HATTEN, a squad leader, assisted by his platoon leader, undertook the perilous mission of evacuating his wounded comrades. Leaving his place of cover Sergeant HATTEN proceeded over the exposed terrain and successfully evacuated the casualties to a nearby foxhole. While engaged in administering first aid treatment to the casualties he, himself, was mortally wounded by bursting enemy shrapnel. His heroic determination and courageous actions resulting in his supreme self sacrifice reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Georgia.

Sergeant **JOHN A. MURPHY**, 35052170, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of COLSBAUM HILL, Luxembourg. When the enemy attempted a determined counterattack upon the right flank and rear and succeeded in infiltrating our position, Sergeant MURPHY, an automatic weapon squad leader, left his place of cover and completely exposed engaged the enemy in a fierce fire fight with his individual weapon. His aggressive actions succeeded in killing an entire squad of the enemy and enabled our forces to disengage the enemy for the purpose of reorganization and thereby repel the enemy's counterattack. His indomitable courage reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private **ELIASH KIDWELL**, 34739560, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 14 to 15 March 1945 in the vicinity of KARDEN, Germany. Private KIDWELL was a member of a detail assigned

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the hazardous mission of constructing a footbridge across the Moselle River. The bridge site itself was under observed enemy artillery and mortar fire but undeterred, Private KIDWELL, without thought of personal safety, continued to remain exposed and spurred his comrades by the completion of the vital bridge. While so engaged in his dangerous mission, Private KIDWELL was killed by enemy fire. His heroic and courageous determination and unswerving devotion reflect great credit upon himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private J. C. KEITH, 18008852, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, Special Troops, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 6 March 1945 in the vicinity of DREISKAL, Germany. When enemy artillery scored direct hits on two medical transports carrying casualties to an aid station Private KEITH, a medical aid man, without hesitation or thought of personal safety continued to remain in the exposed area administering medical assistance to his many wounded comrades. While so engaged in his work of mercy, Private KEITH was himself struck by flying shrapnel, resulting in his immediate death. His dauntless and courageous actions, every thought and deep concern for his fellow men and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in complete accord with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Texas.

II--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel RICHARD L. McKEE, 019453, General Staff Corps, Headquarter 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 26 to 27 March 1945 at FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. During bridgehead operations across the strategic Main River, Colonel McKEE serving as division G-4 made numerous trips forward under intense enemy fire to make personal reconnaissance to obtain first hand information to permit the maximum flow of traffic and supplies. Heedless of the great danger Colonel McKEE efficiently coordinated and aggressively directed the early movements of traffic and supplies to our troops. His courageous determination, superior planning and outstanding leadership contributed materially to the success of the division's bridgehead operations, reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered United States Military Academy from Pennsylvania.

Lieutenant Colonel HUGO J. STARK, 0228521, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 11 to 13 September 1944 in the vicinity of AENAVILLE, France. Colonel STARK was commanding officer of an engineer battalion supporting an infantry combat team in an assault crossing of the Moselle River. Under intense enemy fire Colonel STARK, heedless of the great danger, made repeated reconnaissance of the bridge site and efficiently coordinated and encouraged his men in the completion of the bridge in record time. His actions were instrumental in the successful construction of one of the first vehicular bridges across the strategic Moselle River during the current combat. His skill, ability and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant HAROLD F. BRYANT, 01301425, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 November 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. When the advance of the unit his mortar section was supporting was pinned down by sweeping automatic and small arms fire, Lieutenant BRYANT, a mortar platoon leader, disregarding personal safety went forward to obtain a more advantageous position for the purpose of observation. Calmly proceeding forward in a half crouched position, he was again pinned down within 75 yards of the enemy strongpoint. Defeating grenade fire upon the door of the emplacement, Lieutenant BRYANT succeeded in capturing the strongpoint with 20 of the enemy. His heroic actions and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

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First Lieutenant ROBERT B. GUY, 01289907, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. When wire communications were disrupted by enemy shrapnel during bridgehead operations across the Moselle River, Lieutenant GUY, a mortar platoon leader, with utter disregard for personal safety remained exposed on top of his command post to direct accurate mortar fire upon the counterattacking enemy. His fearless and aggressive actions encouraged his platoon on to greater efforts and enabled his mortar section to liquidate two strongly entrenched enemy automatic weapons thereby repulsing the enemy's determined counterattacks. His heroic actions, superior leadership and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant RUSSELL B. HENDRICKS, 01998343, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 16 to 22 December 1944 in the vicinity of MICHELSHOF, Luxembourg. When the enemy launched a determined counterattack in an attempt to encircle his platoon, Lieutenant HENDRICKS, a platoon leader, efficiently coordinated and supplemented the weapons of his unit with the fire power of two supporting units and succeeded in repulsing their fierce attack. When the enemy again counterattacked at MICHELSHOF in an attempt to gain a vital crossroad, Lieutenant HENDRICKS effectively coordinated his tank destroyer's fire with the supporting unit's fire and succeeded in killing 150 of the enemy and again repelling their counterattack. His intrepid and superior leadership and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Washington.

First Lieutenant HOBART J. B. PAGE, 0393432, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 January 1945 in the vicinity of DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. When the advance of his forward platoon was halted by sweeping enemy automatic fire, Lieutenant PAGE, the company commander, without hesitation or thought of personal safety went forward and efficiently reorganized the remainder of the company into an effective fighting unit. Dauntlessly leading his men Lieutenant PAGE succeeded in capturing the enemy strongpoint, killing many of the enemy and taking 110 enemy prisoners. His intrepid and superior leadership enabled our forces to resume their advance and attain their objective. His courageous actions and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

First Lieutenant RICHARD P. SMITH, 01313659, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 10 to 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRY, France. When the enemy launched a determined tank-infantry attack on our bridgehead position, Lieutenant SMITH, a platoon leader, efficiently rallied his men and continued to engage the enemy with devastating automatic fire. When his position became untenable, Lieutenant SMITH withdrew his unit to a more advantageous position, skillfully reorganized his platoon and continued to resist the enemy. When the forward elements were in dire need of supplies, Lieutenant SMITH supervised the flow of supplies to the forward elements for a seven day period. His heroism and indomitable courage exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

Sergeant GLENWARD G. HESS, 6657364, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 6 March 1945 in the vicinity of OBERKAIL, Germany. When enemy artillery scored direct hits on two medical transports evacuating casualties to an aid station, Sergeant HESS supervising the evacuation, without thought of personal safety remained in the exposed area going from one casualty to another administering medical assistance. Oblivious to the bursting shrapnel Sergeant HESS and a medical aid man established a temporary aid station and administered medical treatment for a two hour period until evacuation could be arranged. His heroism and courageous actions assisted immeasurably in the saving of his wounded comrades' lives and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) ROBERT L. STEELE, 35655324, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 9 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. When the enemy launched a series of determined counterattacks on our bridgehead positions, Sergeant STEELE, an assistant automatic weapon gunner, disregarding personal safety remained in position and engaged the enemy with his automatic weapon. When the

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gunner became a casualty due to heavy enemy fire, Sergeant STEELE assumed his duties and fearlessly continued to engage the fanatic enemy for a 60 hour period killing many within 10 yards of his exposed position. His heroic actions assisted materially in repelling the enemy counterattack and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technician Fourth Grade TURNER BAGBY, 39695003, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 18 January 1945 in the vicinity of WILTZ, Luxembourg. When two enlisted men were severely injured by an exploding mine, Technician BAGBY, a medical aid man, without hesitation proceeded into the uncharted mine field to render medical assistance to his wounded comrades. On another occasion Technician BAGBY perceiving three casualties lying in an exposed position without thought of personal safety and with bullets shredding his clothing braved the intense fire to administer medical assistance to his wounded comrades. His courageous and unselfish actions undoubtedly were the means of saving the lives of the wounded men and reflect great credit on himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from California.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) LLOYD E. BAKER, JR., 15055530, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRY, France. When vital wire communications from a forward observation post to the fire direction center were severed by intense enemy fire, Technician BAKER, a radio operator serving with the forward observation party assisted by another enlisted man, succeeded in reestablishing new wire communications to the fire direction center. His heroic actions and utter disregard for personal safety enabled our field artillery to deliver accurate and precision artillery fire upon the enemy's position thereby repulsing their fierce counterattack. His courage, technical skill and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fourth Grade WILLIE T. CURTIS, JR., 15054920, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 6 March 1945 in the vicinity of OBERKAIL, Germany. When his armored vehicle was immobilized due to an exploding enemy mine, Technician CURTIS, a radio operator, and the other crew members sought cover from the many enemy located in the area. Although wounded, Technician CURTIS left his place of security, made his way through the enemy infested area to remove the secret radio codes left in the disabled vehicle. His mission successfully accomplished and while being evacuated, Technician CURTIS was again seriously wounded. His dauntless and courageous action, utter disregard for personal safety and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade RICHARD P. SEGUR, 31263107, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. When several enlisted men were wounded during bridgehead operations across the Moselle River, Technician SEGUR, a medical aid man, heedless of the great danger from the intense enemy fire repeatedly went forward over the exposed terrain to administer medical aid and assist in the evacuation of his wounded comrades to a place of safety. His dauntless actions undoubtedly were the means of saving the lives of the wounded and reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class WANDELL E. STEPHENSON, 35730220, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 January 1945 in the vicinity of DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. When the advance of his unit was pinned down by enemy automatic fire emanating from a concealed enemy strongpoint, Private STEPHENSON, a squad leader, undertook the hazardous mission of liquidating the enemy emplacement. Wounded by enemy fire, Private STEPHENSON, nevertheless, aggressively continued forward and with the use of his individual weapon succeeded in annihilating the enemy strongpoint. His courageous actions enabled his company to resume their advance and attain their given objective. His heroic, utter disregard for personal safety and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great

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credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private CHARLIE B. RANKIN, 38517188, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 January 1945 in the vicinity of KIPPEHOF, Luxembourg. Although wounded, Private RANKIN, a litter squad leader, continued to efficiently direct the activities of his litter bearers in the evacuation of several casualties from the exposed terrain. When his own wounds were attended to at the aid station, Private RANKIN, refusing evacuation, continued to administer medical treatment to the more seriously wounded and arrange for their further evacuation to a place of safety. His heroic determination and calmness under fire contributed to the saving of many lives and reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Arkansas.

III--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted man:

Technical Sergeant JOHN LORINCZ, 32182043, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 July 1944 to 28 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

IV--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 1. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers, warrant officer, and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel CHARLES H. CONWAY, 0363495, Adjutant General's Department, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Lieutenant Colonel LEVIN B. COTTINGHAM, 0399919, Chemical Warfare Service, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Virginia.

Lieutenant Colonel BURNS C. COX, 0188960, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Georgia.

Lieutenant Colonel RANDOLPH C. DICKENS, 020290, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 8 September 1944 in France. Entered United States Military Academy from Florida.

Chaplain (Lieutenant Colonel) CLARENCE F. GOLISCH, 0336047, Corps of Chaplains, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Lieutenant Colonel EDWARD S. HEMPHILL, 0116274, Judge Advocate General's Department, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Florida.

Lieutenant Colonel RICHARD L. McKEE, 019453, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 8 September 1944 in France. Entered United States Military Academy from Pennsylvania.

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Lieutenant Colonel GEORGE K. MOODY, 0292783, Infantry, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 24 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from California.

Lieutenant Colonel EROS G. WALKER, 0263429, Medical Corps, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Maryland.

Major THOMAS C. McGUIRE, 0364993, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Major HARRY D. NESMITH, 0370147, Medical Corps, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 June 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Major RALPH L. NORLING, 0336176, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Major JOHN C. CHAV / 0351945, Infantry, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Major PAUL H. VANDEHEIDEN, 0394646, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Chaplain (Captain) HERMAN DICKER, 0523935, Corps of Chaplains, Special Troops 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Captain BERNARD FISHER, 01168239, Field Artillery, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Captain ADOLPH D. KATZ, 0383970, Signal Corps, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 8 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Captain JAMES R. SNALL, 0393487, Infantry, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Warrant Officer, Junior Grade, RALPH O. EAST, W-2111334, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 January 1942 to 12 April 1943 in Iceland. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Master Sergeant LEROY M. HEALY, R-1390514, Infantry, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 July 1944 to 8 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from Florida.

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Master Sergeant EVERETT McCARTER, 32183130, Infantry, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from May 1942 to 8 September 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Master Sergeant EUGENE C. O'BRIEN, 36153198, Infantry, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 23 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

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~~Technical Sergeant GLINN A. SAWYER, 6916605, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment,~~ United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 August 1944 in the vicinity of ETAMPES, France. When the forward elements of his combat team was halted by intense enemy artillery fire, Sergeant SAWYER, a radio chief, although ordered to dismount from his vehicle and seek cover, and heedless of the great danger continued in his exposed position and maintained excellent and essential radio communications with our larger forces. His indomitable courage contributed materially to the subsequent capture of the strategic enemy held city of ETAMPES and reflects great credit on himself and our military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Third Grade JAMES J. CUMMINS, 37081977, Infantry, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 23 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Missouri.

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~~Technician Fourth Grade OLBRICH DRAHOTUSKY, 36015940, Infantry, 2d~~ Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 August 1944 in the vicinity of ETAMPES, France. When the forward element of his combat team was halted by intense enemy artillery fire, Technician DRAHOTUSKY, a radio operator, although ordered to dismount from his vehicle and seek cover, and heedless of the great danger continued in his exposed position and maintained excellent and essential radio communications with our larger forces. His indomitable courage contributed materially to the subsequent capture of the strategic enemy held city of ETAMPES and reflects great credit on himself and our military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal RAVIS H. HARTSTER, 36448037, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 March 1945 in the vicinity of OBERKAIL Germany. Corporal HARTSTER, a member of a reconnaissance patrol volunteered to probe enemy positions in the vicinity of a bridge site. Proceeding forward over the exposed terrain, Corporal HARTSTER was fired upon by the enemy. Undeterred, Corporal HARTSTER continued on his mission into the enemy sector, discovered a road block, an enemy tank and the enemy's prepared positions. Carefully plotting the enemy's positions Corporal HARTSTER returned with his valuable information thereby enabling our artillery to deliver accurate fire upon the enemy positions. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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~~Technician Fifth Grade ALBERT E. SALAMON, 35609852, Infantry, 2d Infantry~~ Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 August 1944 in the vicinity of ETAMPES, France. When the forward element of his combat team was halted by intense enemy artillery fire, Technician SALAMON, a radio operator and driver, although ordered to dismount from his vehicle and seek cover, and heedless of the great danger continued in his exposed position and maintained excellent and essential radio communications with our larger forces. His indomitable courage contributed materially to the subsequent capture of the strategic enemy held city of ETAMPES and reflects great credit on himself and our military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

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Technician Fifth Grade JOSEPH SNYDER, 36165379, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 March 1945 in the vicinity of OBERKALL, Germany. When the medical transport in which he was a patient was struck by an enemy shell, Technician SNYDER, although rendered temporarily unconscious, continued to administer medical assistance to the more seriously wounded. Undeterred by the enemy fire, Technician SNYDER without thought of personal safety then carried a wounded comrade to the comparative safety of a dwelling, secured the services of a medical aid man and waited with the casualties until evacuation could be arranged. His heroic and courageous actions and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

2. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the award of the Bronze Star Medal to the following named Warrant Officer on 1 April 1945 is announced:

Chief Warrant Officer ALLIE F. DAVIS, W-211195, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

V--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. 1. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named officers:

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Lieutenant Colonel HOWARD H. BASS, 0320409, Medical Corps, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Lieutenant Colonel DANIEL R. TAYLOR, 018217, Quartermaster Corps, 5th Quartermaster Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 2 November 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered United States Military Academy from North Carolina.

Lieutenant Colonel DONALD W. THACKERAY, 021265, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 July 1944 to 8 September 1944 in France. Entered United States Military Academy from Rhode Island.

2. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Star Medal previously awarded, a first bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, a second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, a third bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, and a fourth bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster are awarded to the following named officers as indicated:

First Oak-Leaf Cluster--Second Lieutenant HAROLD N. ASHLEY, 01180404, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 26 December 1944 to 8 February 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from New York.

First Oak-Leaf Cluster--Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant) WENDELLE TERO, 02010456, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 30 December 1944 to 11 February 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Illinois.

Second Oak-Leaf Cluster--Second Lieutenant HAROLD N. ASHLEY, 01180404, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For

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meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 8 February 1945 to 3 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from New York.

Third Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant ROBERT H. MATHESON, 01178239, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 11 November 1944 to 8 February 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Fourth Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) PRESSLEY M. PINER, 01172601, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 1 February 1945 to 2 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Kansas.

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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted man:

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) ERNEST A. HORVATH, 36101729, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. Technician HORVATH was a member of a detail engaged in the hazardous mission of ferrying infantrymen in an assault crossing of the Moselle River. His mission completed Technician HORVATH then volunteered to assist in the ferrying of vitally needed supplies to the bridgehead forces and to assist in the evacuation of numerous casualties from the exposed bridgehead position. His courageous actions contributed to the success of the bridgehead operations and were the means of saving many of the lives of the wounded. His efforts reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

II--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Third Grade WALTER A. LUDWIG, 6834025, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 August 1944 in the vicinity of ETAMPES, France. When the forward element of our combat team was halted by intense enemy artillery fire, Sergeant LUDWIG, a radio operations sergeant, heedless of the great danger accompanied the regimental S-3 to the head of the column to make a reconnaissance. Undeterred by the enemy fire, Sergeant LUDWIG although ordered to seek cover remained in his vehicle and continued to maintain excellent radio communications with the larger group. His heroic actions contributed immensely to the subsequent capture of the vital enemy city of ETAMPES and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN M. SCAIFE, JR., 34139280, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 August 1944 in the vicinity of ETAMPES, France. When the forward element of our combat team was halted by intense enemy artillery fire, Technician SCAIFE, a radio operator, heedless of the great danger accompanied the regimental S-3 to the head of the column to make a reconnaissance. Undeterred by the enemy fire Technician SCAIFE although ordered to seek cover remained in his vehicle and continued to maintain excellent radio communications with the larger group. His heroic action contributed immensely to the subsequent capture of the vital enemy city of ETAMPES and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Technician Fifth Grade EDWARD F. STANTON, 37193092, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 August 1944 in the vicinity of ETAMPES, France. When the forward element of our combat team was halted by intense enemy artillery fire, Technician STANTON, a radio operator, heedless of the great danger accompanied the regimental S-3 to the head of the column to make a reconnaissance. Undeterred by the enemy fire Technician STANTON

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although ordered to seek cover remained in his vehicle and continued to maintain excellent radio communications with the larger group. His heroic actions contributed immensely to the subsequent capture of the vital enemy city of STAMPEES and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

III--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class CASIMIR WLODARCZYK, 16002672, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 to 23 July 1944 near SALLEN, France. When vital wire communications from the regimental command post to the forward battalion command post and adjacent units became necessary, Private WLODARCZYK, a member of a wire detail, despite the great danger from intense enemy artillery fire remained exposed and continued to service and maintain essential wire communications between the higher and lower echelons. His initiative, technical skill and courageous actions assisted materially in the attainment of the objectives. His distinctive efforts and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

IV--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOUSA 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers, warrant officers, and enlisted men:

Major PAUL A. RENNORD, 0384931, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 10 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Washington.

Captain GEORGE S. BROWN, JR., 025429, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kansas.

Captain JOHN L. BROWN, 0343059, Field Artillery, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 29 December 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Captain LLOYD W. BUCKLEY, 0348328, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 1 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Captain CHARLES W. CAMPBELL, 0405557, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 9 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Captain JEAN W. CHASTY, 0405559, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 28 February 1945 to 26 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Chaplain (Captain) EUGENE W. KIERNAN, 0436818, Corps of Chaplains, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 6 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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✓ Captain JOHN A. LAMB, 0367052, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 1 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ Captain GEORGE M. LENTZ, 0293255, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 20 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ Captain ROBERT W. MCCARTNEY, 0413522, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 15 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Louisiana.

✓ Captain THEODORE M. SIEGRIST, 0429884, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 September 1944 to 26 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

✓ Captain ROBERT D. SPENCER, 0364330, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 to 24 August 1944 in the vicinity of FONTAINEBLEAU, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ Captain JOHN S. TWIST, 0418877, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 2 September 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ Captain WILBUR W. WOOD, 0292753, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 2 August 1944 to 19 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Georgia.

✓ Chaplain (Captain) WILLIAM W. WRIGHT, 0428990, Corps of Chaplains, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Virginia.

✓ First Lieutenant ROLUND F. DeHOOG, 0405564, Field Artillery, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Missouri.

✓ First Lieutenant WILLIAM S. DETWILER, JR., 0440412, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 July 1944 to 1 November 1944 in France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

✓ Second Lieutenant BLAINE ASHER, JR., 0541695, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 7 February 1945 to 30 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

✓ Chief Warrant Officer ANDREW ORAVE, W-2104347, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 May 1944 to 1 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

✓ Warrant Officer, Junior Grade, STEPHEN A. ZAKUCIA, W-2120266, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 May 1944 to 1 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

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✓ Master Sergeant RAYMOND J. D'ANGELO, 31016087, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 1 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

✓ Staff Sergeant (then Corporal) LEONARD K. BROWN, 36154609, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 October 1944 to 14 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ Staff Sergeant JOHN W. MAGA, 6906529, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 13 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

✓ Staff Sergeant DONALD D. SWANTON, 6910861, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operation against the enemy during the period 26 July 1944 to 16 November 1944 in France. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ Staff Sergeant STEVE A. THUJILLO, 36154554, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 October 1944 to 23 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ Sergeant JAMES R. HOWENSTINE, 15059532, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 29 December 1944 to 17 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

✓ Sergeant CALVIN J. LANE, 31191316, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 June 1944 to 15 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Connecticut.

✓ Sergeant JOHN P. SCAGNETTI, 15012192, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 29 July 1944 to 17 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from Ohio.

✓ Sergeant LEON D. VAN DYKE, 36076524, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 19 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ Technician Fourth Grade PAUL F. BEAL, 15046194, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

✓ Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH M. COLLINS, 32279561, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 August 1944 to 1 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

✓ Technician Fourth Grade FRANCIS W. JUNK, 16007130, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 26 July 1944 to 16 November 1944 in France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

✓ Technician Fourth Grade WILLIAM K. MORRISON, 20612716, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 24 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Technician Fourth Grade RAYMOND H. PATTERSON, 34495940, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 June 1944 to 20 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Technician Fourth Grade EARL D. PHELPS, 35152491, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 14 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fourth Grade CLAUDE K. ROSER, 36154409, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 14 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal HERMAN BROSKY, 6668202, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 1 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Corporal (then Private First Class) KENNETH L. McCLOUD, 15055937, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 15 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Corporal (then Private) MICHAEL PRIAMI, 36461224, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 September 1944 to 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRY, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade GEORGE W. BACHMAN, 36150906, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 14 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade SAM GARDINELLA, 32916052, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 November 1944 to 28 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) STANLEY W. LACHAC, 32683611, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 to 21 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class NICHOLAS BARONKY, 36107439, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 March 1945 in the vicinity of TREBUR and ASTHEIM, Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class JAMES A. CAVE, 32920652, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 March 1945 in the vicinity of TREBUR and ASTHEIM, Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class J. P. DAVIS, 34349976, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 to 12 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Private First Class JOHN K. VICHIOLO, 31331087, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 1 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Connecticut.

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V--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. 1. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

Sergeant MICHAEL BENETSKY, 33360961, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 18 to 21 December 1944 in the vicinity of SAARLAUTERN, Germany. Sergeant BENETSKY was in command of an anti-aircraft gun section which occupied positions in the bridgehead across the Saar River at SAARLAUTERN, Germany. During the period his section was under continuous mortar and shellfire. Sergeant BENETSKY remained constantly with his guns, maintaining the highest state of alertness for the anti-aircraft, anti-tank and ground defense of the vital bridge. His section moved into and out of position under heavy shellfire and due to his superior leadership no confusion or casualties resulted. Sergeant BENETSKY's courage and extreme devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade TONY N. VACCARO, 35609931, Field Artillery, 46th Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 22 December 1944 to 22 January 1945 in Luxembourg. Entered military service from Ohio.

2. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Air Medal previously awarded, a third bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, a fourth bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, a fifth bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, and a sixth bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster are awarded to the following named officers as indicated:

Third Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant WILLIAM H. CHAMBERS, 0527226, Field Artillery, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 29 December 1944 to 14 February 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from New York.

Third Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant DONALD R. LARKIN, 01183111, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 14 January 1945 to 5 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Fourth Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant WILLIAM H. CHAMBERS, 0527226, Field Artillery, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 15 February 1945 to 16 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from New York.

Fourth Oak-Leaf Clusters--First Lieutenant ROBERT H. MATHESON, 01178239, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 9 February 1945 to 3 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Fourth Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant JOHN X. WALSH, 01169813, Field Artillery, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 30 December 1944 to 5 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from New York.

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✓ Fifth Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant ROBERT H. MANNESON, 01178239, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 5 March 1945 to 30 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Minnesota.

✓ Fifth Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) PRESSLEY M. PINER, 01172601, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 3 March 1945 to 23 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Kansas.

✓ Fifth Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant EUGINE E. SORENSON, 01170564, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 7 March 1945 to 25 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Texas.

✓ Sixth Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant ROBERT N. TEDD, 01182471, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 21 February 1945 to 21 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from New York.

VI--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--REVOCAION OF AWARD. So much of Section III, General Orders No. 28, this headquarters, dated 27 March 1945, as pertains to Private First Class CASIMER WLODARZYK, 16002672, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment United States Army, is revoked. This award is republished as a Bronze Star Medal, posthumously, in Section III, this General Orders.

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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

(Hon Capt) *Grade Amended by G.O. 37-27 April 45*
Major **FERRIS A. CHURCH**, 0337569, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DOMOT, France. In the assault crossing of the strategic Moselle River and the subsequent attack on the city of Metz, Major CHURCH, the battalion operation's officer, under intense enemy artillery and automatic fire crossed the river with the forward element. Major CHURCH, disregarding personal safety then made a reconnaissance of the enemy positions. When the heavy enemy fire made our positions untenable, Major CHURCH efficiently reorganized the bridge head forces for defense and rallied and encouraged his men during the repulse of the enemy's determined counterattack. His intrepid, fearless and superior leadership reflects great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

First Lieutenant **WILLIS W. BLOOM**, 01316006, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 27 December 1944 in the vicinity of BERLORF, Luxembourg. When the advance of his unit was halted by intense enemy automatic fire emanating from two concealed strongpoints, Lieutenant BLOOM, the company commander, heedless of the great danger personally went forward to liquidate the enemy's emplacement. While crawling toward their position Lieutenant BLOOM then charged the strongpoint and with his side arm killed the two enemy gunners. His courageous and dauntless actions enabled his company to resume their advance and attain their objective. His intrepid leadership and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) **FRED L. CRIGGER**, 34153360, Infantry 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DOMOT, France. When the enemy launched a number of determined counterattacks in an effort to dislodge our bridge head positions and succeeded in infiltrating our position, Sergeant CRIGGER, a squad leader, with utter disregard for personal safety continued to remain in his exposed position on the left flank and aggressively engaged the enemy in a fierce fire fight. His courageous actions assisted in enabling our forces to disengage the enemy for the purpose of reorganization and succeeded in keeping our casualties to a minimum. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) **DUKE E. DENMAN**, 31621790, Infantry 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of LOREY, France. When vital wire communications to the forward observation post to the mortar section were continually being severed by barbed wire entanglements, Sergeant DENMAN, a wire man, disregarding personal safety continued to work in the exposed terrain for a 36 hour period repairing the wire lines. Due to his heroic actions excellent and essential wire communications were constantly maintained between the forward observation post and the mortar section. His indomitable courage and zealous devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) ELTON V. McDONOUGH, 36227299, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. When the enemy launched a number of determined counterattacks in an effort to dislodge our bridgehead positions and succeeded in infiltrating our position, Sergeant McDONOUGH, a member of a rifle squad, with utter disregard for personal safety continued to remain in his exposed position on the left flank and aggressively engaged the enemy in a fierce fire fight. His courageous actions assisted in enabling our forces to disengage the enemy for the purpose of reorganization and succeeded in keeping our casualties to a minimum. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Corporal LAWRENCE E. PEOON, 36025208, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 near VERNVILLE, France. When it became vitally important that an artillery registration be performed, Corporal PEOON, a radio operator serving with a forward observer party, without hesitation or thought of personal safety accompanied the forward observer in the hazardous mission. Undeterred by the intense enemy fire, Corporal PEOON continued to remain in his exposed position transmitting excellent radio instructions thereby enabling our artillery to adjust accurate and effective artillery fire upon the enemy positions. His courageous actions prevented a possible enemy counterattack and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private) JAMES E. SPRAKER, 33646774, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of VERNVILLE, France. When vital radio communications became necessary between the forward observer and our artillery, Technician SPRAKER, a radio operator serving with the forward observer party, disregarding personal safety succeeded in carrying part of the radio equipment over the exposed terrain to the forward observation post. Continuing to remain in his exposed position Technician SPRAKER then assisted in establishing the observation post thereby contributing immeasurably to the adjustment of accurate defensive fire upon the enemy's position. His heroic determination, calmness under fire and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class JOHN CALELLA, 32765690, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. When the enemy launched a number of determined counterattacks in an effort to dislodge our bridgehead positions and succeeded in infiltrating our position, Private CALELLA, a member of a rifle squad, with utter disregard for personal safety continued to remain in his exposed position on the left flank and aggressively engaged the enemy in a fierce fire fight. His courageous actions assisted in enabling our forces to disengage the enemy for the purpose of reorganization and succeeded in keeping our casualties to a minimum. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service New Jersey.

Private First Class (then Private) DONALD W. CHAMBERLAIN, 31167778, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 February 1945 near HALSDORF and STOCKEM, Germany. When three enemy soldiers succeeded in gaining an advantageous position from which to deliver automatic fire upon our forces, Private CHAMBERLAIN, an automatic rifleman, disregarding personal safety fearlessly proceeded forward over the exposed terrain to liquidate the enemy strong point. Aggressively engaging the enemy with his automatic weapon, Private CHAMBERLAIN from his exposed position killed the enemy automatic gunner and two of their riflemen. Continuing in his position Private CHAMBERLAIN killed 18 more of the enemy thereby assisting in the repulse of the enemy's counterattacks. His conspicuous heroism reflects great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Vermont.

Private First Class IRA B. KEY, 33122611, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of COENY, France. When the enemy launched a tank-infantry attack and succeeded in

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breaking through our forward positions, Private KEY, an automatic weapons gunner with a supporting unit, remained in position alongside a road and fired accurate and effective automatic fire upon the charging enemy. With enemy tank fire falling within 20 yards of his position Private KEY, completely exposed, remained in position within 100 yards of the approaching tanks and continued to deliver automatic fire upon their infantry thereby contributing to their complete rout. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private (then Technician Fifth Grade) GEORGE A. OBEHLIN, JR., 6251447, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 8 to 9 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. Private OBEHLIN was a member of a detail engaged in ferrying infantrymen across the Moselle River. Perceiving an enemy automatic weapon position, Private OBEHLIN disregarding personal safety and completely exposed to enemy observation, succeeded in running a wire line from an infantry command post to a forward observation post. Remaining in his exposed position Private OBEHLIN successfully adjusted accurate and effective mortar and artillery fire upon the enemy strongpoint silencing its fire and destroying the emplacement. His technical skill, courage, and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private HENRY J. WAYCIK, 36569662, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. When the enemy launched a number of determined counterattacks in an effort to dislodge our bridgehead positions and succeeded in infiltrating our position, Private WAYCIK, a member of a rifle squad, with utter disregard for personal safety continued to remain in his exposed position on the left flank and aggressively engaged the enemy in a fierce fire fight. His courageous actions assisted in enabling our forces to disengage the enemy for the purpose of reorganization and succeeded in keeping our casualties to a minimum. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Michigan.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq FTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel JOHN N. ACUFF, JR., 0361548, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 5 to 6 February 1945 in the vicinity of KENZEN, Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Major FERRIS A. CHURCH, 0337569, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 3 to 5 October 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Captain KEITH B. LIESCH, 0404898, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 to 25 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Captain PETER N. LOMBARD, 0100074, Medical Corps, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 28 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from District of Columbia.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) WILLIAM DONNILE, 0131789, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 to 25 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Captain HAROLD J. TAYLOR, 0394844, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 February 1945 in the vicinity of BITBURG, Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Captain FREDERIC C. THOMPSON, 0407028, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 December 1944 in the vicinity of BERDORF, Luxembourg. When the commanding officer became a casualty and the company itself disorganized by intense enemy artillery fire, Captain THOMPSON, the battalion S-3, assumed command and skillfully and effectively reorganized the unit into a fighting organization. Disregarding personal safety Captain THOMPSON led his men in an assault upon the enemy and succeeded in driving the enemy across the Sauer River and attaining the company's objective. His mission accomplished Captain THOMPSON remained with the unit until relieved by reinforcement officers. His intrepid and superior leadership and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Captain ROBERT H. WILLIAMS, 0390208, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 to 25 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

First Lieutenant ROBERT V. GRAY, 0437721, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 to 25 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

First Lieutenant EDWARD W. JACKSON, 01299751, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 22 to 26 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

First Lieutenant FRANK RIZZO, 01304791, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 22 to 25 March 1945 in the vicinity of NIERSTEIN, Germany. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

First Lieutenant GEORGE W. THRELKELD, 0407383, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 December 1944 to 7 February 1945 in Luxembourg. Entered military service from Kentucky.

First Lieutenant DORAN R. ZWYGART, 01312466, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 December 1944 to 20 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Second Lieutenant WILLIAM E. FERGUSON, 0527449, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of VERNEVILLE, France. In the engagement for the city of VERNEVILLE, Lieutenant FERGUSON, a platoon leader, led a reconnaissance patrol to probe the enemy strength. While so engaged, the patrol came under enemy automatic fire. Disregarding personal safety Lieutenant FERGUSON aggressively engaged the enemy with his individual weapon thereby enabling his patrol to seek cover. Crawling back to his own lines Lieutenant FERGUSON divulged information enabling our forces to destroy an enemy observation post and several automatic weapon emplacements assisting in the capture of the city. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from California.

Second Lieutenant FRANK A. LUBINSKI, 01521791, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 22 to 25 March 1945 in the vicinity of NIERSTEIN, Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

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First Sergeant CHESTER J. KOC, 6915161, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 22 to 26 March 1945 in the vicinity of NIERSTEIN, Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant WILLIAM H. MATTHIESSEN, 6915163, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 22 to 25 March 1945 in the vicinity of NIERSTEIN, Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant FRANK TETTERTON, 34196004, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. Entered military service from Georgia.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH J. BABIS, 36103732, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 October 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant RAYMOND E. JUDD, 36052087, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 22 to 26 March 1945 in the vicinity of NIERSTEIN, Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Staff Sergeant ARNOLD M. RASSI, 36051760, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 15 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant LOYAL A. STAMPS, 36076636, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 31 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant JOHN WEGEZYK, 36109211, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. When the enemy attempted a number of determined counterattacks to dislodge our bridgehead positions, Sergeant WEGEZYK, a mortar squad leader, with utter disregard for personal safety displaced his section over the exposed terrain and continued to direct accurate mortar fire upon the enemy positions. Sergeant WEGEZYK then skillfully and efficiently reorganized his section into riflemen and fearlessly fighting alongside his men contributed materially in the repulse of many of the enemy counterattacks. His aggressive and courageous actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade) ANTHONY J. KRISKE, 32195949, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. During bridgehead operations across the Moselle River, Sergeant KRISKE, an ammunition bearer, was a member of a detail engaged in the mission of delivering ammunition to our embattled forces. With the town under heavy enemy artillery fire the group unloaded the ammunition in the exposed terrain from larger vehicles to $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehicles then carried it to a forward ammunition dump and to the river bank by hand. While so engaged, Sergeant KRISKE was wounded. His courageous actions assisted in supplying our assault element with ample ammunition and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Corporal WILLIAM R. BINGHAM, 36150895, Corps of Military Police, Military Police Platoon, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 4 to 16 August 1944 in France. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Corporal CHARLES W. BLYTHE, 15064789, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 March 1945 in the vicinity of GRANSORF, Germany. When enemy artillery scored a direct hit on a building, demolishing it and burying an enlisted man in the debris, Corporal BLYTHE, an assistant squad leader, without hesitation or thought of personal safety undertook the perilous mission of evacuating the buried man. Oblivious to the bursting shrapnel Corporal BLYTHE remained exposed and succeeded in extricating the casualty from the debris and evacuating him to a place of comparative safety. His courageous actions undoubtedly were the means of saving the man's life and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Corporal ARTHUR G. LATHROP, 20508054, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of VERNEVILLE, France. Under an intense barrage of enemy artillery and small arms fire, Corporal LATHROP, an assistant squad leader, disregarding personal safety went well forward of our front lines to assist in the establishment of an observation post. Remaining in his exposed position under the enemy fire Corporal LATHROP assisted in the adjustment of accurate artillery fire upon the enemy positions which resulted in the liquidation of an enemy observation post and two automatic weapon strongpoints. His courageous actions contributed immeasurably in the attainment of our objectives and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private) NATHAN EISENBERG, 35009839, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 22 to 26 March 1945 in the vicinity of NIERSTEIN, Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade JAMES D. MACKAY, 35152794, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When an artillery liaison plane was forced down by intense enemy fire, Technician MACKAY, a medical aid man, disregarding personal safety volunteered to assist in the removal of the disabled plane. Working in the exposed terrain and with enemy shells hurtling to earth in the immediate vicinity, the plane was safely flown from its position. The detail then assisted in the evacuation of two medical transports bogged down in the mud. His courageous actions contributed to the saving of much valuable government equipment and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class LUTHER M. BRADSHAW, 34664641, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 March 1945 near MAN DERSCHIED, Germany. When three of our tanks were struck by enemy artillery fire causing several casualties among the personnel, Private BRADSHAW, a medical aid man, without thought of personal safety volunteered to evacuate his wounded comrades. Undeterred by shells falling in his immediate vicinity Private BRADSHAW went from one disabled tank to the other administering medical treatment and supervising the evacuation of the wounded. His heroic actions were the means of saving many of the lives of the wounded. His indomitable courage and unselfish devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class (then Private) CECIL J. CHARK, 16002819, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class FLOYD JOHNSON, 36052059, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of VERNEVILLE, France. When his radio equipment was struck by enemy shrapnel disabling the set, Private JOHNSON, a radio operator serving with a forward observer, without hesitation or thought of personal safety succeeded in working his way back to our lines for the

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purpose of obtaining the necessary parts to effectuate repairs. His courageous actions resulted in essential radio communications being maintained and enabling our artillery to destroy an enemy observation post and two concealed enemy automatic weapon emplacements. His technical skill, calmness under fire and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class ANTHONY A. RUTKOSKI, 33113680, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class LAURNCE A. UMBERGER, 33049591, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. When the enemy launched a number of determined counterattacks to dislodge our bridgehead position, Private UMBERGER, an ammunition bearer, with utter disregard for personal safety continued to carry vitally needed ammunition over the exposed terrain and under intense enemy fire to the forward elements. Private UMBERGER then acting as a rifleman aggressively engaged the enemy with his individual weapon at close range. His courageous actions assisted materially in repelling the fierce enemy counterattacks and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class MEDFORD URKOV, 36018153, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 4 August 1944 to 10 November 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

III--AWARD OF AIR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant ROBERT M. WEBB, 01172707, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 19 January 1945 to 21 February 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Kansas.

Second Lieutenant GLADE W. OWEN, 0534115, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 21 February 1945 to 10 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Idaho.

Staff Sergeant MARION F. CABLE, 17056353, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 14 January 1945 to 20 February 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Kansas.

IV--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain ROBERT B. FURMAN, JR., 0404888, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 to 25 March 1945 in the vicinity of LUTZ and WALLERSTÄTEN, Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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Captain FORREST P. RALEY, 0391959, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 to 25 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant EUGENE E. HITCHCOCK, 1506113, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. During bridgehead operations across the Moselle River, Sergeant HITCHCOCK, a mortar section sergeant, with utter disregard for personal safety went forward to within 100 yards of an enemy strongpoint to act as an observer for his mortar section. When it became necessary to disengage the enemy for the purpose of reorganization, Sergeant HITCHCOCK efficiently reorganized his section into riflemen and continued to engage the numerically superior enemy. His courageous actions assisted materially in repulsing the enemy's determined counterattacks with heavy casualties to their personnel and reflect great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Corporal IRA C. KING, 6985847, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 October 1944 to 14 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Corporal (then Private First Class) JAMES W. SEWELL, 7081835, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. When the enemy attempted a series of determined counterattacks to dislodge our bridgehead position, Corporal SEWELL, a mortar gunner, heedless of the great danger from the intense enemy fire continued to remain in his exposed position and engaged the enemy for a three day period with his individual weapon. In addition Corporal SEWELL still under enemy fire obtained an abandoned automatic weapon and continued to deliver accurate automatic fire upon the oncoming enemy thereby assisting immeasurably in the repelling of the enemy counterattack. His courageous actions and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

2. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Air Medal previously awarded, a first bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, a second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, a third bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, a fourth bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, and a fifth bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster are awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men as indicated:

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant ROBERT M. WEBB, 01172707, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 21 February 1945 to 15 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Kansas.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Second Lieutenant HAROLD V. MOORE, 01173573, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 15 February 1945 to 18 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Arkansas.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Second Lieutenant GLADE W. OWEN, 0534115, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 10 March 1945 to 27 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Idaho.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Staff Sergeant MARION F. CABLE, 17056353, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 21 February 1945 to 23 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Kansas.

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Second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Second Lieutenant WILLIAM J. HENTON, 01181905, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 21 February 1945 to 20 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant) FREDDIE TEO, 02010456, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 13 February 1945 to 15 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Illinois.

Second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Staff Sergeant ALBERT R. DUNN, 7040762, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 23 January 1945 to 21 February 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Third bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Staff Sergeant ALBERT R. DUNN, 7040762, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 21 February 1945 to 17 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Fourth bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant BERNARD B. MACKELL, 0117789 Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, (then 19th Field Artillery Battalion), United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 December 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Fifth bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--First Lieutenant ELLIS E. THOMPSON, 01182786, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 23 February 1945 to 23 March 1945 in Europe, having completed the required number of operational sorties against the enemy. Entered military service from North Dakota.

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V--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL--CORRECTION IN GENERAL ORDERS. So much of Section I, General Orders No. 13, this headquarters, dated 17 February 1945, pertaining to Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM L. MCCOURT, 32605510, Coast Artillery Corps, 14th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army, as reads, "Entered military service from Ohio" is corrected to read, "Entered military service from New York."

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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant **NEAL C. GREER**, 01179871, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 7 February 1945 in the vicinity of ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When the company commander was wounded during a bridgehead crossing of the Sauer River, Lieutenant GREER, a forward observer, despite the great danger undertook the mission of evacuating the wounded officer. Accompanied by two enlisted men Lieutenant GREER braved the intense enemy fire and the cold, swift current of the river and by means of swimming with the assault boat containing the wounded officer in front of them succeeded in his evacuation. His courageous actions assisted in the saving of the wounded officer's life and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

First Lieutenant **CURTIS L. MOORE**, 0516633, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 12 to 13 February 1945 near ERNZEN, Germany. Wounded and his radio equipment damaged by bursting mortar fragments, Lieutenant MOORE, a forward observer, refused medical care and evacuation and assisted in administering medical attention and evacuating those more seriously wounded. Skillfully utilizing the radio equipment of the infantry, Lieutenant MOORE disregarding personal safety, remained exposed in his forward position, participated in another attack and continued to transmit accurate radio instructions to his field artillery battalion enabling them to deliver accurate fire upon the enemy positions. His courageous actions enabled our forces to attain their objective and reflect great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) **RICHARD F. RAYMER**, 01179179, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion (then 50th Field Artillery Battalion), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of VERNEVILLE, France. When it became vitally necessary that an artillery registration be performed in preparation for an enemy counterattack, Lieutenant RAYMER, a forward observer, accompanied by a radio operator undertook the hazardous mission of performing the registration. Proceeding forward over the exposed terrain and under the enemy's intense fire Lieutenant RAYMER succeeded in making the required registration thereby enabling our artillery to adjust accurate and effective defensive fire upon the enemy's position. His heroic actions, calmness under fire and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Second Lieutenant **JOSEPH J. GALE**, 01184826, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 12 to 13 February 1945 in the vicinity of ERNZEN, Germany. When our position was subjected to an intense enemy artillery barrage, Lieutenant GALE, a forward observer, braved the bursting enemy shrapnel to make a shell report thereby assisting materially in silencing the enemy batteries. When the enemy launched a number of counterattacks, Lieutenant GALE, disregarding personal safety continued to remain in his exposed position and directed accurate and effective artillery fire upon the attacking enemy. His courageous actions, calmness under fire and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself

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and the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Second Lieutenant JOHN D. GRIFFIN, JR., 01183300, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 8 to 12 February 1945 in the vicinity of WALTERNACH, Luxembourg. When establishment of communications were imperative during bridge operations across the Sauer River, Lieutenant GRIFFIN, a forward observer, although wounded succeeded in crossing the river with the assault elements. Establishing a forward observation post in the exposed terrain Lieutenant GRIFFIN and his observation party remained exposed for a four hour period taking shell reports of enemy shells hurtling to earth in the area and directing accurate and effective artillery fire upon the enemy position. His courageous efforts contributed materially to the attainment of our forces' objective and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

First Sergeant ROBERT P. MANSON, 36153608, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 February 1945 in the vicinity of FERSCHWELER, Germany. When enemy shells were falling in the vicinity of his battery, Sergeant MANSON, the first sergeant, without hesitation or thought of personal safety entered the impact area for the purpose of taking a shell report. Fearlessly remaining in the exposed area and observing from close range the trajectory and explosive impact of each shell as it hurtled to earth, Sergeant MANSON transmitted information to the fire direction center thereby enabling our artillery to deliver accurate counterbattery fire. His indomitable courage and calmness under fire exemplify the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technical Sergeant ARTHUR J. MUMFORD, 36101666, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 February 1945 in the vicinity of SHANKWELER, Germany. With the enemy shelling a town occupied by our forces, Sergeant MUMFORD, the battalion operations sergeant disregarding personal safety entered the impact area for the purpose of taking a shell report. Fearlessly remaining in his exposed position Sergeant MUMFORD observed the trajectory and explosive impact of each shell as it hurtled to earth. Sergeant MUMFORD transmitted his vital information to his artillery battalion thereby enabling our artillery to deliver accurate and effective fire upon the enemy position. His indomitable courage, skill and calmness under fire exemplify the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technical Sergeant GLENN A. SAWYER, 6916025, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 August 1944 in the vicinity of ETAMPES, France. When the forward elements of his combat team was halted by intense enemy artillery fire, Sergeant SAWYER, a radio chief, although ordered to dismount from his vehicle and seek cover, and heedless of the great danger continued in his exposed position and maintained excellent and essential radio communications with our larger forces. His indomitable courage contributed materially to the subsequent capture of the strategic enemy held city of ETAMPES and reflects great credit on himself and our military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant THOMAS L. MONGEON, 39165355, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 5 March 1945 in the vicinity of PICKLIEBEM, Germany. When his destroyer was immobilized by exploding enemy mines causing the vehicle to immediately burst into flames, Sergeant MONGEON, a destroyer commander, succeeded in safely evacuating the disabled vehicle. Realizing that two of his wounded comrades were still incarcerated in the conflagration Sergeant MONGEON, heedless of the great danger from the exploding destroyer's shells, returned to the vehicle and evacuated one of his unconscious comrades through the assistant driver's hatch. The remaining member of the crew succeeded in escaping from the burning vehicle by means of the driver's hatch. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of our armed services. Entered military service from California.

Sergeant EDWARD D. PILLSBURY, 39079065, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 January 1945 in the

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vicinity of PUTSCHERD, Luxembourg. Painfully wounded by bursting enemy mortar fragments, Sergeant WILLSBURY, a gun commander, refused evacuation and elected to remain with his platoon. Realizing his platoon's shortage of personnel, Sergeant WILLSBURY continued to fearlessly direct his destroyer in action against the enemy for a seven day period thereby contributing immeasurably to the attainment of his platoon's objective. His dauntless action, utter disregard for personal safety, and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from California.

Technician Fourth Grade OLDRICH DRAHOTUSKY, 36015940, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 August 1944 in the vicinity of ETAMPES, France. When the forward element of his combat team was halted by intense enemy artillery fire, Technician DRAHOTUSKY, a radio operator, although ordered to dismount from his vehicle and seek cover, and heedless of the great danger continued in his exposed position and maintained excellent and essential radio communications with our larger forces. His indomitable courage contributed materially to the subsequent capture of the strategic enemy held city of ETAMPES and reflects great credit on himself and our military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) CARROLL H. ROESLER, 33065468, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 7 February 1945 in the vicinity of ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When the company commander was wounded during a bridgehead crossing of the Sauer River, Technician ROESLER, a member of a forward observer party, despite the great danger undertook the mission of evacuating the wounded officer. Accompanied by two other men Technician ROESLER braved the intense enemy fire and the cold, swift current of the river and by means of swimming with the assault boat containing the wounded officer in front of them succeeded in his evacuation. His courageous actions assisted in the saving of the wounded officer's life and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technician Fifth Grade ALBERT E. SALAMON, 35009852, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 August 1944 in the vicinity of ETAMPES, France. When the forward element of his combat team was halted by intense enemy artillery fire, Technician SALAMON, a radio operator and driver, although ordered to dismount from his vehicle and seek cover, and heedless of the great danger continued in his exposed position and maintained excellent and essential radio communications with our larger forces. His indomitable courage contributed materially to the subsequent capture of the strategic enemy held city of ETAMPES and reflects great credit on himself and our military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class ROBERT J. NICHOLS, 33721423, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 27 March 1945 in the vicinity of FRANKFURT ON MAIN, Germany. When an enlisted man was severely wounded by bursting shrapnel and left in an exposed position on a bridge leading across the Main River, Private NICHOLS, a vehicle driver, undertook the mission of evacuating his wounded comrade from his precarious position. Heedless of the great danger from the intense enemy fire Private NICHOLS strode over the exposed terrain and evacuated the casualty to a place of safety. His dauntless actions were the means of saving the wounded man's life and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class (then Private) BOYD C. SANDERS, 36100995, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 February 1945 in the vicinity of BOLLENDORF, Germany. When his comrade was severely wounded by an exploding anti-personnel mine, Private SANDERS, a medical aid man, without hesitation or thought of personal safety braved the uncharted mine field to go to the aid of the wounded enlisted man. Private SANDERS because of the position of the casualty found it necessary to straddle a mine while unsuccessfully attempting to save the life of his wounded comrade. His courageous actions and every thought and deep concern for his fellow man exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Michigan.

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II--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Silver Star previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant ALEXANDER J. LONEY, 36101501, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 8 to 12 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When it became necessary that vital communications be established across the Sauer River, Sergeant LONEY, an assistant forward observer, heedless of the great danger succeeded in crossing the river with the assault elements under intense enemy fire. Immediately establishing an observation post in the exposed terrain Sergeant LONEY and the observation party braved the enemy fire to make a shell report. Sergeant LONEY assisted in directing accurate and effective artillery fire upon the enemy positions. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal (then Private First Class) BERNARD V. DAVIS, 36150784, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 7 February 1945 in the vicinity of ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When the company commander was wounded during a bridgehead crossing of the Sauer River, Corporal DAVIS, a member of a forward observer party, despite the great danger undertook the mission of evacuating the wounded officer. Accompanied by two other men Corporal DAVIS braved the intense enemy fire and the cold, swift current of the river and by means of swimming with the assault boat containing the wounded officer in front of them succeeded in his evacuation. His courageous actions assisted in the saving of the wounded officer's life and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

III--AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Captain ROBERT W. McCARTNEY, 0413522, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroism on 10 February 1945 near KALKESBACH, Luxembourg. When an ammunition vehicle caught fire and threatened to spread to the entire gun section, Captain McCARTNEY, the battery commander, at the risk of his life and without thought of personal safety, accompanied by three enlisted men, undertook the hazardous mission of extinguishing the conflagration. Braving the exploding shells and with their clothing partially ablaze, Captain McCARTNEY and the group, succeeded in extinguishing the fire thereby saving valuable government property from certain destruction. His heroic actions, clear thinking in an emergency and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

First Sergeant ALEX L. GANTOS, 6890388, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroism on 10 February 1945 near KALKESBACH, Luxembourg. When an ammunition vehicle caught fire and threatened to spread to the entire gun section, Sergeant GANTOS, the first sergeant, at the risk of his life and without thought of personal safety, accompanied by three other men, undertook the hazardous mission of extinguishing the conflagration. Braving the exploding shells and with their clothing partially ablaze, Sergeant GANTOS and the group succeeded in extinguishing the fire thereby saving valuable government property from certain destruction. His heroic actions, clear thinking in an emergency and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant RICHARD T. STAHL, 36150770, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroism on 10 February 1945 near KALKESBACH, Luxembourg. When an ammunition vehicle caught fire and threatened to spread to the entire gun section, Sergeant STAHL, the chief of section, at the risk of his life and without thought of personal safety, accompanied by three other men, undertook the hazardous mission of extinguishing the conflagration. Braving the exploding shells and with their clothing partially ablaze, Sergeant STAHL and the group, succeeded in extinguishing the fire thereby saving valuable government property from certain destruction. His heroic actions, clear thinking in an

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emergency and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade RICHARD L. DUFFIN, 36064779, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroism on 10 February 1945 near KALKESRACH, Luxembourg. When an ammunition vehicle caught fire and threatened to spread to the entire gun section, Technician DUFFIN, a vehicle driver, at the risk of his life and without thought of personal safety, accompanied by three other men, undertook the hazardous mission of extinguishing the conflagration. Braving the exploding shells and with their clothing partially ablaze, Technician DUFFIN and the group, succeeded in extinguishing the fire thereby saving valuable government property from certain destruction. His heroic actions, clear thinking in an emergency and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

IV--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Major CHARLES B. BALLOU, 0354922, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 to 27 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Major JAC A. RAMSEY, 0349841, Medical Corps, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Captain RICHARD G. FORT, 0369485, Medical Corps, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 25 August 1944 in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

Captain ALPHONS J. HACKL, 01554004, Ordnance Department, Interrogation Prisoner of War Team No. 3, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Maryland.

Captain THOMAS C. STOCKHAUSEN, 01046287, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 December 1944 near GAARLAUTERN, Germany. When the convoy he was directing came under intense enemy artillery fire forcing the men to seek cover, Captain STOCKHAUSEN, the battalion supply officer, heedless of the great danger and completely exposed to the bursting shrapnel skillfully and efficiently reorganized the convoy and succeeded in removing the vehicles to a place of safety. His courageous actions were the means of saving valuable government equipment and preventing the loss of any of our personnel by the enemy action. His dauntless actions and unswerving devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant JOSEPH C. FORTE, 01047524, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 August 1944 near ANGERS, France. Under an incessant barrage of enemy artillery upon a bridge site upon which his gun section was displaced, Lieutenant FORTE, the platoon commander, heedless of the great danger from the intense enemy fire efficiently coordinated and spurred the members of his gun crews into an efficient and fighting unit. Due in part to his courageous actions a vital bridge across the Maine River was fully protected thereby contributing to the attainment of our forces' objective. His intrepid and superior leadership reflect great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

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First Lieutenant WILLIAM L. NEILL, JR., 01046587, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of ERMSDORF, Luxembourg. When several casualties were sustained due to enemy artillery fire, Lieutenant NEILL, the platoon commander, without thought of personal safety went forward to render medical treatment and arrange for their evacuation. Remaining in his exposed position Lieutenant NEILL efficiently reorganized the remainder of the section and assisted in displacing his personnel and equipment to a place of comparative safety. His courageous actions resulted in the saving of the lives of the wounded men and contributed to the saving of valuable government equipment. His intrepid leadership exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

First Lieutenant JAMES G. SARGENT, 01168062, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 December 1944 in the vicinity of ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. Lieutenant SARGENT served in the capacity of a forward observer with an assault element of our forces in an offensive against a strongly resisting enemy position. Establishing his observation post on a forward slope under intense enemy fire Lieutenant SARGENT remained in his position for a two hour period and directed accurate and precision artillery fire upon the enemy position. His courageous actions resulted in heavy casualties to the enemy and assisted our forces in attaining their objective. His technical skill, calmness under fire and deep devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant LEWIS R. THORSEN, 01177668, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 December 1944 in the vicinity of FREDRICKSWEILER, Germany. Lieutenant THORSEN served as a forward observer with an infantry force assigned the mission of securing the town of FREDRICKSWEILER. Completely fatigued Lieutenant THORSEN heedless of the great danger remained in his forward observation post and directed accurate artillery fire upon the enemy position. His courageous actions resulted in the killing of many of the enemy and the complete destruction of two 20mm anti-aircraft weapons and one 40mm anti-aircraft weapon thereby enabling our forces to attain their objective. His skill, calmness under fire, and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Second Lieutenant HARRY C. DALES, 01181577, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 November 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. In the offensive against the strategic city of METZ, Lieutenant DALES, serving as a forward observer with the forward elements of our infantry forces, succeeded in establishing a forward observation post within 60 yards of a strong enemy fortification. Remaining in his exposed position Lieutenant DALES directed accurate and effective artillery and mortar fire within 30 yards of our advance elements, killing 60 of the enemy and aiding immeasurably in the capture of the fortification known as Fort Queleu. His courageous actions and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Second Lieutenant ROBERT C. GARLAND, 01178477, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 near LOUVIGNY, France. Lieutenant GARLAND was serving as a forward observer attached to an assault element of our infantry forces. Pinned down in a mine field by intense enemy fire, Lieutenant GARLAND heedless of the great danger remained in his exposed position for an eight hour period directing accurate and effective artillery fire upon the enemy's position. Lieutenant GARLAND then skillfully laid a smoke screen thereby enabling our pinned down forces to resume their advance with a minimum of casualties. His intrepid and superior leadership and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Technical Sergeant JOHN F. CULP, 36150948, Infantry, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) GUY W. FRYREAR, 36052189, Infantry 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. When his platoon leader became a casualty Sergeant FRYREAR, a squad leader, after notifying the supporting units of the counterattacking enemy's strength and direction, assumed command of his platoon and efficiently directed the activities of his unit against the counterattack. Undeterred by the intense enemy fire Sergeant FRYREAR remained completely exposed and supervised the carrying of necessary supplies to the forward elements and the evacuation of the casualties to the comparative safety of the river's edge. His courageous actions contributed to the repulse of the enemy's counterattack and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant (then Corporal) ROBERT B. BUCK, 34171970, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. When the enemy launched repeated counterattacks to dislodge our bridgehead position, Sergeant BUCK, a mortar gunner, advanced with the forward element to within 200 yards of an enemy strongpoint to deliver mortar fire upon the enemy position. Continuing to remain exposed to the enemy fire for a three day period Sergeant BUCK skillfully reorganized his squad into a rifle team and fearlessly directed their fire upon the charging enemy. His courageous actions resulted in the killing of many of the enemy. His intrepid leadership reflects great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant MARION F. CABLE, 17056353, Field Artillery, 40th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 February 1945 near ECHTSELACH, Luxembourg. When an artillery liaison plane was forced down by intense enemy artillery fire, Sergeant CABLE, an artillery air observer, volunteered to assist in the hazardous mission of evacuating the disabled plane. Working in the exposed terrain Sergeant CABLE and the group succeeded in efficiently re-lifting the plane for flight from its exposed position. The mission completed Sergeant CABLE then assisted in the evacuation of two medical transports mired down in the mud. His courageous actions contributed materially in the saving of valuable government equipment and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

Staff Sergeant LEWIS C. DAY, 6989239, Infantry, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 January 1944 to 5 July 1944 in the United Kingdom. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) EARNEST A. MARCUM, 7009583, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. When the enemy launched a number of determined counterattacks to dislodge our bridgehead positions, Sergeant MARCUM, an automatic weapons squad leader with utter disregard for personal safety remained exposed to the intense enemy fire for a three day period and continued to direct accurate automatic fire upon the oncoming enemy. His dauntless actions contributed to the killing of many of the enemy and resulted in the repulse of their repeated counterattacks. His courageous actions and unwavering devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Alabama.

Staff Sergeant HENRY G. WALKER, 32182809, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 September 1944 near CORNY, France. When the enemy launched a determined tank-infantry offensive against our strongly resisting

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positions, Sergeant WALKER, an anti-tank squad leader, despite the great danger from the intense enemy tank fire remained in his exposed position and continued to engage the enemy with his anti-tank weapon. Sergeant WALKER fired two rounds and, in conjunction with a tank destroyer, scored direct hits to completely demolish an enemy tank, whereupon the remaining tanks fled. His courageous actions, calmness under fire and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Sergeant JOHN T. BADDERS, 35171345, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 18 and 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. During bridgehead operations across the Saar River, Sergeant BADDERS, as assistant observer, accompanied the forward elements in the crossing. Heedless of the great danger from enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire, Sergeant BADDERS succeeded in carrying his radio equipment and assisting the forward observer in the establishment of the observation post. Remaining in his exposed position Sergeant BADDERS assisted in maintaining vital radio communications thereby contributing to the success of the bridgehead operations. His skill, courage, and calmness under fire reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Sergeant AMALIO R. ESPOSITO, 3156488, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 21 to 23 September 1944 near MARIUELLES, France. Sergeant ESPOSITO serving as chief of his gun section distinguished himself as an outstanding soldier. Under intense enemy artillery fire Sergeant ESPOSITO remained exposed to the heavy fire efficiently coordinating the activities of his gun section and preparing the men in his gun section for any eventualities. While engaged in his hazardous mission, Sergeant ESPOSITO was severely wounded when enemy shrapnel scored a direct hit on his position. His courageous actions, calmness under fire and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Vermont.

Sergeant ALEXANDER KENNEDY, 36150798, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 February 1945 in the vicinity of PEFFINGEN, Germany. During bridgehead operations across the Kyll River, Sergeant KENNEDY serving in the capacity of chief of a forward observation party, succeeded in efficiently maintaining excellent communications with our forward assault elements. Working with untiring energy for a two day period and on one occasion crossing 1000 yards of exposed terrain under intense enemy artillery and small arms fire, Sergeant KENNEDY constantly maintained vital wire communications to the rear echelon thereby assisting materially in the success of the bridgehead operations. His technical skill and calmness under fire reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant WILLIAM O. MATHIS, JR., 34701870, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 26 to 27 January 1945 near HOSHELDERDIXT, Luxembourg. In a determined coordinated tank infantry offensive against strongly resisting enemy positions, Sergeant MATHIS, a tank commander, distinguished himself as an outstanding soldier. Fearlessly leading his tanks forward in support of the infantry Sergeant MATHIS succeeded in destroying many enemy mortars along the main highway thereby permitting the supporting infantry to advance 2000 yards and attain its given objective with a minimum of casualties. His courageous and intrepid leadership, calmness under fire and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Alabama.

Sergeant AMIL S. TOTH, 31891224, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 17 to 18 January 1945 in the vicinity of INGELBORN, Luxembourg. When bursting enemy artillery shrapnel severed essential wire communications between the forward gun positions, the fire direction center and higher echelons, Sergeant TOTH, the battalion communications chief, disregarding personal safety together

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with another enlisted man worked throughout the night in the exposed terrain to reestablish the disrupted wire lines. His courageous actions enabled our forces to maintain excellent communications between higher and lower echelons thereby contributing to the success of the bridgehead operations across the Saar River. His technical skill, calmness under fire and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) ROBERT E. FABIAN, A 251146, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 September 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. In the action against the fortifications surrounding the city of METZ, Technician FABIAN, a member of a survey and reconnaissance party, heedless of the great danger remained in his forward observation post oblivious to enemy shrapnel falling about his exposed position and transmitted fire directions to his artillery battalion. His courageous action and utter disregard for personal safety enabled our artillery to deliver accurate and effective fire upon the enemy and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal RAYMOND F. HENRY, 36035196, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operation against the enemy on 12 September 1944 in the vicinity of COMY, France. When the enemy launched a determined tank-infantry offensive against our strongly resisting positions, Corporal HENRY, an anti-tank gunner, heedless of the great danger from the intense enemy tank fire remained in his exposed position and engaged the enemy tanks with his anti-tank weapon. Aggressively firing three rounds at the lead tank Corporal HENRY succeeded in destroying the tank and routing two more of the enemy tanks. His courageous actions, calmness under fire and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal BRADFORD E. MURPHY, 15056167, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945 in the vicinity of GERSDORF, Germany. When essential wire communications were continually being severed by bursting enemy shrapnel, Corporal MURPHY, chief of a wire section, disregarding personal safety continued to work in the exposed terrain under intense enemy fire reestablishing the disrupted wire lines. His courageous action contributed immeasurably to excellent wire communications being constantly maintained between his artillery battalion and the forward elements of our assault forces. His technical skill, calmness under fire, and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Corporal (then Private) JAMES B. WHITAKER, 33776905, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 to 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNY, France. During bridgehead operations across the Moselle River, Corporal WHITAKER, a member of the liaison section, disregarding personal safety remained exposed to the intense enemy fire for a seven day period, carrying signal equipment and maintaining excellent wire communications to his field artillery fire direction center. His courageous and intrepid actions contributed immeasurably to the repulsing of five of the enemy's determined counterattacks. His skill, initiative, and calmness under fire reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade ALBERT J. DeHATE, 36559808, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 January 1945 in the vicinity of PUTSCHEN, Luxembourg. Painfully wounded in the hand by the accidental discharge of his weapon, Technician DeHATE, a tank driver, realizing the shortages of personnel in his platoon refused evacuation and elected to remain with his unit in combat against the enemy. His fearless actions, utter disregard for personal safety and unswerving devotion to duty distinguished Technician DeHATE as an outstanding soldier and contributed immeasurably to the accomplishment of the platoon's mission. His courage reflects great credit upon himself and is in

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accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLARD E. LAVEY, 15055577, Field Artillery, 16th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of GORZE, France. When his chief of section became a casualty, Technician LAVEY, a motor vehicle driver, despite the great danger from the intense enemy artillery fire continued to drive his vehicle and towed gun forward 3000 yards over the exposed terrain to the battalion area. His courageous actions and skillful operation of his vehicle enabled his gun section to displace their weapon for instant action thereby preventing the possibilities of casualties. His skill, calmness under fire and unswerving devotion to duty exemplify the highest tradition of our armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade WALLACE B. MACNEILAND, 36019817, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 18 and 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. During bridgehead operations across the Saar River, Technician MACNEILAND, a radio operator, accompanied the forward elements in the crossing. Headless of the great danger from enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire, Technician MACNEILAND succeeded in carrying his radio equipment and assisting the forward observer in the establishment of the observation post. Remaining in his exposed position, Technician MACNEILAND assisted in maintaining vital radio communications thereby contributing to the success of the bridgehead operations. His skill, courage, and calmness under fire reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN A. RAVETTA, 36110008, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 7 September 1944 to 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of METZ and DORNOT, France. In the engagement at Gorze, near METZ, Technician RAVETTA served as a member of the survey and reconnaissance section and under intense enemy automatic fire went forward to reconnoiter for a battalion area for his field artillery battalion. Again during bridgehead operations across the Moselle River at DORNOT Technician RAVETTA disregarding personal safety remained exposed for a seven day period under enemy artillery fire maintaining wire and excellent telephone communications with the battalion, thereby contributing to the success of the bridgehead operations. His courage, technical skill, and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class MICHAEL C. BENEPLY, 37579251, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. When his squad was pinned down by intense enemy fire and the automatic weapons gunner became a casualty, Private BENEPLY, the assistant automatic weapons gunner, assumed his duties and remaining in his exposed position for a three day period continued to deliver a heavy rate of automatic fire upon the oncoming enemy. His courageous and aggressive actions assisted materially in the repulse of the enemy's determined counterattacks and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class ROBERT L. DOWNING, 33098844, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 December 1944 to 3 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from District of Columbia.

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Private First Class ROY T. FISHER, 15061126, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 November 1944 near METZ, France. In operations against the enemy fortification known as Fort Blaise, Private FISHER, disregarding personal safety, accompanied an interpreter over 1500 yards of exposed terrain to the fortification for the purpose of arranging for the surrender of the enemy fort. His courageous actions assisted in convincing the enemy of the futility of future hostilities and the prevention of many casualties to our forces. His distinctive efforts reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class ALFRED W. HUTCHINSON, 38147584, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 December 1944 near HALLER, Luxembourg. Upon reaching their objective the company was ordered to dig in, with machine guns placed so as to cover the area. A direct hit was scored on one of the machine guns by enemy artillery fire. Private HUTCHINSON, a member of the machine gun crew, was wounded but refused evacuation and with another man took another gun and set it in position. He delivered a devastating rate of fire on the advancing enemy and aided in the repulse of the counterattack. His heroic actions, courage, and unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of our military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class JAY JENNINGS, 7040615, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When an artillery liaison plane was forced down by intense enemy artillery fire, Private JENNINGS, a member of a ground crew, volunteered to assist in the hazardous mission of evacuating the disabled plane. Working in the exposed terrain Private JENNINGS and the group succeeded in efficiently refitting the plane for flight from its exposed position. The mission completed Private JENNINGS then assisted in the evacuation of two medical transports mired down in the mud. His courageous actions contributed materially in the saving of valuable government equipment and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class CHARLES P. KOONTZ, 35387576, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 to 12 March 1945 in Germany. Private KOONTZ serving as a motor vehicle driver in a reconnaissance platoon distinguished himself as an outstanding soldier. While engaged as a volunteer in a hazardous mission in enemy infested territory, Private KOONTZ, although wounded in a hand to hand engagement with an enemy rifleman succeeded in killing him and capturing twelve prisoners. His courageous actions, disregard for personal safety and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class ANTONIO F. MILLER, 31445687, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 February 1945 in the vicinity of SCHANKWEILER, Germany. When several enlisted men became casualties following a bridgehead crossing over the Prum River, Private MILLER, an automatic rifleman, without hesitation or thought of personal safety undertook the mission of evacuating his wounded comrades. Fearlessly going forward over the exposed terrain and undeterred by the intense fire Private MILLER succeeded in administering medical treatment to the casualties and then successfully evacuated them to a place of safety. His courageous actions were the means of saving the lives of the wounded men and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

Private First Class WILLIAM O. MILLS, 33565549, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 to 24 March 1945 near OPPENHEIM, Germany. When one of our vehicles was struck by tracer fire from an enemy aircraft causing it to immediately catch on fire, Private

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MILLS, a vehicle driver, disregarding personal safety successfully evacuated four motor vehicles from the area in danger of catching fire from exploding gasoline. His courageous actions resulted in the saving of much valuable and irreplaceable government equipment. His intrepid actions, clear thinking in an emergency and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class ALBERT L. MOUNTAIN, 7081859, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 August 1944 in the vicinity of CHARTRES, France. When vital radio communications were required between regimental headquarters and our forward elements in the attack on the city of CHARTRES, Private MOUNTAIN, a vehicle driver, undertook the mission of delivering the radio. With his $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehicle disabled by the intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, Private MOUNTAIN crawled forward 200 yards and procuring another vehicle successfully delivered the essential radio to our assault forces. His courageous actions contributed immeasurably to the maintenance of excellent communications and assisted our forces in attaining their objective. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of our military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

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Private First Class ANTHONY A. RUTKOWSKI, 33113680, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 3 to 4 October 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. During the assault on the powerful enemy held fortress of Fort Driant, Private RUTKOWSKI a rifleman with the forward elements, spotted a machine gun nest in a secluded spot. After being trapped by the enemy, Private RUTKOWSKI personally took the lead on the platoon's withdrawal. He then volunteered to advance through open terrain to silence the machine gun. He crept toward the position firing a grenade and silencing the machine gun. His devotion to duty and courage reflects great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class JOSEPH H. SPEICHER, 33678587, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945 in the vicinity of GONSDORF, Germany. When essential wire communications were continually being severed by bursting enemy shrapnel, Private SPEICHER, a lineman, disregarding personal safety continued to work in the exposed terrain under intense enemy fire reestablishing the disrupted wire lines. His courageous action contributed immeasurably to excellent wire communications being constantly maintained between his artillery battalion and the forward elements of our assault forces. His technical skill, calmness under fire, and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class LEONARD J. TREDANARI, 33596089, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. In the engagement for the vital city of ANGERS, Private TREDANARI served as a radio operator with a forward observation team supporting the assault element of our infantry forces. Braving intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, Private TREDANARI, carrying his heavy radio equipment, succeeded in establishing a forward observation post. Skillfully transmitting information relative to enemy strength and weapon positions, Private TREDANARI contributed to the killing of many of the enemy and the destruction of much enemy materiel. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class DANIEL A. VICNAIR, 34155510, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 October 1944 to 3 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private First Class ROBERT W. WALLWORK, 13145829, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army.

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For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 January 1945 in the vicinity of EMSDORF, Luxembourg. When vital wire communications between a forward gun section and the platoon command post were severed by enemy artillery fire, Private WALLWORK, a lineman, disregarding personal safety continued to work in the exposed terrain reestablishing the disrupted wire lines. His courageous actions resulted in excellent wire communications being maintained thereby enabling the evacuation of a severely wounded casualty to a place of safety. His heroism and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class ALFRED W. WILSON, 6665938, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945 in the vicinity of GONSDORF, Germany. When essential wire communications were continually being severed by bursting enemy shrapnel, Private WILSON, a vehicle driver, disregarding personal safety continued to work in the exposed terrain under intense enemy fire reestablishing the disrupted wire lines. His courageous action contributed immeasurably to excellent wire communications being constantly maintained between his artillery battalion and the forward elements of our assault forces. His technical skill, calmness under fire, and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private CHARLES W. BRUNER, 36898274, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARAVILLE, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private (then Corporal) RILEY L. LEWIS, 36076554, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 5 to 9 February 1945 in the vicinity of ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. During bridgehead operations across the Sauer River, Private LEWIS, a wire corporal, made numerous reconnaissances forward to obtain information necessary to maintain essential wire communications across the river. Exposing himself to the intense enemy fire and making four trips across the treacherous and swiftly flowing water by means of an assault boat, Private LEWIS succeeded in maintaining and servicing the vital wire lines. His courageous actions resulted in excellent and continuous wire communications being maintained to the forward elements and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private (then Corporal) GEORGE E. HYNE, 6969509, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 5 to 9 February 1945 in the vicinity of ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. During bridgehead operations across the Sauer River, Private HYNE, a wireman, made numerous reconnaissances forward to obtain information necessary to maintain essential wire communications across the river. Exposing himself to the intense enemy fire and making four trips across the treacherous and swiftly flowing water by means of an assault boat, Private HYNE succeeded in maintaining and servicing the vital wire lines. His courageous actions resulted in excellent and continuous wire communications being maintained to the forward elements and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

V--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Major HERMAN E. SCHELL, 024152, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 24 to 28 December 1944 in Luxembourg. Entered military service from Indiana.

First Lieutenant CHESTER E. BALL, 01176544, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection

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with military operations against the enemy on 23 December 1944 in the vicinity of ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. Lieutenant BALL served in the capacity of a forward observer in an engagement with the enemy in the Ardennes Salient. Proceeding over the exposed terrain under intense enemy artillery and mortar fire to a position within 500 yards of the enemy lines Lieutenant BALL directed accurate and effective artillery fire upon the enemy positions. His courageous actions resulted in the killing of many of the enemy and assisted in the attainment of our objective. His intrepid actions, calmness under fire and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Second Lieutenant (then First Sergeant) DOUGLAS H. WRIGHT, 02010422, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 August 1944 in the vicinity of CHARTRES, France. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class JOHN R. CARTER, 36227932, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of DORNOT, France. Observing several enlisted men wounded and lying in an exposed position, Private CARTER, serving with a forward observation party, without hesitation or thought of personal safety crawled forward over the exposed terrain to skillfully administer medical care and assist in the evacuation of his wounded comrades. His difficult mission completed Private CARTER returned to his hazardous duties in the observation post. His courageous actions contributed to the saving of his comrades' lives and reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class HARRY E. KELLY, 6985381, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 February 1945 in the vicinity of FERSCHWELFER, Germany. When his own radio was demolished by enemy mortar fire, Private KELLY, a radio operator, obtained a radio from an infantryman and joined the assault elements in the attack. Remaining in the exposed terrain under the intense enemy fire Private KELLY disregarding personal safety reestablished essential radio communications from the forward element to the supporting artillery and the infantry command post. His courageous actions contributed materially to the attainment of our forces' objective and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class LEONARD J. TREDANARI, 33596089, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 August 1944 in the vicinity of CHARTRES, France. In the engagement for the strategic city of CHARTRES, Private TREDANARI, a radio operator serving as a member of a forward observer party, disregarding personal safety went forward 500 yards beyond our furthest outpost to establish an observation post. Remaining in his exposed position Private TREDANARI transmitted valuable firing data enabling our artillery to inflict severe casualties upon the enemy. Still under intense enemy fire Private TREDANARI again went forward to establish an observation post from which he transmitted fire directions which resulted in the capitulation of many of the enemy. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private HORACE D. POWELL, JR., 7081916, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 17 to 21 December 1944 in the vicinity of SAARLAUTERN, Germany. When vital wire communications were severed by continuous artillery fire during bridgehead operations across the Saar River, Private POWELL, a wireman serving with an artillery liaison party, braved the intense enemy fire and remaining in the exposed terrain for a four day period succeeded in laying two new wire lines. His courageous actions, technical skill and utter disregard for personal safety contributed materially to the successful enlargement of the bridgehead and reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Tennessee.

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VI--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL--REVOCATION OF AWARD. So much of Section IV, General Orders No. 30, this Headquarters, dated 8 April 1945, as pertains to Technical Sergeant GLENN A. SAWYER, 6916025, Technician Fourth Grade OLDRICH DRAHOTUSKY, 36015940, and Technician Fifth Grade ALBERT E. SALAMON, 35009852, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army, is revoked. These awards are republished as Silver Stars in Section I, this General Orders.

VII--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER--CORRECTION IN GENERAL ORDERS. So much of Section V, General Orders No. 30, this Headquarters, dated 8 April 1945, pertaining to Lieutenant Colonel HOWARD H. BASS, O320109, Medical Corps, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army, as reads, "For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 31 March 1944 in Europe," is corrected to read, "For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 July 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe."

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Award of Bronze Star Medal.....SECTION II
Award of Oak-Leaf Cluster.....SECTION III

I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-15, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ATOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ATOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain **LLOYD W. BUCKLEY**, 0318328, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 January 1945 near MINDFENACH, Luxembourg. When essential wire communications were severed by bursting enemy shrapnel, Captain BUCKLEY, the battalion communications officer, disregarding personal safety and accompanied by two enlisted men succeeded in reestablishing the disrupted wire lines. His mission completed Captain BUCKLEY then accompanied another officer into the impact area, braving the flying fragments for the purpose of taking a shell report. His courageous actions assisted materially in enabling our artillery to deliver accurate and effective counterbattery fire upon the enemy positions. His bravery, calmness under fire, and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Captain **JACOB R. TROHMAN**, 01172698, Field Artillery, 16th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 27 March 1945 near SCHWANWELD, Germany. While his battalion area was undergoing an intense shelling from enemy artillery, Captain TROHMAN, an artillery liaison officer, disregarding personal safety fearlessly strode into the impact area for the purpose of taking a shell report. Braving the flying fragments Captain TROHMAN remained in the exposed area and skillfully took a shell report as the enemy shells hurtled to earth. While engaged in his hazardous mission, Captain TROHMAN was severely wounded by enemy fire. His dauntless actions, bravery, and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

NR
First Lieutenant **CHARLES W. JOHNSON**, 01045176, Coast Artillery Corps, 149th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 7 January 1945 in the vicinity of FERNSDORF, Luxembourg. When several vehicles were destroyed and the battery command post itself came under intense enemy artillery fire, Lieutenant JOHNSON, the battery executive officer, entered the impact area for the purpose of taking a shell report. Fearlessly remaining in the exposed area as enemy shells hurtled to earth all about him, Lieutenant JOHNSON skillfully and efficiently completed his mission thereby enabling his supporting artillery battalion to deliver accurate and effective counterbattery fire upon the enemy positions. His heroism, intrepid leadership and unswerving devotion to duty, reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

NR
Technician Fifth Grade **ALBERT L. CONNORS**, 33077602, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 February 1945 near SCHANENWELDER, Germany. When the advance of his platoon was pinned down by intense anti-tank rocket and automatic fire, Technician CONNORS, an automatic rifleman, upon his own volition and without thought of personal safety undertook the mission of liquidating the enemy's position. Aggressively proceeding to a more advantageous position on his left flank, Technician CONNORS brought sweeping automatic fire upon the enemy's anti-tank rocket position thereby allowing his platoon to annihilate their automatic weapon position and again resume their advance. His courageous actions assisted materially in securing this vital town and reflect great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers, warrant officer, and enlisted men:

N/P
Captain PERVEY H. AXTON, 0328364, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 7 February 1945 to 31 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Captain ROBERT A. DUELER, 0412216, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 19 January 1945 to 25 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Florida.

N/P
Captain RICHARD D. SNIPES, 0435497, Medical Corps, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 January 1945 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Captain JOHN J. SULLIVAN, JR., 0395789, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 September 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

N/P
First Lieutenant JOSEPH BARANOWSKI, 01291058, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 February 1945 to 1 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Connecticut.

First Lieutenant MOORE O. FLOYD, 01178796, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 August 1944 to 12 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Texas.

N/P
First Lieutenant HERBERT E. GREEN, 01167011, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 27 November 1944 to 12 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

First Lieutenant DAVE B. HOTT, 0519391, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 September 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Texas.

N/P
Warrant Officer, Junior Grade, PHILIP T. O'BRIEN, W-2120263, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 13 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant RICHARD T. STAHL, 36150770, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. When his battalion area was strafed and bombed by enemy aircraft, Sergeant STAHL, a chief of section, heedless of the great danger remained in his exposed position and continued to operate an automatic weapon against the enemy planes. His dauntless actions hindered the accuracy of both the bombing and strafing of the enemy and resulted in the saving of many lives and much valuable and irreplaceable government equipment. His indomitable courage and calmness under fire exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

N/P
Technician Fourth Grade FRANCIS A. DE WED, 33072809, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 19 to 21 January

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1945, in the vicinity of DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. assisting in the evacuation of wounded under enemy fire, Technician DR FEO demonstrated an outstanding and keen sense of duty. On one occasion, acting as litter bearer, Technician DR FEO assisted in carrying a casualty for three and one half miles over rugged, snow covered hills, a haul that took four hours. Technician DR FEO's devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety during three trying days were an inspiration to the men who worked with him and were the means of saving many lives, reflecting great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade ALFRED GOODLIN, 33759226, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 19 to 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. as litter squad leader, Technician GOODLIN worked for three days making long hauls with wounded over rugged, snow covered terrain, demonstrating outstanding courage and devotion to duty. On one occasion, informed of casualties in a draw, Technician GOODLIN successfully evacuated two seriously wounded men despite advice that it would be impossible and despite the fact that the shelling did not slacken. Technician GOODLIN's disregard for personal safety and concentration on the interests of the wounded, reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

JAMES E. SPRAKER

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private) JAMES E. SPRAKER, 33646774, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 January 1945 in the vicinity of STEGEN, Luxembourg. When an enemy shell fell in the area setting fire to a camouflage net and threatening to engulf his gun section in a conflagration, Technician SPRAKER, a cannoneer, disregarding personal safety left the protection of his shelter to extinguish the flames. Still exposed to the bursting shrapnel and severely burned about the hands, Technician SPRAKER removed the burning camouflage net. His courageous actions were the means of saving the government much valuable equipment. His intrepid efforts and deep devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class WILLIAM H. WFO, 36516945, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 3 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

ANTHONY CAVALIERI

Private First Class ANTHONY CAVALIERI, 33782375, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 19 to 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. many times ignoring his own safety, Private CAVALIERI, a litter bearer, made innumerable hauls with wounded over snow covered, mountainous terrain despite the absence of ski litters. On one occasion, Private CAVALIERI successfully evacuated two seriously wounded men from a draw under intense enemy mortar fire although he had been assured that the feat was impossible. Private CAVALIERI's actions in working solely in the interests of the wounded for the three days of the engagement demonstrated outstanding courage and devotion to duty and reflect great credit on himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class EDWARD S. ESSICK, 34432284, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 19 to 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. Working for three days solely in the interest of the wounded, Private ESSICK, a litter bearer, demonstrated outstanding devotion to duty through long litter hauls over snow covered terrain and despite the absence of ski litters. On one occasion, informed of casualties in a draw, Private ESSICK, ignoring advice that the feat was impossible, went forward under intense enemy fire to render aid to two casualties and to evacuate successfully two seriously wounded men, thereby saving their lives. Private ESSICK's actions, disregarding his own safety and exhibiting unusual courage, reflect great credit on himself and the Medical

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Department. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class HAROLD C. GRAHAM, 35060311, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 19 to 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. Long litter hauls over snow covered, rugged terrain did not deter Private GRAHAM, litter bearer, from demonstrating outstanding courage and devotion to duty in the evacuation of the wounded. On one occasion, informed of casualties in a draw subjected to intense enemy mortar fire, Private GRAHAM successfully evacuated two seriously wounded men despite advice that it was impossible and despite the fact that the shelling did not slacken. Private GRAHAM's actions during the three day engagement, working solely in the interest of the wounded, reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Ohio.

JINERO PEREZ

Private JINERO PEREZ, 39013374, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 19 to 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of WELDANGE, Luxembourg. Private PEREZ, a litter bearer, working forward of the battalion aid station, demonstrated outstanding courage in three days of evacuation over snow covered and mountainous terrain, many times under enemy shelling. On 20 January 1945, informed of casualties caused by mortar and artillery fire, Private PEREZ, leading two litter squads, placed them in comparative safety and went forward alone, under fire, to determine the location and number of casualties. Private PEREZ's devotion to duty and display of courage reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Nevada.

Private First Class BEATRICE A. SMITH, 54166131, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 August 1944 to 10 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class ROBERT G. YULIS, 34871455, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 19 to 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of KIRPENNHOFF, Luxembourg. As a litter bearer assisting in the evacuation of wounded from the field, Private YULIS disregarded his personal safety by going through enemy fire in order to perform his duty. Severe winter weather and long carries over mountainous terrain made the job difficult yet this did not deter Private YULIS. On one occasion, ignoring a stream of automatic fire, Private YULIS worked his way forward to give aid to several of the wounded and to evacuate two seriously wounded men, thereby saving their lives. Private YULIS' untiring efforts on behalf of the wounded reflect great credit on himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from Mississippi.

III--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section 1, Circular No. 32, 9 FTOSL, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section 1, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOSL, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted men:

JOSEPH P. MULLIGAN

Major JOSEPH P. MULLIGAN, 0367818, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 7 to 14 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant CHARLES W. BICKNELL, 15059643, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 to 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARNY, France. When wire communications to the fire direction center were continually being severed by enemy artillery, Sergeant BICKNELL, a member of an artillery liaison section, remained exposed for a seven day period reestablishing the disrupted wire lines and carrying essential communication equipment. Due to his courageous actions excellent communications were maintained from the forward observer to the fire direction center enabling our artillery

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to deliver accurate fire upon the enemy resulting in the repulse of five enemy counterattacks. His courageous actions and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Sergeant **CHRISTAL GREEN**, 15045017, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 19 to 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. Sergeant GREEN, in charge of two litter squads during an engagement with the enemy in the vicinity of DIEKIRCH, went forward many times under heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire to determine the location and number of casualties. Observing his men's need for relief, Sergeant GREEN acted as litter bearer, on one occasion carrying a casualty for four hours over snow covered, mountainous terrain, a distance of three and one half miles. Sergeant GREEN's disregard for personal comfort and safety was an inspiration to his men, reflecting great credit on himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant (then Corporal) **RICHARD D. FREDITH**, 6935782, Field Artillery, 16th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 to 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARREY, France. When wire communications to the fire direction center were continually being severed by enemy artillery, Sergeant FREDITH, a member of an artillery liaison section, remained exposed for a seven day period reestablishing the disrupted wire lines and carrying essential communication equipment. Due to his courageous actions excellent communications were maintained from the forward observer to the fire direction center enabling our artillery to deliver accurate fire upon the enemy resulting in the repulse of five enemy counterattacks. His courageous actions and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade **ROBERT F. GERBER**, 33625230, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 19 to 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. Despite machine gun and machine pistol fire directed at him by snipers, Technician GERBER, a litter squad leader, succeeded in carrying out his mission of evacuating wounded across the Sauer River whose swiftly flowing waters had been swollen by melting snow and falling rain. Technician GERBER followed the infantry as the battle progressed, making long litter hauls over mountainous, snow covered terrain, under enemy fire. Technician GERBER, in disregarding his own safety in the interests of the wounded, reflects great credit on himself and has acted in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class **ANTHONY J. CALAPA**, 31355665, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 19 to 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of KIPPENHOF, Luxembourg. Private CALAPA, a litter bearer, demonstrated outstanding devotion to duty in assisting in the evacuation of wounded despite the hardships of severe winter weather and a rugged, mountainous terrain. On one occasion, ignoring a stream of automatic fire, Private CALAPA worked his way forward, succeeding in giving aid to several wounded and in evacuating two seriously wounded thereby saving their lives. Private CALAPA's actions of untiring and ceaseless efforts on behalf of the wounded during three days of operations reflect high credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class **ARTHUR D. CAROTA**, 31357613, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 19 to 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of DIEKIRCH, Luxembourg. Subjected to machine gun and machine pistol fire, Private CAROTA, a litter bearer, succeeded on the morning of 19 January 1945, in making a number of trips evacuating wounded, despite the need for crossing an open field under enemy observation and then crossing the swollen Sauer River by assault boat. As the battle progressed Private CAROTA

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followed the infantry, giving aid and assisting immeasurably in evacuation under arduous conditions. In his disregard for his own safety Private CAROTA reflects great credit on himself and has acted in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

JOSEPH W. DUPUIS

Private First Class *JOSEPH W. DUPUIS, JR.*, 31346601, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 19 to 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of KIRCHHOFF, Luxembourg. Assisting in the evacuation of wounded through snow and severe winter weather over mountainous and rugged terrain Private DUPUIS, a litter bearer, continued to work solely in the interest of the wounded for three days. On one occasion, ignoring continuous automatic fire, Private DUPUIS worked his way forward to give aid to several of the wounded and succeeding in evacuating two seriously wounded men, thereby saving their lives. Private DUPUIS' devotion to duty and his untiring efforts on behalf of the wounded reflect great credit on himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

EDWARD KONDROSKY

Private First Class *EDWARD KONDROSKY*, 33688384, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 19 to 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of LITKIRCH, Luxembourg. As a litter bearer, Private KONDROSKY assisted in evacuating wounded across the Sauer River on the morning of 19 January 1945, despite the necessity of traversing an open field and then crossing the swollen river in assault boats. Regarding machine gun and machine pistol fire directed at him by snipers, Private KONDROSKY made several trips with wounded. As the battle progressed he followed the infantry for the next two days assisting in evacuating wounded under conditions of weather and terrain that demanded the utmost in courage and determination. Private KONDROSKY's devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

HOWARD G. LEPCOCKER

Private First Class *HOWARD G. LEPCOCKER*, 12220701, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 19 to 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of LITKIRCH, Luxembourg. As a litter bearer, Private LEPCOCKER crossed the swollen Sauer River under machine gun and machine pistol fire to assist in the evacuation of wounded. He made several trips across an open, snow covered field, under enemy observation, and then by assault boat across the swiftly flowing river to successfully remove the wounded. As the battle progressed, Private LEPCOCKER followed the infantry, assisting immeasurably in evacuation by making long hauls over mountainous, snow covered terrain, which required the utmost in determination and courage. Private LEPCOCKER's devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from New York.

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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of the Act of March 3, 1924, as amended, and pursuant to authority conferred upon the Adjutant General, Hq. GTOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section 1, Act of 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel WILLIAM H. BIRDSONG, JR., 0376763, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 24 to 25 December 1944 near HALLER and BEAUFORT, Luxembourg. When our forces launched a determined attack against an enemy bridgehead on the Sauer River, Colonel BIRDSONG, the battalion commander, skillfully directed and effectively coordinated a successful flanking assault thereby enabling our forces to capture the strategic city of HALLER. On the following day Colonel BIRDSONG despite the great danger organized his command staff into a fighting unit and successfully led the assault upon two enemy strongpoints. His heroic actions resulted in the rapid expulsion of all enemy forces from the regimental zone of action and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Captain CHARLES M. HOGE, 0389304, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 7 February 1945 in the vicinity of WIMLERBACH, Germany. When wire communications were imperative during bridgehead operations across the Sauer River, Captain HOGE, the battery commander and communication officer, disregarding personal safety, succeeded in crossing the river with the assault elements under intense enemy fire. Skillfully establishing communications between the forward observers and the artillery liaison officers, Captain HOGE enabled our artillery to bring accurate, effective, and precision artillery fire upon the enemy's positions. His technical skill, courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) JOHN F. JENKINS, 0450966, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 1 December 1944 to 18 March 1945 in Europe. Captain JENKINS, serving as Division Wire Officer and later as assistant Division Signal Officer frequently made trips to the forward areas under intense enemy fire to make reconnaissance and to supervise the establishment of excellent and essential communications in the Division. During bridgehead operations across the Moselle and Rhine Rivers, Captain JENKINS, disregarding personal safety, efficiently planned and supervised the installation of all vital communications, thereby assisting materially to the success of our combat teams. His technical skill, courage, and unswerving devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Captain JOHN J. SULLIVAN, JR., 0399789, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 February 1945 in the vicinity of HALSDORF and STOCKEM, Germany. When the enemy launched a determined tank-infantry offensive against our strongly resisting positions, Captain SULLIVAN, the company commander, disregarding personal safety and exposed to the enemy fire, immediately proceeded to his platoon on the left flank and by efficient reorganization and coordination encouraged his men on to greater effort and succeeded in killing 24 of the enemy and capturing 90. His courageous, intrepid and superior leadership resulted in a complete rout of the attacking enemy and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM E. MURRELL, JR., 0462601, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 January 1945 in the vicinity of MEDERNACH, Luxembourg. When enemy artillery shells fell in the battery area, Lieutenant MURRELL, the battery executive officer, with total disregard for personal safety, entered the impact area for the purpose of taking a shell report. Fearlessly remaining in the exposed area and taking azimuths and studying the size and trajectory of each shell as it hurtled to earth, Lieutenant MURRELL transmitted the information to his fire direction center thereby enabling them to deliver effective counterbattery fire upon the enemy. His indomitable courage, technical skill and calmness under fire exemplify the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Florida.

Technician Fourth Grade ARTHUR A. WESTFALL, 15010882, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 8 to 12 February 1945 in the vicinity of FORTENACH, Luxembourg. When it became necessary that vital communications be established across the Sauer River, Technician WESTFALL, a radio operator, heedless of the great danger, succeeded in crossing the river with the assault elements under intense enemy fire. Immediately establishing an observation post, Technician WESTFALL and the observation party braved the intense enemy fire to make a shell report. Continuing to remain in the exposed sector for a four day period, Technician WESTFALL assisted in directing accurate and effective artillery fire upon the enemy positions. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Corporal LAWRENCE E. SINGER, 36016817, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 near GENSHIDM, Germany. When three enlisted men were wounded by enemy artillery fire, Corporal SINGER, a medical aid man, disregarding personal safety, proceeded over 100 yards of exposed terrain to assist his wounded comrades. Braving the intense enemy fire for a thirty minute period Corporal SINGER administered medical treatment and assisted in the evacuation of the casualties to a place of safety. His courageous actions were the means of saving the lives of the wounded men, reflect great credit upon himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class MARCO SANTACROSS, 12000215, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Automatic Capors Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of LANSEWID, Luxembourg. When an enemy artillery shell landed in the battery bivouac area seriously wounding an enlisted man, Private SANTACROSS, a runner, without hesitation

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