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and returned fire. Private BRADEN valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Washington.

Private First Class ROBERT R. BRAUNBERNS, 35245479, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private BRAUNBERNS, an assistant automatic weapons gunner, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private BRAUNBERNS valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class JAMES K. BRYANT, 35130228, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 January 1945 near ERPELENGE, Luxembourg. The burst of an enemy mine as it exploded when struck by a vehicle, caused numerous casualties among our personnel. As Private BRYANT, an ammunition bearer, rushed to the aid of his comrades, bursts of enemy automatic weapons fire were directed at him. Undeterred, Private BRYANT deftly maneuvered to the area where the wounded lay, and despite intense enemy fire and his exposed position, assisted in removing the casualties to covered positions. His initiative and bravery and utter disregard for personal safety reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class DEWEY W. BUCKNER, 34935656, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private BUCKNER, a rifleman, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private BUCKNER valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class FRED L. CARTER, 33649081, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Attempting to reach wounded soldiers that lay across the Vltava River, Private CARTER, a litter bearer, abandoned his vehicle and started to cross the demolished bridge span on foot. Blocked by small arms fire he returned, but undaunted, commandeered an amphibious vehicle and, disregarding personal safety, crossed the river despite intensified enemy fire. Working with feverish intensity amid bursting shells Private CARTER administered medical treatment to the wounded and quickly evacuated them to a place of safety, thereby saving their lives. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class CLIFFORD P. CHRISTIAN, 34456224, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private CHRISTIAN, an automatic weapons gunner, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private CHRISTIAN valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid

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actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class JOHN C. CLARKSON, 42015318, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private CLARKSON, a rifleman, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private CLARKSON valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class WILLIAM E. DANTZLER, 3649826, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 July 1944 to 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private First Class CARL J. DAVIS, 36226143, 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 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class CARROLL E. DILOCKER, 37655874, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private DILOCKER, a rifleman, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private DILOCKER valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class (then Private) WALTER S. DRILL, 33373177, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 March 1945 in the vicinity of MAVEN, Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class RAYMOND L. DUVAL, JR., 33372757, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private DUVAL, a rifleman, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private DUVAL valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class RUEL L. FYTHESON, 36858858, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Attempting to reach wounded soldiers that lay across the Vltava River, Private FYTHESON, a litter vehicle driver, abandoned his vehicle and started to cross the demolished bridge span on foot. Blocked by small arms fire he returned, but undaunted, commandeered an amphibious vehicle and, disregarding personal safety, crossed the river despite intensified enemy fire. Working with feverish intensity amid bursting shells Private FYTHESON administered medical treatment to the wounded and quickly evacuated them to a place of safety, thereby saving their lives. His indomitable courage

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and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class WALTER T. FERGUSON, 38524496, 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 SCHWIDGEN, Luxembourg. Private FERGUSON, an automatic weapons gunner, was assigned the vital and dangerous task of supporting his company in repelling an enemy counterattack. Using the only possible position for employing his weapon and although under constant enemy fire, Private FERGUSON remained in a lone farm house where he displayed extraordinary skill and courage in repelling the enemy counterattack and assisted in the capture of a strongly held enemy wooded area. Private FERGUSON's display of skill, initiative and indomitable courage reflect great credit upon himself and the Infantry. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private First Class GEORGE W. GILLMAN, 37753545, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Tempa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private GILLMAN, a rifleman, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private GILLMAN valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kansas.

Private First Class GUST J. HAASE, 37169328, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Tempa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private HAASE, an assistant automatic weapons gunner, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private HAASE valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from North Dakota.

Private First Class HARRY E. HERZER, 33504645, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 November 1944 to 10 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class JOSEPH R. JARDIN, 39013479, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Tempa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private JARDIN, a rifleman, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private JARDIN valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class LESLIE E. KIRK, 37501670, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Attempting to reach wounded soldiers that lay across the Vlatva River, Private KIRK, a litter bearer, abandoned his vehicle and started to cross the demolished bridge span on foot. Flocked by small

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arms fire he returned, but undaunted, commandeered an amphibious vehicle and, disregarding personal safety, crossed the river despite intensified enemy fire. Working with feverish intensity amid bursting shells, Private KIRK administered medical treatment to the wounded and quickly evacuated them to a place of safety, thereby saving their lives. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class JOHN H. LARUE, 32854166, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 November 1944 to 18 November 1944 in the vicinity of BAZENCOURT, France. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class STEPHEN MARKO, 33835306, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRN, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private MARKO, a rifleman, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private MARKO valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class NORMAN E. McDANIEL, 37614935, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRN, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private McDANIEL, a rifleman, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private McDANIEL valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class EDWARD G. MERRITTE, 35554932, 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 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class LAWRENCE G. E. MINTZLAFF, 36846198, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRN, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private MINTZLAFF, a rifleman, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private MINTZLAFF valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class ESTON L. MOONEY, 34653519, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 January 1945 near ERFELDANGE, Luxembourg. The burst of an enemy mine, when struck by a vehicle, caused numerous casualties among our personnel. As Private MOONEY, a cannoneer, rushed to the aid of his comrades, bursts from enemy automatic weapons followed him. Undeterred, he maneuvered himself to the area where the wounded lay, and removed them to a covered position. Again exposing himself, Private MOONEY returned to an aid station, secured a medical vehicle and, oblivious to intense fire,

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returned with it and evacuated the casualties. His initiative and bravery reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private First Class JOHN W. NORTAIN, 34977244, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private NORTAIN, an ammunition bearer, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private NORTAIN valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class TOM E. OTT, 38465040, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class WILLIAM J. PHELAN, 51332095, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945 near OPPENHEIM, Germany. Private PHELAN, an instrument and survey operator, displayed courage and technical knowledge to a marked degree in helping to complete a survey with a very small party and in a minimum of time under constant artillery shelling across the Rhine River. Private PHELAN accompanied one battery back across the river showing them their instrument place marks while under strafing of enemy planes. The calmness under fire, unstinting devotion to duty, and bravery displayed by Private PHELAN are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private First Class (then Private) JOHN L. POQUETTE, 32835940, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class DOMENICK A. RAUCCI, 12065934, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 January 1945 near DIEKIRK, Luxembourg. In an attempt to disrupt bridgehead operations across the Sauer River, the enemy poured heavy concentrations of artillery fire into the area causing many casualties. Oblivious to the shells that were bursting around him, and disregarding personal safety, Private RAUCCI, a medical aidman, exposed himself continuously in order to give medical treatment and evacuate his wounded comrades. Private RAUCCI's prompt and skillful work resulted in the saving of many lives. His indomitable courage, zealous devotion to duty and clamness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class R. L. REEVES, 34887452, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private REEVES, an automatic weapons gunner, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private REEVES valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Tennessee.

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Private First Class CLAUDE A. ROLAND, 7013500, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 March 1945 to 10 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class EARL F. STEVENSON, 36744558, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 January 1945 near BIELEN, Luxembourg. During an attempt to disrupt bridgehead operations across the Sauer River, the enemy concentrated heavy artillery fire in the area, causing numerous casualties. Although wounded himself, Private STEVENSON, a cannoneer, refused medical treatment, and with utter disregard for personal safety, went forward over exposed terrain to administer medical treatment and evacuate a wounded soldier from the battle field. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and is in accord with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class LEONARD B. STUBLESKI, 36103478, 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 15 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class DOMINIC J. TESSITORE, 42125204, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRN, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private TESSITORE, an ammunition bearer, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private TESSITORE valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class WOODROW TURPIN, 34644885, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 January 1945 near ERFELDANGE, Luxembourg. The burst of an enemy mine as it exploded when struck by a vehicle, caused numerous casualties among our personnel. As Private TURPIN, a cannoneer, rushed to the aid of his comrades, bursts of enemy automatic weapons fire were directed at him. Undeterred, Private TURPIN deftly maneuvered to the area where the wounded lay, and despite intense enemy fire and his exposed position, assisted in removing the casualties to covered positions. His initiative and bravery and utter disregard for personal safety reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private First Class ROBERT J. WELCH, 42185795, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRN, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private WELCH, an ammunition bearer, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private WELCH valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class THOMAS P. M. WOMACK, 37645001, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRN, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private WOMACK, an assistant

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automatic weapons gunner, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private WORMACK valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class SANG E. WONG, 35872354, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Attempting to reach wounded soldiers that lay across the Vltava River, Private WONG, a litter bearer, abandoned his vehicle and started to cross the demolished bridge span on foot. Blocked by small arms fire he returned, but undaunted, commandeered an amphibious vehicle and, disregarding personal safety, crossed the river despite intensified enemy fire. Working with feverish intensity amid bursting shells, Private WONG administered medical treatment to the wounded and quickly evacuated them to a place of safety, thereby saving their lives. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

*As by 26 - 11 June 45*  
Private EDWARD L. ANTAYA, 36986898, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 December 1944 in the vicinity of HALLER, Luxembourg. When our advancing troops were pinned down by intense enemy automatic weapons fire, Private ANTAYA, with other members of an automatic weapons squad, volunteered to go forward and eliminate the enemy strongpoint. Despite the intense fire and difficult terrain, Private ANTAYA crawled forward to within 50 yards of the enemy position and, opening fire, succeeded in eliminating the strongpoint. This enabled our forces to accomplish their assigned mission and the heroic action of Private ANTAYA reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private ANTHONY J. ASTRAUSKY, 36015990, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private ASTRAUSKY, a rifleman, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private ASTRAUSKY valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private MICHAEL BIRCHAK, 35928248, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private BIRCHAK, an ammunition bearer, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private BIRCHAK valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private WILLIAM MELADA, 42178354, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private MELADA, a rifleman, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private MELADA valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon

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himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private ROBERT W. STRAIN, 35904855, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With superlative self assurance, Private STRAIN, an ammunition bearer, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Private STRAIN valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

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 men:

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH J. BABIS, 36103732, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 near ARRY, France. When the enemy launched a heavy barrage of artillery and mortar fire inflicting numerous casualties on our forces, Sergeant BABIS, a supply sergeant, realizing the seriousness of the situation exposed himself to the enemy fire, and under direct enemy observation, crawled nearly 150 yards to obtain a litter squad. Returning, he supervised and assisted in the evacuation of the wounded, and contributed greatly in the reorganization of the unit. His courageous actions and zealous devotion to duty were undoubtedly the means of saving the lives of the wounded men and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant SAM MATTINA, 34724093, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Ensnared in reinforced emplacements, the enemy concentrated heavy automatic and small arms fire upon our forces while crossing the demolished bridge span over the Templa Vlatva River during our attempt to establish a bridgehead. With self assurance, Sergeant MATTINA, a squad leader, rushed through the torrent of shells to an exposed position on the enemy side and returned fire. Sergeant MATTINA valiantly held his position until the enemy force was annihilated. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Florida.

Private First Class LEO L. HUGHES, 36206369, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 January 1945 near EPELANGE, Luxembourg. The burst of an enemy mine as it exploded when struck by a vehicle, caused numerous casualties among our personnel. As Private HUGHES, a driver, rushed to the aid of his comrades, bursts of enemy automatic weapons fire were directed at him. Undeterred, Private HUGHES deftly maneuvered to the area where the wounded lay, and despite intense enemy fire and his exposed position, assisted in removing the casualties to covered positions. His initiative and bravery and utter disregard for personal safety reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

IV--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- REVOCATION OF AWARD. So much of Section V General Orders No. 45 this headquarters dated 18 May 1945 as pertains to Staff Sergeant GEORGE W. MAUGH, 15064921, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. This award is published as a Bronze Star Medal, posthumously, in Section I, this General Orders.



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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 (then Private First Class) WILLIAM C. STOGNER, 34834191, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 December 1944 near CONSDORF, Luxembourg. Contemptuous of ominous enemy automatic weapons positions only 75 yards away Sergeant STOGNER, a rifleman, abandoned thought of personal safety and crawled amid a hail of enemy fire to a number of wounded soldiers and removed them to safety. Unable to contact his company, and cognizant of the urgent need for litter bearers, Sergeant STOGNER ran into the open terrain through concentrated enemy fire for over 300 yards, and contacted his company and litter bearers, thereby saving many lives. His valiant acts and unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Georgia.

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:

First Lieutenant CLINTON G. HALL, JR, 01298700, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. When the enemy launched a combined and determined tank-infantry offensive against our right flank in an attempt to dislodge our bridgehead position, Lieutenant HALL, a platoon leader, without thought of personal safety, aggressively and efficiently coordinated and directed his men in the fire fight against the enemy. Undeterred by the intense enemy fire, Lieutenant HALL continued to lead his platoon against the enemy until he was wounded, necessitating his evacuation. His intrepid and superior leadership contributed materially to the repulse of the enemy counterattack and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant DAVE B. HOTT, 0519391, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 December 1944 near BREITWEILER, Luxembourg. Forced to disperse because of concentrated enemy artillery and mortar fire, Lieutenant HOTT, the company commander, nevertheless rallied his company and, oblivious to the incessant enemy fire, went to each unit and directed marching fire against the waves of attacking enemy troops, driving them back to their lines. Swiftly reorganizing his company, Lieutenant HOTT then led them in a ferocious assault, again employing marching fire and fearlessly advanced to and overran the enemy lines eliminating the prepared positions. His indomitable courage, intrepid leadership and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Texas.

Technical Sergeant RICHARD L. GARRISON, 35169649, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 27 December 1944 near HALLER, Luxembourg. When the platoon leader was wounded and advancing elements pinned down by intense enemy fire, Sergeant GARRISON, the platoon sergeant, assumed command and immediately reorganized his unit. Personally relocating his automatic riflemen and directing devastating fire on the enemy, Sergeant GARRISON successfully forced the enemy to withdraw. During this action, several casualties

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re inflicted on the personnel and Sergeant GARRISON, heedless of the prevalent enemy fire, assisted in administering medical treatment and in evacuating the wounded men to safety. His courageous and unstinting devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class LEONARD R. SINCLAIR, 36109279, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 February 1945 in the vicinity of SCHANKWEILER, Germany. When heavy enemy artillery fire scored a direct hit on a forward observation post severely wounding eight enlisted men, Private SINCLAIR, a rifleman, without hesitation or thought of personal safety, left his place of cover and went forward 1,000 yards under enemy fire to assist his wounded comrades. Braving the flying fragments Private SINCLAIR assisted in improvising a litter and evacuating the wounded down a steep and tortuous wooded slope to a place of comparative safety. His heroic and courageous actions contributed materially to the saving of the lives of the wounded and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class ROY L. TOMBERLIN, 34358366, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 August 1944 near Angers, France. Private TOMBERLIN, a rifleman, was with the forward elements of a company engaged in attacking an enemy strongpoint ensconced behind a stone wall. Through an intense barrage of numerous types of enemy fire, Private TOMBERLIN continued the attack until pinned down with the remaining members of his platoon for a period of two hours, during which time the platoon leader and several others were mortally wounded, and others seriously wounded. When another platoon relieved the imperiled unit and the other members returned to safety, Private TOMBERLIN joined the attacking platoon and aggressively contributed to the success of the action. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private HENRY A. CORDES, 33113623, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 November 1944 near AUGNY, France. When two men of his wire section were mortally wounded by enemy artillery fire while attempting to repair a break in communication lines, Private CORDES, a wireman, disregarding personal safety and despite the continuous enemy shelling, proceeded to repair the disrupted line. Private CORDES was compelled to seek cover on numerous occasions while repairing the break and his ability to perform hazardous duties under heavy enemy fire was highly responsible for the establishment of coordinated movements by the attacking battalions, and reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. 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 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 (then Private) ARTHUR J. WILKERSON, 38400103, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 August 1944 near ANGERS, France. When his company secured a bridge crossing the Maine River and further succeeded in establishing a vital bridgehead that led to the capture of the city, Sergeant WILKERSON, a rifleman, exposed to all types of enemy fire, unhesitatingly advanced across a grainfield and up a slope toward the enemy who held a position behind a stone wall. Sergeant WILKERSON succeeded in reaching a point forty yards from the enemy before he was pinned down by enemy fire for a period of two hours. These acts of gallantry on the part of Sergeant WILKERSON reflect great credit upon himself and our armed forces. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

IV--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 enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant EDWARD B. GRAIL, 36018281, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroism on 25 April 1945.

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1945 near WILNSDORF, Germany. Informed of a fire in the rear of the vehicle in which he was riding in a convoy, Sergeant GRAIL, the driver, realizing the imminent possibilities of an explosion, heedlessly and with the assistance of his comrade, rolled the vehicle off the road, and successfully accomplished the voluntary task of removing fuel and vital equipment from the flaming vehicle. Remaining to guard the area during two ensuing explosions, Sergeant GRAIL was highly instrumental in preventing severe casualties among nearby civilians and personnel. His heroic actions at the risk of his life reflect great credit upon himself. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant MIKE ABRAHAMOVICH, 31156718, Infantry (Armored), 748th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroism on 23 March 1945 near OPPENHEIM, Germany. When a tank had sunk during the crossing of the Rhine River, two of its occupants were unable to stay afloat. Observing the dire plight of his comrades, Sergeant ABRAHAMOVICH, a tank commander, fearlessly dove into the water and assisted by another man, succeeded in bringing one of his fellow soldiers to safety, saving his life. His intrepid and courageous heroism at the risk of his life reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Vermont.

Technician Fourth Grade HOMER W. PRICE, 36076585, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroism on 25 April 1945 near WILNSDORF, Germany. Informed of a fire in the rear of the vehicle in which he was riding in a convoy, Technician PRICE, a company motor mechanic, realizing the imminent possibilities of an explosion, heedlessly and with the assistance of his comrade, rolled the vehicle off the road, and successfully accomplished the voluntary task of removing fuel and vital equipment from the flaming vehicle. Remaining to guard the area during two ensuing explosions, Technician PRICE was highly instrumental in preventing severe casualties among nearby civilians and personnel. His heroic actions at the risk of his life reflect great credit upon himself. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade FRANCIS J. SCUOTEGUAZZA, 32642567, Infantry (Armored), 748th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroism on 23 March 1945 near OPPENHEIM, Germany. When a tank had sunk during the crossing of the Rhine River, two of its occupants were unable to stay afloat. Observing the dire plight of his comrades, Technician SCUOTEGUAZZA, a tank driver, fearlessly dove into the water and succeeded in bringing one of his fellow soldiers to safety, saving his life. His intrepid and courageous heroism at the risk of his life reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private RICHARD J. KINSELLA, 32640655, Infantry (Armored), 748th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroism on 23 March 1945 near OPPENHEIM, Germany. When a tank had sunk during the crossing of the Rhine River, two of its occupants were unable to stay afloat. Observing the dire plight of his comrades, Private KINSELLA, a cannoneer, fearlessly dove into the water and assisted by another man, succeeded in bringing one of his fellow soldiers to safety, saving his life. His intrepid and courageous heroism at the risk of his life reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

V--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:

Captain MAURICE G. FRAKES, 0370837, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 2 January 1945 to 5 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Oregon.

Captain GRANT T. JOHNSON, 01165746, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 29 November 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Oregon.

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Captain LENNIS A. JONES, 0395462, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 March 1945 near ASTHEIM, Germany. When the enemy attempted several determined counterattacks in an effort to retake the town of ASTHEIM, and succeeded in infiltrating his company's position, Captain JONES, the company commander, although wounded and refusing evacuation, fearlessly directed a platoon of his men, together with a tank, in repulsing the enemy. His aggressive actions resulted in the capture of 50 of the enemy and the killing of many more with a minimum of casualties to our forces. His intrepid and outstanding leadership, utter disregard for personal safety and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) DONALD M. LARSON, 01179129, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 16 February 1945 to 5 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) SPIRIDION E. MAHLSTADT, 01179138, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) NORMAN J. MECKLEM, JR., 0382855, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 March 1945 near TREIS, Germany. When the advance of his company was halted by intense enemy automatic and small arms fire emanating from well concealed enemy positions, Captain MECKLEM, the company commander, without hesitation or thought of personal safety fearlessly directed his men in a frontal assault upon the enemy positions. Undeterred by the heavy enemy fire, Captain MECKLEM spurred and encouraged his men forward over the exposed terrain resulting in the overcoming of the enemy opposition and attaining his company's objective. His intrepid and superior leadership, bravery and unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Captain ABRAHAM I. SCHAFFER, 0496005, Medical Corps, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 September 1944 near GORZE, France. While the battalion was occupying positions in the vicinity of GORZE, heavy artillery fire was concentrated on one of the battery locations, inflicting serious wounds on one of the personnel. Without hesitation or thought of personal safety, Captain SCHAFFER, the battalion surgeon, entered the impact area and skillfully rendered medical treatment to the wounded man and alleviated his suffering. The courageous and intrepid actions displayed by Captain SCHAFFER reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) HARRY O. KAYLER, 0132344, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 to 21 November 1944 near METZ, France. Entered military service from Maryland.

First Lieutenant CARL E. MAUGER, 02041040, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 October 1944 to 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant ALBERT FEICH, 01175234, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 6 to 10 February 1945 near FOLTERNACH, Luxembourg. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant VINCENT V. SUPPAN, 01176520, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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First Lieutenant VICTOR W. WEIDMAN, 01172708, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 October 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) DAVID R. TAYLOR, 0527285, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 29 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When the only bridge across the Main River was under heavy enemy artillery fire, wire communication was being constantly disrupted. Lieutenant TAYLOR, an assistant communications officer, with utter disregard for personal safety, supervised a wire crew, and with the use of an amphibious vehicle, successfully established a line across the shell infested river. Lieutenant TAYLOR's intrepid actions in jeopardy of his own life resulted in a wire route which was not disrupted, thereby supplying vital wire communications with the liaison officers and forward observers and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Warrant Officer, Junior Grade, ERMAL L. OWENS, W-2111329, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Master Sergeant MARTIN E. MILLS, 6663631, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 September 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Vermont.

First Sergeant JAMES ELLISON, JR., 6669548, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 January 1945 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

First Sergeant FRANK PETERSON, 6495097, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 August 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota.

First Sergeant GEORGE S. PORTER, 6731262, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 6 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Sergeant RICHARD E. TEMPLE, 6745832, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 October 1944 to 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technical Sergeant ROBERT F. SMITH, 36154561, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technical Sergeant HARRY L. WIFSWAN, 36076547, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade) LANGDON M. DETTMER, 36511409, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant WAYNE H. HAMBROCK, 6668936, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 29 January 1945 to 3 February 1945 in the vicinity of FRIEDHOF, Luxembourg. Entered military service

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Staff Sergeant ROBERT B. HAMES, 36150754, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant BENNIE T. HUMPHREYS, 6658422, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 August 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant ELMER O. JENSEN, 36025211, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 12 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) HARLEY C. RENFRO, 34171986, 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 against the enemy across the Moselle River near DORNOT, Sergeant RENFRO, an ammunition bearer, was carrying ammunition for his platoon. On one of his numerous trips, he perceived two wounded men lying in an exposed position. Exposing himself to intense enemy artillery and small arms fire, Sergeant RENFRO crawled approximately 50 yards over shell torn terrain to administer medical treatment and, still braving the intense enemy fire, evacuated his wounded comrades to safety. His heroic determination resulted in saving the lives of his comrades and reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant CARROLL C. SHOUSE, 38084226, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 28 December 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Colorado.

Staff Sergeant (then Corporal) JOSEPH SOLLECITO, 31290978, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 November 1944 near SANRY-SUR-NIEP, France. Following an intense artillery barrage, the enemy made a desperate counterattack, disabling one of our anti-tank weapons. Sergeant SOLLECITO, the assistant squad leader of the weapon section, displaying intrepid leadership and with superlative self assurance, deployed his men on the line with the riflemen, and after a bitter engagement, forced the enemy to withdraw. The prophetic vision and phlegmatic nature of Sergeant SOLLECITO resulted in the infliction of numerous casualties on the enemy personnel and installations and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) EDWIN W. TANNER, 33044685, 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 vital wire communications to the forward elements were severed by enemy shrapnel, Sergeant TANNER, a mortar section leader, with two other enlisted men, undertook the hazardous mission of reestablishing the essential wire lines. Working in the exposed terrain, Sergeant TANNER and the group serviced 800 yards of wire to the forward assault positions. His mission completed, Sergeant TANNER assisted in evacuating casualties and carrying vitally needed supplies to the forward area. His courageous actions saved many lives and contributed to maintaining excellent communications between our forces and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from District of Columbia.

Technician Third Grade THOMAS B. McCALLUM, 34805984, Field Artillery, 50th 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 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

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Sergeant RODNEY J. HESTERMAN, 36030771, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 to 31 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant POLEY KINSER, 7082091, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 12 July 1944 to 15 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Georgia.

Sergeant GLEN A. KOHN, 15059689, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 August 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) WILLMERT V. SCHREIBER, 6664629, 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. When a small arms platoon was imperiled by intense fire from an enemy strongpoint, mortar fire was urgently needed to silence the enemy weapons. Without hesitation and despite the prevalent enemy fire, Sergeant SCHREIBER, a mortar gunner, shouldered the weapon and ran over twenty five yards of rocky terrain to a position where the weapon could be employed. Despite his exposed position to the enemy fire, Sergeant SCHREIBER continued with his duty and quickly silenced the enemy strongpoint, thereby enabling the platoon to resume the advance. His courage reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Sergeant (then Corporal) GERALD L. TONSAGER, 37152323, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. When a tank destroyer was immobilized by enemy fire and a quarter-ton vehicle in the immediate vicinity was endangered by fire from the conflagration, Sergeant TONSAGER, a gunner, without hesitation or thought of personal safety, undertook the hazardous mission of evacuating the vehicle. Braving intense enemy small arms fire and the danger of exploding shells, Sergeant TONSAGER daringly crossed the exposed terrain and succeeded in evacuating the vehicle. His indomitable courage was the means of saving valuable government equipment from possible damage and reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from South Dakota.

Technician Fourth Grade LAWRENCE H. BUNKER, 36166612, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 August 1944 near ETAMPES, France. While screening the advance of rifle units, Technician BUNKER, a radio operator of the intelligence and reconnaissance platoon, was attacked by a concealed enemy force. Crawling under intense enemy fire and disregarding personal safety, Technician BUNKER took his radio and maneuvered to a position where he could observe the enemy. Remaining amid the holocaust, Technician BUNKER transmitted information regarding the enemy's strength and location and directed accurate artillery fire causing the enemy to disperse, allowing our units to resume the attack. His indomitable courage and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN M. DUFACK, 36110060, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 August 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade FRANCIS B. FENNELLY, 33075262, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 September 1944 near PAGNY, France. Enemy artillery fire of unprecedented severity confronted our forces as they crossed the Moselle River. Realizing the necessity of maintaining communications with the scattered elements of his organization, Technician FENNELLY, a radio operator, stayed at his post for 26 hours oblivious to the hail of fire about him and disregarding personal safety, remained exposed relaying and transmitting messages. His determined efforts were instrumental in holding and deepening the bridgehead



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and resulted in the ultimate expansion to the Seille River. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade WILLIAM A. HEERDINK, 15046602, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 August 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fourth Grade CHARLES F. HOELTJE, 33102505, 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 19 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade VERNON A. JOHNSTON, 36154628, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade JEROME J. REILLY, 32183263, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Technician Fourth Grade BRUNO J. UNGARETTI, 36025185, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 30 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal THOMAS M. BRADFORD, 36025272, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 12 January 1945 to 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal MICHAEL J. BRUNO, 32182505, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Corporal RICHARD J. COLE, 36101504, 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 19 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal EDWARD M. CYNARSKI, 11120039, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 December 1944 near LUDWIGER, Germany. When the enemy launched a determined counterattack in an effort to dislodge the rifle company from its positions, the battalion command post, which was attached to the forward elements, was subjected to intense enemy fire. In an effort to establish better communications with the fire direction center, Corporal CYNARSKI, a liaison corporal, exposed himself in the open terrain and with the use of his radio, relayed calls to the artillery, resulting in the accurately adjusted fire on the advancing enemy, forcing them to withdraw after many casualties had been inflicted upon them. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Corporal JOSEPH A. KOTT, 36127519, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal JAMES H. LANE, 34728381, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 30 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Corporal (then Private First Class) IVAN C. LOIDEN, 6666290, Field Artillery,

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46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 September 1944 near GORZE, France. With the battalion area under a heavy barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire, Corporal LONDON, a cannoneer, without thought of personal safety, remained in the impact area and continued his work of preparing his weapon to register. His courageous actions enabled his gun section to bring accurate and effective artillery fire upon the enemy positions. His bravery, calmness under fire and unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Corporal GERARD R. LUXEM, 36002269, 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 19 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal RAYMOND PERSINGER, 36076543, 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 7 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal WILLIAM L. PHILIP, 36154548, 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 19 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal EUGENE B. SHRUBB, 33436963, 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 19 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM M. KELLER, 36150853, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) ANDREW J. KONEFAL, 31341927, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 November 1944 near METZ, France. When a heavy concentration of enemy artillery fire severed essential communication lines between a forward observer and the forward artillery switchboard, Technician KONEFAL, a wireman, proceeded to locate and repair the wire breaks. With another enlisted man he found the breaks, made the necessary repairs, and established and manned a listening post between the observer and the switchboard. Due to Technician KONEFAL's courageous, intrepid and resourceful actions, it was possible to deliver effective artillery fire on strong enemy positions. His extraordinary and unswerving devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Technician Fifth Grade FRANCIS X. KRUSE, 33129002, 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 19 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM R. W. LONG, 33721446, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technician Fifth Grade CLYDE REYNOLDS, 6985791, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945 near GENSHHEIM, Germany. When hostile aircraft strafed and bombed a convoy during bridgehead operations across the Rhine River, creating a serious roadblock, Technician REYNOLDS, a motor mechanic, without hesitation or thought of personal safety, left his place of cover to enter the impact area for the hazardous mission of again resuming the flow of traffic. Finding a quarter-ton vehicle with the

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passengers concealed in a fox-hole, Technician REYNOLDS ordered the men into the vehicle thereby resuming the normal flow of traffic and contributing materially to the success of the bridgehead operations, reflecting great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade CHARLES H. RYNEER, 35009790, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 September 1944 near PAGNY, France. Enemy-artillery fire of unprecedented severity confronted our forces as they crossed the Moselle River. Realizing the necessity of maintaining communications with the scattered elements of his organization, Technician RYNEER, a radio operator, stayed at his post for 26 hours oblivious to the hail of fire about him and disregarding personal safety, remained exposed relaying and transmitting messages. His determined efforts were instrumental in holding and deepening the bridgehead and resulted in the ultimate expansion to the Seille River. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) RUSSELL J. SPURLOCK, 15054384, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When essential wire communications became imperative between the forward observers and the fire direction center during bridgehead operations across the Main River, Technician SPURLOCK, a wireman, without thought of personal safety and undeterred by an intense barrage of enemy artillery fire, succeeded in establishing two wire lines to the artillery forward observers. His courageous and intrepid actions contributed materially to the maintaining of excellent wire communications, thereby enabling our artillery to bring accurate, effective and precision artillery fire upon the enemy positions. His bravery, technical skill and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade LEWIS W. WHITEHEAD, 16012459, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 September 1944 near PAGNY, France. When the area in which his switchboard was located came under intense enemy fire, Technician WHITEHEAD, a switchboard operator, immediately relieved the soldier on duty at the time and ordered him to seek shelter. Oblivious to the hail of fire about him, Technician WHITEHEAD remained at his hazardous post throughout the barrage, transmitting messages to combat teams, thereby maintaining communications during the critical period. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class JAMES D. BEALER, 33106540, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 February 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class WARREN K. BUCK, 6665961, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945 near OPPENHEIM, Germany. Private BUCK, an instrument and survey operator, displayed courage and technical knowledge to a marked degree in helping to complete a survey with a very small party and in a minimum of time under constant artillery shelling. When it was discovered that another battalion had occupied the position reconnoitered, Private BUCK further distinguished himself by resurveying for another position under enemy strafing. Unable to use lights, cigarettes were used for direction. The calmness under fire, unstinting devotion to duty and bravery displayed by Private BUCK are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class ERIC S. CARLBERG, 31429250, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 November 1944 near SANRY-SUR-NIED, France. When heavy enemy fire disrupted communication lines, Private CARLBERG, a platoon

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messenger, endeavored to establish radio contact from a position within a building. Discovering that contact was still impossible, he moved his equipment outside despite the presence of flying shrapnel, to make a further attempt to establish communications. Upon being observed by the enemy, Private CARLBERG was again forced into the building by the enemy fire, and upon entering, a direct enemy shell demolished a section of the building, burying several other soldiers. Working feverishly with bare hands, Private CARLBERG successfully removed his comrades from the ruins and evacuated them. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class THOMAS W. CONOVER, 37663998, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class JAMES M. FRANCIS, 6665956, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 March 1945 near MUDEN, Germany. When it became vitally necessary that communications be established with the fire direction center, Private FRANCIS, a vehicle driver, with utter disregard for personal safety, undertook the hazardous mission of transmitting shell report findings to our artillery. Braving the intense enemy artillery and mortar fire and with shells bursting close to his vehicle, Private FRANCIS daringly drove over the mine infested terrain and delivered his valuable findings thereby enabling our artillery to bring accurate and effective fire upon the enemy positions. His courage and calmness under fire exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class GLEN F. PRIOR, 32854201, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class HARVEY J. GADBERRY, 39162598, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945 near BUCH, Germany. While screening the advance of rifle companies, Private GADBERRY, a scout and observer, observed an enemy force occupying an ambush position. Although subjected to intense enemy mortar and automatic weapons fire, undauntedly he continued to advance, placing a heavy automatic weapon, which was mounted on his vehicle, in such a position that its devastating fire caused the enemy to disperse, thereby enabling rifle units to annihilate the enemy force. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class DAVID IMBEAU, 39331162, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 December 1944 near LUDWELLER, Germany. When the enemy launched a determined counterattack in an effort to dislodge the rifle company from its position, the battalion command post, which was attached to the forward elements, was subjected to intense enemy fire. In an effort to establish better communications with the fire direction center, Private IMBEAU, a radio operator for the command post, exposed himself in the open terrain and with the use of his radio, relayed calls to the artillery, resulting in the accurately adjusted fire on the advancing enemy, forcing them to withdraw after many casualties had been inflicted upon them. Entered military service from Oregon.

Private First Class RICHARD E. JAMES, 35547465, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 to 12 February 1945 near BOLLENDORF, Germany. The battalion's crossing site on the Sauer River into the Siegfried Line, and the routes leading to it, were under enemy observation and subjected to intense artillery and mortar fire. Without fear or hesitation, Private JAMES, a driver, repeatedly drove his quarter-ton vehicle along the dangerous route to the river, carrying communication supplies, ammunition and food, and returned with wounded casualties. When the road

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became impassable, Private JAMES worked under fire to repair it with logs, and by his heroic actions, contributed greatly to the accomplishment of the battalion's mission. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class (then Private) JAMES J. JOHNSON, 34730277, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 29 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When the only bridge across the Main River was under heavy enemy artillery fire, wire communication was being constantly disrupted. Private JOHNSON, a driver, with utter disregard for personal safety, assisted a wire crew by driving his amphibious vehicle, which was instrumental in establishing a line across the shell infested river. Private JOHNSON's intrepid actions in jeopardy of his own life resulted in a wire route which was not disrupted, thereby supplying vital wire communications with the liaison officers and forward observers and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class THOMAS KIRKE, 36016595, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When incessant enemy artillery shelled the vicinity of his command post and a direct hit completely demolished the dwelling in which the command post was housed, Private KIRKE, a switchboard operator, without thought of personal safety, remained in this precarious position and continued to maintain essential and excellent wire communications between the forward elements and the rear echelon. His courageous and intrepid actions contributed materially to the successful attainment of his unit's objective. His bravery, technical skill and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class (then Private) BENJAMIN LA GRASSA, 42050353, 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 vital wire communications to the forward elements were severed by enemy shrapnel, Private LA GRASSA, an ammunition bearer, with two other enlisted men, undertook the hazardous mission of reestablishing the essential wire lines. Working in the exposed terrain, Private LA GRASSA and the group serviced 800 yards of wire to the forward assault positions. His mission completed, Private LA GRASSA assisted in evacuating casualties and carrying vitally needed supplies to the forward area. His courageous actions saved many lives and contributed to maintaining excellent communications between our forces and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class JOHN V. LARKIN, 36130886, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When incessant enemy artillery shelled the vicinity of his command post and a direct hit completely demolished the dwelling in which the command post was housed, Private LARKIN, a switchboard operator, without thought of personal safety, remained in this precarious position and continued to maintain essential and excellent wire communications between the forward elements and the rear echelon. His courageous and intrepid actions contributed materially to the successful attainment of his unit's objective. His bravery, technical skill and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class EUGENE J. LESCH, 36443851, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 November 1944 near METZ, France. When a heavy concentration of enemy artillery fire severed essential communication lines between a forward observer and the forward artillery switchboard, Private LESCH, a wireman, proceeded to locate and repair the wire breaks. With another enlisted man he found the breaks, made the necessary repairs, and established and manned a listening post between the observer and the switchboard. Due to Private LESCH's courageous, intrepid and resourceful actions, it was possible to deliver effective artillery fire on strong enemy positions. His extraordinary and unswerving devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military

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service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class JOSEPH MARKEWICZ, JR., 31532092, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private First Class JAMES A. McCALL, 34353241, 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 vital wire communications to the forward elements were severed by enemy shrapnel, Private McCALL, a rifleman, with two other enlisted men, undertook the hazardous mission of reestablishing the essential wire lines. Working in the exposed terrain, Private McCALL and the group serviced 800 yards of wire to the forward assault positions. His mission completed, Private McCALL assisted in evacuating casualties and carrying vitally needed supplies to the forward area. His courageous actions saved many lives and contributed to maintaining excellent communications between our forces and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class HENRY J. O'NEILL, 31287781, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class TOIYO A. SALO, 36226095, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945 near ASTHEIM, Germany. When the enemy launched a determined counterattack in an attempt to retake the town, Private SALO, an ammunition bearer, although wounded and refusing evacuation continued to engage the oncoming enemy in a fierce fire fight. When his ammunition was expended, Private SALO retrieved the weapon of a wounded man and, remaining in his exposed position, continued to engage the enemy. Due to his courageous and intrepid actions, the counterattack was repulsed with heavy casualties inflicted on the enemy. His bravery and unswerving devotion to duty are in accord with the highest traditions of the United States Infantryman. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class DANIEL J. TUROCK, 33403188, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 October 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private WILLIAM F. CAMPBELL, 33758702, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 February 1945 near BOLLENDORF, Germany. When wire communication was badly needed between the forward infantry elements and the supporting artillery for the crossing of the Saucer River, Private CAMPBELL, a wireman, with utter disregard for personal safety, succeeded in establishing a line to the artillery switchboard and for a period of one day and one night maintained the wire although the area was constantly subjected to intense enemy fire. Private CAMPBELL's courageous actions in the face of great danger to himself substantially aided in establishing the bridgehead and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private GEORGE F. FLETCHER, 33740282, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. Private FLETCHER, an automatic weapons gunner, and another soldier were ordered to defend a vital position, but in so doing, were handicapped by a limited field of fire due to their proximity to other units. Undertaking a hazardous chance, Private FLETCHER held his fire to avoid hitting his own lines, and permitted the enemy to advance within 30 yards of his position. Then delivering effective fire into the enemy lines, Private FLETCHER inflicted numerous casualties and entirely disrupted the attack. His indomitable courage and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from District of Columbia.

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Private JAMES R. HOGAN, 33213089, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When essential wire communications became imperative between the forward observers and the fire direction center during bridgehead operations across the Main River, Private HOGAN, a lineman, without thought of personal safety and undeterred by an intense barrage of enemy artillery fire, succeeded in establishing two wire lines to the artillery forward observers. His courageous and intrepid actions contributed materially to the maintaining of excellent wire communications, thereby enabling our artillery to bring accurate, effective and precision artillery fire upon the enemy positions. His bravery, technical skill and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private GILBERT D. LINKS, 16040717, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 March 1945 near MANDERSCHIED, Germany. During the attack on MANDERSCHIED, Private LINKS, a radio operator, armed only with his pistol and encumbered by a heavy radio on his back, together with his battalion commander attacked an enemy strongpoint consisting of one automatic weapon and three riflemen. Without regard to personal safety, Private LINKS and the officer succeeded in capturing all four of the enemy who were in a position to inflict heavy casualties against the right flank of the battalion. His aggressive actions, indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

VI--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. 3, Hq FTOUSA, 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:

Major (then Captain) ELTON B. COLEGROVE, 0323460, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 3 to 8 February 1945 near KALKESBACH, Luxembourg. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain WALTER P. DAVIDSON, 0393916, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 3 to 8 February 1945 near KALKESBACH, Luxembourg. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain WILLIAM F. SCHAIBLY, 0326420, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 22 March 1945 to 5 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

VII--AWARD OF SILVER STAR--REVOCATION OF AWARD. So much of Section II, General Orders No. 49, this headquarters, dated 26 May 1945, as pertains to Staff Sergeant ARTHUR J. WILKERSON, 38400103, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army, is revoked. This award is republished as a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star in Section II, this General Orders.

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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 HARRY W. BRINGMAN, 15015089, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 January 1945 near TRFELDANGE, Luxembourg. Heavy casualties resulted when one of our vehicles struck an enemy mine. Immediately thereafter, heavy automatic weapons fire was directed in the area of the explosion. Observing a seriously wounded soldier lying in an exposed area, Private BRINGMAN, a cannoneer, without regard for personal safety, rushed amid the bursting shells and assisted in administering medical treatment, thereby saving his life. After evacuating the wounded, Private BRINGMAN assisted in leading the squad to safety, despite concentrated enemy fire. His indomitable courage and intrepid leadership reflect great credit upon himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

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. 5, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain DON M. BROWN, 01296165, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 December 1944 in the vicinity of HALLER, Luxembourg. Captain BROWN, a company commander traveling with an advanced Headquarters party, was following up an attack of a rifle company. With complete disregard for personal safety, Captain BROWN fired covering fire for another officer who successfully forced two German artillery observers to surrender. Advancing toward another similarly occupied objective, Captain BROWN spotted an enemy soldier on the right flank and courageously exchanged fire from an exposed position, annihilating the enemy. Ascending to the top floor of a house, Captain BROWN again exchanged fire with the enemy causing two more to surrender, reflecting great credit upon himself and our military forces. Entered military service from Tennessee.

First Lieutenant EDWARD JURKIEWICZ, 01998351, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 March 1945 near GEISHEIM, Germany. Probing the possibilities for fording a canal with tank-destroyers, Lieutenant JURKIEWICZ, a platoon leader, voluntarily waded through the water, under intense enemy fire, to determine its depth and firmness of the canal bed. Finding the depth of the water to be seven feet and knowing it to be almost an impossibility to ford the vehicles through it, Lieutenant JURKIEWICZ courageously endeavored the treacherous task, and successfully drove his vehicle to the far shore where he inflicted critically needed fire on the enemy, destroying the automatic weapons emplacements which were retarding the advance of friendly infantry. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Technical Sergeant GEORGE O. LAPPAU, 6132350, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 March 1945 near NEIRSTIM,

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Germany. Ordered to exterminate a by-passed enemy pocket, Sergeant LAREAU, a platoon sergeant, moved his patrol forward to a point 75 yards from the enemy position. When enemy automatic and small arms fire pierced the flank of the patrol, halting its progress, Sergeant LAREAU abandoned all thoughts of personal safety and proceeded amid the hail of fire to neutralize the enemy position, enabling the remainder of his patrol to advance and annihilate the enemy. His intrepid leadership and indomitable courage under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

Staff Sergeant RAYMOND W. BEE, 7081831, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 January 1945 near EPELDANGE, Luxembourg. Heavy casualties resulted when one of our vehicles struck an enemy mine. Immediately thereafter, heavy automatic weapons fire was directed in the area of the explosion. Observing a seriously wounded soldier lying in an exposed area, Sergeant BEE, a squad leader, without regard for personal safety, rushed amid the bursting shells and assisted in administering medical treatment thereby saving his life. After evacuating the wounded, Sergeant BEE led his squad to safety, despite concentrated enemy fire. His indomitable courage and intrepid leadership reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Sergeant RICHARD O. MAAG, 35009955, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 14 March 1945 near TREIS, Germany. Leaving a position of comparative safety, Sergeant MAAG, a squad leader, was determined to quell the intense enemy artillery and mortar barrages that were being concentrated on the vital bridgehead. Working his way forward under enemy fire Sergeant MAAG maneuvered to the river bank from where the barrages originated, and after establishing communications, directed such accurate and devastating fire upon enemy installations that they were completely annihilated, thus enabling our forces to cross the river in safety. His indomitable courage and skill reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Corporal JOHN S. REDMOND, 32800163, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 January 1945 near MERSCHIED, Luxembourg. After passing through a heavy mortar barrage, Corporal REDMOND, a section leader, and two of his comrades were fired upon by enemy riflemen. Advancing toward the enemy unarmed, Corporal REDMOND disarmed the enemy and took them prisoners. While returning, an enemy mortar barrage mortally wounded the two prisoners and wounded one of his comrades. After skillfully rendering medical treatment and temporarily evacuating his wounded comrade, Corporal REDMOND summoned a litter squad, but when enemy fire made it impossible to reach the wounded man, Corporal REDMOND returned and later evacuated the wounded man under cover of darkness on an improvised stretcher. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fifth Grade HOWARD H. HELMS, 36025753, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 3 January 1945 near MERSCHIED-LES-BUTSCHIED, Luxembourg. Technician HELMS, a medical aidman, perceiving a number of casualties lying in an exposed position, disregarded personal safety and crawled forward under intense enemy fire to the side of his wounded comrades. After evacuating five walking casualties to an aid station, Technician HELMS made two additional trips into the exposed terrain to assist in evacuating all of the casualties. His heroic actions undoubtedly saved the lives of many wounded men and was a great inspiration to the officers and men of his company. His intrepid and unselfish devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade CLARENCE E. SMILEY, 39165186, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 March 1945 near GRIESHEIM, Germany. When a canal bridge had been destroyed, retarding forward operations, Technician SMILEY, a tank destroyer commander, voluntarily accompanied his platoon leader on a foot reconnaissance to determine the possibilities of fording the canal. Determining the depth and firmness of

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of the canal by wading in it through a hail of enemy automatic weapons fire, Technician SMILEY proceeded to drive his tank destroyer through the seven feet of water to a position where he could fire on the enemy and enable our infantry advance to continue, reflecting great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from California.

Technician Fifth Grade RENUEL M. WILLIAMS, 34352064, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 March 1945 near GEINSHEIM, Germany. When the infantry advance was halted by the enemy on the far bank of a canal, heavy weapons were urgently needed to eliminate the enemy strongpoints. Answering the call for the vital equipment, Technician WILLIAMS, a tank-destroyer driver, disregarded personal safety by driving his vehicle through the canal which was seven feet deep, and regardless of the water pouring into the drivers hatch, Technician WILLIAMS remained at his task until successfully reaching the far shore where he inflicted harassing fire and reduced the enemy strongpoints, enabling the infantry to resume the advance. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class STANLEY C. HOPE, 36773512, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 February 1945 near PERCHWILER, Luxembourg. Private HOPE, a medical aidman, went to the assistance of several wounded men despite the intense enemy fire and the fact that he had been wounded himself. After administering medical treatment to the other wounded men, Private HOPE crawled over exposed terrain under direct enemy observation to secure a litter squad to evacuate the wounded. After his mission was completed, he assented to treatment of his own wounds. His heroic determination and exceptional devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class (then Private) WARREN E. MOCKABEE, 6583104, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 14 March 1945 near MUDEN, Germany. When our forward elements were halted due to heavy enemy automatic weapons fire, Private MOCKABEE, a rifleman, volunteered to probe the enemy position. Completely exposing himself on a steep precipice and heedless of the intense enemy fire, Private MOCKABEE climbed to an effective position and threw grenades in the direction of the enemy emplacement and immediately advanced under the cover of his own fire, successfully silencing the enemy weapon and enabling our forward elements to resume the advance. Leading the attack against an enemy anti-tank rocket launcher position, Private MOCKABEE personally wounded one of the enemy and compelled others to surrender. Entered military service from District of Columbia.

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 enlisted man:

Technical Sergeant GEORGE O. LAREAU, 6132550, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 in the vicinity of TREBUR, Germany. While moving through a densely wooded area, the right flank of the company was pierced by enemy automatic weapons fire, inflicting casualties upon several of our men. Observing the plight of his wounded comrades, Sergeant LAREAU, a platoon sergeant, unhesitatingly moved forward to administer medical treatment and evacuate the wounded to safety. Resolute and determined, Sergeant LAREAU again moved forward with several of his men, and under the cover of his own fire, fearlessly approached the enemy strongpoint and annihilated it, enabling the remainder of the platoon to resume the attack. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

IV--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 enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant LaGRANDE R. HEDGLIN, 15759670, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regi-

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ment, United States Army. For heroism on 7 February 1945 near CANSORF, Luxembourg. In attempting to fill a gasoline lantern, the supply sergeant became the victim of a freakish accident when gasoline fumes were ignited by heat from a nearby candle. The victim was rendered temporarily helpless by flames which set fire to his clothing and, as flames spread elsewhere, a disastrous fire appeared imminent. Sergeant HEDGLIN, a supply sergeant, rushed in and half-carried the casualty from the room and immediately smothered the flames with blankets. Completing this, Sergeant HEDGLIN at the risk of his own life, immediately rushed into the flaming room and extinguished the fire which threatened various supplies of the regiment. Entered military service from Indiana.

V--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 FTOSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) HENRY T. BASS, JR., 01303833, 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 15 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Florida.

Sergeant GEORGE T. KUSEL, 36019201, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. Sergeant KUSEL, an assistant squad leader, was given the mission of taking a radio to our forces on the far shore of the Sauer River after communications with the battalion had been out over twenty four hours. Procuring an assault boat, Sergeant KUSEL and the carrying party, disregarding the intense enemy fire, succeeded in establishing communications. The carrying party was then ordered to attack an enemy emplacement that hampered river crossing operations. Disregarding enemy fire, Sergeant KUSEL made his way through mine fields and successfully cleared the enemy strongpoint. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class OWEN R. STANLEY, 14148002, 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 16 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

VI--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 FTOSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq FTOSA, 27 May 1944 the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers, warrant officer, and enlisted men:

Major GLENN J. LICHTENBERG, 0393930, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 18 October 1944 to 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain LAYMOND L. BUSCH, 0467401, Infantry (armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Washington.

Captain EDWARD F. DOMING, 0394942, 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 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Captain ROBERT S. GREGORIN, 0384232, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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First Lieutenant BYRON M. CORKUM, 01048317, 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 15 February 1945 near BOLLENDORF, Luxembourg. When two linemen of a unit in support of the division walked into a mine field and were seriously injured, Lieutenant CORKUM, an executive officer, with utter disregard for personal safety, entered the minefield and applied medical treatment to the wounded. By his unselfish attitude and quick and effective actions which enabled him to efficiently aid the wounded men and at the same time provide means against their further injury, Lieutenant CORKUM reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant JOHN T. PERRILL, 01015894, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Throughout this period, Lieutenant PERRILL served in the capacity of Tank Company maintenance officer and has constantly demonstrated outstanding knowledge, skill and ability in maintaining his vehicles at a peak of efficiency, despite personal hazard, enemy action or unfavorable terrain. When his company commander was wounded during an arduous operation, Lieutenant PERRILL assumed command and directed the company in a most aggressive and efficient manner, maintaining spirit and morale through many demoralizing situations. His unswerving devotion to duty, exceptional technical skill and indomitable courage reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kansas.

First Lieutenant J. C. SHIRLEY, 0441272, 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 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant) VICTOR R. SODERHOLM, 02015674, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 11 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Chief Warrant Officer DEBY F. HARKRADER, W-2131771, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Missouri.

First Sergeant HARRY R. HONAKER, 6852417, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 September 1944 near VERDUN, France. During an aerial bombardment and with utter disregard for personal safety, Sergeant HONAKER, a first sergeant, left his place of safety to render medical treatment and assist in the evacuation of the wounded. His courage, calmness under fire, and deep concern for the welfare of his men reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Virginia.

First Sergeant ADAM J. JURFK, 31035294, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

First Sergeant FRANK M. KOSTRENCICH, 39230862, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from California.

First Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant) GULLIN B. SLONE, 15054348, 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 29 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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Technical Sergeant KENNETH V. EPPERLY, 6665394, 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 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technical Sergeant GLEN M. JACOBS, 15059982, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 October 1944 to 17 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technical Sergeant LOUIS F. LARSON, 36227898, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 28 September 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant JOSE MAS, 6086790, Infantry, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 27 July 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Technical Sergeant ALFRED P. REDWANZ, 36017187, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 5 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technical Sergeant PAUL E. SKYTA, 39377269, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 26 September 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Washington.

Technical Sergeant BENNY WILLIAMS, 6667639, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 March 1945 near KARDEN, Germany. When vital wire communications were needed between the artillery and infantry battalions, Sergeant WILLIAMS, a communication chief, succeeded in establishing them across an unbridged river which was under hostile artillery fire. After one wire had been established, Sergeant WILLIAMS voluntarily installed a second line. His heroic action made it possible for the liaison officers to inflict much needed fire on the enemy positions saving many casualties among our own troops, and contributed immensely to the success of the operation, reflecting great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) MARSHALL E. BARDEN, 31460881, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 February 1945 near FORTERNACH, Luxembourg. Sergeant BARDEN, an assistant squad leader, was given the mission of taking a radio to our forces on the far shore of the Sauer River after communications with the battalion had been out over twenty four hours. Procuring an assault boat, Sergeant BARDEN and the carrying party, disregarding the intense enemy fire, succeeded in establishing communications. The carrying party was then ordered to attack an enemy emplacement that hampered river crossing operations. Disregarding enemy fire, Sergeant BARDEN made his way through mine fields and successfully cleared the enemy strongpoint. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant DOUGLAS BOSWELL, 15047075, 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 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant DURWARD B. CAVANAUGH, 15060650, 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 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade) LAWRENCE M. CULPEPER, 34194695, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Staff Sergeant EDWARD L. GRIM, 33562163, Infantry, 26 Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 February 1945 near IDENHEIM, Germany. Heavy artillery and small arms fire halted the advance of Sergeant GRIM's unit as it attempted to take an enemy stronghold on high wooded ground. Observing that his platoon leader and platoon sergeant had become casualties, Sergeant GRIM unhesitatingly reorganized the unit and despite numerous casualties, led them on in the attack and overran the German stronghold. With complete disregard for his own safety and still under heavy artillery fire Sergeant GRIM formed his men for a counterattack. His indomitable courage and intrepid leadership reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Maryland.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM T. HOPE, 34172690, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 11 November 1944 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant HENRY M. LAWSON, 35673079, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 October 1944 to 24 November 1944 in France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant EDWIN W. LEE, 36101469, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant MAXEY G. MCKORKLE, 6643082, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 7 April 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant (then Private) FREDERICK A. MOTTRAM, 31158369, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 February 1945 near ECHTERMACH, Luxembourg. Sergeant MOTTRAM, a rifleman, was given the mission of taking a radio to our forces on the far shore of the Sauer River after communications with the battalion had been out over twenty four hours. Procuring an assault boat, Sergeant MOTTRAM and the carrying party, disregarding the intense enemy fire, succeeded in establishing communications. The carrying party was then ordered to attack an enemy emplacement that hampered river crossing operations. Disregarding enemy fire, Sergeant MOTTRAM made his way through mine fields and successfully cleared the enemy strongpoint. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant CHARLES F. REDLING, 37191655, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Iowa.

Staff Sergeant EDWIN P. RICHERT, 36227810, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 20 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant RAYMOND N. SHAFER, 36107367, 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 27 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Staff Sergeant JAMES T. L. SOLOMON, 34172693, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) ROBERT L. STEELE, 35655314, 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 22 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant LEONCE STEINER, 34155527, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 February 1945 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Sergeant JOHN F. CHRISTIE, 36103549, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant DEAN E. CLARK, 31103792, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious 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 Arkansas.

Sergeant JOSEPH A. DAUR, 33605400, 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 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant BENNIE D. DAVIDSON, 34702276, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

Sergeant (then Corporal) ROBERT G. HADSALL, 36108637, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 December 1944 to 26 December 1944 near BERDORF, Luxembourg. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant JAMES B. HERALD, 36101608, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 September 1944 near GRAVELOT, France. During an intense enemy artillery barrage to which his section was subjected, Sergeant HERALD, a chief of section, with utter disregard for personal safety and by displaying able leadership, encouraged the men of his section to remain at their posts. When casualties were inflicted by a shell landing directly in front of the weapon, and although suffering from severe head wounds, Sergeant HERALD refused evacuation until all other casualties were treated. The courage, leadership and deep devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant HERALD reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant JOHN K. JACOBS, 38341716, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 27 December 1944 to 28 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Texas.

Sergeant (then Corporal) ALBERT H. OAKES, 31037908, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 February 1945 in Germany. When an assault boat had capsized in the Sauer River, an infantryman was thrown in the water and was being swept downstream toward some dangerous rapids. Seeing the dire plight of this man, Sergeant OAKES and two others directed



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their boat dangerously close to the rapids and held on to their comrade until a rope was thrown to the boat and the boat towed to safety. The presence of mind and personal heroism displayed by Sergeant OAKES, reflect great credit upon himself and the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Maine.

Sergeant WILLIAM A. RAGAN, 42026744, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 August 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant EARL V. SAWYER, 6290939, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 February 1945 in Germany. When an assault boat had capsized in the Sauer River, an infantryman was thrown in the water and was being swept downstream toward some dangerous rapids. Seeing the dire plight of this man, Sergeant SAWYER and two others directed their boat dangerously close to the rapids and held on to their comrade until a rope was thrown to the boat and the boat towed to safety. The presence of mind and personal heroism displayed by Sergeant SAWYER, reflect great credit upon himself and the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Colorado.

Sergeant RICHARD L. SPINDLER, 36206272, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 February 1945 in Germany. When his platoon sergeant was wounded by enemy artillery fire and was lying helplessly in a roadside ditch subjected to a heavy artillery barrage, Sergeant SPINDLER, a platoon member, left the comparative safety of an area not under enemy fire, proceeded through some 600 yards of wooded terrain subjected to artillery tree bursts to his fallen comrade, and then after administering medical treatment, bodily carried him some 300 yards to a medical installation. The outstanding courage and coolness under fire displayed by Sergeant SPINDLER reflect great credit upon himself and the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Sergeant LEROY U. STREI, 37272010, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Sergeant FORREST G. TURNER, 36003114, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class) CHARLES E. DARRACH, 36117580, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. During an initial assault boat crossing of the Sauer River near ECHTERNACH, Technician DARRACH was badly shaken by an enemy mortar burst and his boat completely demolished. Rather than lose valuable time in obtaining medical treatment, Technician DARRACH immediately procure another boat and continued with the crossings. The personal heroism and superb devotion to duty displayed by Technician DARRACH, inspiring his comrades to greater effort toward the successful establishment of a Sauer River bridgehead, reflect great credit upon himself and the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade EUGENE E. ERWIN, 20956708, Field Artillery, Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 December 1944 in the vicinity of GIESSENICH, Germany. With little thought for personal safety and disregarding the heavy enemy mortar fire, Technician ERWIN, a mechanic, worked for 45 minutes repairing a tank destroyer, enabling it to move under its own power and clear the way for seven other destroyers following it, to proceed with their mission. Coolness and courage were displayed heroically under the most difficult conditions by Technician ERWIN, reflecting great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Washington.

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Technician Fourth Grade WESLEY R. LARKINS, 36103240, 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 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) NATHAN S. MANDEL, 32935625, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 5 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fourth Grade CHARLES W. MARTIN, 34702118, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

Technician Fourth Grade WILLARD G. MAYER, 37514173, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 24 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kansas.

Technician Fourth Grade LEO M. O'KEEFE, 37317421, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Technician Fourth Grade ALPHONSE A. THYEN, 37269193, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Technician Fourth Grade PAUL R. WALLS, 37041995, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 5 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Iowa.

Technician Fourth Grade MICHAEL O. WARYANKA, 33416327, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 December 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal THOMAS A. CHITWOOD, 37391834, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Missouri.

Corporal ROBERT J. FILKINS, 36109604, 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 MEFERNACH, Luxembourg. When essential wire communications were severed by bursting enemy shells, Corporal FILKINS, wire corporal, disregarding personal safety, entered the impact area and reestablished the disrupted wire lines. His courageous actions assisted in enabling the battery to bring accurate fire on the enemy and his bravery, calmness under fire and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal FRANK P. WALLACE, 36099446, 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 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal CHARLES J. HEFIMAN, 15060677, 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 8 May 1945 in

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Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Corporal LLOYD G. HULTON, 34603794, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Corporal JOHN L. HENSLY, 34604213, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Corporal ALEXANDER LENIO, 16109291, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal LEO P. PASCAL, 35062041, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 4 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Corporal FRANK B. RADISKAUSKY, 33414671, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal JAMES TEAGUE, 14061971, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 March 1945 in the vicinity of FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. With enemy artillery and aircraft strafing extremely near to his weapon position on two separate occasions, Corporal TEAGUE, acting chief of weapons section, kept his unit organized and continued to fire from his exposed position. His courageous actions contributed immeasurably to the repulse of enemy attacks and assisted greatly in scouring the enemy-held city. His bravery and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Corporal BURTON B. WELLS, 36101478, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal NORMAN F. ZOCK, 36052083, 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 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade ROLAND W. BENZ, 36154377, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 November 1944 to 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade SIDNEY J. COHEN, 36035106, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) PHILIP S. DEBARI, 32584969, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 February 1945 in Germany. When an assault boat had capsized in the Sauer River, an infantryman was thrown in the water and was being swept downstream toward some dangerous rapids. Seeing the dire plight of this man, Technician DEBARI and two others directed their boat dangerously close to the

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rapids and held on to their comrade until a rope was thrown to the boat and the boat towed to safety. The presence of mind and personal heroism displayed by Technician DIFERRE, reflect great credit upon himself and the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) CHESTER H. FRONCKEL, 15014217, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 September 1944 near AMM-VILLERS, France. Choosing to remain with his commanding officer at the front lines although requested to leave Technician FRONCKEL, a driver, proved himself of immeasurable assistance in the attack that followed. Upon learning that radio contact and wire communications were destroyed by enemy fire, Technician FRONCKEL drove his vehicle across exposed shell cleaved roads, oblivious to heavy enemy fire and carried messages, thereby enabling supporting weapons to be coordinated during the attack, and thus insuring the success of the mission. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade OWEN J. HANNEY, 36483586, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN M. HELDSTAB, 36213661, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN A. KINCER, 33122500, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 25 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade HARRY S. MATTHEWS, 36157467, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 30 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade TOMMIE E. MCGHEE, 34603774, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class JOHN F. BARNES, 34349191, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 November 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Private First Class CLARENCE J. BARRILLEAUX, JR., 38484624, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. With utter disregard for personal safety and braving the intense enemy artillery barrage, Private BARRILLEAUX, a cannoneer, stayed at his position inflicting accurate fire until the enemy artillery was silenced. The calmness under fire and unswerving devotion to duty displayed by Private BARRILLEAUX reflect great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest standards of the armed forces. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private First Class CARL H. BLACKMAN, 32848630, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 July 1944 near VIDOUVILLE, France. When enemy strafing and artillery fire damaged communication lines, Private BLACKMAN, a quarter-ton vehicle driver, left his vehicle and disregarding personal safety volunteered to repair the vital lines. Despite direct fire from enemy self-propelled guns and small arms fire, Private BLACKMAN moved forward

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and fearlessly repaired and maintained the communication lines with forward observers, thereby aiding immeasurably in the accomplishment of his unit's mission. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class MAURICE B. FEREN, 35924419, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 February 1945 in the vicinity of SPANKFILER, Germany. The progress of a litter squad to which Private FEREN was attached, was impeded by heavy sniper fire. Cognizant of the hazards in attempting to approach the wounded, Private FEREN ordered his squad to remain behind, and utterly heedless of his own safety, crawled forward through the intense enemy fire and administered medical treatment to the casualties. Despite continued enemy fire, Private FEREN removed his wounded comrades to safety, thereby saving their lives. His indomitable courage, and tenacity of purpose reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class WESLEY A. FIELD, 37583333, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 17 December 1944 to 19 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class EDWIN O. FOSTER, 33650504, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class RICHARD L. GRIFFITH, 33134350, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 20 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class LAURI J. HANNILA, 36227755, 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 15 November 1944 in France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class EDWARD M. HARTLEY, 35247826, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945 near ERDORF, Germany. Private HARTLEY, an assistant squad leader, while manning a forward outpost in the vicinity of ERDORF, spotted enemy movements advancing toward his position. The enemy strength was estimated to be at least thirty-five. Advancing cautiously toward the enemy, Private HARTLEY opened fire with his individual weapon and was successful in killing nine and taking the rest prisoner. His heroic action contributed immensely in repelling the impending enemy counterattack and the personal courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private HARTLEY are in accordance with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class ALPHA JACKSON, 31434885, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class WILLIAM R. KELLY, 33588222, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 5th Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 February 1945 near BERDORF, Luxembourg. Disregarding personal safety, Private KELLY, a driver for the reconnaissance officer, dauntlessly braved great dangers to drive through heavily mined fields and through another area which was subjected to intense enemy artillery fire. By his courageous actions, Private KELLY greatly assisted the officer in selecting areas to be occupied by the artillery to

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prepare for attack. His skillful driving and extreme devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class LLOYD M. MAGATE, 36158219, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 17 December 1944 to 19 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class ROY R. MILLER, 36150114, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 February 1945 in Germany. When his squad leader was wounded by enemy fire and was lying helplessly in an exposed position, Private MILLER, a squad member, left the comparative safety of a roadside ditch and proceeded through 100 yards of exposed terrain, covered by enemy automatic and mortar fire to his fallen comrade, and then bodily carried him back to his original position and safety. The outstanding courage and coolness under fire displayed by Private MILLER reflect great credit upon himself and the Corps of Engineers. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class FRANCIS K. MUNSON, 36228225, 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 9 September 1944 in France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class HOWARD L. PITTMAN, 15055774, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. While servicing wire lines across the Moselle River, Private PITTMAN, a wireman, was subjected to a concentrated enemy artillery barrage. Disregarding the presence of flying shell fragments, one of which shattered his slung weapon, Private PITTMAN fearlessly continued with his mission until he successfully reestablished the vital wire communications between the artillery and infantry. The courageous and intrepid devotion to duty displayed by Private PITTMAN reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class WILLIAM F. RIDDLE, 35776121, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When it became urgent to establish communications across the Main River, Private RIDDLE, a wireman, although realizing the great hazards the venture entailed, volunteered to undertake the mission. As he started his dangerous task, a heavy barrage of enemy artillery and small arms fire was concentrated on the partially demolished bridge span. Required to drive his vehicle slowly, Private RIDDLE, undaunted by the bursts of shells about him, heroically pursued his course and successfully accomplished his mission. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class EDWIN L. RYLANDER, 36819947, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When it became urgent to establish communications across the Main River, Private RYLANDER, a wireman, although realizing the great hazards the venture entailed, volunteered to undertake the mission. As he started his dangerous task, a heavy barrage of enemy artillery and small arms fire was concentrated on the partially demolished bridge span. Required to drive his vehicle slowly, Private RYLANDER, undaunted by the bursts of shells about him, heroically pursued his course and successfully accomplished his mission. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class JOSEPH T. SATRAPPE, 31416311, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 November 1944 to

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8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class DONALD G. SMITH, 33927272, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 February 1945 near SHANKWIL, Germany. In an attempt to disrupt our operations near the Prum River bridge-head, the enemy directed intense fire on the area. Private SMITH, a scout, although wounded himself, observed a casualty and, abandoning all thought of personal safety, withstood the enemy fire and administered medical treatment after which he evacuated the wounded man to a position of comparative safety, thereby saving his life. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class LEE L. THOMPSON, 36567677, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class LAWRENCE P. TIGLIO, 33678689, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. With utter disregard for personal safety and braving the intense enemy artillery barrage, Private TIGLIO, a cannoneer, stayed at his position inflicting accurate fire until the enemy artillery was silenced. The calmness under fire and unswerving devotion to duty displayed by Private TIGLIO reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest standards of the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class WALLACE W. WAITS, 39695086, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class CLARENCE A. WILLING, 36117115, 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 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class RICHARD V. WOODBURY, 31319540, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 February 1945 near ERZEN, Germany. Entered military service from Maine.

Private First Class JOHN A. YOUNG, 11018726, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945 near GROSS GERAU, Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private CARL E. DIXON, 31493362, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 March 1945 near KOCHER, Germany. Learning that a vehicle had been previously abandoned because of intense enemy automatic and small arms fire, but aware of its importance to the success of his unit, Private DIXON, a quarter-ton vehicle driver, despite great personal danger went to a point 40 yards from enemy territory and recovered the vehicle. Although he had been previously warned about the hazards that the venture incurred, Private DIXON, nevertheless elected to attempt the mission. His indomitable courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private ALEXANDER J. GRIFFIN, 36103854, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 February 1945 near SHANKWIL, Germany. The advance of Private GRIFFIN's unit was momentarily halted by a sudden barrage of enemy automatic and sniper fire. Realizing his comrades might be annihilated unless immediate aid was given by supporting units, Private GRIFFIN fully

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exposed to enemy observation ran 300 yards through intense enemy automatic and small arms fire to contact the adjoining platoon. Disregarding personal safety, he returned to his platoon continuing the fight until wounded. His intrepid actions aided immeasurably in accomplishing the assigned mission and his indomitable courage and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

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 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 first bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster and a second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named officers, warrant officer and enlisted men as indicated:

First Oak-Leaf Cluster Chief Warrant Officer HARVEY J. SMITH, W-2111322, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 June 1944 to 5 July 1944 in North Ireland. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Oak-Leaf Cluster Staff Sergeant ROBERT B. BUCK, 34171970, 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 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

First Oak-Leaf Cluster Staff Sergeant EARNEST L. LARCUM, 7009583, 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 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

First Oak-Leaf Cluster Sergeant CHARLES F. LEWIS, 34664618, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 March 1945 near LIEG, Germany. Sergeant LEWIS, a tank commander, in the face of intense anti-tank fire and after three of our tanks were disabled, boldly remained in an exposed position on his company's right flank actively engaging the enemy weapons in a fierce fire fight for more than two hours. The aggressive actions of Sergeant LEWIS undoubtedly saved other tanks from possible destruction and his indomitable courage contributed materially to the capture of the enemy strongpoint. His heroic determination, intrepid leadership and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

First Oak-Leaf Cluster Technician Fourth Grade RINALD LIEGEL, 36204106, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 22 October 1944 to 28 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

First Oak-Leaf Cluster Technician Fourth Grade FRANKLIN J. MYERS, 33604642, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 26 to 29 March 1945 in the vicinity of FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Oak-Leaf Cluster Technician Fourth Grade JOHN F. PHIPPS, 36078388, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 28 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Oak-Leaf Cluster Technician Fifth Grade MARIO S. PIROMTI, 32907472, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 5 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.



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Second Oak-Leaf Cluster Captain (then First Lieutenant) ROBERT B. FURMAN, JR, 0404888, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 7 to 9 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

VIII--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL - REVOCATION OF AWARD. So much of Section V General Orders No. 49 this Headquarters dated 26 May 1945 as pertains to Technician Fourth Grade FRANKLIN J. MYERS, 33604642, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army is revoked. This award is republished as a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster in Section VII this General Orders.

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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 JACOMINO A. BARBERA, 33170513, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 28 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When the bridgehead area across the Main River was under intense fire from enemy artillery, and one of the infantrymen from the battalion to which he was attached was wounded, Private BARBERA, a radio operator, with completed disregard for personal safety and exposing himself to the intense fire, left the safety of his command post and rendered medical treatment to his wounded comrade, then sheltered the wounded man's body with his own to prevent further injury. His courage under fire and disregard for his personal safety reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private JOHN DeCORPO, 35058636, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 5 December 1944 near LUDWIGSBURG, Germany. When the infantry company, to which he was attached with a forward observation party, suffered very heavy casualties and the party was separated, Private DeCORPO, a radio operator, without thought for personal safety continued to the objective, leading the remainder of the party and assisting wounded infantrymen on. Private DeCORPO was mortally wounded by mortar fragments as he reached the objective with the leading infantry elements. His courage under fire and disregard for his own safety in the face of extreme danger was inspiring to his comrades and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

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 THOMAS G. DODSON, 0346106, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 22 March 1945 to 24 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. During the operation which entailed the crossing of the Rhine River and the establishment of a secure bridgehead, Captain DODSON, a company commander, gallantly led his company in the attack. Throughout the entire operation, he displayed superior leadership while exposed to enemy fire and moved with the forward elements of his company directing the operation. During the night, the enemy launched a particularly heavy counterattack on our newly established bridgehead, but through the entire action, Captain DODSON, even though seriously wounded, moved among his men and directed his sector's defense, obtaining an outstanding victory over a much stronger enemy. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain RICHARD H. DURST, 0391387, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 6 February 1945 to 7 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. During the crossing of the Sauer River into the Siegfried Line, several boats were sunk due to intense enemy automatic weapons fire, and Captain DURST, a company commander, was

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seriously wounded as a result of the enemy fire. Despite his wounded condition, Captain DURST continued to lead his company to the far shore, where he quickly reorganized his men and placed them in position. Only after he had given complete instructions to his platoons would Captain DURST accept medical treatment and evacuation. His zealous devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Lieutenant BERNARD J. BONO, 01300443, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 5 May 1945 near BOHN ROHRM, Czechoslovakia. Although menaced by automatic and small arms fire from formidable enemy emplacements, Lieutenant BONO, a company executive officer, nevertheless led his unit across the demolished bridge span over the Templa Valtava River to establish a bridgehead. Although under direct observation, he personally placed each man in strategic positions on the enemy side. When the enemy made a desperate counterattack, Lieutenant BONO inspired his men to such an extent that they soon annihilated the enemy force. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Colorado.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) STANLEY MALY, JR., 0538577, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 22 March 1945 to 23 March 1945 near OPPENHEIM, Germany. Lieutenant MALY, a platoon leader, was given the mission of clearing an enemy strongpoint. Braving the intense fire from the position, Lieutenant MALY crossed the Rhine River in an assault boat and assembled his platoon on the east bank. Leading his men forward, he employed marching fire as he closed in on the enemy strongpoint, and then forced the enemy into the open by throwing hand grenades into their position. By his neutralization of the enemy strongpoint, the remainder of the battalion was enabled to cross the river in comparative safety against practically no resistance. Entered military service from Nebraska.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM F. MOONEY, 01311810, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 February 1945 near STOKEM, Germany. During the epic engagement for STOKEM when intense enemy small arms and tank fire pierced his advancing unit, Lieutenant MOONEY, a company commander, disregarding personal safety and in the face of great danger, strode among his men and urged them to continue the attack. When confronted by an enemy tank, Lieutenant MOONEY openly exposed himself and directed such devastating fire that the vehicle was compelled to withdraw. Despite the continued enemy resistance, Lieutenant MOONEY bravely pursued his course and successfully obtained the objective, capturing large quantities of enemy equipment and personnel. Entered military service from New Jersey.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM MERTZ, JR., 01318686, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 27 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. Leading his unit in an attack across the only bridge over the Main River, Lieutenant MERTZ, a company commander, encountered a barrage of enemy artillery fire that was unprecedented in severity and continuity. Observing his company momentarily halted due to the intense fire, Lieutenant MERTZ immediately ordered his men to follow him as he dauntlessly led the way across the bridge. So inspired were his men by the display of courage and leadership that the attack on FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN was accelerated, and the enemy subdued. His heroic actions and unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) LAUREL M. VENTERS, 01056583, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 22 March 1945 to 23 March 1945 near GENSFELD, Germany. Lieutenant VENTERS, a platoon leader, was assigned the mission of organizing a defensive line for protective measures against enemy counterattacks during the crossing of the Rhine River. After the main body of forces had safely made the crossing, Lieutenant VENTERS led his platoon across the river and upon reaching the east shore, successfully repelled an enemy counterattack and, after reassembling the company, led the unit toward the assigned objective.

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When progress was hampered by intense enemy fire, Lieutenant VENTERS, although wounded, advanced ahead of his men in an assault on the enemy, forcing them to withdraw. Entered military service from Illinois.

Second Lieutenant GEORGE E. PATAKI, 02000014, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 April 1945 near ARNSBERG, Germany. When enemy anti-aircraft weapons used as ground weapons were retarding our attack, Lieutenant PATAKI, a forward observer, without thought of personal safety and completely exposed to the heavy enemy fire, crawled beyond the outpost of the infantry to a position from which he could observe the enemy weapons. Lieutenant PATAKI remained in his exposed position and succeeded in bringing artillery fire to silence the enemy weapons. His gallant actions paved the way for the infantry advance and reflect great credit upon himself and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant) JAMES E. RAILSBACK, 02015748, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. When two platoon leaders became casualties during the establishing of a bridgehead across the Rhine River, Lieutenant RAILSBACK, an acting platoon leader, assumed command of the two platoons. Under intense enemy fire, he organized and maintained complete control of his command, directed tank fire on enemy strongpoints and managed complete and prompt care and evacuation of the wounded. Through his gallant leadership, Lieutenant RAILSBACK brought about the destruction of an enemy company and assisted immeasurably in securing the bridgehead. Lieutenant RAILSBACK's heroic action and leadership reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Second Lieutenant RICHARD J. WASIKOWSKI, 01328857, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. Concealed in a heavily wooded area, a strong force of enemy troops concentrated heavy automatic weapons fire into our advancing troops. Lieutenant WASIKOWSKI, a platoon leader, although unable to establish communications because his radio operator was a casualty and despite enemy fire of unprecedented severity led an assault upon the area from which the heaviest fire emanated and annihilated the enemy, thereby allowing our forces to reach its objective. His indomitable courage, intrepid leadership and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technical Sergeant ROBERT I. COOLEY, 7030369, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. When his platoon leader was mortally wounded, Sergeant COOLEY, a platoon sergeant, without thought of personal safety and oblivious to the intense enemy fire, went to the side of the platoon leader and removed valuable maps from his body. Efficiently assuming command and reorganizing the platoon, Sergeant COOLEY, spurring the men forward over the exposed terrain, succeeded in attaining the platoon's objective and inflicting severe casualties on the enemy. His heroic and courageous leadership, calmness under fire and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) JAMES C. JERNAGEN, 34195583, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 near GROSS GFRAU, Germany. When forward elements of our advancing forces were pinned down by intense enemy fire, Sergeant JERNAGEN, a squad leader, disregarding personal safety, charged the enemy positions through a hail of fire, firing his rifle and calling for his squad to follow. Halfway to a building at the edge of the city, he spotted the enemy strongpoint, and immediately proceeded to annihilate it. In order to expand the hold on the town, Sergeant JERNAGEN personally cleared another house of two enemy soldiers when they attempted to resist. His loyalty and heroic leadership reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Georgia.

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Technical Sergeant BENNIE VAN BLAIRCUM, 36103737, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 March 1945 near NEIRSTETEN, Germany. During the fighting to secure a bridgehead across the Rhine river, Sergeant VAN BLAIRCUM, an acting platoon leader, assumed command of his platoon when the platoon leader became a casualty. While attempting to contact forward elements of his company, his platoon engaged in a fire fight with a large number of the enemy who had infiltrated to his platoon's position. Sergeant VAN BLAIRCUM accounted for seven enemy killed before being seriously wounded himself, but refusing evacuation, he continued to lead his men in successfully routing the enemy, and then reorganized his platoon and contacted the remainder of his company. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technical Sergeant WALTER H. KRUBLESKI, 16002220, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 near ASTHEIM, Germany. When the enemy succeeded in separating Sergeant KRUBLESKI, a platoon sergeant, from his organization, with characteristic presence of mind, he set up a radio in an abandoned building and directed mortar and artillery fire on the enemy positions. Undaunted, although the enemy gained entrance to the house he occupied, he wrapped his radio in a blanket to muffle the sound, and despite the grave personal risk, continued to send messages until captured. By ingenious artifice, he escaped and returned to his own lines. His indomitable courage, and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant JAMES BROOKS, 14078647, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 March 1945 near GROSS GERAU, Germany. Sergeant BROOKS, a squad leader, was leading his squad in the advance on GROSS GERAU when they encountered an enemy entrenchment from which automatic and small arms fire emanated. Upon being discovered, the enemy started throwing grenades at his position and firing an anti-tank rocket launcher at other members of his squad. Courageously remaining in his exposed position, Sergeant BROOKS brought harassing fire on the enemy emplacement while his squad advanced to capture the strongpoint, which in turn, enabled the squad to resume the advance on the town. Entered military service from Georgia.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) CECIL A. SWAYZE, 35903686, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 near T.ETZ, Germany. When the enemy launched a determined tank-infantry attack in an attempt to retake the town of TREBUR, Sergeant SWAYZE, a squad leader, without thought of personal safety, efficiently withdrew two of his men from a forward observation post and, reorganizing his squad about the two men, continued to engage the enemy. Then crossing the exposed terrain, Sergeant SWAYZE notified his platoon leader of the squad's disposition and returning to his forward post contributed to the liquidation of three enemy automatic weapons and an enemy anti-tank rocket launcher team. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) FRANKILLIN B. TEFF, 37594402, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 December 1944 near COEDORF, Luxembourg. Standing out prominently against a blanket of fresh snow, Sergeant TEFF, an automatic rifleman, was determined to attack a hill where strong enemy forces were entrenched, despite the fact that his unit had no camouflage snow suits. Halted by enemy automatic, mortar and artillery fire, Sergeant TEFF kept firing his automatic weapon although he had been wounded, and refused to be evacuated until his unit had taken safe positions and the wounded removed. His outstanding actions prevented many casualties and his indomitable courage and intrepid leadership reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Sergeant (then Corporal) KENNETH A. HARRIS, 6668816, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 27 February 1945 near MASHOLDER, Germany. While the town of MASHOLDER was being subjected to heavy mortar and self-propelled artillery fire, Sergeant HARRIS, a liaison corporal, with utter disregard for personal safety, entered the town in order to locate a friendly infantry command post, and establish wire communications in order that artillery fire could be inflicted on the enemy. Disregarding a suggestion of an officer to wait until the intense barrage had ceased,

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Sergeant HARRIS made his way out of town, dragging telephone wire after him until he had communications established. His courageous actions and determination reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Sergeant HARLEY W. JOHNSON, 37415821, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 March 1945 near WALLERSTADTEN, Germany. When the enemy launched a fierce counterattack, Sergeant JOHNSON, a squad leader of an automatic weapon squad laid down a devastating line of fire. When two crew members were wounded, he disregarded personal safety to bring up ammunition and ordered his crew to remain in position to protect the rest of the company. When a direct hit from an enemy tank knocked out his crew and despite his own serious wounds, Sergeant JOHNSON attempted to fire on the enemy with his rifle until medical aidmen arrived. His fearless and courageous actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

Corporal JOHN R. CAUGHERTY, 35217894, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 March 1945 near GARDEN, Germany. The boat in which Corporal CAUGHERTY, an assistant forward observer, and several other men were riding, was sunk during an assault crossing of the Moselle River. Observing one of his comrades in distress due to the bulky radio strapped on his back, Corporal CAUGHERTY immediately went to the rescue of the stricken man, and succeeded in towing him to a nearby craft. Corporal CAUGHERTY's heroic action in the face of enemy fire was the means of saving the life of his comrade and reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Corporal (then Private First Class) ERNEST F. TURNBOW, 35722396, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 2 April 1945 near KILFERROD, Germany. The platoon in which Corporal TURNBOW was an automatic weapons gunner and scout, encountered an enemy force of approximately one hundred mountain troopers attempting to break through our lines to their own forces. When an armored car attempted a frontal attack on our enemy position, Corporal TURNBOW voluntarily mounted the exposed deck, and when the vehicle was immobilized by muddy terrain, he leaped to the ground and firing his weapon, continued the assault. By his courageous and daring actions, Corporal TURNBOW inflicted an unknown number of casualties, captured fifteen of the enemy, and completely eliminated the enemy pocket. Entered military service from Texas.

Corporal JAMES B. WHITAKER, 33776905, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 February 1945 near SHANKWILDE R, Germany. Corporal WHITAKER, a wire corporal, with utter disregard for personal safety and heedless of the enemy concentration of fire about him, patrolled a vital wire line for an entire day, repairing breaks and keeping the line intact when it was constantly being severed by the intense enemy barrage. Realizing the importance of the line, Corporal WHITAKER never faltered or hesitated, regardless of the dangers that his hazardous duty entailed. His unstinting devotion to duty in jeopardy of his life is in keeping with the highest standards of the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class JOHN S. BEAR, 37038549, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 March 1945 near GROSS GERAU, Germany. When forward elements of our forces were pinned down by intense enemy fire, Private BEAR, an automatic rifleman, volunteered to eliminate the enemy strongpoint. While crawling over the exposed terrain toward the enemy position, Private BEAR was wounded, but despite his injuries, he successfully eliminated the enemy emplacement and captured seven of the enemy. Shortly thereafter, he was wounded again, but not until other casualties had been properly cared for, would he accept evacuation and medical treatment. His courageous and unselfish devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Nebraska.

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Private First Class FRANCIS D. HOOVER, 33763291, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 5 May 1945 near VALLEIN, Czechoslovakia. Observing that a forward unit had sustained numerous casualties, Private HOOVER, a medical aidman, disregarding personal safety, entered the area which was subjected to intense enemy fire. Oblivious to the fact that his presence drew enemy fire, he remained in the exposed area and removed a wounded man to a partially covered position. Although required to expose himself in order to treat the soldier, he rendered medical treatment and later removed him to safety. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class WALTER A. PEASE, 39342240, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. When a vicious enemy counterattack menaced his outpost, Private PEASE, an automatic rifleman, maneuvered to a secondary position and defiantly opened fire upon the advancing forces with his automatic weapon. As an enemy automatic weapons unit attempted to establish positions, Private PEASE despite personal risks dauntlessly directed devastating fire upon them, thereby frustrating the attempt. Satisfied that his unit had procured a strong defensive position, he returned to his outpost and liquidated the remaining enemy snipers. His indomitable courage and superlative self assurance reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Oregon.

Private First Class WILLIAM R. PITTLER, 33742261, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. When a sudden enemy counterattack, supported by tanks and self-propelled weapons, imperiled his outpost position, Private PITTLER, a rifleman, heedless of the great danger, remained exposed to cover the movements of other members of the outpost while securing secondary positions. Maneuvering to the alternate positions, Private PITTLER then reorganized his unit, and disregarding personal safety, moved through sniper fire to his advance outpost and captured enemy personnel and equipment. After returning with the prisoners, he again went forward to annihilate the remnants of the enemy, reflecting great credit upon himself and the Infantry. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class ANDREW J. PULCASK, 6668279, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 near ARNAVILLE, France. When communications to forward observers and to the supporting artillery were vital in retaining the bridgehead across the Moselle River, Private PULCASK, a driver, with utter disregard for personal safety, braved the tremendous volume of enemy artillery fire to lay wire to the forward observers and made 3 different trips across the river in a boat to replace radios. By his gallant actions the vital communications were established and maintained, thereby aiding substantially in holding the important bridgehead. His heroic actions reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

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 enlisted men:

Private First Class (then Sergeant) NORMAN S. PALM, 33933384, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 18 December 1944 near SAARLAUTER, Germany. During an intense enemy shelling on several buildings occupied by our troops, calls of distress could be heard from one of the buildings. Private PALM, an assistant squad leader, without hesitation or thought of personal safety, went forward from his place of cover and skillfully administered medical treatment to two wounded men. He then evacuated one of the men to an aid station and while returning for the second wounded man, Private PALM was wounded by enemy artillery fire. Disregarding his own painful wound, he evacuated his wounded comrade and then returned to lead his men in a successful attack. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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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 STJUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq STJUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers, warrant officer and enlisted men:

Major KENNETH P. COAN, 0326349, Field Artillery, Headquarters 5th Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 March 1945 to 24 March 1945 near OPEWHEIM, Germany. Major COAN, an S-1 and S-4 officer, assisted in directing and coordinating traffic across the newly established Rhine River bridge. Despite the constant efforts by the enemy to destroy the bridge, Major COAN remained throughout the night to insure a maximum flow of troops to strengthen the attack against the enemy, and further distinguished himself by his skillful direction of traffic to prevent the destruction of vehicles imperiled by a burning gasoline truck, previously hit by enemy fire. His efficient supervision and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Chaplain (Captain) CORNELIUS I. WILKENS, 0350096, Corps of Chaplains, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 25 November 1944 to 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from South Dakota.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) GARSTON W. DRIVER, JR., 0515923, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 November 1944 near METZ, France. In order to establish effective firing positions upon the formidable enemy fortification of Fort Joan De Arc, Lieutenant DRIVER, an anti-tank platoon leader, with utter disregard for personal safety, maneuvered across open terrain fully exposed to enemy observation. Although heavy enemy mortar fire was directed at him, he undauntedly moved amid the holocaust, studying the enemy's fire capability thereby securing most suitable positions. As a result of his careful observations, his unit suffered no casualties. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions, and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant ROBERT M. KRISER, 0398960, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 February 1945 to 28 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Second Lieutenant WILLIAM H. FISH, 0546840, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 May 1945 near VODNĚY, Czechoslovakia. When sudden enemy fire of unprecedented intensity imperiled his unit, Lieutenant FISH, a platoon leader, abandoned thoughts of personal safety, and oblivious to small arms and artillery fire, set up his mortars and moved forward to direct their fire. As a result of his devastating fire into enemy lines, the enemy force was completely disrupted and shortly thereafter, they ran fanatically toward him begging surrender which resulted in much enemy equipment and personnel being captured. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Second Lieutenant SAMUEL S. PLATT, JR., 02049357, Medical Administrative Corps, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 March 1945 near ASTHEIM, Germany. Upon learning that numerous casualties had been sustained as a result of a fanatical enemy counterattack, Lieutenant PLATT, a medical administrative officer, undaunted by the intense enemy mortar and artillery fire, led his squad over shell cleaved roads and established a collecting point for the wounded. With utter disregard for personal safety and working with feverish intensity, Lieutenant PLATT administered medical treatment and evacuated the wounded. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Corps. Entered military service from New Jersey.



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Warrant Officer, Junior Grade, JOSEPH G. BONIFAZIO, W-2120271, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

First Sergeant ERNEST G. SMILEY, 6804565, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. When a large enemy force surrounded TREBUR which was occupied by his unit and subjected to fire of unprecedented intensity, Sergeant SMILEY, a first sergeant, without thought of personal safety, personally selected and placed men in strategic positions, thereby affording most complete protection from sudden enemy attack. Notwithstanding the constant bursting of shells about him, he strode among his men keeping a constant watch and check on each man, and maintained contact at all times. His indomitable courage, intrepid leadership and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) ERNEST H. SCHAEFER, 33067929, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 September 1944 near METZ, France. When his platoon was surrounded by enemy forces and threatened with annihilation, Sergeant SCHAEFER, a squad leader, continuously exposed himself to the intense enemy fire to render covering fire for his squad and direct them in a successful withdrawal from their perilous position. His courageous action saved the lives of many of his comrades and his intrepid and zealous devotion to duty in the face of great danger reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant) JEROME P. SULLIVAN, 37571564, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 March 1945 near SCHWARZENBORN, Germany. When a determined fanatical enemy counterattack imperiled his unit, with utter disregard for personal safety and ignoring the rapid approach of enemy tanks and infantry, Sergeant SULLIVAN, an acting platoon sergeant, delivered such devastating fire into the enemy lines that his unit, under protective cover of his fire, was enabled to secure secondary positions with a minimum of casualties. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant (then Corporal) JOSEPH W. DONAHUE, 32181694, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 September 1944 near COMNY, France. When his platoon was unexpectedly surrounded by enemy troops, Sergeant DONAHUE, an anti-tank gunner, jumped from his truck and voluntarily assumed the obligation of covering his squad while it withdrew to safety. He engaged enemy troops in a violent fight at close quarters and despite their overwhelming numerical superiority, he succeeded in holding them until the squad had reached safety. His heroic determination and outstanding courage reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant (then Corporal) CHARLES KASYCH, 33144226, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945 near GROSS GERAU, Germany. When strong enemy forces launched a fierce counterattack on our defensive positions, Sergeant KASYCH, a forward observer for his mortar section, remained at his post and directed accurate fire onto enemy positions. Despite the intense enemy fire as well as plane strafing, he continued to direct accurate fire. At one time during the engagement, an enemy tank approached to within fifty yards of his position. His accurate directing of mortar fire was highly instrumental in successfully repelling the counterattack. His heroic action, courage and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Staff Sergeant WILLIAM J. LEE, 33598474, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 March 1945 near ASTHEIM, Germany. When the enemy launched a determined attack in an attempt to retake the town of ASTHEIM, Sergeant LEE, an automatic weapons section sergeant, without thought of personal safety, remained in position and furnished protective cover while he deployed one of his weapons and the entire section to the protection of a dwelling. Twice wounded by enemy fire, Sergeant LEE continued to engage the enemy until his weapon was disabled and he himself taken prisoner but rescued the following day. His bravery contributed materially to the repulse of the enemy attack and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant SANFORD R. SAUNDERS, 37771465, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 January 1945 to 27 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant GEORGE C. SCHUCH, 36052159, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945 near ASTHEIM, Germany. While acting as a forward observer for his mortar platoon, a large enemy force surrounded the building occupied by Sergeant SCHUCH. Ignoring personal safety, he called for fire upon his own position, thereby causing numerous casualties among the enemy. When resistance was no longer possible, Sergeant SCHUCH was forced to surrender, but with characteristic presence of mind, convinced his captors to surrender to him which they did. His indomitable courage, initiative and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) NEWTON E. STOKLEY, 34176565, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 17 July 1944 to 10 August 1944 in France. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) RAY E. WRIGHT, 33503042, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 12 September 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) GUIDO BERNASCONI, 42027138, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 March 1945 near SCHWARZENBORN, Germany. When a determined fanatical enemy counterattack imperiled his unit, with utter disregard for personal safety and ignoring the rapid approach of enemy tanks and infantry, Sergeant BERNASCONI, an acting section sergeant, delivered such devastating fire into the enemy lines that his unit, under the protective cover of his fire, was enabled to secure secondary positions with a minimum of casualties. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant WALTER A. RUTAN, 42010964, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 March 1945 near SCHWARZENBORN, Germany. When a determined fanatical enemy counterattack imperiled his unit, with utter disregard for personal safety and ignoring the rapid approach of enemy tanks and infantry, Sergeant RUTAN, an acting section sergeant, delivered such devastating fire into the enemy lines that his unit, under the protective cover of his fire, was enabled to secure secondary positions with a minimum of casualties. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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Sergeant CARL S. SWANSON, 39858280, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 March 1945 near SCHWARZENBORN, Germany. When a determined fanatical enemy counterattack imperiled his unit, with utter disregard for personal safety and ignoring the rapid approach of enemy tanks and infantry, Sergeant SWANSON, a squad leader, delivered such devastating fire into the enemy lines that his unit, under the protective cover of his fire, was enabled to secure secondary positions with a minimum of casualties. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and are in accord with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Arizona.

Sergeant STEPHEN A. TYLKA, 36233080, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 May 1945 near WALLEFEN, Czechoslovakia. When intense fire from enemy self-propelled weapons caused numerous casualties among our forces as they approached a formidable enemy position near WALLEFEN, Sergeant TYLKA, a platoon aidman, observed a wounded soldier lying in an exposed position. Ignoring the bursting shells that fell about him and abandoning thoughts of personal safety, he administered medical treatment to the wounded man and then carried him to a position of safety. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant JOHN T. WAITS, 34162201, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

Technician Fourth Grade HAL P. BEARD, JR., 14166853, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Technician Fourth Grade EDMUND H. BROWN, 31207195, 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 29 April 1945 near REGENSBURG, Germany. When the truck convoy, in which he was radio operator, was strafed and his truck radio and equipment set afire by incendiary bombs, Technician BROWN, despite the great danger from the fire and continued strafing, remained in his vehicle while all other men took cover and succeeded in extinguishing the fire. His courageous action resulted directly in the saving of valuable government property and the uninterrupted maintenance of communications by the march-unit on a long and difficult march, reflecting great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT J. JANSSEN, 16003388, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 March 1945 in Germany. During the difficult and hazardous crossing of the Rhine River, our forces were subjected to heavy aerial bombardments and strafing. Oblivious to the hail of fire about him, Technician JANSSEN, a radio operator, remained at his radio, transmitting vital messages to various units throughout the regiment. Although others had taken shelter because of the intensity of the fire, Technician JANSSEN undauntedly and tenaciously held his position, thereby aiding immeasurably in the success of his organization. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) RUSSELL J. ROMAN, 33625204, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 December 1944 near BENDORF, Luxembourg. When heavy enemy mortar, artillery and nebelwerfer fire caused numerous casualties among

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our forces, repeated calls for aid were heard. Despite the fact that the wounded soldiers lay in an exposed area, Technician ROMEN, undaunted and disregarding the hail of enemy fire about him, unhesitatingly entered the holocaust and after administering medical treatment, evacuated the wounded to a place of safety. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal (then Private First Class) ROBERT W. CHERRY, 33247085, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When it was essential that wire communications be established and maintained across the Main River, and the bridgehead area was under an intense enemy artillery concentration, Corporal CHERRY, a lineman, laid and serviced a telephone line from the Main River to the artillery forward switchboard. In spite of his close proximity to the shellfire, Corporal CHERRY, realizing the urgent need for the wire communication, continued without hesitation to accomplish his mission. His courage and determination reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal JOHN J. CONLEY, 36154727, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 January 1945 near BELFORT, Luxembourg. For the purpose of securing observation for a high burst registration, Corporal CONLEY, a scout corporal, proceeded to an exposed position on a high rock, overlooking a valley and forward of the infantry outpost position. During the course of the registration when enemy automatic weapon fire was inflicted on his position, Corporal CONLEY daringly remained to complete the required mission. His courageous determination, bravery and unswerving devotion to duty enabled the artillery to bring precise and devastating unobserved fire on enemy positions and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal LAWRENCE W. DEWESE, 15046212, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When it was imperative that wire communication be established across the Main River for communication between the artillery and infantry, Corporal DEWESE, a wire corporal, laid the wire with an amphibious vehicle despite the heavy enemy artillery fire on the bridgehead area. Heedless of the close proximity of the bursting shells about him, Corporal DEWESE fearlessly continued with his mission until communication was established. His devotion to duty and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Corporal JOSEPH A. DI EMEDIO, 32757700, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 September 1944 near LOAN, France. When a heavy enemy artillery barrage drove other members of his unit to the shelter of their foxholes, Corporal DI EMEDIO, a gunner, despite the bursting shells about him, remained at his position and singlehandedly took the fire commands, loaded, aimed and fired his howitzer into enemy installations. He remained at his post without thought of personal safety until an enemy shell disabled his weapon. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Delaware.

Corporal JOSEPH V. MALONEY, 33118376, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 13 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) JOSEPH DONNY, 35057289, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 September 1944

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near LORRY, France. When it became necessary to replenish the ammunition supply because of continued fire missions, Technician DONNY, an ammunition vehicle driver, knowing the hazards the trip would entail, nevertheless volunteered to procure the vital supply. Undaunted by the heavy concentrations of enemy fire upon the road and although other vehicles were disabled due to enemy fire, Technician DONNY was undeterred and succeeded in securing an ample supply of ammunition, although wounded while performing this important task. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade JOSEPH A. GUERIN, 31355568, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945 near GROSS GERAU, Germany. During the assault on an enemy held town, a heavy weapons company, in which Technician GUERIN was a medical aidman, encountered heavy artillery and mortar fire. Hearing the call of a wounded man, Technician GUERIN, with complete disregard for personal safety, constantly exposed himself to enemy fire to administer medical treatment to the wounded man and then evacuate him to comparative safety. His courageous action and heroic determination reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade ROY F. SAFFLE, 35279703, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945 near WALLERSTADTER, Germany. When the enemy launched a fierce counterattack, Technician SAFFLE, a member of an automatic weapons squad, displayed great courage by remaining at his position and laying down a devastating line of fire on the advancing enemy. When riflemen withdrew, Technician SAFFLE disregarded personal safety and increased his rate of fire, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy. An enemy tank firing on the position completely disabled the crew, as a result of which Technician SAFFLE suffered severe injury. His distinct devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT F. SPINKS, 15011267, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 April 1945 near KILFENROD, Germany. The platoon in which Technician SPINKS was a quarter-ton vehicle driver, came in contact with a large force of enemy troops who were attempting to escape through our lines to their own forces. While the platoon was engaged in the fire fight, Technician SPINKS, acting on his own volition and without orders from his platoon leader or non-commissioned officers, voluntarily drove his vehicle into a wooded area where a group of the enemy was known to be hiding. This daring and unexpected move so surprised the enemy that the entire group of sixteen men surrendered to Technician SPINKS. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade RUDOLPH VOLMAN, 34362489, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class EDWARD L. ANDERSON, 16174704, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 March 1945 near GROSS GERAU, Germany. Advancing toward the enemy positions, our forward elements were pinned down by an intense barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire. Private ANDERSON, an automatic rifleman, with utter disregard for personal safety, crawled over 150 yards of exposed terrain to gain a better firing position and by resuming a devastating rate of fire enabled the forward elements to advance and capture the town of GROSS GERAU with a minimum of casualties. His courageous actions, calmness under fire and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Private First Class WILLIAM H. ARMSTRONG, 33133369, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945 near WALLERSTADTEN, Germany. When the enemy launched a fierce counterattack, Private ARMSTRONG, a member of an automatic weapons squad, displayed great courage by remaining at his position and laying down a devastating line of fire on the advancing enemy. When riflemen withdrew, Private ARMSTRONG disregarded personal safety and increased his rate of fire, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy. An enemy tank firing on the position completely disabled the crew, as a result of which Private ARMSTRONG suffered severe injury. His distinct devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class (then Private) OCTAVIO L. ARREDONDO, 38415828, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 March 1945 near GEINSHEIM, Germany. When the squad leader of the forward assault squad was hit by enemy fire shortly after crossing the Rhine River, Private ARREDONDO, a field aidman, braved the intense fire to go to his aid. As he rendered medical treatment, he personally became the target for the enemy weapon, but continued with his mission until he had given the necessary treatment. When he started to evacuate the wounded man, the enemy opened fire but with complete disregard for personal safety, Private ARREDONDO exposed himself to the fire and evacuated his wounded comrade to a place of safety. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class ASA L. BONHAM, 39474528, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 May 1945 near WALLERN, Czechoslovakia. When intense fire from enemy self-propelled weapons caused numerous casualties among our forces as they approached a formidable enemy position near WALLERN, Private BONHAM, a platoon runner, observed a wounded soldier lying in an exposed position. Ignoring the bursting shells that fell about him and abandoning thoughts of personal safety, he administered medical treatment to the wounded man and then carried him to a position of safety. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Idaho.

Private First Class ELDON CLARKE, 37489738, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945 near WALLERSTADTEN, Germany. When the enemy launched a fierce counterattack, Private CLARKE, a member of an automatic weapons squad, displayed great courage by remaining at his position and laying down a devastating line of fire on the advancing enemy. When riflemen withdrew, Private CLARKE disregarded personal safety and increased his rate of fire, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy. An enemy tank firing on the position completely disabled the crew, as a result of which Private CLARKE suffered severe injury. His distinct devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from South Dakota.

Private First Class PETER J. CURRAN, 31469832, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 March 1945 near GEINSHEIM, Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class ERNEST O. HARDEN, 34603816, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 March 1945 near GEINSHEIM, Germany. During the attack on GEINSHEIM when his company was pinned down by heavy enemy fire, Private HARDEN, number two gunner of a heavy automatic weapons squad, with disregard for personal safety, ran across the open terrain in the face of heavy enemy fire to set up his weapon and to fire on the enemy. Due to the support of his weapon, the company was enabled to continue its attack and accomplish its mission. This courageous and brave action reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

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Private First Class WILLIAM A. HENRICKS, 36653995, 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 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class (then Private) HILDING A. HOLMQUIST, JR, 6668749, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When it was imperative that wire communication be established across the Main River for communication between the artillery and infantry, Private HOLMQUIST, an amphibious vehicle driver, laid the wire with an amphibious vehicle despite the heavy enemy artillery fire on the bridgehead area. Fearless of the close proximity of the bursting shells about him, Private HOLMQUIST fearlessly continued with his mission until communication was established. His devotion to duty and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class PHILIP MACK, 34963075, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 March 1945 near GWINSHILL, Germany. During the attack on GWINSHILL when his company was pinned down by heavy enemy fire, Private MACK, number one gunner of a heavy automatic weapons squad, with disregard for personal safety, ran across the open terrain in the face of heavy enemy fire to set up his weapon and to fire on the enemy. Due to the support of his weapon, the company was enabled to continue its attack and accomplish its mission. This courageous and brave action reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class CLYDE H. OWEN, 33540506, 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 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class CHESTER PROUD, JR., 15058839, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When wire communications were urgently needed, Private PROUD, a lineman, established and maintained wire communications across the partially blown bridge over the Main River, during which time the bridge was under intense artillery fire. Private PROUD's utter disregard for personal safety afforded constant wire communication between the artillery liaison officer and fire direction center. His intrepid actions and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class LOYD S. FRUITT, 38686430, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945 near WALTERSDEN, Germany. When forward elements of our forces were pinned down, Private FRUITT, a rifleman, volunteered to go after ammunition when the enemy launched a counter-attack on our positions and ammunition was low. The distance from the ammunition depot to the platoon positions was approximately 600 yards over rugged terrain and under enemy observation, but disregarding these hazardous obstacles, Private FRUITT made numerous trips to replenish the ammunition supply. His bravery and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class ROBERT M. SPEIDEL, 35009859, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 March 1945 near ZELL, Germany. While leading an advance unit during the attack on ZELL, Private SPEIDEL, a quarter-ton vehicle driver, observing an enemy force and with utter disregard for personal safety, drove his vehicle, upon which was mounted an automatic weapon, to an exposed position, and although subjected to sniper and automatic weapons fire, caused devastating fire to be brought upon the enemy positions. His timely and tenacious act prevented his organization from being ambushed, thereby insuring the

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safety of such equipment and personnel. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class RALPH F. STEELE, 33067958, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 November 1944 near AUGNY, France. Due to the concentration of enemy fire, the squad leader of an anti-tank weapons squad ordered his men to withdraw. Private STEELE, a member of the squad, realizing the imminent danger, volunteered to stay and load the rounds. Some 75 rounds were fired before the cease fire order was given and the line company began to attack. His outstanding courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class CLYDE E. WATSON, 34099945, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private First Class LEROY WILLIAMS, 34099789, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 13 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private First Class (then Private) RONALD L. WOOD, 15046266, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 27 March 1945 to 28 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When communications were needed between the artillery and infantry battalions Private WOOD, a member of the artillery liaison section, succeeded in establishing them across a bridge across the Main River which was under continuous enemy shell fire. Several times Private WOOD exposed himself to intense artillery fire to get badly needed equipment across the river. His heroic action made possible the bringing down of prompt and effective fire on enemy positions, and contributed immensely to the subsequent destruction of the enemy which reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class ALBERT A. YUHAS, 33113965, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 August 1944 near CHARTRYS, France. When forward elements of our forces were pinned down by intense enemy fire, Private YUHAS, an automatic rifleman, volunteered to go forward and eliminate the enemy strongpoint. Despite direct enemy observation and intense enemy fire, he crawled over exposed terrain to within 50 yards of the enemy positions. He then opened fire and was successful in silencing the enemy weapons and taking five of the enemy prisoners, which enabled our forces to advance to its original assigned positions. His heroic actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class JOHN H. ZWIERS, JR., 36465637, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 to 25 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan

Private LESTER V. BELL, 38675335, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 December 1944 near HALLEN, Luxembourg. When our advance was pinned down by intense enemy automatic weapons fire, Private BELL, an automatic rifleman, with disregard for personal safety, volunteered to eliminate the enemy strongpoint. Crawling over exposed terrain, he reached a point within forty feet of the enemy position. Private BELL then found a good firing position and, opening fire, was successful in eliminating the enemy strongpoint and taking two of the enemy prisoners. The courage, loyalty and devotion to duty displayed by Private BELL enabled the platoon to advance and attain its objective and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Texas.



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Private PAUL F. BRUSSEAU, 31416835, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 March 1945 near GEMSHHEIM, Germany. During the attack of GEMSHHEIM when his company was pinned down by heavy enemy fire, Private BRUSSEAU, number two gunner of a heavy automatic weapons squad, with disregard for personal safety, ran across the open terrain in the face of heavy enemy fire to set up his weapon and to fire on the enemy. Due to the support of his weapons, the company was enabled to continue its attack and accomplish its mission. This courageous and brave action reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private FRANCIS J. QUINN, 42074136, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 May 1945 near VODNEY, Czechoslovakia. Private QUINN, an automatic weapons gunner, dauntlessly remained with his weapon through a hail of enemy small arms fire, to provide a base of fire so the rest of the platoon could take cover. He further distinguished himself by crawling through enemy fire to reach an abandoned vehicle, and send a radio message which enabled a barrage of friendly artillery fire to repel an enemy attack. His initiative, courage and utter disregard for personal safety materially assisted in the advance against the enemy and are in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Private HERBERT L. SIMONSON, 39588750, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 December 1944 near SAARLUTHER, Germany. When explosives were necessary to clear obstacles in fierce house-to-house fighting, Private SIMONSON, a rifleman, volunteered to undertake the mission of obtaining a supply and despite the sniper fire from the rear and flanks, he ran the gauntlet of fire and obtained the charges. To return to his platoon it was necessary that he cross a wide street which was covered with fire from several snipers. Despite his heavy and dangerous load, Private SIMONSON again ran through the holocaust and returned to his unit, thereby enabling it to continue the advance and to accomplish its mission. Entered military service from California.

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 ATOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ATOUSA, 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:

First Lieutenant GARSTON W. DRIVER, JR., 0515923, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 April 1945 near MUNDEN, Germany. As intense enemy artillery fire fell upon the road on which he was traveling, Lieutenant DRIVER, a battalion S-2 officer, and his small group were forced to abandon the vehicle in which they were riding. Realizing that valuable equipment would be destroyed if the vehicle was not moved, Lieutenant DRIVER, disregarding personal safety, rushed into the exposed area to the vehicle, and oblivious to the hail of fire about him, removed the vehicle away from enemy observation. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) VICTOR L. SHUMAN, 01318714, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 18 February 1945 to 3 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class ALPERT A. YUHAS, 33113965, 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 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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**SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Amendment of General Orders**

So much of General Orders 55, Headquarters, 5th Infantry Division, dated 9 June 1945, as pertains to the award of the Silver Star to Laurel N. Venters, O1 056 583, which reads "Silver Star", is amended to read "First Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star".

**BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:**

*James W. Hill*  
**Adjutant General**

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APO 5, US Army  
11 June 1945

General Orders  
No. 56

ORIGINAL ORDER

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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:

Sergeant WILEY C. ELLIOTT, 35655956, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 January 1945 near LIPPERSCHEID, Luxembourg. Well prepared enemy defensive positions poured relentless fire into the forces led by Sergeant ELLIOTT during the attack on LIPPERSCHEID. Heedless of its devastating effect, and boldly exposing himself, Sergeant ELLIOTT continued to urge his men forward, inspiring them by his indomitable courage. Through each of the four phases of the attack, Sergeant ELLIOTT led his men swiftly and heroically through the holocaust, thereby overrunning the enemy's positions. In the fourth and last phase of the attack on LIPPERSCHEID, as Sergeant ELLIOTT was leading the charge down the hill into the city, he was killed by enemy sniper fire. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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 ROBERT V. LINK, 0385069, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. Captain LINK, a company commander of a rifle company, was on his way to a platoon when an enemy attack began. Continuing on his way, he encountered an enemy patrol that had infiltrated through our lines. Disregarding enemy fire, he engaged the enemy in a fierce fire fight and forced them to withdraw to their own lines. He then spotted an enemy automatic weapons position in a wooded draw and, advancing to within fifty yards of the position, he opened with a devastating rate of fire, eliminating the enemy strongpoint. His aggressive actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Florida.

First Lieutenant CHARLES I. HARRIS, 01012887, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 3 April 1945 near BINDSACHEN, Germany. When elements of an enemy division were attempting to elude encirclement, Lieutenant HARRIS, a light tank commander, met the numerically superior enemy in a wooded area, and with outstanding tactical skill and aggressive leadership, maneuvered his tanks to surround the area and force the enemy into a small sector. Lieutenant HARRIS relentlessly went forward to capture and kill all the enemy, and recapture a large amount of supplies and equipment without loss to our forces. His intrepid actions and unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) DEAN B. STOLEN, 36019662, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 September 1944 near CORNEY, France. When the enemy launched a determined offensive against our strongly resisting positions and succeeded in infiltrating to within 15 yards of his position, Sergeant STOLEN, an automatic weapons section sergeant, disregarding personal safety, remained in his exposed position and continued to engage the oncoming enemy. When the enemy attempted another counterattack, Sergeant STOLEN, still under intense enemy fire, again fearlessly engaged the enemy inflicting many casualties among their personnel and contributing materially

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to the repulse of their fanatical attacks. His heroic, aggressive actions and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Sergeant PAUL D. HAWKINS, 36695050, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. Attempting to regain the important town of TREBUR, the enemy launched a combined tank-infantry counterattack under cover of darkness. Sergeant HAWKINS, an assistant squad leader, observing enemy forces behind his position and about to reenter the city, abandoned all thought of personal safety and, exposed to intense enemy shelling, inflicted heavy fire into the lines of the advancing enemy. When wounded, Sergeant HAWKINS disregarded the entreaties of his comrades to be evacuated and continued to direct harassing fire until the enemy was routed, reflecting great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade RICHARD P. SCHUMACHER, 39165211, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 4 December 1944 near GEY, Germany. Under direct observation and anti-tank fire from well concealed enemy positions, a tank battalion moved onto the forward slope of a hill to fire in support of an infantry attack. When one of the tanks was hit three times and abandoned by the crew members, Technician SCHUMACHER, a tank destroyer driver, exposed himself to the heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire to courageously go forward and recover the stricken vehicle. The heroic and unstinting devotion to duty displayed by Technician SCHUMACHER reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class NORWOOD O. PERRY, 35040003, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 March 1945 near BUCH, Germany. Observing the enemy in an ambush position, Private PERRY, an automatic weapons gunner, disregarding his exposed position, opened fire on the enemy and forced them to take cover. In an effort to retaliate, the enemy launched an automatic weapons and mortar barrage, but defiantly and valiantly, Private PERRY remained in his exposed position and returned such devastating fire that the enemy was again compelled to take cover. His intrepid and heroic actions enabled the rifle units to organize, attack and destroy the enemy force, reflecting great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

III--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. 7, 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 (then Private) MAJOR R. WHITESIDE, 34855181, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 October 1944 near METZ, France. During the attack on the formidable Fort Driant, it was necessary for Sergeant WHITESIDE, an automatic rifleman, and his men to seek secondary positions due to intense enemy fire which caused numerous casualties. With utter disregard for personal safety, Sergeant WHITESIDE volunteered to cover the area from which the enemy was trying to attack, and succeeded in holding them in abeyance until his men obtained secure positions, during which time he killed and wounded a number of the enemy. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and heroic devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private EDWARD L. ANTAYA, 36986898, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 December 1944 in the vicinity of HALLER, Luxembourg. When our advancing troops were pinned down by intense enemy automatic weapons fire, Private ANTAYA, with other members of an automatic weapons squad, volunteered to go forward and eliminate the enemy strongpoint. Despite the intense fire and difficult terrain, Private ANTAYA crawled forward to within 50 yards of the enemy position and, opening fire, succeeded in eliminating the strongpoint.

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This enabled our forces to accomplish their assigned mission and the heroic action of Private MONTAYA reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

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:

Captain ROBERT J. BARLOCK, 0415111, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Captain DON M. BROWN, 01296165, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 October 1944 to 22 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Captain THOMAS D. HOWELL, 01015301, Cavalry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from California.

Captain QUINTAN B. LE MONTE, 0389840, 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 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Captain JAMES T. NEELY, JR, 0306431, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 January 1945 to 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Captain ARTHUR L. PURCELL, JR, 0364867, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 December 1944 near SAARLAUTERN, Germany. While engaged in difficult house to house fighting, a concentration of enemy fire from reinforced emplacements and fortified houses caused numerous casualties among our unit, thereby halting the attack. Disregarding his own safety, Captain PURCELL, a company commander, went far beyond his own lines and ignoring the heavy enemy barrage, discovered the source of the devastating fire. Successfully maneuvering his men, Captain PURCELL enabled them to continue the attack with fewer casualties but while directing the advance, he was wounded. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Utah.

Captain PAUL A. ROTHENBERG, 0495149, Medical Corps, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 7 January 1945 to 2 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant SAM BUONAFEDE, 01296991, Corps of Military Police, Military Police Platoon, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 July 1944 to 10 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant OTIS R. CARTER, JR, 01015685, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Louisiana.

First Lieutenant JAMES L. CURRIE, 0383571, 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 FEY, France. Lieutenant CURRIE, an artillery forward observer, crossed the Moselle River with leading elements of the infantry and established an outpost overlooking the

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objective. During the eight hours which followed and despite the constant enemy artillery, mortar and frequent small arms fire, Lieutenant CURRIE remained in an exposed position and succeeded in repelling four determined enemy counter-attacks by his skillful and accurate adjustment of artillery fire. His dauntless and intrepid actions contributed greatly to the success of the bridgehead operations and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant QUINTO T. DE SIENO, 01301445, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 to 28 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant CLIFFORD J. GALLIOT, 01062364, 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 6 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Louisiana.

First Lieutenant GEORGE B. GELLERSON, 01797458, Corps of Military Police, Military Police Platoon, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 March 1945 to 10 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Maine.

First Lieutenant MAYO N. HARMON, 0383129, 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 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from South Carolina.

First Lieutenant JOE P. HARTON, 0509810, Corps of Engineers, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM E. JACKES, 01316296, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 24 November 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Iowa.

First Lieutenant HAROLD LEVIN, 01010139, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 25 September 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

First Lieutenant HERMAN SEARS, 01557528, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Nebraska.

First Lieutenant VERNON C. STELLMAN, 01017600, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 6 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

First Lieutenant RUSSEL E. STRAGUE, 0396099, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 October 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant HOWARD H. YONTZ, 01017601, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Second Lieutenant JAMES E. ARNDT, 02001127, Corps of Military Police, Military Police Platoon, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy

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during the period 23 to 24 March 1945 near NIERSTEIN, Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Second Lieutenant RAYMOND F. DAVIS, 01173921, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Missouri.

Second Lieutenant FRANCIS W. DINSMORE, 0334551, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 6 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Second Lieutenant FREDERICK M. MULLER, 01330949, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 to 28 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Master Sergeant THEODORE B. HUBBS, 39377184, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Washington.

Master Sergeant DWAIN H. PERKINS, 6835334, 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 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

First Sergeant WILLIAM P. LOKEY, 6354005, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technical Sergeant EARL H. ALSTON, 7082028, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 2 December 1944 to 7 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) MARION L. ARY, 36051762, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 24 to 25 December 1945 near COESDORF, Luxembourg. During an attempt to take a hill upon which the enemy was entrenched, numerous casualties were sustained by the unit as concentrated enemy fire was directed upon them. As the enemy attempted to counter-attack, Sergeant ARY, a squad leader, upon discovering that the platoon leaders were wounded, quickly reorganized his group and placed his men in strategic positions so that not only was the enemy attack frustrated, but our objective gained. His indomitable courage, intrepid leadership, and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant) THOMAS F. BOSNJAK, 33433605, 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 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant JOHN J. FOLEY, 33310209, 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 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant LEO A. KUMF, 37272516, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota.



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Technical Sergeant RICHARD L. MARNELL, 32851123, 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 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Technical Sergeant EUGENE REDMON, 6662990, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technical Sergeant EDWARD RYCHNOVSKY, 36227937, 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 25 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant (then Technician Third Grade) BURTON J. THOMAS, 36150562, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant RAYMOND R. ABELS, 7009665, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Staff Sergeant ROLLIE ALBRIGHT, 35102910, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 July 1944 in the vicinity of CAUMONT, France. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant DONALD A. BARNINGHAM, 36154540, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 December 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant COLEMAN L. BURTON, 14048876, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Staff Sergeant GLEN H. CLEMENS, 15059134, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM P. COOPER, 31285850, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operation against the enemy during the period 24 to 25 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. When the battalion was engaged in enlarging the recently established bridgehead east of the Rhine River, the enemy launched a fierce counterattack against our positions for a period of six hours. Sergeant COOPER, a squad leader, had previously deployed his unit on the extreme right flank and the attacking enemy force concentrated on this position. Heedlessly and under intense enemy small arms and panzerfaust fire, Sergeant COOPER held his squad in position and inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy which aided immeasurably in holding the bridgehead. His courageous leadership exemplifies the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant HARRY P. CZUBAY, 36102017, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant VIRGIL F. FERRILL, 36051819, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Staff Sergeant GEORGE N. HEDALEN, 37271936, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant HAROLD H. IVIE, 34588383, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) ROY A. JOLGRON, 36227293, 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 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) THOMAS L. KELLY, 36038587, 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 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) LAWRENCE E. LAMB, 34338143, 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 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

Staff Sergeant ARTHUR F. LLOYD, 36103535, 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 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) THOMAS J. MCKEY, 32180716, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 November 1944 in the vicinity of AUCNY, France. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant HOWARD C. MCKEE, 36158178, 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 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) FOREST B. McWILLIAMS, 36227829, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 26 December 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant KENNETH C. PHILPOTTS, 33122571, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Virginia.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT M. POIRIER, 36227433, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant RICHARD N. QUINN, 36051858, 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 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant DONALD H. SCHAFFER, 20268725, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

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Staff Sergeant GILES O. SMITH, 36154391, Infantry, Headquarters Company 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 27 July 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant FRANK STIA, 32205769, Infantry, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant ALBERT THIBODEAUX, 34155782, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM J. WOLFE, 36025689, 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 1 November 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) ALBERT R. WYATT, 34147914, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious 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 Tennessee.

Technician Third Grade FRANK C. HOWARD, 33102846, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Third Grade SOL P. STONE, 36103511, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Third Grade JOHN C. VAN WYK, 36153524, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant (then Private) JOHN M. ADAIR, 13022273, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 February 1945 near SHANKWEILER, Germany. While proceeding through a wooded draw after having cleared the adjacent wooded area, our unit was subjected to intense small arms fire from the flanks. Observing that his squad leader was wounded, Sergeant ADAIR, an assistant squad leader, unhesitatingly assumed command of the squad and, abandoning thoughts of personal safety, maneuvered them in such a manner that they not only escaped the enemy trap but captured four of the enemy. After quickly reorganizing the unit, Sergeant ADAIR evacuated his wounded leader. His indomitable courage and intrepid leadership reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant STANLEY P. BROSKY, 6668195, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 September 1944 near VERDUN, France. When the battery area was subjected to heavy enemy bombardment, casualties were inflicted on some of the personnel. Headless of the impending danger from the continuous aerial activities, Sergeant BROSKY, a chief of section, left the comparative safety of his shelter to enter the impact area where he administered medical treatment to his wounded comrades and remained to alleviate their suffering until they were evacuated. His courageous and dauntless actions reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

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Sergeant RICHARD J. CARLSON, 36189377, 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 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant WILBERT FELDHUSEN, 36227712, 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 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Sergeant ORVILLE S. HALLBERG, 19129335, Signal Corps, 166th Signal Photo Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 to 30 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from California.

Sergeant CLAUDE F. HOYLE, 34603903, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Sergeant ALBERT G. JENSEN, 37123318, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Sergeant HAROLD J. KRAKER, 36189783, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 26 to 27 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant RAYMOND L. LARSEN, 37580989, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 September 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Dakota.

Sergeant ERNEST R. LIMING, 15056370, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 September 1944 near MARIEULLES, France. When intense enemy artillery fire threatened the area where his unit had just established positions, Sergeant LIMING, a weapons section chief, heedless of the great danger and by displaying dauntless courage, successfully evacuated his weapon section and equipment to a place of comparative safety. Having accomplished this task, Sergeant LIMING reentered the impact area amid the continuous hail of enemy shells, and led an ammunition vehicle and crew to safety, after their chief of section was seriously wounded. His bravery and coolness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade) CHARLES C. RITLEY, 36454320, Infantry, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 12 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant JOSEPH SKIBINSKI, 32042985, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 November 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant ELMER J. STRONG, 36103632, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Sergeant (then Private First Class) CHARLES W. TOMPKINS, 37634317, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 September 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Missouri.

Technician Fourth Grade VIN L. BRINK, 36312277, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade OTTIS L. BYRNS, 37438743, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Iowa.

Technician Fourth Grade LEO S. DYMKOWSKI, 33303498, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade ELDON T. ENGLEMAN, 36206267, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 January 1945 to 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH S. FIALKOWSKI, 33362149, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN W. FOX, 36227823, 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 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT H. GRIFFITH, 34701913, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN M. HARVEY, 36206460, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 September 1944 near BOUXIERES, France. While attempting to recover a wire vehicle that had previously been abandoned due to heavy enemy fire, Technician HARVEY, a motor mechanic was detected by enemy flares. Although intense mortar barrages were directed on his position he diligently pursued his course until the vehicle was safely evacuated. Although informed of active enemy patrols in the immediate area, Technician HARVEY, with utter disregard for personal safety, returned the vehicle to his unit, thereby saving valuable equipment. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade WILLIAM HENYECZ, 32182661, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 7 July 1944 to 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Technician Fourth Grade DAVID R. KELLY, 34664651, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

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Technician Fourth Grade HENRY W. KELM, 37272092, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Technician Fourth Grade DANA W. MANSFIELD, 15014360, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 12 July 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade JAMES G. RANKIN, 36205357, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 to 24 March 1945 near NIERSTEIN, Germany. Our supply line was imperiled as the enemy made a determined effort to destroy our bridgehead across the Rhine River, and fire of unprecedented intensity was concentrated on the area. Realizing the urgent need for getting supplies through, Technician RANKIN, a motor mechanic, unfalteringly boarded a cargo carrier and ferried the supplies across. Undeterred by the sudden appearance of enemy aircraft and despite strafing and bombing, Technician RANKIN abandoned thoughts of personal safety and repeatedly crossed the river with urgently needed supplies. His pertinacity and intrepidity reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) GEORGE W. SKINNER, 36017251, 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 5 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade MARVIN D. VICTOR, 34146724, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 February 1945 to 24 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Corporal MAX J. AHLIN, 37317135, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Corporal DAVID M. HAVEY, 36227911, 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 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Corporal HORACE E. HEFLIN, 34161998, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 September 1944 to 31 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

Corporal LESLIE H. HEFLIN, 33122690, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 February 1945 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Virginia.

Corporal VINCENT A. MAZURKOWITZ, 32823099, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 7 July 1944 to 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Corporal ROOSEVELT ROACH, 33122846, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 12 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Virginia.

Corporal KENNETH L. STAVEN, 36218277, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in

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Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade T. J. BYRD, 34151609, 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 5 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Technician Fifth Grade ERNEST CAMPBELL, 6665889, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 November 1944 near METZ, France. While in an observation post which was subjected to direct artillery fire, Technician CAMPBELL, a radio operator, stayed at his post maintaining continuous radio communications. When the house in which he was located was hit by direct artillery fire, he disregarded suggestions to take cover in the basement of the house, and by his heroic action, made possible the bringing of prompt and effective artillery fire on enemy positions and contributed to the subsequent destruction of the enemy. His dauntless and courageous actions in the face of intense enemy fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN G. DALEY, 36103875, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade GILFORD M. FUNSTON, JR., 15043302, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 November 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade GEORGE W. HASSEMER, 32184240, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 7 July 1944 to 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Technician Fifth Grade ALBERT W. KELLER, 6835073, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 March 1945 to 24 March 1945 near WIERSPIN, Germany. Our supply line was imperiled as the enemy made a determined effort to destroy our bridgehead across the Rhine River, and fire of unprecedented intensity was concentrated on the area. Realizing the urgent need for getting supplies through, Technician KELLER, a motor mechanic, unfalteringly boarded a cargo carrier and ferried the supplies across. Undeterred by the sudden appearance of enemy aircraft and despite strafing and bombing, Technician KELLER abandoned thoughts of personal safety and repeatedly crossed the river with urgently needed supplies. His pertinacity and intrepidity reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade JOSEPH KING, JR., 36116020, 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 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade MITCHELL J. KORYTO, 36150541, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 17 December 1944 to 21 December 1944 in the vicinity of SAARLAUTEREN, Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade MELVIN L. LOFTUS, 36207724, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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Technician Fifth Grade ALBERT C. MANGOLD, 35766392, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade JOSEPH F. MOTAK, 33118487, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 February 1945 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade WALTER A. OXLEY, 36103548, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945 in the vicinity of TREBUR, Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade CLIFFORD L. WIFER, 35151554, 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 5 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade OTTO M. BREVO, 36228181, 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 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade DEAN W. SCHADLER, 13046248, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 February 1945 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT J. SCHNEIDER, 37655243, Signal Corps, 166th Signal Photo Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 to 30 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class FRED M. BLANKINSHIP, 39527198, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945 near WALLERSTADTEN, Germany. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class WILLIAM F. BRINK, 17075072, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 22 to 24 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class MAURICE W. BURNETTE, 34608518, 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 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class HAROLD I. CORL, 33114062, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class WILLARD T. CROUCH, 15054659, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 to 10 February 1945 in the vicinity of ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class THOMAS CROUCHER, 35729524, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 February 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class ROBERT A. DAVIS, 37123811, 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 8 May 1945 in



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Europe. Entered military service from South Dakota.

Private First Class SAMMIE L. DOOLITTLE, 35660346, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 near METZ, France. When his comrade was wounded by enemy fire in attempting to return to friendly lines Private DOOLITTLE, an ammunition bearer, without hesitation or thought of personal safety, remained in the exposed terrain under enemy fire and skillfully administered medical treatment to the wounded man and then successfully evacuated him to a place of safety. His courageous actions were the means of saving the life of his wounded comrade and alleviating much of his pain and suffering. His bravery, calmness under fire and unselfish devotion to duty are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class JAMES H. FORD, 34886705, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945 near GROSS GERAU, Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class FRANK A. GAJDOSIK, 37059872, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 3 November 1944 to 19 November 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class HARRY M. GALNTINE, 15061162, 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 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class CLARENCE E. GARRITY, JR., 15014114, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 December 1944 to 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class ALTON D. GIBSON, 32854445, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945 at TREBUR, Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class (then Private) WILLIAM F. GILLIGAN, JR., 42125375, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 November 1944 in the vicinity of AUGNY, France. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class IFFSTER HARPER, 34664683, Infantry (armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class SYDNEY R. HOKSTRA, 36729318, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 September 1944 to 12 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class LEONARD E. ISENHOUR, 37218563, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 April 1945 in the vicinity of SUMMEREN, Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class EULNE M. JAEKE, 37038099, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 February 1945 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Nebraska.

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Private First Class BYRON S. JOHNSON, 35152013, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 November 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class ALBERT W. KAMMER, 36886202, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, Special Troops, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 February 1945 to 6 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class KENNETH E. KENNEDY, 32136052, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class GILFORD T. KNIGHT, 35659523, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 September 1944 to 12 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class GEORGE C. LESSARD, 31445140, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 August 1944 to 17 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

Private First Class FLEWOOD J. LOUNSBERRY, 32433744, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945 in the vicinity of TREBUR, Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class SMITH J. LOVE, 33122240, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 August 1944 near ANGERS, France. When his company was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire which also severed communications with the automatic weapons section, Private LOVE, a rifleman, volunteered to contact the section and lead them to a forward position. Enroute to his destination, Private LOVE was fired upon, but after giving an impression of being hit, again dashed through the hail of enemy fire and succeeded in contacting the weapons section. Informing the section leader of the situation, Private LOVE proceeded to lead the section into position and gave them instructions which resulted in forcing the enemy withdrawal. His individual courage and bravery reflect great credit on himself. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class ESBERT McVAY, 34155591, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 February 1945 to 31 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private First Class LEROY McNEAL, 36002294, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 January 1945 to 6 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class VERGIL M. MILLER, 35895779, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 18 September 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class JOSEPH MONASTRA, 35610229, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 12 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class JESSE H. PEPPERDINE, 37735816, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 December 1944 to 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Missouri.

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Private First Class RAPHAEL PHILLIPS, 34774502, 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 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class ROMON PLASCIK, 31392052, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 28 September 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class EDGAR F. RAMEY, 15064385, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class LEO F. SCHFIBLE, 36103642, 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 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class ALBERT E. SCHWARZENBERG, 31036116, 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 12 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class FRANCIS L. SHERMAN, 36950891, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 November 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class (then Private) ALVIN B. SIMMONS, JR, 34807282, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 16 January 1945 to 14 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class EUGENE R. SITZLER, 37701932, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 27 February 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Colorado.

Private First Class ANTHONY J. STERMEL, 33118147, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 20 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class JOHN TRONCONE, 32181259, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class DELMAH D. UNDERWOOD, 36951991, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 16 January 1945 to 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class ANTON S. URBAN, 36119297, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class MILTON A. WIEDENHOEFT, 36214700, 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 10 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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Private (then Corporal) PAUL P. KAPKO, JR, 33144214, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945 near GROSS GERAU, Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private PETER MOLTER, 16034231, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 September 1944 near GORZE, France. While on a reconnaissance mission, a survey group was compelled to abandon their two vehicles when encountering heavy enemy small arms and mortar fire, which resulted in the complete destruction of one vehicle, and left the other still subjected to the enemy fire. Disregarding personal safety, Private MOLTER, one of the drivers, returned to the area amid the hail of direct enemy fire, and drove his vehicle to safety, saving the valuable optical equipment it contained. His courageous and unstinting devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

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

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Major ERNEST C. LUMLEY, JR, 01015479, Cavalry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 25 September 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Major JAMES I. WICKENS, 01015808, Cavalry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 24 September 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Captain EMILE J. BUSSOLATI, 01296653, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 November 1944 near MECLIEUVES, France. When an unexpected enemy counterattack occurred before his unit had an opportunity to prepare defensive positions, Captain BUSSOLATI, a company commander, realizing his unit was imperiled, disregarded personal safety and, rushing to the front of his company, shouted words of encouragement to his men and individually placed each man into strategic positions, thereby succeeding in repelling the enemy attack. The indomitable courage and intrepid leadership displayed by Captain BUSSOLATI reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Mississippi.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Captain ROBERT C. RUSSELL, 0406797, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 March 1945 near KAREEN, Germany. Making frequent trips across the Moselle River under concentrated barrages of enemy artillery and mortar fire, Captain RUSSELL, an executive officer, by his marked ability and superlative self-assurance, coordinated the movements of rifle companies and weapons units as they made the hazardous crossing in assault boats. Although his forward command post was under continuous enemy fire, Captain RUSSELL, undaunted and disregarding personal safety, continued to direct crossings thereby enabling his forces to accomplish the important mission. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Technical Sergeant HENRY G. WALKER, JR, 32182809, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945 near TRENN, Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Staff Sergeant GEORGE K. GRAHAM, 7041272, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July

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1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Staff Sergeant JOHN J. McDONALD, 36227837, 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 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Staff Sergeant JOHN WEGRZYN, 36109211, 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 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Technician Third Grade LYMAN H. LILLY, 36153464, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Sergeant WILLIAM F. SCHMIDT, JR, 36228142, 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 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Sergeant WILLBERT V. SCHREIBER, 6664629, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 March 1945 near OBERHEIM, Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Technician Fourth Grade WILLIAM R. DUDLEY, 39531589, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 25 July 1944 to 26 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from California.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Technician Fourth Grade KENNETH B. RETTEW, 33118423, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Corporal SALVATORE J. NICOLOSI, 11033207, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945 near TRFBUR, Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

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~~First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Private First Class ERICH W. DOERING, 36775324,~~  
Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 26 March 1945 to 10 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Private First Class STANLEY R. HALL, 35777056, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 November 1944 near SANRY-SUR-NIED, France. Shortly after the occupancy of SANRY-SUR-NIED by our forces, a barrage of artillery, mortar and automatic fire was concentrated upon the area causing numerous casualties. Because of the unprecedented violence of the enemy fire casualties could not be reached. Private HALL, a litter bearer, with utter disregard for personal safety and ignoring the bursting shells about him, rushed into the holocaust and, working with feverish intensity, evacuated many wounded soldiers. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Private First Class HAROLD E. MCKENZIE, 6987620, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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First bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Private First Class JEROME P. MUSAE, 19101585, Signal Corps, 166th Signal Photo Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 to 30 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster--Major (then Captain) PHILIP C. STAPLES, JR, 0452057, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 September 1944 near METZ, France. During our siege of the formidable fortress of Driant, enemy fire of unprecedented intensity covered the area occupied by our forces. Realizing that a movement to secondary positions required our men to pass through a narrow breach within the defenses of the fort which was covered by enemy fire, Major STAPLES, a battalion executive officer, disregarding personal safety, volunteered to remain behind and command the covering detachment, thereby enabling our men to pass through the hazardous area without a casualty. His indomitable courage and intrepid leadership reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

VI--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL--REVOCATION OF AWARD. So much of Section II, General Orders No. 52, this headquarters, dated 4 June 1945, as pertains to Private EDWARD L. ANTAYA, 36986898, Infantry, 11th 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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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) JOSEPH BARNOWSKI, 01291077, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 near TREBUN, Germany. From well concealed positions in a densely wooded area, a large enemy force concentrated heavy automatic weapons fire into our advancing unit. Although casualties were sustained and the progress momentarily halted, Captain BARNOWSKI, the company commander, oblivious to the hail of enemy fire, moved to a forward position shouting words of encouragement and urged his men to resume the advance. So inspired were his men by his dauntless and courageous leadership, that they successfully annihilated the enemy strongpoint and attained their objective. Entered military service from Connecticut.

First Lieutenant JULIUS H. KRUEGER, 01307423, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 November 1944 near BAGNY, France. When heavy enemy automatic, mortar and artillery fire caused numerous casualties among our forces, Lieutenant KRUEGER, a forward observer, maneuvered to a position where he could direct fire. Despite the intensity of the enemy assault, he remained exposed and accurately directed our fire which resulted in the frustration of an enemy counterattack and the annihilation of large enemy forces. The superlative manner in which Lieutenant KRUEGER directed our fire enabled our forces to accomplish their mission. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Minnesota.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) EDWIN M. WYLE, 02049361, Medical Administrative Corps, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 near DONOT, France. During the crossing operations of the Moselle river, Lieutenant WYLE, a medical administrative officer, displayed intrepid courage and leadership in the evacuation of wounded personnel. Utterly disregarding personal safety and braving the intense enemy fire, Lieutenant WYLE exposed himself constantly for a period of sixty hours, while personally supervising the organized large-scale evacuation from the bridgehead to the destination, often moving in total darkness to check with units to assure that all casualties were evacuated. His unselfish and loyal devotion to duty was highly instrumental in the saving of many lives. Entered military service from Maryland.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) JOE A. WELLS, 0117597, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 February 1945 near FORTENACH, Luxembourg. Lieutenant WELLS, aatoon leader, was in charge of a carrying party given the mission of taking a radio to a force on the far shore of the Sauer river which had been severed from communications for over twenty-four hours. Procuring an assault boat, Lieutenant WELLS' party encountered heavy enemy fire, but heedless of the great danger, he successfully accomplished the crossing and established communications. When ordered to attack an enemy emplacement, Lieutenant WELLS led his men in the destruction of the enemy strongpoint. His courageous actions and leadership reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Arkansas.

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First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) RALPH H. SCHORGE, 01081494, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 January 1945 near KIPPENHOF FARM, Luxembourg. Although painfully injured, Lieutenant SCHORGE, a platoon leader, refused medical treatment and evacuation and fearlessly directed and encouraged his depleted platoon over 400 yards of exposed terrain and under intense enemy fire in a frontal assault upon the enemy's strongly resisting positions. His heroic and intrepid leadership and utter disregard for personal safety, resulted in the capture of 45 of the enemy and the attainment of our objective and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant NORMAN STERLING JR., 01032397, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 March 1945 near ENGLEPORT, Germany. While leading his platoon in an advanced reconnaissance mission, Lieutenant STERLING, a platoon leader, received information from a captured prisoner that a seriously wounded pilot was being held prisoner in the town of ENGLEPORT. A small patrol he was leading in an attempt to rescue the wounded flier, was fired upon by enemy automatic weapons, but by skillful deployment of his men, Lieutenant STERLING eliminated several enemy emplacements. Proceeding to where the wounded flier was imprisoned, Lieutenant STERLING entered the house under his patrol's covering fire, captured six of the enemy and successfully evacuated the wounded man to an aid station. Entered military service from Texas.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) CARL MERKLE JR., 6667226, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 4 December 1944 in the vicinity of LUDWIGSBILDER, Germany. A rifle company supported by a section of heavy weapons was moving into position for an attack when a strong enemy counterattack resulted in the encirclement of one of the weapons sections, Sergeant MERKLE, a squad leader, was suddenly confronted by an enemy soldier demanding his surrender but with great daring, Sergeant MERKLE refused to surrender; instead, promptly fired killing the enemy. He turned in time to see another enemy soldier leveling a rifle on a member of his squad and shot the enemy before he could fire. His gallant actions saved four members of the section from death or capture and reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant ALDEN DAVIDSON, 15055758, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 August 1944 near ANGERS, France. Under intense enemy automatic weapons fire dispersing from three directions, Sergeant DAVIDSON, a squad leader, led his squad to within close range of the enemy, then attacked to successfully force them from their positions. In bitter retaliation, the enemy counterattacked under a heavy barrage of mortar and automatic weapons fire. Although wounded in this action, Sergeant DAVIDSON continued to lead his squad in engaging the enemy until reinforcements arrived. His bravery, unswerving devotion to duty and intrepid leadership reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant MAX E. HOWARD, 39676961, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. Sergeant HOWARD, a platoon sergeant, with utter disregard for personal safety, entered an area known to be occupied by the enemy to probe the immediate intentions of the enemy force. Successfully accomplishing this task, Sergeant HOWARD returned and directed fire against the attacking enemy. The following day, when the enemy again launched an attack supported by tanks, Sergeant HOWARD further distinguished himself by personally firing upon, and eliminating two of the enemy tanks. His courageous and intrepid actions are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Utah.

Staff Sergeant FRANK PLYLER, 34096960, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 14 March 1945 near LITZ, Germany. Although three of our tanks had been disabled and the supporting infantry pinned down, Sergeant PLYLER, a platoon sergeant, oblivious to the intense anti-tank fire, moved his tank across open terrain attracting the hostile fire and permitting the balance of the platoon to gain a position of partial defilade. From these positions, the tanks effectively fired on the enemy



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weapons and directed friendly artillery fire, destroying all enemy weapons and the objective was taken with a minimum of casualties. His indomitable courage reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Staff Sergeant JOHN A. REDEL, 17075921, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 September 1944 near VERNEVILLE, France. During a fanatical enemy counterattack, Sergeant REDEL, a squad leader, observed that our automatic weapons fire was going above the heads of the enemy soldiers who were creeping toward our lines. Disregarding personal safety, Sergeant REDEL left his foxhole and, amid the bursting of hand grenades and artillery, contacted his gunners and directed not only their fire, but that of our artillery units. This completely frustrated the enemy attack and allowed his unit to regain its position. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

Sergeant JOHN T. BADDERS, 35171345, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 September 1944 near VERNEVILLE, France. As an assistant observer with a forward observer party in the attack near VERNEVILLE, Sergeant BADDERS, together with a medical aidman, evacuated a wounded member of the party from an exposed area which was subjected to enemy automatic weapons fire. Then returning to the impact area, Sergeant BADDERS again exposed himself to the withering enemy fire and carried out the wounded man's radio equipment, and brought forward the wire line to the artillery observation post. Through his courageous actions, communications to both the infantry and artillery were reestablished and maintained throughout the remaining attack, and the objective taken. Entered military service from Indiana.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) ELMER F. CLOWDUS, 39421758, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 22 January 1945 near HORCHFELDERDICK, Luxembourg. When the advance of his platoon was halted by heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire, Sergeant CLOWDUS, a rifleman, without hesitation or thought of personal safety, volunteered to direct the supporting tanks through a concealed and unplotted mine field and the intense enemy automatic fire to the enemy's positions. Due to his courageous and intrepid actions, our tanks were enabled to liquidate the enemy emplacements enabling our forces to resume their advance. His heroism and calmness under fire exemplify the highest traditions of the military services. Entered military service from California.

Sergeant CARL J. SLATTEBO, 39165103, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 22 January 1945 near DELL, Luxembourg. When his tank destroyer was immobilized by enemy fire, Sergeant SLATTEBO, a tank commander, without thought of personal safety, proceeded 75 yards over exposed terrain oblivious of the heavy enemy fire to direct accurate fire from a supporting tank against the enemy vehicle. Returning to his disabled vehicle, Sergeant SLATTEBO, assisted by another enlisted man, evacuated a wounded comrade 150 yards across the exposed terrain to the comparative safety of another destroyer. His mission completed, Sergeant SLATTEBO returned to the field of battle to again direct a destroyer into firing position. His courage and skill reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from California.

Technician Fifth Grade CLINT C. BRYANT, 15055621, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 April 1945 near HELLEFELD, Germany. The infantry company in which Technician BRYANT was a radio operator, captured a hill behind HELLEFELD and immediately came under intense enemy artillery and small arms fire. With complete disregard for personal safety and despite his slight wounds, Technician BRYANT set up his radio and transmitted calls for fire on enemy artillery weapons, resulting in the destruction or neutralization and subsequent abandonment of the weapons, and killing or wounding so many of the enemy manning the pieces, that the rest surrendered. His calm efficiency and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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Technician Fifth Grade CLINTON M. WHITT, 6985293, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 1 May 1945 near KUNZVART, Czechoslovakia. When the forward observer party to which he was attached was ambushed by the enemy at a roadblock, Technician WHITT, a radio operator, disregarding the exchange of fire and his personal safety, removed his radio from a burning vehicle while under observed enemy fire. When his attempt to communicate with the party's liaison officer failed, he maneuvered to a position where he could observe and fire on the enemy, which assisted greatly in holding off the enemy until reinforcements arrived. His bravery, calmness under fire and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class DAVID P. CANNON, 37246844, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 September 1944 near COUL-DE-FEY, France. When the enemy launched a determined offensive and succeeded in infiltrating to within 10 yards of his exposed position, Private CANNON, a rifleman, with utter disregard for personal safety, dauntlessly engaged the oncoming enemy in a fierce grenade battle. When his grenades were expended, Private CANNON, although wounded, refused evacuation and continued to engage the charging enemy with his individual weapon. His aggressive actions contributed materially to the killing of many of the enemy and assisted in repulsing their counterattack. His bravery and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kansas.

Private First Class NOLAN A. CHAIX JR., 38502449, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 14 March 1945 to 15 March 1945 near MUDEN, Germany. When several casualties were sustained by our forces, Private CHAIX, an anti-tank rocket launcher man, undertook the hazardous mission of evacuating the casualties from their exposed positions. Disregarding personal safety, Private CHAIX crawled fifty yards under enemy observation to the side of the wounded men. Despite the prevalent danger of intense enemy fire, he administered medical treatment and then succeeded in evacuating his wounded comrades to safety. His bravery and unselfish devotion to duty was instrumental in saving the lives of the wounded men and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private First Class HAROLD G. EDWARDS, 42114297, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 March 1945 in the vicinity of SCHWENHEIM, Germany. When his platoon, leading a column with mounted automatic weapons, suffered casualties and had to take cover in face of heavy enemy small arms fire, Private EDWARDS, a member of a heavy machine gun squad, with the aid of another soldier, waited for covering fire from a rear platoon. Then, running to the leading vehicle, although still under intense fire, they drove it to a safer position where they were able to use the weapon. His gallant action in voluntarily risking his life to take the vehicle to a position where it might be used contributed to the eventual overcoming of the enemy force. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class DANIEL E. FEENEY JR., 33949111, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action 28 February 1945, near BITBURG, Germany. During the attack on BITBURG, Private FEENEY, a rifleman, noticed that one of his comrades had been wounded. Realizing the necessity for immediate action, Private FEENEY, disregarding heavy enemy fire, started to crawl a distance of 100 yards so that he could render medical treatment. After reaching the wounded man, Private FEENEY had to again expose himself to withering fire in order to bandage the wounds of the injured soldier and evacuate him to a place of safety. His action undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded man and reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class (then Private) JOHN H. ROSE, 36845016, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 18 February 1945 near SPANKWELLEN, Germany. Menaced by the presence of an enemy tank only 100 yards from its position, one platoon sent an urgent call for Private ROSE, an anti-tank rocket launcher man. Responding quickly with his weapon, he maneuvered forward under intense mortar and sniper fire and in an exposed

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position, fired into a vulnerable spot of the tank and disabled it, causing it to be abandoned by the enemy. This action allowed his unit to accomplish its mission and his indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class ALEXANDER S. KORMOS, 33850977, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 February 1945 near SHANK-WEILER, Germany. Because his squad was short two men Private KORMOS, a first gunner, realizing that his absence would render his gun useless and although suffering from wounds, he refused to be evacuated. During the advance of his unit, a determined enemy counterattack was encountered and although in pain, he was undeterred and remained at his gun position, delivering such devastating fire that the enemy attack was frustrated. Not until the situation was stabilized did Private KORMOS consent to treatment. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class (then Private) RICHARD G. MURPHY, 33776743, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 September 1944 near QUINOY-LA-CHEVILLE, France. When vital wire communication was needed to the forward observers, Private MURPHY, a wireman and radio operator, with utter disregard for personal safety, left the safety of his shelter and under direct observation and heavy enemy fire, succeeded in laying the vital wire lines. At least three times during a short period when the wire lines were severed by artillery, Private MURPHY went forward to check and repair the lines so as to provide the necessary communication. His complete disregard for personal safety in the face of great danger reflects high credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class BERT W. RAINS, 38147532, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 September 1944 near COTE-DE-FRY, France. When the enemy launched a determined offensive and succeeded in infiltrating to within 10 yards of the exposed position, Private RAINS, a rifleman, with utter disregard for personal safety, unflinchingly engaged the oncoming enemy in a fierce grenade battle. When his grenades were expended, Private RAINS, although wounded, refused evacuation and continued to engage the charging enemy with his individual weapon. His aggressive actions contributed materially to the killing of many of the enemy and assisted in repulsing their counterattack. His bravery and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class WILLIAM R. ROCKHOLD, 35074215, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 28 January 1945 near HOSCHFID, Luxembourg. When the advance of his company was halted by heavy enemy fire, Private ROCKHOLD, an automatic weapons gunner, remained in exposed position and continued to man his weapon against the enemy. When his ammunition was expended, Private ROCKHOLD, without hesitation or thought of personal safety volunteered to crawl 200 yards over the exposed terrain to replenish the supply and then continued his fire fight against the enemy. His courageous actions resulted in the killing of many of the enemy and allowed our forces to resume their advance. His bravery reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class (then Private) JOSEPH A. SCHMIDT, 37706336, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 27 December 1944 near BEAUFORT, Luxembourg. Private SCHMIDT, an aidman, proceeded under heavy enemy fire to within 50 feet of enemy positions to administer medical treatment to his seriously wounded platoon leader. Oblivious to the intense enemy fire and disregarding personal safety, he proceeded to evacuate the officer to a battalion aid station. This display of courage minimized the effects of the wounds and was an inspiration to all who observed the act. His heroic determination and gallant devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Colorado.

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Private HARRY L. HUGHES, 34896142, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 September 1944 near COTE-DE-FAY, France. When the enemy launched a determined offensive and succeeded in infiltrating to within 10 yards of his exposed position, Private HUGHES, a rifleman, with utter disregard for personal safety, dauntlessly engaged the oncoming enemy in a fierce grenade battle. When his grenades were expended, Private HUGHES, although wounded, refused evacuation and continued to engage the charging enemy with his individual weapon. His aggressive actions contributed materially to the killing of many of the enemy and assisted in repulsing their counterattack. His bravery and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from South Carolina.

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 SANTIAGO B. MORENO, 36018819, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 22 March 1945 near GFINSHHEIM, Germany. During the crossing of the Rhine River with leading elements of his company, Sergeant MORENO, a squad leader, led his squad until pinned down by enemy small arms fire. Disregarding personal safety, Sergeant MORENO left his place of cover and advanced toward the enemy. Despite the intense fire and the necessity for completely exposing himself to the enemy fire, Sergeant MORENO was able to advance to within twenty-five yards of the enemy position and eliminate it with hand grenades. His distinct courage and heroic determination reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade EMEALD R. GOHL, 36101517, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 1 May 1945 near KUNZVART, Czechoslovakia. When the forward observer party to which he was attached encountered the enemy at a roadblock, Technician GOHL, a radio operator, disregarding personal safety and despite the intense enemy fire, volunteered to return through enemy held territory to secure needed reinforcements. Successful in his mission by securing the assistance of four tank-destroyers to engage the enemy, Technician GOHL enabled the observation party to evacuate the wounded and to salvage equipment from their burning vehicles. His intrepid and unselfish devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

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 men:

Private First Class GORDEN L. HAHN, 32945710, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 November 1944 to 20 November 1944 near METZ, France. Private HAHN, a rifleman, was given the task of evacuating prisoners to the rear area. Finding it impossible to rejoin his outfit due to their swift advances, he remained with another company which resumed the attack. When an automatic rifleman was wounded, Private HAHN, with utter disregard for personal safety, exposed himself to enemy fire and, manning the rifle weapon, personally accounted for a large number of enemy dead. He then personally took over the assistant automatic gunner position in which he performed admirably. In addition, Private HAHN carried ammunition and food, which materially aided in the advance on METZ. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class CALVIN S. FARWELL, 34895266, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 December 1944 near HALLER, Luxembourg. When the advance of our forces was pinned down by intense enemy automatic weapons

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one fire, Private JAKRELL, an automatic weapon gunner, and other members of a squad volunteered to go forward and eliminate the enemy strongpoint. Despite the intense fire and difficult terrain, they crawled forward to within 50 yards of the position. Private JAKRELL and the squad members then opened fire and succeeded in eliminating the position, enabling our forces to accomplish their assigned mission. The heroic action of Private JAKRELL and his unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private EDWARD S. BEDNARSKI, 36986061, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 December 1944 near HALLER, Luxembourg. When the advance of our forces was pinned down by intense enemy automatic weapons fire, Private BEDNARSKI, a rifle grenadier, and other members of a squad volunteered to go forward and eliminate the enemy strongpoint. Despite the intense fire and difficult terrain, they crawled forward to within 50 yards of the position. Private BEDNARSKI and the squad members then opened fire and succeeded in eliminating the position, enabling our forces to accomplish their assigned mission. The heroic action of Private BEDNARSKI and his unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private WILLIAM M. CAIN, 36967454, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 December 1944 near HALLER, Luxembourg. When the advance of our forces was pinned down by intense enemy automatic weapons fire, Private CAIN, an automatic rifleman, and other members of a squad volunteered to go forward and eliminate the enemy strongpoint. Despite the intense fire and difficult terrain, they crawled forward to within 50 yards of the position. Private CAIN and the squad members then opened fire and succeeded in eliminating the position, enabling our forces to accomplish their assigned mission. The heroic action of Private CAIN and his unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private RAYMOND E. PROZEN, 37575413, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 February 1945 in Europe. While engaged in river crossing operations, wire communications from the crossing site to the battalion observation post were continuously severed by enemy artillery fire. Private PROZEN, a member of a wire crew, was called upon several times to repair the lines. During one fierce barrage when the communications system was completely demolished, Private PROZEN and the wire crew, disregarding the constant enemy shelling, started to repair the vital lines. During the procedure, Private PROZEN constantly checked and improved upon the wire positions which resulted in successful communications through the entire enemy barrage. While returning to his unit, Private PROZEN was mortally wounded. Entered military service from Minnesota.

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, warrant officer and enlisted men:

Major (then Captain) HARRY M. SMITH, 0389495, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 22 March 1945 to 24 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. While leading a part of his battalion against resisting enemy forces, Major SMITH, a battalion executive officer, engaged the enemy with his pistol until he expended his ammunition, at which time, he acquired a carbine and continued the assault. After organizing and directing his men in a grenade fight, he then mounted a tank-destroyer and by firing its weapon, outlined the enemy locations for the tank-destroyers to come forward and assist in the engagement. When he observed an enemy soldier preparing to fire on one tank-destroyer, Major SMITH immediately eliminated the enemy with a grenade. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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Captain PIERCE W. DAVIS, 0376041, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 November 1944 near LOUVIGNY, France. When an enemy artillery shell set fire to a vehicle loaded with ammunition, Captain DAVIS, the battery commander, without regard for personal safety, helped unload the ammunition and extinguish the fire, and personally drove a tractor to pull the vehicle away from its exposed position. His quick actions prevented the destruction of valuable equipment and probable injury to several men of the battery. The courage, calmness under fire and devotion to duty displayed by Captain DAVIS reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Captain ROBERT V. LINK, 0385069, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 March 1945 near NIERSTEIN, Germany. While leading his company in the advance to enlarge a bridgehead, Captain LINK, a company commander, suddenly spotted an enemy automatic weapon position about twenty yards to his front. When he fired into the enemy position, causing the gunner to flee, Captain LINK pursued the fleeing enemy until fired upon by another enemy weapon. Captain LINK then fired at the newly disclosed position and succeeded in silencing it, then continued to lead his men in a charge against the enemy and engaged them in a grenade fight which completely routed the enemy with heavy losses. Entered military service from Florida.

First Lieutenant JOHN P. FOGARTY, 01182824, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 May 1945 near KUNZVART, Czechoslovakia. Lieutenant FOGARTY, a forward observer, was directing the operations of his forward observation party when it encountered heavy fire from an enemy ambush. Under enemy observation and over hazardous and exposed terrain, Lieutenant FOGARTY crawled through heavy automatic weapons fire to check the position and welfare of his men. When he heard approaching vehicles, he moved into an even more exposed position to wave them away. When driven to cover by the intense enemy fire, Lieutenant FOGARTY remained until friendly tank-destroyers arrived to eliminate the enemy, at which time, he directed the evacuation of the wounded and of the salvaged equipment. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

First Lieutenant DANIEL S. JONES, 0448053, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 November 1944 near METZ, France. When a regimental wire vehicle received a direct hit from enemy artillery and both occupants were killed, Lieutenant JONES, an executive officer, and an enlisted man, volunteered to evacuate the bodies and recover the vehicle. When they reached the scene, the enemy opened fire and the enlisted man was seriously wounded. Disregarding personal safety, Lieutenant JONES jumped into the vehicle, turned it around and despite the still intense artillery fire, loaded the wounded man into the vehicle and drove it to the aid station. His courageous action reflects great credit upon himself and the armed services. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) DONALD E. MCCARTHY, 01825482, Infantry, 20th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 27 to 30 March 1945, near FANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Second Lieutenant (then First Sergeant) MERLE W. BRAY, 02015656, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. When the advancing infantry was pinned down by determined enemy fire, Lieutenant BRAY, acting platoon leader, directed his two tank-destroyers to within forty yards of enemy positions before opening fire and killing sixty and wounding thirty of the enemy. His heroic action enabled the infantry to resume their advance and accomplish their mission. His conscientious devotion to duty and initiative reflect great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Washington.

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Second Lieutenant WILLIAM H. HAMILTON, O2008123, Ordnance Department, 705th Ordnance (L4) Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade FRANK F. DONGHI, W-2111196, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in operations against the enemy during the period 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Master Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant) ANTHONY J. PALKOVIC, 35020438, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Sergeant CLYDE E. ADAMS, 36130581, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 September 1944 near LORRY, France. Having assisted in establishing new positions for his heavy weapons, Sergeant ADAMS, an assistant executive officer, was ordered to return and bring his platoon forward. Realizing that speed was imperative for the success of his mission, Sergeant ADAMS led his unit through the town of LORRY, which at the time was subjected to concentrated enemy artillery fire and surveillance, and reached the new positions without a casualty and in time to direct devastating fire upon enemy personnel and equipment. His indomitable courage and intrepid leadership reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technical Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade) WALTER H. MUMFORD, 36111590, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant (then Corporal, 46th Field Artillery Battalion) DUNLOW CAMPBELL, 6669493, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 16 to 18 January 1945 near FIMSENDORF, Luxembourg. For three days and nights in snow and rain, under enemy observation and during heavy artillery and mortar fire, Sergeant CAMPBELL, a wire corporal, initiated, supervised and personally assisted in maintaining wire communication between the battalion fire direction center and the battery executive post. With complete disregard for personal safety and with enemy artillery falling within 50 yards of his position, Sergeant CAMPBELL maintained communications which enabled his battery to bring continuous fire on enemy troops and artillery weapons. Sergeant CAMPBELL's skill, initiative and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of our armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant HOWARD A. DOROV, 16021184, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 August 1944 near MONTEREAU, France. Sergeant DOROV, a medical aidman with a battalion which had entered the town of MONTEREAU, observed a number of casualties in a rifle company which was also entering the town. Without hesitation or orders from his superiors, Sergeant DOROV ventured over 300 yards of shell infested road to reach the wounded men. Under constant shelling by enemy artillery, Sergeant DOROV remained in an exposed position until he had rendered medical treatment to his wounded comrades. His technical skill and indomitable courage undoubtedly saved many lives and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant KENNETH N. DYER, 7081931, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 3 to 4 March 1945 near BADOLF, Germany. When the infantry made the assault crossing of the Kyll river, Sergeant DYER, a forward observer, made the crossing with the leading elements under heavy enemy small arms and artillery fire and promptly es-

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established and maintained communications with the artillery fire direction center. On the following morning, as the infantry approached the village of ERDORF, they were pinned down by heavy enemy automatic weapons fire. Sergeant DYER, without regard for personal safety, operated his radio in an exposed position which immediately enabled the forward observer to bring down effective artillery fire on the enemy weapons positions. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Staff Sergeant HUGH B. SHERRILL, 34603782, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 April 1945 near GELNHARR, Germany. When elements of an enemy mountain division were attempting to elude encirclement, Sergeant SHERRILL, tank platoon sergeant, was a part of a force that met the numerically superior enemy in a wooded area. With outstanding tactical skill, aggressive leadership and indomitable courage, he led his tank into the direct frontal attack and then by a rapid encircling movement, attacked the enemy from the rear. His intrepid action contributed materially to the elimination of the entire enemy force and the recapture of quantities of American materiel without loss to our forces and is in accordance with the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Sergeant CARL HESTER, 37628549, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 February 1945 near ERWZEN, Germany. Sergeant HESTER, acting squad leader, voluntarily manned his weapon all afternoon in an exposed position in an attempt to bring fire on a group of six enemy automatic weapons which were well located in a wooded area. Despite the fact that several men were killed or wounded in close proximity to his position, Sergeant HESTER continued to maintain a rapid rate of fire and was instrumental in substantially reducing the enemy fire and for the later reduction of the enemy strongpoint. His actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

Sergeant CHARLES M. HUGHES, 19082203, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 April 1945 near GELNHARR, Germany. When elements of an enemy mountain division were attempting to elude encirclement, Sergeant HUGHES, commanding a light tank, was part of a force that met the numerically superior enemy in a wooded area. With outstanding tactical skill, aggressive leadership and indomitable courage, he led his tank into the direct frontal attack and then by a rapid encircling movement, attacked the enemy from the rear. His intrepid action contributed materially to the elimination of the entire enemy force and the recapture of quantities of American materiel without loss to our forces, and is in accordance with the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

Sergeant LLOYD C. JACKSON, 39378543, Field Artillery, 807th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945 near IREBU, Germany. When the advancing infantry was pinned down by determined enemy fire, Sergeant JACKSON, a tank commander, directed his destroyer to within forty yards of enemy positions before opening fire and rendering invaluable assistance in killing sixty and wounding thirty of the enemy. His heroic action enabled the infantry to resume their advance and accomplish their mission. His conscientious devotion to duty and initiative reflect great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Washington.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) STANLEY C. HERNSTROM, 36444421, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 4 to 6 January 1945 near HALLER, Luxembourg. When vital wire communications between his artillery battalion and supporting infantry were continually being severed by enemy artillery fire, Technician HERNSTROM, a driver, without thought of personal safety, volunteered to enter the impact area for the purpose of servicing the disrupted wire lines. Due to his courageous actions, excellent wire communications were maintain-



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ed, thereby enabling our artillery to bring accurate and effective fire upon the enemy positions. His skill, bravery and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) RUBIN M. RUBINOWITZ, 11103356, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN R. RESSLER, 33233523, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 January 1945 near GRALINGEN, Luxembourg. When his officer became a casualty, Technician RESSLER, a radio operator serving as a member of a forward observer's party, remained in the exposed terrain subjected to the heavy enemy fire and expertly administered medical treatment to the wounded officer. Skillfully arranging for the evacuation of the stricken officer, Technician RESSLER, assumed command of the group and efficiently reorganized the observer party, thereby enabling them to fulfill their hazardous mission. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest tradition of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class) WILLIAM O. WESTERFIELD, 35729392, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 March 1945 near MOTSCH, Germany. When a heavy enemy mortar barrage wounded two of his comrades, Technician WESTERFIELD, a cook, without hesitation or thought of personal safety went to the wounded men and administered first aid until medical aidmen arrived. Again disregarding the flying fragments of the mortar barrage, Technician WESTERFIELD made his way forward to a vehicle and drove it close enough so that the two men could be loaded and evacuated. His courageous and deep devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Corporal (then Private First Class) WILBUR F. BEANBLOSSOM, 35807411, Infantry (Armored), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 March 1945 near COCHEN, Germany. When the clothes of his platoon leader were set afire as the result of enemy artillery, Corporal BEANBLOSSOM, an assistant tank driver, with utter disregard for personal safety and despite the constant hail of enemy small arms, mortar and artillery fire, dismounted from his tank and extinguished the fire. His heroic actions not only saved his platoon leader from further injury but possible death and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Corporal (then Technician Fifth Grade) ROBERT MC INTOSH, 34243385, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 16 to 18 January 1945 near ERMSDORF, Luxembourg. When wire communications between the battalion fire direction center and the battery command post were continually being severed by enemy artillery and mortar fire, Corporal MC INTOSH, a wire and telephone operator, without thought of personal safety, braved the flying shell fragments and, exposing himself for a three day period, continued to reestablish and service the essential wire lines. His courageous actions enabled our artillery to bring accurate, effective and precision artillery fire upon the enemy positions. His bravery, technical skill and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Florida.

Corporal JAMES G. MORRIS, 34801070, 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. Shortly after the crossing of the Rhine River, the battalion area was bombed and strafed nightly for extended periods. Corporal MORRIS, an automatic weapons gunner, from a position not affording the best protection, manned his automatic weapon during every attack and for its duration. His intrepidity greatly inspired his comrades during a very dangerous period and his actions are in keep-

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ing with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Alabama.

Technician Fifth Grade JAMES H. GILL, 31052510, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 December 1944 in the vicinity of HALLE, Luxembourg. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Technician Fifth Grade HENRY W. HAUSER JR., 33564323, 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 TREBUN, Germany. During the morning when the enemy launched a forceful counterattack, wire communications were severed by the intense enemy artillery fire. Operating with a forward observation group, Technician HAUSER, a radio operator, heedless of the great danger, established constant radio communications enabling the desperately needed artillery fire to be used in successfully repelling the enemy counterattack and inflicting severe casualties upon them. His courageous and unstinting devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technician Fifth Grade HAYES A MAUTHE, 33113668, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 January 1945 near MICHELAU, Luxembourg. Technician MAUTHE, an armored vehicle driver, was a member of a patrol engaged in clearing enemy personnel from the town of MICHELAU. Although the patrol had safely bypassed the position, Technician MAUTHE observed an enemy automatic weapon emplacement on the west bank of the Sarre river. Realizing the presence of the enemy strongpoint would constitute a threat to following patrols, he crossed the river undetected and skillfully maneuvered into a position which rendered the enemy weapon useless, thereby forcing the crew to surrender. His prompt and aggressive action reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade EDWARD A. MC GINTY, 39329344, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 January 1945 near HALLE, Luxembourg. Technician MC GINTY, an instrument operator, was a member of a detail assigned the hazardous mission of performing a survey of two artillery observation posts located well forward of our front lines. Undeterred by the heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire, Technician MC GINTY and the group with utter disregard for personal safety, succeeded in making the survey, thereby enabling our artillery to bring accurate and effective fire upon the enemy positions. His bravery, technical skill, and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Oregon.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) JOHN J. MONIAK, 36750277, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 12 to 13 November 1944 near METZ, France. Numerous casualties resulted when enemy artillery, mortar and automatic fire was concentrated on our troops. Abandoning thoughts of personal safety and the severity of the assault, Technician MONIAK, a litter bearer, rushed into the holocaust and, working with untiring energy, removed the casualties to a place of safety. The prompt action of Technician MONIAK was largely responsible for saving many lives and his indomitable courage and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade HERSCHEL G. MURPHY, 33054134, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 January 1945 near HALLE, Luxembourg. Technician MURPHY, an instrument operator, was a member of a detail assigned the hazardous mission of performing a survey of two artillery observation posts located well forward of our front lines. Undeterred by the heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire, Technician MURPHY, and the group, with utter disregard for personal safety, succeeded in making the survey, thereby enabling our artillery to bring accurate and effective fire upon the

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enemy positions. His bravery, technical skill, and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade RAY W. PLATTER, 33720448, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945 near GONSDORF, Germany. When the enemy launched a determined counterattack against our force in the town of GONSDORF, an enemy artillery shell struck the building which housed an observation post, breaking the radio antenna and disrupting communications. Leaving the comparative shelter of the building and with utter disregard for personal safety, Technician PLATTER, the radio operator, ran into the hail of enemy fire to retrieve the broken antenna, and return to the building where he repaired it and again established vital communications which aided materially in the successful repulse of the enemy counterattack. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technician Fifth Grade WALTER A. RAINEY, 11015796, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 January 1945 near GRULINGEN, Luxembourg. When vital radio communications became imperative during the course of an attack, Technician RAINEY, a radio operator with a forward observer party, without thought of personal safety, remained in his exposed forward position, oblivious to the flying fragments and continued to transmit excellent radio instructions to his fire direction center. His intrepid and courageous actions, coupled with his technical skill, enabled our artillery to bring accurate and effective fire upon the enemy positions. His bravery and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Vermont.

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN D. RYAN, 35286083, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 January 1945 near HOSCHLEIDENICK, Luxembourg. When forward elements of our forces were held up due to intense enemy fire, Technician RYAN, a squad leader, heard the call of a wounded soldier. Braving the intense enemy fire, he succeeded in reaching his fallen comrade who had been seriously wounded; and carried him through enemy automatic and mortar fire to a house. After administering such medical treatment as possible he evacuated him to the aid station. His courageous actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM L. WILLIAMS, 34664492, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 March 1945 near LIEG, Germany. When three of our tanks were struck by enemy artillery fire, causing several casualties among the personnel, Technician WILLIAMS, an aidman, without thought of personal safety, volunteered to evacuate his wounded comrades. Undeterred by shells falling in his immediate vicinity, Technician WILLIAMS went from one disabled tank to another, evacuating the wounded and administering medical treatment. His heroic actions undoubtedly saved many of the lives of the wounded and 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 ANDREW AMENN JR., 32905040, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 April 1945 near WESTWELD, Germany. A direct hit by an enemy shell shattered the house in which an observation post was established, causing it to burst into flames. Private AMENN, a quarter-ton vehicle driver, assigned to duty therein and although wounded, realized that important equipment remained in the building. Disregarding personal safety, he rushed through the inferno and recovered the property. Although weak and exhausted, he then entered a smoldering garage and drove his vehicle to safety. His indomitable courage, calmness under fire, and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

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Private First Class FRANK H. BILLINGSLEY, 39531526, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 August 1944 near MONTEREAU, France. During the advance toward the Seine River, the battalion in which Private BILLINGSLEY was a quarter-ton vehicle driver, sustained numerous casualties when subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire. With utter disregard for personal safety and heedless of the concentrations of enemy fire, Private BILLINGSLEY made repeated trips with his vehicle, evacuating the wounded men to the aid station. His heroic actions and unstinting devotion to duty undoubtedly were the means of saving many lives and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class LEALON R. CARPENTER, 34349154, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 January 1945 near BEAUFORT, Luxembourg. Wounded and suffering severe pain, Private CARPENTER, a lineman, disregarding personal safety and the intense enemy fire, succeeded in evacuating a wounded comrade from the field of battle to the safety of the command post. Still refusing medical treatment and evacuation, Private CARPENTER again reentered the impact area to service vital communications lines between our forces. His bravery, calmness under fire and unselfish devotion to duty contributed materially to the morale of his platoon and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Private First Class CLYDE C. DICK, 38696246, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December 1944 near SAARLAUTERN, Germany. Private DICK, a rifleman, was a member of a squad whose position was being surrounded by enemy tanks supported by artillery. The enemy was successful in gaining part of the house which lodged a portion of the squad. Private DICK, disregarding personal safety, engaged one of the enemy in a hand to hand struggle and was successful in killing him. He then threw a phosphorous grenade into the midst of the advancing enemy and forced them to withdraw, enabling our forces to deploy the main line of resistance and later repel the counterattack. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class PHILIP C. HARTSHORN, 11998032, 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 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Nova Scotia.

Private First Class HENRY H. HEIKKILA, 36188636, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 February 1945 and 3 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class DOYLE S. HUDSON, 34931947, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 February 1945 and 3 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private First Class JASON D. MC KINNEY, 34166111, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 September 1944 near DONOT, France. Private MC KINNEY, as second gunner in a mortar squad, hearing the call of a wounded man, disregarded the intense enemy fire and under direct enemy observation, crawled to the side of his wounded comrade. After administering necessary medical treatment, he made his way to the command post and secured a litter squad. Safely guiding them to the wounded man, Private MC KINNEY assisted in the evacuation. His courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class RAY W. MIDDLETON, 34155500, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 March 1945 near GEINSHFEN, Germany. When the company to which his squad was attached was pinned down by heavy enemy fire, Private MIDDLETON, an ammunition bearer, with disregard for personal

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safety, carried ammunition across the open terrain in the face of heavy enemy fire so that his squad would be enabled to resume their fire on the enemy. The supporting fire from his squad's weapon was so effective, that the company was able to continue its advance and capture its objective. His courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private First Class HARRY H. MOON, 32972145, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 7 November 1944 to 31 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class VIRGIL L. SHELL, 34195472, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 February 1945 near BITBURG, Germany. Private SHELL, as a platoon runner, was given the mission of contacting his platoon which had been pinned down by violent enemy fire and with which all communications had been lost. Despite intense fire that caused others to turn back, Private SHELL succeeded in locating the platoon and again facing the heavy barrage. He exposed himself almost constantly to lay a wire from the platoon to the command post. By his courageous action, Private SHELL made possible the direction of artillery fire and the continued advance of his unit. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class STANLEY C. SORENSON, 37556200, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 February 1945 near EL SEN, Germany. Private SORENSON, a gunner, voluntarily manned an automatic weapon all afternoon in an exposed position to bring fire on a group of six enemy automatic weapons which were located in a densely wooded area. Despite the fact that several men were killed or wounded in close proximity of his position, Private SORENSON continued to maintain a rapid rate of fire and was instrumental in substantially reducing the volume and accuracy of the enemy fire. Private SORENSON was partly responsible for the later reduction of the enemy strongpoint and his actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class CHARLES W. SNODGRASS, 34056661, 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. Despite the enemy aerial activity of the most persistent nature, Private SNODGRASS, an artillery gunner, remained at his position and delivered harassing fire which contributed greatly to the successful repulsion of an enemy ground force counterattack. The dauntless and courageous actions displayed by Private SNODGRASS reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Florida.

Private First Class EDWARD R. WALL, 34157963, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 February 1945 near EL SEN, Germany. Private WALL, an automatic weapons gunner, voluntarily manned his weapon all afternoon in an exposed position in an attempt to bring fire on a group of six enemy automatic weapons which were well located in a wooded area. Despite the fact that several men were killed or wounded in close proximity to his position, Private WALL continued to maintain a rapid rate of fire and was instrumental in substantially reducing the enemy fire and for the later reduction of the enemy strongpoint. His actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

Private First Class HENRY T. WAY, 7081976, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 September 1944 near LORRY, France. Undaunted by the proximity of bursting enemy shells, Private WAY, a quarter-ton vehicle driver, unhesitatingly left the security of his shelter upon observing several casualties at a weapon position. After skillfully administering medical treatment to the wounded and despite the fact that roads were under constant enemy

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observation and shelling. Private WAY placed the wounded on his vehicle and drove over the hazardous route to an aid station. His prompt and intrepid actions alleviated the suffering of his wounded comrades and his indomitable courage and unstinting actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Tennessee.

**V--AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER.** Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUS, March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1945, 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 KENNETH W. COAN, 0326319, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 5th Division Artillery, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 to 24 March 1945 near OBERHEIM, Germany. Major COAN, an S-I and S-4 officer, assisted in directing and coordinating traffic across the newly established Rhine-River bridge. Despite the constant efforts by the enemy to destroy the bridge, Major COAN remained throughout the night to insure a maximum flow of troops to strengthen the attack against the enemy, and further distinguished himself by his skillful direction of traffic to prevent the destruction of vehicles imperiled by a burning gasoline truck, previously hit by enemy fire. His efficient supervision and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Major (then Captain) ROBERT H. WILLIAMS, 0390208, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 November 1944 near AUNY, France. When the forward elements encountered heavy enemy fire, making further advance impossible, Major WILLIAMS, the company commander, realizing the precarious position of his units, disregarded personal safety and went forward through the hail of enemy artillery fire to reorganize and deploy his men in strategic positions which eventually led to the capture of the enemy artillery. The indomitable and intrepid actions of Major WILLIAMS were an inspiration to his men and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

First Lieutenant CHARLES G. SMITH, 01312599, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 24 to 25 February 1945 near REFFEL, Germany. Remaining at the site of the crossing of the Rhine River through the intense and concentrated artillery and mortar fire, to lead in the laying and maintenance of communication lines across the river. After the bridging, he went forward on reconnaissance ahead of his wire crews to determine advantageous positions, and in so doing, captured several of the enemy who had been bypassed. His intrepid actions contributed greatly to the success of the battalion's operations and his indomitable courage reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Squad Sergeant GEORGE B. JAFFKE, 36155808, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 January 1945 near HALLER, Luxembourg. Sergeant JAFFKE, a survey section leader, was a member of a detail assigned the hazardous mission of performing a survey of two artillery observation posts located well forward of our front lines. Undeterred by the heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire, Sergeant JAFFKE, with utter disregard for personal safety, succeeded in making the survey, thereby enabling our artillery to bring accurate and effective fire upon the enemy positions. His bravery, technical skill, and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant CARL G. WISSETTE, 36129073, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945 near TIEBUR, Germany. When the advancing infantry was pinned down by determined enemy fire, Sergeant WISSETTE, a tank commander, directed his destroyer to within forty yards of enemy

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positions before opening fire and rendering invaluable assistance in killing sixty and wounding thirty of the enemy. His heroic action enabled the infantry to resume their advance and accomplish their mission. His conscientious devotion to duty and initiative reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

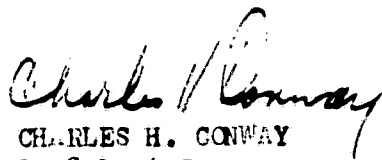
Private First Class **EMMET W. DORRING**, 36775324, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 22 to 24 March 1945, in **TREBUR**, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

VI--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL - REVOCATION OF AWARD. So much of Section IV General Orders No. 55 this Headquarters dated 9 June 1945 as pertains to Major **KENNETH P. COAN**, 0326349, Field Artillery, Headquarters 5th Division Artillery, United States Army is revoked. This award is republished as a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster in Section V 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 ETUSA, 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:

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Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) ROBERT E. CONNOR, 0372407, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 September 1944 near BAGNY, France. Colonel CONNOR, a battalion commander, in the attack of the Moselle bridgehead against a strong enemy force, was continually exposed to heavy artillery barrages. Coordination and control of attached units was difficult due to this heavy fire which continually knocked out all communications. Without regard for personal safety, Colonel CONNOR personally went forward amid this hail of intense fire and organized the attack with complete coordination of all attached units. Colonel CONNOR repeatedly exposed himself in forward observation posts and platoon areas. His intrepid leadership and aggressive actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) DON L. M. LARSON, 01179129, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 14 February 1945 near FERSCHWELFER, Germany. When an infantry battalion launched an attack near FERSCHWELFER, heavy concentrations of enemy artillery landed in the immediate area, causing numerous casualties. Captain LARSON, an artillery liaison officer, immediately left his observation post and ventured into the impact area to obtain a shelling report. While examining the cratered terrain to acquire essential information, another barrage landed in the same area. Heedless of the great danger, Captain LARSON remained exposed until the shelling report was completed. Returning to his observation post, he then directed devastating fire on the enemy which subsequently enabled the attack to continue with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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Capt in ROBERT W. LEFLER, 0412216, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 February 1945 near HALSDORF, Germany. Having penetrated through enemy lines, Captain LEFLER, a company commander, found his unit surrounded by a large enemy force and subjected to an intense artillery barrage. Oblivious to the flying shrapnel, he quickly organized his men and when the enemy counterattacked with infantry and tanks, Captain LEFLER moved among his men and directed such devastating fire upon the enemy that the attack was frustrated. Exploiting the existing panic among the enemy, he overran their positions and accomplished his objective. His indomitable courage and intrepid leadership reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Florida.

First Lieutenant ROLUND E. DE HOOG, 0405564, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 28 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When the enemy shelled the bridge across the Main River with concentrations of 200 and 100 rounds, Lieutenant DE HOOG, a survey officer, organized and placed shell report teams on both sides of the river during the intense enemy shelling. Although enemy artillery fire continued, Lieutenant DE HOOG remained in an exposed position to make a report and see that the teams and their communications were functioning properly. His courageous actions materially contributed in starting counterbattery fire on the hostile artillery, silencing it and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

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First Lieutenant FRANCIS A. GREMAUD, 01179420, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 January 1945 near PUTSCHEID, Luxembourg. Lieutenant GREMAUD was a forward observer with an infantry assault company which had advanced close to PUTSCHEID when enemy fire struck his observation post, mortally wounding two men and injuring four. Lieutenant GREMAUD, observing six tanks and enemy personnel in the town, immediately directed our fire resulting in the immobilization of two enemy tanks and causing the others to withdraw. Despite the mortar fire which began to fall on his position, Lieutenant GREMAUD continued to direct fire on the town, causing many casualties among the enemy and neutralizing a large portion of the mortars firing on our troops. Entered military service from Missouri.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) JOHN D. HOLDEN, 01179448, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 12 to 13 October 1944 near METZ, France. As an artillery forward observer during the attack on METZ, Lieutenant HOLDEN manned an observation post in a steel tower in order to secure observation on the enemy fortification of Fort Driant. This tower, under direct observation of the enemy forces, was constantly shelled and finally destroyed by enemy fire. During this period, Lieutenant HOLDEN remained at his post and directed fire on enemy personnel, artillery and automatic weapons. His gallant actions without regard for personal safety greatly aided the advance of our infantry and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) ROBERT E. LEE, 01179130, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 5 September 1944 near NOUANT, France. When the infantry was moving forward to positions on the west bank of the Moselle River, Lieutenant LEE, a forward observer, went beyond the front line positions to reconnoiter for an artillery observation post. After finding an excellent location, Lieutenant LEE discovered that the enemy was still in sections of the house which he occupied. Rather than abandon the opportunity for direct observation and adjustment of accurate artillery fire which the house provided, Lieutenant LEE remained throughout the night, heedless of the presence of enemy. His courageous action was in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from California.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM F. OTTMANN, 0440914, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 February 1945 near SCHANKWEILER, Germany. Ensnared in a heavily wooded area, a large enemy force concentrated heavy automatic fire on the unit, threatening it with disaster. Cognizant of the imminent danger, Lieutenant OTTMANN, a platoon leader, abandoned thoughts of personal safety and despite the grave personal risk, reorganized his unit and alone, charged into the enemy positions shouting words of encouragement. So inspired were the men by his courage, that they followed him into the holocaust and annihilated the enemy. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Second Lieutenant EUGENE CLEGG, 01185099, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 October 1944 near METZ, France. While our force occupied the fortification of Fort Driant, numerous enemy counterattacks and artillery barrages were being inflicted in an effort to dislodge our positions. On one occasion, the enemy could be heard and partly seen, preparing for a night counterattack. Oblivious to the precarious situation, Lieutenant CLEGG, a forward observer, with utter disregard for personal safety, moved to an exposed position to direct artillery fire on the enemy concentrations. Remaining at his post until daybreak, Lieutenant CLEGG directed such accurate and devastating fire that the enemy attempt was completely frustrated. Entered military service from Michigan.

Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant) WALTER B. FURAY, 02010524, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. During a strong enemy counterattack, Lieutenant FURAY, an acting platoon leader, continually exposed himself to heavy enemy fire in order to prevent disorganization within his platoon. Despite the intense small arms and tank fire, Lieutenant FURAY moved among his men, directing fire and

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inspiring confidence which led to the infliction of a great number of casualties upon the enemy. On two occasions, he went back to replenish his platoon's ammunition supply, and then boldly and efficiently directed his depleted platoon of twelve men in repelling a determined enemy attack, reflecting great credit upon himself and the Infantry. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) **JOSEPH T. GEORGE**, 33685617, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of **LUDWIGILLER**, Germany. When his platoon was surrounded and dangerously threatened by the enemy, Sergeant **GEORGE**, a squad leader, volunteered to make his way through enemy lines to summon aid. Leaving before dawn, Sergeant **GEORGE** encountered intense enemy fire, but dauntlessly pursued his course to the command post where he had artillery fire inflicted upon the enemy. After several unsuccessful attempts to get reinforcements through to the trapped platoon, he voluntarily reconnoitered a route over which he subsequently led the reinforcing squads through enemy lines and spared his platoon from possible annihilation. His gallant actions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant **DILLARD B. SIMMONS**, 34195667, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 August 1944 near **ANGERS**, France. When his platoon was imperiled by intense enemy automatic and mortar fire, Sergeant **SIMMONS**, an acting platoon leader, crawled to a forward position where he could more accurately engage the enemy by fire and also supervise the withdrawal of his platoon. By alternately firing and issuing orders, Sergeant **SIMMONS** deployed his platoon to a more advantageous position, being the last to withdraw. Under his skillful direction and leadership, his platoon was later in a position to overcome the enemy resistance. His courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from California.

Sergeant **RAYMOND T. MURPHY**, 36019278, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 March 1945 near **TRIEBUR**, Germany. Upon learning that the enemy was making a counterattack on **TRIEBUR** and despite the heavy enemy automatic and small arms fire, Sergeant **MURPHY**, a motor sergeant, formed a defensive line thereby preventing further enemy progress. Simultaneously, the enemy counterattacked on the other side of the town and having no ammunition to meet the second enemy offensive, Sergeant **MURPHY** made his way to an ammunition vehicle and returned with an adequate supply, thereby enabling his men to frustrate the attack and destroy much enemy equipment and personnel. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant **JAMES O. TINSLEY**, 37730408, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 January 1945 near **PUTSCHEID**, Luxembourg. When his platoon was pinned down by an assortment of intense enemy fire, Sergeant **TINSLEY**, a squad leader, who was covering the advance with a machine gun despite the great danger, ran forward to render assistance to his platoon. Receiving orders from his platoon leader, Sergeant **TINSLEY** courageously attempted to return to his position through the hail of fire, but was wounded by enemy fire. Despite his seriously wounded condition, Sergeant **TINSLEY** managed to return to his position and dauntlessly covered his platoon's withdrawal and was the last of his squad to leave. His courage and bravery reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kansas.

Corporal **JAMES L. SMITH**, 36016374, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 14 March 1945 near **KARDEN**, Germany. Corporal **SMITH**, a quarter-ton ambulance driver, received word that casualties had been sustained at the head of the convoy in which he was driving. Arriving at the stricken area, Corporal **SMITH**, informed of one casualty lying at the foot of a thirty foot cliff, voluntarily exposed himself to the intense enemy artillery shelling and descended the perilous cliff to the seriously wounded man. With the assistance of three other men, Corporal **SMITH** formed a human chain to drag his wounded comrade to safety, and then evacuated him to an aid station. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Corporal MERRIL A. WISE, 37288775, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 near ERFELDEN, Germany. When his supporting automatic weapon position was attacked during the night, Corporal WISE manning a fifty caliber machine gun permitted the enemy to advance to within thirty feet of his position to assure their proper identity. Opening fire, Corporal WISE killed and wounded a number of the enemy and forced the others to disperse. By this action, he drew heavy fire upon himself as well as an attack by enemy reinforcements. While gallantly engaging the enemy, Corporal WISE was forced to withdraw after his weapon had jammed. Hastily repairing his weapon, he set up in a new position and repelled a still heavier attack until armored reinforcements arrived. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Technician Fifth Grade LEO A. AMBUHL, 32748504, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 9 to 12 February 1945 near WEILERBACH, Germany. The crossing site of the Sauer River was under enemy observation and receiving intense artillery and mortar fire. Technician AMBUHL, an assistant wire chief, assisted in laying wire lines to the river and to installations on the banks. Repeatedly during the heavy shelling, the wires were cut and communications severed at critical times. As often as the lines failed, Technician AMBUHL entered the most exposed areas to repair them despite the great risk to himself. His gallant action contributed greatly to the success of the river crossing and reflects great credit upon himself and the Infantry. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class EDWARD W. CHAPMAN, 42088213, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 February 1945 near SHANK EILER, Germany. Standing on a hill composed of solid rock, Private CHAPMAN, a radio operator, although exposed and unable to dig a shelter, tenaciously held his position and directed fire upon the enemy. When provided with the opportunity to leave the exposed position, Private CHAPMAN elected to remain in order to provide more effective fire. Although wounded, he refused evacuation because an attack by our forces was imminent. His heroic action contributed immeasurably to the success that followed and his indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class EMORY L. HESS, 33777494, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 near ARRY, France. When his battalion was suffering heavy casualties in the registered artillery fire from the Metz fortifications and the determined resistance of enemy armored and infantry forces, Private HESS, a litter bearer, repeatedly risked his life to enter the most exposed areas to administer medical treatment to the wounded men. Although wounded himself, Private HESS continued his duties until he had safely evacuated more than a score of casualties. His courageous and unstinting devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class (then Private) ALBERT H. HOLLANDER JR, 36844745, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 18 February 1945 near SHANKWEILER, Germany. Upon learning that an enemy tank threatened his unit, Private HOLLANDER, an assistant anti-tank rocket launcher gunner, disregarding personal safety, under heavy enemy fire and exposed to enemy observation, fired into a vulnerable part of the tank thereby disabling it and forcing the occupants to evacuate. As a result of this action, his unit was enabled to hold the objective, allowing reinforcements to advance and initiate the major attacks that followed. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class (then Private) THOMAS W. PIERCE, 31391701, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 December 1944 near CONISPORE, Luxembourg. Enclosed in a heavily wooded area, a large enemy force caused numerous casualties by automatic weapons fire as our forces advanced in attack. Upon hearing calls from his wounded comrades, Private PIERCE a rifleman, abandoned thoughts of personal safety and despite the intensity of the enemy fire, left his place of safety and moved into the holocaust to where

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the soldiers lay and removed them to safety. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class RALPH F. SHORT, 6985632, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 March 1945 near GINDORF, Germany. During an enemy shelling of GINDORF, one shell landed in the street and failed to explode, rendering vehicular and tank traffic impossible. Private SHORT, a quarter-ton vehicle driver, dauntlessly and with complete disregard for personal safety, picked up the unexploded shell and carried it to a field. The flow of traffic essential to military operations was resumed and the imminent danger to his comrades removed should the shell have exploded. His during and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class FRANK T. STANSON, 33147821, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 9 to 12 February 1945 near WELFERBACH, Germany. The crossing site of the Sauer River was under enemy observation and receiving intense artillery and mortar fire. Private STANSON, a wireman, assisted in laying wire lines to the river and to installations on the banks. Repeatedly during the heavy shelling, the wires were cut and communications severed at critical times. As often as the lines failed, Private STANSON entered the most exposed areas to repair them despite the great risk to himself. His gallant action contributed greatly to the success of the river crossing and reflects great credit upon himself and the Infantry. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private GEORGE W. CROLLY, 34594106, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. While attempting to make contact with a portion of his unit which had been cut off by an enemy counterattack, Private CROLLY, a rifleman, was ambushed from behind by four German soldiers. Undaunted when an enemy bullet pierced his helmet and although he lost his rifle in the struggle, he succeeded in overpowering his opponents. Continuing on his mission, he was again attacked by 3 other Germans, and with a captured enemy weapon eliminated them and proceeded to accomplish his mission. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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 STOUS, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq STOUS, 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:

Captain TOBEY R. GILLIAM, 0411256, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 6 March 1945 near SCHWARZENBORN, Germany. Finding his unit completely surrounded by a large enemy force, Captain GILLIAM, a company commander, despite intense enemy fire, left his position of safety and exposing himself to enemy observation, directed artillery fire on the enemy positions. Observing numerous casualties among his men, he quickly reorganized and continued the fire fight. Ordered to withdraw due to the intensity of the enemy assault, Captain GILLIAM, remained until enemy cannon fired through the windows of the houses occupied by his unit and was the last to withdraw. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technical Sergeant JOSEPH T. GEORGE, 33685617, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 April 1945 in the vicinity of HELLFELD, Germany. When his platoon was severed from the rest of the company by intense enemy fire, Sergeant GEORGE, a platoon sergeant, immediately deployed two automatic rifle teams to an advantageous firing position. Moving forward under direct fire in an exposed position, he directed fire on the enemy positions, resulting in the silencing of one weapon, wounding two crew members of another and keeping others pinned down until artillery fire was brought down upon the enemy. The company then regrouped and continued its mission. Sergeant GEORGE's display of courage and superior leadership reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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III--AWARD OF SOLDIER'S 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 Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Major JOSEPH T. MULIOLIS, 0367818, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroism on 12 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. When a rapidly spreading fire broke out in the battery area, destruction of large quantities of vital equipment, ammunition and materiel appeared imminent. Observing the situation, Major MULIOLIS, battalion executive officer, ran to the scene of the disaster and amid the explosions of artillery shells and at the risk of his life, assisted in fighting the fire and evacuating the valuable equipment and supplies. Major MULIOLIS' utter disregard for personal safety and courageous and intrepid action reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain THOMAS H. COOPER, 0394724, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroism on 12 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. When a rapidly spreading fire broke out in the battery area, destruction of large quantities of vital equipment, ammunition and materiel appeared imminent. Observing the situation, Captain COOPER, a commanding officer, ran to the scene of the disaster and amid the explosions of artillery shells and at the risk of his life, assisted in fighting the fire and evacuating the valuable equipment and supplies. Captain COOPER's utter disregard for personal safety and courageous and intrepid action reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Captain GEORGE M. LENTZ, 0293955, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroism on 12 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. When a rapidly spreading fire broke out in the battery area, destruction of large quantities of vital equipment, ammunition and materiel appeared imminent. Observing the situation, Captain LENTZ, a supply officer, ran to the scene of the disaster and amid the explosions of artillery shells and at the risk of his life, assisted in fighting the fire and evacuating the valuable equipment and supplies. Captain LENTZ's utter disregard for personal safety and courageous and intrepid action reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) ALBERT S. BYARS JR, 01180140, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery 5th Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For heroism on 12 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. When a rapidly spreading fire broke out in the battery area, destruction of large quantities of vital equipment, ammunition and materiel appeared imminent. Observing the situation, Lieutenant BYARS, an ammunition officer, ran to the scene of the disaster and amid the explosions of artillery shells and at the risk of his life, assisted in fighting the fire and evacuating the valuable equipment and supplies. Lieutenant BYARS' utter disregard for personal safety and courageous and intrepid action reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Alabama.

Technical Sergeant EILON T. SADDON, 36155846, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroism on 12 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. When a rapidly spreading fire broke out in the battery area, destruction of large quantities of vital equipment, ammunition and materiel appeared imminent. Observing the situation, Sergeant SADDON, a supply sergeant, ran to the scene of the disaster and amid the explosions of artillery shells and at the risk of his life, assisted in fighting the fire and evacuating the valuable equipment and supplies. Sergeant SADDON's utter disregard for personal safety and courageous and intrepid action reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

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**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 the following named officers, warrant officers and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel ARTHUR B. DWINNELL, 0332978, Finance Department, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 December 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Captain CLARENCE L. ARONSON, 0492683, Medical Administrative Corps, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Captain JAMES W. FRIED, 0314382, Infantry, Special Troops, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) ARTHUR J. HARROD, 0300667, Finance Department, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) RALPH E. KUBAL, 0386523, Quartermaster Corps, 5th Quartermaster Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant HARRY C. JORDAN, 01303900, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 February 1945 near ERWZEN, Germany. During the attack on ERWZEN, Lieutenant JORDAN, the only platoon leader with the company, successfully coordinated and directed his men and inexperienced non-commissioned officers in a pre-dawn attack which enveloped several enemy emplacements on the outskirts of the town. By his skillful and intrepid leadership, numerous enemy prisoners were taken without the firing of a single shot. His tactical knowledge and devotion to duty eliminated the enemy resistance and enabled the attack to resume, reflecting great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from California.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) RUSSELL Y. MITCHELL, 01295581, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, 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 contact with the attacking unit on the flank was interrupted, Lieutenant MITCHELL, a platoon leader, volunteered to lead a patrol to regain contact. Disregarding heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire, Lieutenant MITCHELL succeeded in making the contact and returned with important information. His courageous efforts and leadership were responsible for the successful completion of the company's mission and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM E. WHEELER, 01313359, Infantry, 28 Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 6 September 1944 to 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Chief Warrant Officer LIONEL J. CROTEAU, W-901704, 5th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade HIRSH H. DIVINEY, W-2120269, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Technical Sergeant RUSSELL ANDREWS, 6625534, Infantry, 5th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 October 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

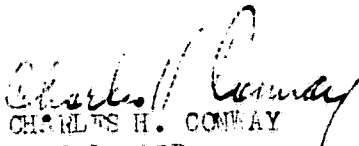
V--AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq ETOUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq ETOUSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named officers:

First Lieutenant IRVING S. REISS, 01176476, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinguished service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 to 11 September 1944 near DOUVE, France. Lieutenant REISS, a forward observer with assault elements, undertook the hazardous mission of protecting the flanks of the unit with accurate mortar fire. When the enemy launched a series of counter-attacks, he disregarded personal safety, remained in his exposed position and directed mortar and artillery fire which caused accurate fire upon the attacking enemy forces, inflicting heavy casualties and forcing them to withdraw. His courage, skill and devotion to duty merit great credit upon himself and the military service. 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 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq LTCUSA, 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:

Private First Class MICHAEL A. TURCO, 32361480, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 in the vicinity of BRFLDORF, Germany. Surrounded by the enemy and fighting off desperate attacks on his position, Private TURCO, a gunner, observed a group of enemy soldiers attempting an infiltration that would have exposed his whole section. Although it was necessary to expose himself to the enemy automatic weapon and sniper fire, Private TURCO moved to cover the infiltrating group, and fired on them. He had just succeeded in driving the enemy back when he received a mortal wound. Private TURCO's gallantry prevented possible loss of his entire section and reflects great credit upon himself and the 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 LTCUSA, 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:

Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) WILLARD M. MCGHEEY, 0534815, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 5 to 7 October 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. When enemy artillery from the great forts of METZ was registering on our forces holding a corner of Fort Briant, Major MCGHEEY, then a battalion commander, through excellent planning and provision and frequent personal trips into the most viciously contested areas, maintained control of a difficult situation and confined casualties to a minimum. Major MCGHEEY personally established the lines of defense in the midst of heavy artillery and small arms fire, and made repeated trips to them in order to encourage his men. His fearless courage and unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Lieutenant Colonel ALBERT P. SHIPLEY, 0390207, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 July 1944 in the vicinity of LOUFFET, France. Colonel SHIPLEY, a commanding officer, personally went forward under intense enemy small arms, mortar and artillery fire, and with complete disregard for personal safety, rallied a group of men who were falling back before the intensity of enemy fire. Exposing himself many times to intense enemy fire, he led his men back to the line, assured them by his presence and reestablished vital defenses. By his indomitable spirit and courage, Colonel SHIPLEY averted the threatened failure of mission and the loss of many lives, reflecting great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Captain JAMES L. CHRISTY, 0405559, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 27 to 28 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-AM-MAIN, Germany. Despite murderous enemy shelling and with complete disregard for



personal safety, Captain CHRISTY, a liaison officer, succeeded in submitting several shell reports which aided directly in the silencing of enemy batteries which were zeroed in on the only bridge in that sector. His dauntless action opened traffic across the bridge, which subsequently resulted in the capture of the city of FRANKFURT. Captain CHRISTY'S action is in keeping with the highest military traditions. Entered military service from Missouri.

Captain DONALD E. ROBINSON, 04235502, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRY, France. When a small task force, commanded by Captain ROBINSON, encountered a tremendous volume of observed enemy artillery and mortar fire and was unable to progress, Captain ROBINSON unhesitatingly went forward and made a personal reconnaissance of the area, and then returned to find his men becoming demoralized by casualties and the heavy fire. Completely disregarding personal safety and oblivious of the flying shrapnel, Captain ROBINSON then walked among the men, encouraging them and reorganizing the group. His intrepid leadership, courageous actions and heroic devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Captain GEORGE M. SPILLER, 01163927, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 in the vicinity of WÄLLERSTADTEN, Germany. While Captain SPILLER, a liaison officer, was covering the infantry attack on Gross-Gerau, his observation post came under direct enemy artillery fire. Disregarding personal safety, he remained in his exposed position and located the enemy weapons. Although enemy shells were exploding within ten yards of him, Captain SPILLER adjusted counter-battery fire that neutralized the hostile battery and inflicted casualties on the enemy. His calmness under fire and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant CHARLES A. BOUGHTON, 01313087, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 February 1945 in the vicinity of KESSELNICH, Germany. Lieutenant BOUGHTON'S company had been given the mission of capturing a town lying on both sides of the Rhine River, and if possible, a bridge connecting them. However, all bridges were blown before the near side was taken, but with the greatest courage, Lieutenant BOUGHTON exposed himself to enemy fire to make his way out onto the rubble of a bridge and then led his company across the rubble and cleared the enemy from the rest of the town. His gallant action prevented the enemy from taking full tactical advantage of the river and facilitated the advance of the entire division. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Lieutenant HAROLD E. CLAIFFY, 01322424, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 December 1944 near BOETERNICH, Luxembourg. Before casualties could be evacuated from a wooded area, night permitted the enemy to infiltrate and endanger a litter team and a patrol, hindering their efforts to reach the wounded men. Lieutenant CLAIFFY, a platoon leader, then volunteered to attempt a rescue of the wounded soldiers. Leading a small party, he reached the casualties despite the enemy attempts to stop him. Although wounded himself, he then helped to carry one of the wounded and led the way back to safety. Lieutenant CLAIFFY'S gallant action saved the wounded soldiers from freezing or further injury. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

First Lieutenant JOHN E. HAN, 01050294, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 February 1945 in the vicinity of KESSELNICH, Germany. While attacking the enemy, placed in a group of buildings, the company became pinned down by cross fire from enemy automatic weapons. Lieutenant HAN, a platoon leader, observed the action and maneuvered his mortar section into position to bring fire on the enemy. Lieutenant HAN then moved

forward under enemy fire and observation to a position where he could personally direct the fire. This action succeeded in eliminating these emplacements, thus enabling the company to take its objective and capture 53 prisoners. His remarkable display of courage, skill and leadership reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

✓ First Lieutenant WILFRED E. LONGPHE, 01053703, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 January 1945 in the vicinity of BETTENDORF, Luxembourg. Leading a combat patrol through enemy lines across a river barrier to attack a strongpoint from the rear, Lieutenant LONGPHE, a platoon leader, with great skill and daring, succeeded in capturing prisoners and documents whose information contributed to the success of subsequent operations. He accomplished this mission without the loss of a man although opposition was heavy. A score of Germans were killed, the town was cleared and prisoners and documents were brought back to our lines. The intrepid gallantry and skilled leadership of Lieutenant LONGPHE reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Wyoming.

✓ First Lieutenant HERBERT E. MARLATT, 0436616, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 January 1945 in the vicinity of PUTSCHLID, Luxembourg. When his attacking platoon was surrounded by enemy tanks and infantry and threatened with annihilation, Lieutenant MARLATT, a platoon leader, called for artillery fire upon his position. Sending his men ahead when the shells started falling, he waited in the position to give them the additional cover of his small arms fire. On the way out he was wounded, but, reaching the assembly point, refused to be evacuated until he had made sure that as many of his men as possible had been saved. Through his extraordinary heroism, he saved the lives of many of his men and broke up the enemy counterattack. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) RICHARD S. MC MENEMY, 0491558, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRY, France. While manning an observation post, Lieutenant MC MENEMY, a forward observer for a mortar platoon, was informed that the enemy was organizing for a counterattack. Being unable to observe this activity from his established observation post, Lieutenant MC MENEMY, with disregard for personal safety, made his way forward through a terrific hail of artillery and small arms fire until he reached a point from which he could observe the enemy. He then prepared his fire data and directed accurate mortar fire on the enemy assembly area, inflicting heavy losses and making the subsequent counterattack so weak that it was successfully repulsed. Entered military service from Virginia.

✓ First Lieutenant VICTOR L. SITTON, 01130333, Field Artillery, 10th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 December 1944 in the vicinity of LORTELACH, Luxembourg. Lieutenant SITTON was forward observer with an infantry company which was severely counterattacked after taking an objective. He elected to stand in an exposed position so as to have good observation, and very gallantly and calmly adjusted effective artillery fire on the attacking enemy. His fearless actions resulted in artillery fire of such a degree of accuracy that every enemy thrust was frustrated and our forces were able to hold the newly won ground. Lieutenant SITTON'S utter disregard for personal safety and his unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from South Carolina.

✓ First Lieutenant ERNEST H. WINTER, JR., 0116943, Field Artillery, 10th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 9 to 10 February 1945 in the vicinity of LORTELACH, Luxembourg. When vital wire communications became inoperative during the bridghead operations across the Sauer River, Lieutenant WINTER, an assistant communications officer, with complete

disregard for personal safety, established and maintained wire communications between the infantry and artillery battalions. Remaining in an exposed position for several hours, Lieutenant WINTER succeeded in establishing and maintaining wire communications across the Sauer River for a period of 36 hours. His courage, skill, calmness under fire, and unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Second Lieutenant SIDLEY A. CHAMPAGNE, 01319926, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of LOUVIGNY, France. While leading his platoon in attack, Lieutenant CHAMPAGNE, a platoon leader, encountered severe enemy automatic weapon fire. Discarding the opportunity of seeking shelter, Lieutenant CHAMPAGNE chose to remain in his exposed position and, oblivious to the hail of shells about him, directed counter-fire upon the enemy. Although seriously wounded and weak from loss of blood, he refused to be evacuated until all his men were removed. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Second Lieutenant IRVING A. LOGUE, 01166982, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 April 1945 in the vicinity of HELLFELD, Germany. When radio communications were seriously impaired by a heavily wooded area which provided concealment for his forward observer party, Lieutenant LOGUE, and his radio operator, moved out into the open where excellent communications were established. As a result of his actions, he came under direct enemy observation and fire, but disregarding personal safety, Lieutenant LOGUE continued until his fire mission was accomplished. The fire which Lieutenant LOGUE directed disabled several enemy vehicles, neutralized two howitzers and caused many enemy casualties. His courage and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Second Lieutenant RICHARD E. JONES, 0451545, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 April 1945 in the vicinity of VISSLEH, Germany. In the early stages of a daylight attack, Lieutenant JONES, a platoon leader, was wounded by enemy fire. Refusing medical attention and evacuation, he rallied his platoon around him and led the continuation of the attack. Through an unrelenting barrage of enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, he remained his position at the head of the platoon. Despite his incapacitating wound, he succeeded in capturing and clearing the town and his gallantry spurred the men he led to greater effort. Only when the mission had been accomplished did he submit to medical attention. Entered military service from Maryland.

Second Lieutenant JAYLOND E. RICHARD, JR., 01176291, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 31 July 1944 in the vicinity of BELVILLE, France. When heavy enemy resistance was encountered, Lieutenant RICHARD, an observer with forward elements, fearlessly exposed himself to enemy fire and observation to personally adjust artillery fire and direct the automatic weapons fire of the supporting infantrymen. While directing the harassing and accurate fire on the enemy, Lieutenant RICHARD was severely wounded, necessitating his evacuation. His unswerving devotion to duty, courage and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Alabama.

Second Lieutenant SAMUEL S. PLATT, JR., 02049357, Medical Administrative Corps, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 18 February 1945 in the vicinity of SCHILLER, Germany. Determined enemy resistance and repeated counterattacks caused heavy casualties in the town of SCHILLER, and the need for medical attention was urgent. Despite

the fact the town had not been cleared of enemy troops and ignoring heavy small arms fire and artillery barrages, Lieutenant PLATT, a medical administrative officer, proceeded through the holocaust and established the first medical unit in the town. He promptly administered medical treatment to the wounded and directed their evacuation from the battlefield. His courageous actions and unstinting devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from New Jersey.

First Sergeant WADE L. CRUSE, 6666933, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of DUDWEILER-WARNDT, Germany. When shrapnel set fire to a can of gasoline on a vehicle to which was linked an ammunition laden trailer, Sergeant CRUSE, a first sergeant, with another soldier, attempted to unhook the trailer and move the vehicle to safety. While attempting this hazardous task, the trailer caught fire and its load of ammunition began to explode. Sergeant CRUSE, continuing his effort despite the great danger and amid the hail of artillery shells falling in the vicinity, gallantly succeeded in detaching the trailer and moved the vehicle to safety, reflecting great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

First Sergeant ALEX L. GANTOS, 6890338, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 22 February 1945 in the vicinity of FLORWEILER, Germany. In order to locate the enemy battery positions from an examination of shell craters, Sergeant GANTOS, a first sergeant, with complete disregard for personal safety and for an extended period of time, stayed in the impact area and skillfully obtained and reported several shell reports, thereby silencing the enemy batteries by counter-battery fire. His devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest military traditions. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Sergeant JESSE L. OWENS, 6654343, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 August 1944 near AIGLERS, France. While proceeding through a wooded area on an assignment, Sergeant OWENS, a first sergeant, was leading his platoon toward the objective when they suddenly encountered a cross-fire of four enemy automatic weapons, which pinned down two of his squads and inflicted heavy casualties upon them. With great daring, Sergeant OWENS led another squad to the enemy flank and by personally firing an automatic weapon, he annihilated two of the enemy squads and diverted the fire of the others, thereby enabling his trapped squads to escape and made possible the successful completion of the battalion's mission. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technical Sergeant FALES R. FRYE, 15014445, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 27 December 1944 in the vicinity of BORTERLACH, Luxembourg. After clearing the enemy from a small group of houses an outpost was firmly established approximately 5000 yards beyond forward battalion elements. It was essential to send a patrol into the city of BORTERLACH on a reconnaissance mission. Sergeant FRYE, a platoon sergeant, who was one of the first to volunteer, passed through the enemy lines and investigated houses at the edge of town. After finding evidence of an isolated company, which was part of the assigned mission, Sergeant FRYE safely led the patrol back to the company outpost with valuable information concerning enemy strength and equipment. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technical Sergeant ALAN I. MC PHERSON, 19171641, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 1 December 1944 in the vicinity of KRUTZWALD, France. During the attack on KRUTZWALD, the company succeeded in capturing a portion of the town under cover of darkness. When further attempts were made to cross a creek and capture the remainder of the town, intense enemy automatic weapons and sniper fire inflicted heavy casualties

on the attackers. Oblivious to the enemy fire and observation, Sergeant MC PHERSON, and his squad leader, set up a mortar and proceeded to deliver devastating fire on the enemy positions. When the squad leader was mortally wounded, Sergeant MC PHERSON continued to fire his mortar until the enemy positions were silenced. Entered military service from Idaho.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) JOHN WEIS, JR., 32204040, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 April 1945 in the vicinity of HELLFELD, Germany. While engaged in clearing a portion of the Ruhr pocket, the company was halted by heavy enemy fire. Endeavoring to locate the enemy position, Sergeant WEIS, a mortar sergeant, entered the second story of a nearby building, but in so doing, drew the enemy fire upon the building, making observation a hazardous task. Disregarding personal safety, Sergeant WEIS remained in the building until he located the enemy strongpoint, and then directing the fire of his mortar section, succeeded in silencing the enemy weapon. Due to Sergeant WEIS's gallant courage and intrepid leadership, the company was enabled to resume its advance and accomplish its mission. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant GILBERT T. BARNETT, 15014195, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 February 1945 in the vicinity of LESSEN, Germany. When the third platoon was pinned down in a railroad station by enemy automatic, small arms and sniper fire, the first platoon was sent to the station to outflank the enemy. Sergeant BARNETT, a squad leader, with several volunteers, raced across the tracks, forcing entry into a building occupied by the enemy. An unobserved enemy automatic weapon opened fire, killing two of his men. Sergeant BARNETT located and silenced the enemy crews, taking two German officers and 23 enlisted men prisoner and also killing one officer and two enlisted men. Sergeant BARNETT's courage and leadership reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant LOUIS J. BOYLER, JR., 42013312, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 4 March 1945 in the vicinity of HUTHAGEN, Germany. While making the Kyll River crossing at night, the company encountered enemy automatic and artillery fire which threatened to pin the company down. Sergeant BOYLER, a squad leader, led the charge on a house occupied by Germans. The guard at the door was captured and others fled to prepared positions. Sergeant BOYLER directed fire on these positions, killing five Germans and enabling the company to enter the town. His disregard for personal safety and intrepid courage reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant ARTHUR W. FLEISCHER, 31326026, Field Artillery, 4th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 March 1945 in the vicinity of LELLEN, Germany. Sergeant FLEISCHER, a chief of survey section, went forward across the Rhine river to assist in the preparation of a position for the battalion. The survey was initiated in spite of continuous fire and falling flack directed at enemy aircraft overhead. Sergeant FLEISCHER with shells crashing into houses and along the main road, showed amazing coolness, gallantry and leadership in persuading drivers to their vehicles, moving the column and easing the congestion on the road. Sergeant FLEISCHER's zealous devotion to duty, determined courage and personal gallantry reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) ROBERT G. METERL, 36934103, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 24 to 26 February 1945 and 3 March 1945 in the Ruhr. Sergeant METERL, an assistant squad leader, was, on

February 1945 in the vicinity of BOLLENDORF, Germany. In the face of intense enemy artillery, mortar and automatic weapon fire, Sergeant MOHR, a section sergeant, led his section in the boat crossing of the Sauer River. After reaching the objective, he placed his men in position and returned to the company command post. Observing one of the boats of another company sinking in midstream where it was virtually impossible to swim, and although the river banks were receiving particularly heavy shelling at the time, Sergeant MOHR searched for, and found a length of rope and rescued the boatload of men from the stream. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM SEMKO, JR., 6947354, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 August 1944 in the vicinity of FORT-LIBREAU, France. When his squad was forming the point of the advance guard for his platoon, sudden enemy automatic weapons fire was encountered. Realizing that prompt action was necessary in order for the advance to continue, Sergeant SEMKO, a squad leader, crawled to a position beyond his leading scouts and with a well placed grenade, silenced one of the enemy strongpoints. By inflicting accurate and harassing small arms fire, Sergeant SEMKO forced the enemy to withdraw from another position and enabled his battalion to continue its advance and obtain its objective, reflecting great credit upon himself and the Infantry. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade) DONALD E. SHOCKEY, 35144832; Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 4 March 1945 in the vicinity of GOLDBORF, Germany. During the attack of GOLDBORF, Sergeant SHOCKEY, a medical aidman, was notified that the platoon leader and radio operator were lying on top of a crest, both seriously wounded. He immediately formed his litter team and went forward to the wounded men who were approximately 700 yards in front of the riflemen. On nearing the crest, he ordered his litter bearers to take cover and, proceeding alone through the enemy fire, reached the location, finding the radio operator dead and the platoon leader seriously wounded. After rendering medical treatment, he assisted the officer back to where he could be evacuated. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT L. STAMP, 33111175, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 February 1945 near BOLLENDORF, Germany. Unexpectedly given command of a heavy automatic weapons section when the platoon sergeant was removed, Sergeant STAMP, in the midst of harassing enemy fire, took steps to maintain the situation and was soon delivering supporting fire for the rifle troops. The skill of his fire direction enabled the troops to capture several Siegfried Line defenses which had retarded their advance. Sergeant STAMP then advanced with his section to support the attack on a town, and after clearing houses for his positions, set up defenses which contributed greatly to the success of a critical bridgehead. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant MIKE TITLOVIC, 3645232, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 April 1945 in the vicinity of HALLFELD, Germany. When direct fire from 20 mm and 88 mm weapons landed between the second platoon and the remainder of the company, Sergeant TITLOVIC, a platoon guide, clearing an automatic rifle, ran forward through the enemy fire and fired at the enemy positions. Getting into a better position, he silenced one weapon, wounded crew members of another and pinned others down until artillery fire was brought in. By this courageous action, pressure was relieved and the company reformed and continued its mission. His utter disregard for personal safety reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

numerous occasions, prevented the loss of numerous lives and casualties by his dauntless courage and sheer bluff. In three instances, Sergeant H. BERLEHL was solely responsible for the capture of large numbers of enemy personnel and also for much equipment, supplies and weapons. His ability to speak to the enemy in their native tongue has persuaded many surrenders and prevented the capture of numerous objectives by force, which in turn, prevented unnecessary casualties. His uncanny courage and distinct devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) KENNETH D. HENDRICKSON, 36002445, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 3 April 1945 in the vicinity of KILPERAD, Germany. When the platoon, of which Sergeant HENDRICKSON was section sergeant, encountered an unknown number of enemy troops in a prepared position and it became impossible to use the heavy vehicles of the platoon in an attack, Sergeant HENDRICKSON voluntarily organized a small patrol to flank the position. In making the attack, Sergeant HENDRICKSON personally assaulted an automatic weapon position and killed the crew by rifle fire. Proceeding further, Sergeant HENDRICKSON and the patrol accounted for another enemy crew, killing an unknown number and capturing fifteen. His gallant action, initiative and heroic determination reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant JOHN C. HOOPER, 13050187, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 November 1944 in the vicinity of ITZ, France. During an advance toward enemy positions, Sergeant HOOPER, a member of a mortar section, was pinned down by intense enemy automatic weapons fire. With the section sergeant and squad leader wounded, Sergeant HOOPER, without a moments hesitation, quickly reorganized the section and continued the advance. After advancing approximately 200 yards more, he ordered a mortar into position and he, and a radio operator, continued to determine the location of the enemy. Sergeant HOOPER then directed fire on the enemy positions, eliminating a heavy weapon and dispersing the automatic weapon crews. Entered military service from Maryland.

Staff Sergeant FRANK JAVARONE, 6978104, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 March 1945 in the vicinity of BRELDEN, Germany. When the company became pinned down while attempting to enter the town, it was decided to send a platoon forward, and Sergeant JAVARONE was to lead his squad in first. The enemy discovered the move and opened fire, but through a continual stream of enemy fire, the sergeant continued to move forward. When the squad was temporarily halted, he arose and fired a high explosive rifle grenade into the enemy nest destroying the crew, permitting the squad and eventually the company to advance into the town. His display of courage and leadership reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant RAY F. KALE, 33344850, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 27 March 1945 in the vicinity of FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. Sergeant KALE, a platoon guide, assumed command of his platoon in the absence of the platoon leader and platoon sergeant. Leading the first wave over a bridge in the face of intense enemy fire, the platoon was pinned down by enemy fire coming from an alleyway to their immediate front. Realizing if his platoon remained in their present position, the men following his platoon would be subjected to the barrage, Sergeant KALE, disregarding personal safety and not knowing the enemy strength, personally went forward and succeeded in forcing the enemy to withdraw, thus eliminating the danger to the troops. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant CLIFFORD R. MOIR, 6835150, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9

February 1945 in the vicinity of BOLLENDORF, Germany. In the face of intense enemy artillery, mortar and automatic weapon fire, Sergeant MOHR, a section sergeant, led his section in the boat crossing of the Sauer River. After reaching the objective, he placed his men in position and returned to the company command post. Observing one of the boats of another company sinking in midstream where it was virtually impossible to swim, and although the river banks were receiving particularly heavy shelling at the time, Sergeant MOHR searched for, and found a length of rope and rescued the boatload of men from the stream. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM SEMKO, JR., 6947354, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 August 1944 in the vicinity of FOMLIMBLEAU, France. When his squad was forming the point of the advanced guard for his platoon, sudden enemy automatic weapons fire was encountered. Realizing that prompt action was necessary in order for the advance to continue, Sergeant SEMKO, a squad leader, crawled to a position beyond his leading scouts and with a well placed grenade, silenced one of the enemy strongpoints. By inflicting accurate and harassing small arms fire, Sergeant SEMKO forced the enemy to withdraw from another position and enabled his battalion to continue its advance and obtain its objective, reflecting great credit upon himself and the Infantry. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade) DONALD E. SHOCKEY, 35144332; Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 4 March 1945 in the vicinity of GONDORF, Germany. During the attack of GONDORF, Sergeant SHOCKEY, a medical aidman, was notified that the platoon leader and radio operator were lying on top of a crest, both seriously wounded. He immediately formed his litter team and went forward to the wounded men who were approximately 700 yards in front of the riflemen. On nearing the crest, he ordered his litter bearers to take cover and, proceeding alone through the enemy fire, reached the location, finding the radio operator dead and the platoon leader seriously wounded. After rendering medical treatment, he assisted the officer back to where he could be evacuated. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT L. STAMP, 33111175, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 February 1945 near BOLLENDORF, Germany. Unexpectedly given command of a heavy automatic weapons section when the platoon sergeant was removed, Sergeant STAMP, in the midst of harassing enemy fire, took steps to determine the situation and was soon delivering supporting fire for the rifle troops. The skill of his fire direction enabled the troops to capture several Siegfried Line defenses which had retarded their advance. Sergeant STAMP then advanced with his section to support the attack on a town, and after clearing houses for his positions, set up defenses which contributed greatly to the success of a critical bridgehead. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant IRENE WITKOVICH, 36435232, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 April 1945 in the vicinity of LEBELHUP, Germany. When direct fire from 20 mm and 38 mm weapons landed between the second platoon and the remainder of the company, Sergeant WITKOVICH, a platoon guide, clearing an automatic rifle, ran forward through the enemy fire and fired at the enemy positions. Getting into a better position, he silenced one weapon, wounded crew members of another and pinned others down until artillery fire was brought in. By this courageous action, pressure was relieved and the company reformed and continued its mission. His utter disregard for personal safety reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.



Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) STANLEY P. WADAS, 31416296, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 27 January 1945 in the vicinity of HOSCHIEDER-DICKT, Luxembourg. As forward elements advanced along a road near an enemy held town, enemy fire forced them to deploy. Disregarding personal safety and braving the intense fire, Sergeant WADAS, a rifleman, sustained a devastating rate of fire on enemy positions and succeeded in silencing several enemy weapons. Through his courageous actions, all casualties were safely evacuated through the vital road and supplies brought up to the advancing elements. His display of courage, calmness under fire and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Sergeant DONALD K. ALEXANDER, 15014381, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 10 to 12 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARAY, France. When artillery fire from the METZ forts and mortar fire from attacking enemy troops blanketed the area of a vital river bridgehead and severed wires almost as fast as they could be laid, Sergeant ALEXANDER, a communications sergeant, risked his life repeatedly to maintain communication lines. Advancing with our first troops under heavy fire and in the midst of enemy counterattacks, he repaired lines which provided the only communication with the heavy weapons and artillery support. While repairing wire lines, he was caught in a barrage and seriously wounded. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant FRANK FURA, 35025305, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 in the vicinity of GROSS GLAUB, Germany. As his automatic weapon squad moved up to support rifle troops in an assault on the enemy city, it was pinned down by heavy enemy fire from a nearby house. Without hesitation and with complete disregard for personal safety, Sergeant FURA, a squad leader, ran 100 yards across open terrain under constant enemy rifle fire, and rushed into the house to force the surrender of sixteen enemy riflemen. His courageous action enabled his squad to continue in support of the advancing troops and eliminated an enemy strongpoint. His bravery and heroic determination reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant JOHN T. GORDON, 15011603, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 March 1945 in the vicinity of MANDERSHELD, Germany. When an enemy tank, firing from a concealed position, suddenly opened fire and disabled some of our tanks, Sergeant GORDON, a section sergeant, disregarding heavy fire which developed between the opposing forces, made his way over the exposed terrain to an assault weapon where he directed the fire which eliminated the enemy vehicle. Returning to his place at the point he then led the column, dismounted, into the town where he assisted materially in the mopping up operations. The conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty, together with his complete disregard for personal safety reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Sergeant EUGENE J. LARRY, 31454910, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 5 to 8 October 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. During the assault on the enemy fortification of Fort Briant, Sergeant LARRY, a mortarman, carried high explosives, ammunition and food hundreds of yards to our forward positions. Undeterred by the enemy fire and disregarding personal safety, he left his covered position several times during each day and night to unload supplies from tanks that had reached the end of their run, thereby exposing himself to the enemy's intense fire. Due to Sergeant LARRY's courageous actions our forces were well supplied during the bitterly contested action. His dauntless actions, bravery and unswerving devotion to duty

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reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) LUBREY R. MILLER, 38607203, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 November 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. During the attack on METZ, the company became pinned down by small arms and 20 mm fire while entering the town. Sergeant MILLER, a section leader, observing the situation, took his light automatic weapon and started for a suitable position, running 200 yards through enemy sniper fire. After adjusting his weapon, he took up the fight against the 20 mm weapon. His aim was so perfect that he not only drove the enemy from the position but also destroyed the weapon. His courage enabled the company to complete its mission and his intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Texas.

Sergeant DONALD E. RECH, 32035008, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 April 1945 in the vicinity of KILLBELD, Germany. When his platoon was severed from the company by 20 mm and 38 mm fire, Sergeant RECH, an assistant squad leader, volunteered to take a message to the company command post. Crossing 1000 yards of open terrain under 20 mm fire directed at him, Sergeant RECH reached the post and rendered the information which led to artillery fire being brought upon the enemy positions. Several weapons were destroyed and the company mission was then completed without loss of life. Displaying great courage and bravery, Sergeant RECH's actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant DAVID S. SMER, JR., 3663214, Medical Department, Medical Department, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 March 1945 in the vicinity of LEHMEN, Germany. Sergeant SMER, a company squire, exposed himself to direct enemy automatic and small arms fire in crossing 50 yards of open terrain, including a bridge, to assist three wounded comrades lying between our own lines and those of the enemy. After administering medical treatment and despite the continuous enemy fire, he traversed this open terrain three times, assisting the wounded to comparative safety. His unusual feat was accomplished with utter disregard for personal safety and despite repeated warnings from his comrades. His actions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) ARTHUR WILLIAMS, 15055947, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 April 1945 in the vicinity of LORRAINE, Luxembourg. Following a series of small scale counterattacks, the enemy launched a full scale attack at dawn, the main effort being directed at the position held by the automatic weapon section in which Sergeant WILLIAMS was gunner. Disregarding the hail of small arms fire directed at the position, Sergeant WILLIAMS maintained a heavy volume of fire, inflicting severe casualties on the enemy. When his own weapon was knocked out, Sergeant WILLIAMS picked up a rifle and continued to fearlessly resist the enemy. Due to his utter fearlessness, the position was held and the counterattack repelled, reflecting great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant DANIEL WRIGHT, 14008095, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 February 1945 in the vicinity of MESSRICH, Germany. When the third platoon was pinned down in the railroad station by enemy automatic, small arms and sniper fire, the first platoon was sent to the left to outflank the enemy. Sergeant WRIGHT, an assistant squad leader, with several volunteers, forced entry into a building occupied by the enemy. An enemy automatic weapon squad opened fire, killing two of his men. Sergeant WRIGHT located and silenced the enemy crews, taking two German officers and 23 enlisted men prisoners and also

killed one officer and two enlisted men. Sergeant WRIGHT'S indomitable courage and leadership reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Tennessee.

✓ Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class) ALLEN L. HEINLEIR, 36766913, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 March 1945 in the vicinity of OPELHEIM, Germany. When the company was clearing a wooded area near the Rhine River crossing, it encountered heavy small arms fire resulting in a number of casualties. Private HEINLEIR, an aidman attached to the company, ventured into the intense enemy fire from which the others had been forced to withdraw, to aid a wounded gunner. He reached the helpless man, but while treating him, was fired on by snipers. Still under fire, he evacuated the man from the hill to safety. His gallant action saved his comrades life and contributed to the morale of every man in his unit. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ Technician Fourth Grade ROLLIE PILLION, 6934749, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 February 1945 in the vicinity of BOLLENDORF, Germany. Technician PILLION was in charge of the shell report team located on the bank of the Sauer River where the division was forcing a crossing. Enemy artillery fire was very intense at this crossing site. When one heavy concentration landed in the area, Technician PILLION left his place of cover and went forward to get a shell report. While securing this data, another heavy enemy concentration fell in his immediate vicinity. With complete disregard for personal safety, he remained in this exposed position and secured the report, thereby saving the lives of many of our attacking infantrymen. Entered military service from Kentucky.

✓ Technician Fourth Grade WILLIAM L. SNYDER, 6665256, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 27 to 28 March 1945 in the vicinity of FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. While taking shell reports of the heavy artillery concentrations falling on the crossing site of the division across the Main River, Technician SNYDER, a radio operator, disregarding personal safety, stayed at his post and continually sent in shelling reports. During this period, he was twice slightly wounded, but continued at his task. His calmness under fire, disregard for personal safety and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

✓ Technician Fourth Grade GORDON H. TUTTLE, 11091385, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 February 1945 in the vicinity of STELERBACH, Luxembourg. Technician TUTTLE was assigned to take shell reports at the site of the assault crossing of the Sauer River. Unable to approach the river with a vehicle, Technician TUTTLE proceeded on foot, under incessant enemy artillery and mortar fire to an observation post in a building near the crossing site. Technician TUTTLE left the interior of the building for two one-half hour periods to take shell reports with an aiming circle. While taking these shell reports, Technician TUTTLE was open to enemy observation and enemy artillery fire but continued to take accurate reports despite shells landing thirty yards away. Entered military service from New Jersey.

✓ Corporal COLUMBUS ALDERSON, 15056993, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 April 1945 in the vicinity of RULBECK, Germany. When the leading vehicle of a small motor convoy was subjected to enemy fire forcing the occupants to evacuate and the second vehicle was set on fire, Corporal ALDERSON, a first gunner, manned the automatic weapon mounted on another vehicle in an effort to cover his comrades' escape from their exposed positions to direct fire of the enemy weapons. When Corporal ALDERSON began firing, he drew the fire upon himself and with complete disregard for personal safety, he continued the unequal

fight until his comrades had found shelter, thus preventing the probable annihilation of his entire platoon. Entered military service from Kentucky.

✓ Corporal (then Technician Fifth Grade) MATHEW J. CASTELL, 36154627, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 3 October 1944 near GORZE, France. When vital wire communications from a forward observation post and the fire direction center were severed by heavy enemy artillery fire, Corporal CASTELL, a wire corporal, without hesitation or thought for personal safety, continued his mission of repairing the communication lines until fully restored. His courageous actions enabled the forward observer to adjust accurate and effective artillery fire on enemy fortifications and contributed materially to the reduction of casualties among our personnel and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ Corporal (then Private First Class) DAVID HIBEAU, 39351162, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 27 March 1945 in the vicinity of FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When it was imperative that a radio be carried from the south banks of the Main River to the infantry troops fighting in the heart of FRANKFURT, Corporal HIBEAU, a driver, volunteered for the job. The bridge over which he passed was under intense enemy artillery fire and each time he drove his vehicle into view, the enemy bombarded the bridge. Realizing the urgency of the radio communication, Corporal HIBEAU disregarded the barrage and amidst flying shell fragments, slowly made his way across the river and delivered the radio which was used to bring our artillery fire upon the enemy. Entered military service from Oregon.

✓ Corporal WILLIAM T. MALUCHI, 32183508, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 16 December 1944 to 20 December 1944 near S. LAUTERBACH, Germany. During a heavy enemy artillery and mortar barrage, essential wire communications were severed between the forward artillery observer and the battalion. Although subjected to unceasing enemy fire, Corporal MALUCHI, a lineman, dauntlessly proceeded to lay the vital wire lines. Headless of the repeated disruptions and the bursting of shells in the immediate vicinity, Corporal MALUCHI continued with his hazardous duties until his mission was successfully accomplished. His intrepid and courageous actions in jeopardy of his life reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

✓ Corporal CLYDE WALTON, 15053187, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 in the vicinity of ERFLEDE, Germany. While surrounded by enemy forces, Corporal WALTON, an anti-tank gunner, repeatedly exposed himself to direct fire in an effort to force the enemy to surrender. When the platoon's ammunition ran low, Corporal WALTON volunteered to brave the intense fire to bring the ammunition needed. His successful and daring mission was repeated several times and later, he repulsed a daylight attack while exposed to direct fire. When it became necessary to evacuate the position, Corporal WALTON voluntarily returned to the position and recovered a forgotten weapon and fired it upon the enemy with effective results. Entered military service from Kentucky.

✓ Technician Fifth Grade HEROLD E. CLOUD, 32737037, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. When making reconnaissance for, and laying a wire to an advanced observation post near METZ, Technician CLOUD, a wireman and radio operator, came under heavy artillery fire. After establishing the line, he made five trips during the day through the enemy fire to make repairs on the wire line which was continually being broken by the enemy shells. Technician CLOUD's heroic action and devotion

to duty was responsible for the maintenance of vital communications and made possible the delivery of effective artillery fire on enemy held positions and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fifth Grade MORRIS L. COLE, 36076617, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 14 July 1944 in the vicinity of JACINCY, France. Technician COLE, a company mail orderly, informed of a direct hit on a vehicle in an area under heavy artillery bombardment, immediately volunteered to remove possible casualties. Finding the vehicle in flames, Technician COLE extricated a seriously wounded man despite the imminent danger of the gas tank exploding and the hazard of flying fragments from shells bursting nearby. Technician COLE then assisted in loading this casualty and another on a litter vehicle, and drove through shellfire to safety. Technician COLE, in heroically saving the lives of two American soldiers reflects great credit upon himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade IVAN U. BISHOP, 6665268, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 16 December 1944 to 20 December 1944 near SCHARLATER, Germany. During a heavy enemy artillery and mortar barrage, essential wire communications were severed between the forward artillery observer and the battalion. Although subjected to unceasing enemy fire, Technician BISHOP, a lineman, dauntlessly proceeded to lay the vital wire lines. Heedless of the repeated disruptions and the bursting of shells in the immediate vicinity, Technician BISHOP continued with his hazardous duties until his mission was successfully accomplished. His intrepid and courageous actions in jeopardy of his life reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade HENRY W. HUSER, JR., 33564323, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 December 1944 near SCHEIDINGEN, Luxembourg. Technician HUSER, a radio operator, and other members of a forward observer party were pinned down by intense enemy automatic weapons fire after entering a small wooded area. Heedless of the great danger and with utter disregard for personal safety, Technician HUSER left his partly concealed position and moved forward to a location suitable to direct artillery fire upon the enemy. By his courageous and intrepid actions, Technician HUSER brought about the neutralization of the enemy strongpoint and minimized the casualties of the forces which were unable to enter the wooded area. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technician Fifth Grade M T E. LUSE, 39349135, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 March 1945 in the vicinity of RAIBER HOF, Germany. The reconnaissance patrol of which Technician LUSE was assistant patrol leader, encountered strong resistance from automatic and small arms fire. With great courage, Technician LUSE advanced to assist the wounded patrol leader, then skillfully organized a withdrawal. Under the intense enemy fire, he noted the exact locations of the enemy positions and later returned with a rifle company to direct them against the enemy which subsequently led to the reduction of the enemy strongpoint and resulting in forty of the enemy being captured. His gallant action reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Arizona.

Technician Fifth Grade JOSE RABB, 36109134, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 April 1945 in the vicinity of MILLERHOF, Germany. When radio communications were seriously impaired by a wooded area which provided concealment for the forward observer party, Technician RABB, a radio operator, carried his radio into the open where excellent communications were established. As a result of his action,

he came under direct enemy observation and fire, but disregarding personal safety, continued to operate his radio even after being injured. His action enabled the forward observer within to disable several enemy vehicles, neutralize two howitzers and cause many enemy casualties. His indomitable courage and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN BORLA, 39252557, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 24 December 1944 to 26 December 1944 near CONSODORF, Luxembourg. Working with feverish intensity, Technician BORLA, an aidman, despite intense enemy nebelwerfer and artillery fire, continuously exposed himself in order to aid and evacuate the wounded during the epic battle of CONSODORF. Since all other medical aidmen were themselves casualties, he habitually took great personal risks, and although wounded himself, he disregarded the entreaties of his comrades and despite his exhausted and weakened condition, insisted on treating the remaining casualties, thereby aiding in saving their lives. His indomitable courage and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class JOHN M. ALBRITSE, 32771547, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 August 1944 in the vicinity of COITELLESU, France. When a ferrying party, attempting to move an anti-tank prime mover across the Seine River, was fired upon from well concealed enemy strongpoints, Private ALBRITSE, an anti-tank cannoneer, disregarded personal safety and completely exposed himself to enemy fire by continuing to ferry the raft across the river, after several members of the party had been wounded and the remainder had taken cover due to the intensity of the enemy fire. After successfully ferrying the raft across the river, Private ALBRITSE undertook the hazardous mission of evacuating the casualties and salvaging the prime mover and ammunition. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class DANIEL ANDERSON, 16040900, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of LETZ, France. When his company was pinned down by fire from anti-aircraft and automatic weapons, Private ANDERSON, with another soldier, set up their mortar in direct view of the enemy. The enemy weapons then turned their fire upon the mortarman, who with great courage and coolness finished laying their mortar and dropped in three rounds, eliminating two enemy weapons. A short time later, another enemy weapon returned the projectiles of the company and Private ANDERSON again scored a hit, eliminating both weapon and crew. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class RUSSELL L. BILLIAM, 31277057, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 5 to 8 October 1944 in the vicinity of LETZ, France. When enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire registered on the approach route into our troops foothold in Fort Orient with such regularity and concentration that tanks had to carry supplies to a forward supply point, Private BILLIAM, a company runner, fearlessly strode into the impact area and carried the supplies to the position in the fort. Private BILLIAM knowing the urgency of his comrades need of the supplies made innumerable trips through the intense fire. Private BILLIAM's indomitable courage and bravery under fire reflect the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private First Class CLIDE H. BLASINGIA, 34797797, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 in the vicinity of BRELLDEN, Germany. When his anti-tank platoon was surrounded by enemy troops and in desperate

need of an automatic weapon to hold them off, Private BLASINGIM, a gunner, volunteered to expose himself to heavy small arms fire to obtain a weapon. In the clear light of day he left his shelter, hurried under the eyes of the enemy to the automatic weapon and returned with it to his platoon position, all the time under rifle and automatic fire of the strong force of enemy who attempted to stop him. His gallant action enabled the platoon to stand off the enemy until reinforcements arrived. Entered military service from Florida.

✓ Private First Class JOHN H. BRISTLEY, 6663230, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 1 December 1944 in the vicinity of KRUTZWALD, France. During the attack on KRUTZWALD, the company succeeded in capturing a portion of the town under cover of darkness. When further attempts were made to cross a creek and capture the remainder of the town, intense enemy automatic weapons and sniper fire inflicted heavy casualties on the attackers. Oblivious to the enemy fire and observation, Private BRISTLEY, and his squad leader, set up a mortar and proceeded to deliver devastating fire on the enemy positions. When the squad leader was mortally wounded, Private BRISTLEY continued to fire his mortar until the enemy positions were silenced. Entered military service from Ohio.

✓ Private First Class JAMES W. CARROLL, 3492870, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 December 1944 near SAMRLAUTERN, Germany. Private CARROLL, a rifleman, was assigned the mission of placing anti-tank mines on a road which was considered a possible approach route for enemy tanks. Skillfully and thoroughly, Private CARROLL laid and armed the mines, although constantly aware of the dangers that his hazardous duty entailed. By his utter disregard for personal safety and unstinting devotion to duty, Private CARROLL further insured his company from a mechanized attack and was largely responsible for the repulse of a combined tank-infantry counterattack on the following morning. His courage reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Florida.

✓ Private First Class CHARLES C. COLLINS, 6583643, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 November 1944 in the vicinity of LOUVICQY, France. During the crossing of the Saille River and the assault on a nearby wooded area, Private COLLINS, the only aidman to reach the objective with his company, continuously exposed himself to flying shrapnel from enemy artillery and mortars in the devastating barrage that followed the company's arrival upon their objective. Leaving the cover of his foxhole in complete disregard for personal safety, he rendered medical treatment and evacuated wounded from the field throughout the day. His dauntless courage is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from California.

✓ Private First Class BILL W. CROSS, 15952667, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of PELTRE, France. During an enemy counterattack, Private CROSS, a gunner on a heavy machine gun, remained at his post when the force of the attack compelled the rifle troops to withdraw to more advantageous positions, and engaged the enemy until the withdrawal of our troops was accomplished. As the enemy forces closed in, Private CROSS, being unable to carry the complete weapon, abandoned the tripod and cradle and, holding the weapon in his arms and firing as he moved, withdrew to a new position. Private CROSS's coolness and dauntless courage in the face of heavy odds proved of great value in eventually repulsing the attack. Entered military service from Kentucky.

✓ Private First Class JOHN B. DAVIS, 32913214, Medical Department, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army.

gallantry in action on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Germany. During a fierce engagement with the enemy, the several other members of a forward rifle platoon were wounded. Private DAVIS, an aidman of an adjacent company, voluntarily, heedless of the intense fire, made his way forward and treated the wounded. He supervised the evacuation of the wounded men. Shortly after, he again made the hazardous trip forward while exposed to enemy observation and fire, to render medical treatment to another casualty. His courage and unswerving devotion to duty saved the men much suffering and possibly their lives, and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

✓ Private First Class (then Private) HOMER P. FARLEY, 15064323, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 February 1945 in the vicinity of BOLLENDORF, Germany. During an attack near BOLLENDORF, the platoon was retarded by enemy small arms fire and an anti-tank weapon emplaced in a fortified pillbox. Private FARLEY, a rifleman, then went forward with an anti-tank rocket launcher, and after successfully reaching a position within thirty yards of the emplacement, fired two rounds into the fortification, killing the commander of the position. With complete disregard for personal safety, he then rushed the emplacement and captured the four remaining enemy soldiers, an anti-tank weapon and an intact switchboard. His display of courage reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

✓ Private First Class (then Private) ASHLEY C. FRAZIER, JR., 34334043, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 5 to 10 October 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. Under intense enemy shelling emanating from the METZ fortifications, Private FRAZIER, a member of headquarters, and several other men proceeded with their hazardous mission of carrying explosives, ammunition and supplies from supply tanks to the combat troops. Although the presence of tanks would bring enemy fire upon the area and along the route over which their supplies were carried, Private FRAZIER, despite the increasing number of casualties, unhesitatingly accomplished his arduous mission and simultaneously installed communication lines along the same route. His courageous and unstinting devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Georgia.

✓ Private First Class (then Private) GALE H. FRITZ, 33113574, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 22 to 23 March 1945 in the vicinity of GRENZBACH, Germany. Private FRITZ, a squad leader, and his squad, while trying to contact the two forward platoons, were surrounded and cut off from the rest of the company. Braving intense enemy sniper fire and grenades, Private FRITZ was successful in finding a break in the enemy lines. Returning to his squad, he personally led them safely through the lines and made contact with the rest of the forward platoons, making it possible for all gains to be consolidated and the Rhine River bridgehead more securely established. His courageous action and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

✓ Private First Class LEO W. GARDNER, JR., 15057106, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 9 to 12 February 1945 in the vicinity of BOLLENDORF, Germany. The enemy had excellent observation on the site of the crossing of the Sauer River when the battalion fought its way into the Siegfried Line, and the area was heavily shelled. Returning time after time to this crossing site in spite of the constant danger of shells, Private Gardner, a driver, brought his vehicle loaded with communication supplies, ammunition and food to the boats which carried them across the river. When roads became impassable,



he constructed a log road which enabled him to continue bringing up vital supplies. Entered military service from West Virginia.

✓ Private First Class ROY W. GILBERTH, 18072959, 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. Private GILBERTH was a member of a shell report team, located at the crossing site of the division in FRANKFURT. Enemy shelling of this bridge site was very intense, and it was necessary for Private GILBERTH to leave his place of cover and expose himself to the flying shell fragments in order to get an accurate shell report. Several times during the morning he went onto the bridge, heedless of enemy shelling, to secure data for a shell report. He then sent this information to fire direction center, resulting in prompt and accurate counter-battery fire on the enemy positions. Entered military service from Texas.

✓ Private First Class (then Private) FRANK J. GOLBOCZ, JR., 421 503, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 August 1944 in the vicinity of ANGERS, France. Forward elements of our forces were pinned down by intense enemy fire from three directions. Disregarding personal safety, Private GOLBOCZ, a rifleman, and his comrade, crawled over 200 yards of exposed terrain to a position offering little cover, but one from which they could see and fire upon the enemy. Even after his comrade had been killed, Private GOLBOCZ kept up a devastating rate of fire until his platoon had safely withdrawn, and did not leave his position until every man had reached safety. His devotion to duty and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

✓ Private First Class ANTONIO M. GRISVLA, 39722729, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 27 February 1945 in the vicinity of WILMAR, Luxembourg. A squad, in which Private GRISVLA was the squad leader, was advancing toward enemy positions when they encountered an enemy tank. Braving the intense fire, Private GRISVLA fired rifle grenades and caused the tank crew to close the observation ports. The tank lost the effectiveness of its fire and immediately Private GRISVLA safely led his squad to a house on the edge of town. During the withdrawal from the house, Private GRISVLA remained behind, braving sniper and automatic fire in giving his squad covering fire. He then rejoined the squad and safely led them to where the rest of the platoon had assembled. Entered military service from California.

✓ Private First Class EDWARD C. JAKUBIK, 36527235, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 February 1945 in the vicinity of BOHLINGEN, Germany. Observing that an assault boat of another unit was sinking in the middle of the Saar River where it was virtually impossible to swim, Private JAKUBIK braved the heavy shelling of the river banks to assist them to shore. Searching for, and finding a length of rope, he exposed himself to enemy artillery fire to draw the men to safety. His heroic and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ Private First Class (then Private) VICTOR KELLER, 33752339, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 5 to 8 October 1944 in the vicinity of LETZ, France. During the assault on the enemy fortification of Fort Briant, Private KELLER, a mortarman, carried high explosives, ammunition and food hundreds of yards to our forward positions. Undeterred by the enemy fire and disregarding personal safety, he left his covered position several times during each day and night to unobscure supplies from tanks that had reached the end of their run, exposing himself to the enemy's intense fire. Due to Private KELLER's courageous actions, our forces were well supplied during the contested action. His dauntless actions, bravery and unwavering devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the

Entered military service from District of Columbia.

Private First Class GEORGE L. KLASSEN, 33617772, Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 in the vicinity of W. LIENSTADTEN, Germany. Private KLASSEN, a squad leader, and his squad, were clearing an air raid shelter when they heard small arms fire. Investigating, they found the enemy in the immediate vicinity of the shelter. Spotting a German officer, Private KLASSEN told him to halt. Failing to obey the order, he was forced to shoot the officer and in doing so, the enemy located Private KLASSEN. He succeeded in withdrawing to the safety of the air raid shelter and at dawn, Private KLASSEN, braving intense enemy fire, ran approximately 500 yards and was successful in warning his company of the exact situation of the enemy. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class GILFORD T. KNIGHT, 35659523, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 January 1945 near KIEPENHOF EARLS, Luxembourg. When enemy fire of unprecedented intensity wounded his company commander, Private KNIGHT, a radio operator, immediately radioed other platoons for assistance. Upon learning of the unavailability of other officers because of casualties, he quickly appraised the seriousness of the situation and with utter disregard for personal safety and ignoring the bursting shells about him, crawled through the heavy concentration of enemy fire and informed the battalion commander of the facts, thereby enabling him to successfully plan for further operations. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class HERRICK C. LEMTE, 42085735, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of PELRE, France. When a fanatical enemy counterattack overran and captured a portion of one company and forced the remainder to withdraw, an adjacent company, in which Private LEMTE was an assistant gunner, was called upon for assistance. When the reinforcements approached the area, they were immediately fired upon by the enemy who had infiltrated to within fifty yards of the command point. Private LEMTE, and another soldier, fearlessly and courageously charged the enemy forces, firing an automatic weapon as they advanced. The effective fire killed a number of the enemy and its daring completely disorganized the enemy attack. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class GROVER C. MILLER, JR., 35070654, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of PELRE, France. When a fanatical enemy counterattack overran and captured a portion of one company and forced the remainder to withdraw, an adjacent company, in which Private MILLER was a gunner, was called upon for assistance. When the reinforcements approached the area, they were immediately fired upon by the enemy who had infiltrated to within fifty yards of the command point. Private MILLER, and another soldier, fearlessly and courageously charged the enemy forces, firing an automatic weapon as they advanced. The effective fire killed a number of the enemy and its daring completely disorganized the enemy attack. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class ROBERT PARKER, 7003535, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 12 to 14 September 1944 in the vicinity of SAAY, France. During the crossing of the Moselle River, casualties were inflicted on our forces by enemy artillery concentrations. Private PARKER, a quarter-ton medical vehicle driver, bravely ventured into heavy artillery barrages to evacuate the wounded to a place where medical treatment could be applied. For four days and without rest, Private PARKER made numerous

a counterattack. As an enemy gunner opened fire within fifty yards of him, Private SCHROCK calmly returned the fire with his pistol and, though seriously wounded, he held the enemy until an attack by his unit drove the enemy back. His gallant courage and heroic determination reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class MAX SIMONS, 34339524, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 4 March 1945 in the vicinity of DUFDELORF, Germany. When two platoons and part of another were pinned down for several hours during an attack on enemy positions, and direct fire of enemy self-propelled weapons and tanks made movement suicidal, Private SIMONS, a gunner, volunteered to attempt to reach, and aid a wounded comrade. Without regard for the danger to his life, he left his comparative safety and made his way through intense fire to the side of the wounded man. Then, while the enemy attempted to stop him with concentrations of fire, he carried the helpless man to safety, and prompt aid saved his life. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class JOHN C. SMITH, 36732280, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 February 1945 near MILLERBACH, Germany. When shelling was so heavy at a river crossing site that tanks had to be brought up to carry rations and evacuate casualties, Private SMITH, a company runner, guided the armor to within three hundred feet of the river and hand-carried the rations the remaining distance. Under enemy observation, Private SMITH was subjected to extremely heavy automatic weapons fire and to artillery and mortar barrages. Despite the great risk, he made the trip repeatedly while casualties increased and ventured into the direct fire to assist wounded men and to retrieve scattered supplies which contributed greatly to the success of the crossing. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class JOSSE G. SUIDERHEIER, 35088227, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 March 1945 in the vicinity of SCHWABMILM, Germany. When his platoon, leading a column with vehicles mounted with weapons, suffered casualties and was forced to procure cover, Private SUIDERHEIER, an automatic weapons gunner, and another man remained exposed to await covering fire. Under the covering fire of a rear platoon, they maneuvered to the leading vehicle and amid the unceasing enemy fire, Private SUIDERHEIER, although not a driver, drove the vehicle to a safer position from which effective fire could be inflicted on the enemy. By his courageous and intrepid actions, Private SUIDERHEIER contributed greatly to the defeat of the enemy and reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class ANTHONY J. TOBLER, 33172753, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 18 January 1945 near DILLKIRK, Luxembourg. Although he had just crossed a great distance of open terrain which was covered by enemy automatic, mortar and artillery fire, Private TOBLER, a company commander's runner, observing the numerous casualties sustained by our forces, dauntlessly retraced his hazardous route through the continued enemy fire to secure litter bearers for the wounded personnel. While enroute through a minefield, Private TOBLER was fired upon by the enemy, but despite the wounds sustained, he proceeded to his destination and secured the litter bearers. His intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private First Class ROBERT ZAWADSKI, 15014311, Infantry, Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 18 November 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. When his unit was pinned down by fire from anti-aircraft and automatic weapons, Private ZAWADSKI, with another soldier, set up their machine

into the area. On one occasion when his vehicle was hit he quickly made the necessary repairs and continued his work. This resulted in the evacuation of 200 wounded and in the saving of lives. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class (then Private) ROBERT E. PELLEZ, 3285614, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 7 December 1944 in the vicinity of IJOWILLER, Germany. When the infantry company to which he was attached as member of a forward observer party came under intense fire and suffered many casualties, Private PELLEZ, on his own initiative and under heavy fire, skillfully administered medical treatment to wounded men. His skill and efficiency undoubtedly saved many lives and aided in the more rapid evacuation of the wounded. His devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class WILLIAM L. PROCKASKA, 42079904, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 5 to 10 October 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. Under intense enemy shelling emanating from the METZ fortifications, Private PROCKASKA, an ammunition bearer, and several other men proceeded with their hazardous mission of carrying explosives, ammunition and supplies from supply tanks to the combat troops. Although the presence of tanks would bring enemy fire upon the area and along the route over which their supplies were carried, Private PROCKASKA, despite the increasing number of casualties, unhesitatingly accomplished his arduous mission and simultaneously installed communication lines along the same route. His courageous and unflinching devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class GERARD RASCIGNO, 32350211, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944 in the vicinity of ARRY, France. During an intense barrage in the section of which Private RASCIGNO was a member, he was hit and received a severe wound. There being no aidmen immediately available, Private RASCIGNO, regardless of the bursting shells, left the shelter of his foxhole and went to the aid of the wounded man, remaining with him during subsequent barrages. Later attempts by Private RASCIGNO to evacuate his comrade in the face of enemy counter-attack failed, and the man died. But though his efforts were unsuccessful, his courageous efforts and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class BERT K. ROGERS, 36816203, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 February 1945 in the vicinity of WIELERBACH, Luxembourg. Private ROGERS was assigned to take shell reports at the site of the assault crossing of the Sauer River. Unable to approach the river with a vehicle, Private ROGERS proceeded on foot, under incessant enemy artillery and mortar fire to an observation post in a building near the crossing site. Private ROGERS left the interior of the building for two one-half hour periods to take shell reports with an aiming circle. While taking these shell reports, Private ROGERS was seen to enemy observation and enemy artillery fire but continued to take accurate reports despite shells landing thirty yards away. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class GEORGE SCHROCK, JR., 33116433, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 September 1944 in the vicinity of COMBY, France. When enemy units counterattacked through a heavy fog at overrun forward positions, a company command post was threatened. Private SCHROCK, a company sergeant, armed only with an automatic pistol and disregarding personal safety, elected to defend the command post while forces regrouped for

a counterattack. As an enemy gunner opened fire within fifty yards of him, Private SCHROCK calmly returned the fire with his pistol and, though seriously wounded, he held the enemy until an attack by his unit drove the enemy back. His gallant courage and heroic determination reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class MAX SIMONS, 34339524, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 4 March 1945 in the vicinity of DUFELDORF, Germany. When two platoons and part of another were pinned down for several hours during an attack on enemy positions, and direct fire of enemy self-propelled weapons and tanks made movement suicidal, Private SIMONS, a gunner, volunteered to attempt to reach, and aid a wounded comrade. Without regard for the danger to his life, he left his comparative safety and made his way through intense fire to the side of the wounded man. Then, while the enemy attempted to stop him with concentrations of fire, he carried the helpless man to safety, and prompt aid saved his life. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class JOHN C. SMITH, 36732280, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 February 1945 near WEILERBACH, Germany. When shelling was so heavy at a river crossing site that tanks had to be brought up to carry rations and evacuate casualties, Private SMITH, a company runner, guided the armor to within three hundred feet of the river and hand-carried the rations the remaining distance. Under enemy observation, Private SMITH was subjected to extremely heavy automatic weapons fire and to artillery and mortar barrages. Despite the great risk, he made the trip repeatedly while casualties increased and ventured into the direct fire to assist wounded men and to retrieve scattered supplies which contributed greatly to the success of the crossing. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class JESSE G. SUDERMEIER, 35088227, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 March 1945 in the vicinity of SCHWELLEN, Germany. When his platoon, leading a column with vehicles mounted with weapons, suffered casualties and was forced to procure cover, Private SUDERMEIER, an automatic weapons gunner, and another man remained exposed to await covering fire. Under the covering fire of a rear platoon, they answered to the leading vehicle and amid the unceasing enemy fire, Private SUDERMEIER, although not a driver, drove the vehicle to a safer position from which effective fire could be inflicted on the enemy. By his courageous and intrepid actions, Private SUDERMEIER contributed greatly to the defeat of the enemy and reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class ANTHONY J. TOBLER, 33172753, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 January 1945 near DILLIK, Luxembourg. Although he had just crossed a great distance of open terrain which was covered by enemy automatic, mortar and artillery fire, Private TOBLER, a company commander's runner, observing the numerous casualties sustained by our forces, doubtlessly retraced his hazardous route through the continued enemy fire to secure litter bearers for the wounded personnel. While enroute through a minefield, Private TOBLER was fired upon by the enemy, but despite the wounds sustained, he proceeded to his destination and secured the litter bearers. His intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private First Class NORBERT ZAWADSKI, 15014311, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of ALPE, France. When his unit was pinned down by fire from anti-aircraft and automatic weapons, Private ZAWADSKI, with another soldier, set up their machine

view of the enemy. The enemy weapons then turned their fire upon the portmen, who with great courage and coolness finished laying their mortar and fired in three rounds, eliminating two enemy weapons. A short time later, another enemy weapon retarded the progress of the company and Private ZAWADSKI again scored a hit, eliminating both weapon and crew. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private DENNIS D. PORTER, 35732903, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 January 1945 in the vicinity of FUSCHHEID, Luxembourg. When his platoon was surrounded and a number of men were killed or wounded by automatic weapons fire, Private PORTER, an airman, left the safety of his concealment to go to the aid of the casualties. With the greatest gallantry, he ran directly into the fire of the enemy weapons which had already hit a number of men, and continued in his effort to reach them until seriously wounded himself. His unstinting devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private CECIL B. ROSE, 6663770, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 1 May 1945 near KUNZVART, Czechoslovakia. When the forward observer party, in which Private ROSE was an instrument operator, entered a trap set for our advancing infantry and vehicles, he moved across enemy observed terrain under fire, to a place where he could fire upon an enemy automatic weapon position. After being driven from this place by other enemy fire, he returned to eliminate the enemy position, then remained in place until the party was reinforced by tank-destroyers. Private ROSE's action in eliminating the automatic weapon undoubtedly saved the lives and vehicles of advancing troops. Entered military service from Indiana.

SECTION 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 AFCEA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section 1, Circular No. 56, HQ AFCEA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Silver Star previously awarded, a first bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster and a second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted men as indicated:

First Oak-Leaf Cluster. Captain JACOB R. THOMAS, 01172693, Field Artillery, 40th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 14 January 1945 near FURLE FOLCHENUNG, Luxembourg. The command post of the infantry battalion to which Captain THOMAS was attached as artillery liaison officer, came under intense observed enemy fire. With complete disregard for personal safety, Captain THOMAS left his sheltered position and entered the impact area. Coolly and accurately amid the falling shells, he secured the information necessary for a complete shell report, before he returned to the command post. The information thus secured made possible counterbattery fire on the enemy positions, resulting in neutralization of the enemy weapon, and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

First Oak-Leaf Cluster. Technical Sergeant JAMES R. FRYE, 15014445, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 February 1945 in the vicinity of BISSERICH, Germany. The mission of the third platoon was to occupy a group of buildings across the railroad tracks on high ground. As they approached the tracks, they were fired on by the enemy. The platoon leader being hit, Sergeant FRYE, a platoon sergeant, immediately assumed command, getting the men into the first building. Getting the automatic weapon holding up their advance, Sergeant FRYE exposed himself to the direct line of fire to direct rifle grenades on target, achieving a direct hit, silencing the weapon and making possible for the platoon to complete its mission. Entered military service from West Virginia.

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First Oak-Leaf Cluster. Private First Class ROY E. ROBERTS, 35221211, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 February 1945 near BOLLIDONF, Germany. Private ROBERTS, a driver, set out to assist and return to the aid station, four reported victims of a mine explosion. The casualties lay in a mine field thirty feet from their destroyed vehicle. Private ROBERTS, with utter disregard for personal safety, walked through this minefield, each time retrieving a casualty. He administered medical treatment and, loading them upon his litter vehicle, proceeded to transport them in the midst of an intense enemy artillery barrage to an aid station. Private ROBERTS saved the lives of these four men and his actions are in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Ohio.

Second Oak-Leaf Cluster. Technical Sergeant JAMES R. FRYE, 150144445, Infantry, 106th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 March 1945 in the vicinity of ERFELDER, Germany. While attacking the first town after the Rhine River crossing, Sergeant FRYE, who at the time was leading the third platoon in the absence of a commissioned platoon leader, was wounded in the neck by an enemy sniper. Although bleeding badly, he refused medical care until the town was cleared, even though he was in great pain during the entire operation. His determined and heroic example of fighting ability and leadership was an inspiration to all his men. His actions merit great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

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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. 22, Hq BTCUSA, 30 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 36, Hq BTCUSA, 27 May 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) HERMAN R. SCHELL, 024152, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 March 1945 near SEINSHHEIM, Germany. The battalion, commanded by Colonel SCHELL, started an assault crossing of the Rhine River and came under intense enemy fire as they reached the enemy bank. The violent fire held up leading elements and temporarily disorganized the group that led the crossing. Realizing the danger of further disorganization, Colonel SCHELL jumped into a nearby boat and rowed across the river under constant fire and after reaching the east bank of the river, he quickly reorganized his unit and directed the continuation of the attack, which subsequently led to the successful establishment of the vital bridgehead. Entered military service from Michigan.

Captain HARRY J. GRUEN, 0417499, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 18 January 1945 to 4 February 1945 in Luxembourg. Captain GRUEN, an artillery liaison officer, assumed the duty of artillery observer during the SAUER River crossing. With complete disregard for personal safety he continuously exposed himself to the enemy in order to conceal our forces with a smoke screen, and to bring artillery fire upon the enemy, thereby reducing the small arms fire and terrific artillery fire which was prevalent during this operation. This operation lasted for twelve hours and at no time did Captain GRUEN leave his post until the operations were complete. His untiring effort, heroism and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Lieutenant ROBERT W. GRAY, 0437721, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 November 1944 in the vicinity of AUGNY, France. Planning an observation post, the route of which took him through enemy territory, Lieutenant GRAY, a battalion S-2, was forced to withdraw as a result of enemy fire. He worked his way back to his lines and guided engineers to a pillbox which he had observed, and directed its demolition. This resulted in the capture of twenty-seven of the enemy, including four officers, and killing three others. He then returned his observation post and continued to direct fire, destroying two batteries of enemy artillery. Entered military service from Iowa.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) JAMES M. PECK, 0503805, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 March 1945 near OFFENHEIM, Germany. Lieutenant PECK, serving in the capacity of intelligence and reconnaissance platoon leader, personally directed his platoon in the successful assault crossing of the Rhine River. Braving the intense enemy fire, he personally led his platoon in support of the leading elements, which successfully established and maintained the vital bridgehead. Again disregarding personal safety, Lieutenant PECK employed marching fire



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in forcing the enemy to withdraw. The platoon accomplished its mission despite frontal and flanking automatic, mortar and small arms fire. His courageous action and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant JESSE E. TRUAX, 01501717, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 3 February 1945 near SCHERVENACH, Luxembourg. Lieutenant TRUAX, a platoon leader, with utter disregard for personal safety, reconnoitered a route under continuous fire through the dense mine fields guarding the disarmed line. Returning to lead his platoon and the other elements of his company through, he then directed the capture of an enemy position of three pillboxes and captured fifteen prisoners without loss to his men. His indomitable courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Wyoming.

Staff Sergeant RAYMOND W. BEAVER, 54095019, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 in the vicinity of WILHELMSTADT, Germany. When his squad was viciously attacked by a fanatic enemy unit of fifty men and two tanks, Sergeant BEAVER, a squad leader, exposed himself to violent enemy fire to crawl to a nearby vehicle to secure an automatic weapon. He crawled back to his squad, dragging the heavy weapon in full view of the enemy. Still exposed to intense enemy fire, he opened with determined fire and broke up the enemy attack, killing two enemy soldiers within five yards of his position. His heroic determination and gallant devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Staff Sergeant (then Corporal) OSSAR S. HULLY, 15033038, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 April 1945 in the vicinity of KUNZEL, Germany. Steering an advance of tanks and infantry, Sergeant HULLY, a first sergeant and squad leader, and his party encountered an enemy trap, with heavy weapons which destroyed his vehicles. His group was forced to seek shelter under a road culvert, but realizing the main body of troops and armor would suffer heavily in the trap, Sergeant HULLY left his cover and crawled and ran through the intense barrage toward the encasing troops. His gallant action saved the lives of many of his comrades and enabled them to complete their mission successfully. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM WILSON, 15040790, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 18 January 1945 near WILHELMACH, Luxembourg. The squad, led by Sergeant WILSON, was under intense artillery and small arms fire as they advanced against the enemy held city. Sergeant WILSON was wounded almost mortally. Disregarding his painful wound and despite the intense fire, he called his men to rush the town and personally led them in repelling the enemy. His bold action resulted in the quick capture of the town objective and twenty enemy soldiers. He was treated until the mission was accomplished and positions were secure. His heroic courage and brave leadership reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant FREDERICK KENNEDY, 56150798, Field Artillery, 10th Field Artillery Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 January 1945 near HOSCHIED, Luxembourg. While advancing from WILHELMACH to HOSCHIED across carters, tank and automatic fire was directed against him, injuring one member of the crew. Sergeant KENNEDY, as a tank observation party, assisted in the withdrawal of the tank from the enemy concentration and assisted in the destruction of a post which blocked out three carters, thereby clearing the way of enemy infantry to retreat and intercepting the enemy. The gallantry displayed by Sergeant KENNEDY reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Sergeant (then Private First Class) JOHN PAUL MOYER, 58553953, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 1 March 1945 in BADAL, Germany. While leading half his squad to clear an outlying house during the attack on the town, Sergeant MOYER, a squad leader, in the face of enemy automatic and small arms fire and with utter disregard for personal safety, worked his way up to the house and threw a grenade through the window, killing two Germans. Entering through a window, he encountered two more of the enemy and his fire killed one and wounded the other, permitting his squad to take the house without casualties. Sergeant MOYER's outstanding bravery reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Texas.

Sergeant STANLEY A. VALANCIUS, 35299175, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 March 1945 in the vicinity of NIERSSTEIN, Germany. During operations to finally establish our newly won bridgehead across the Rhine River, strong enemy forces were preparing to counterattack our positions. With utter disregard for personal safety and exposed to enemy observation and small arms fire, Sergeant VALANCIUS, a mortarman, set his mortar and proceeded to lay down a heavy barrage on the enemy's position. The gallant action of Sergeant VALANCIUS forced the enemy to seek cover and enabled our forces to advance and destroy the strong concentration of enemy power. His action reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal ARISTIDE S. RHODES, 39, 35339, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 5 March 1945 near WIDDERT, Germany. During a heavy counterattack by the enemy, it became evident that the artillery forward observer could not adjust fire. Corporal RHODES, a rifleman, without regard for personal safety, volunteered to return over 1000 yards of open terrain under enemy observation and small arms fire, to contact the forward observer and lead him to a position from which successful fire could be adjusted. Corporal RHODES' courageous action and disregard for personal safety was instrumental in breaking up the enemy counterattack and minimized the casualties in his company. His daring deed reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class JOSEPH T. D'AMICO, 12390433, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 November 1944 in the vicinity of FLY, France. Learning of the presence of a wounded soldier who had been lying in an open field 75 yards ahead of the most forward elements, Private D'AMICO, and the remainder of his litter squad decided to attempt a rescue despite the fact that a litter squad had been forced back from a previous attempt by heavy enemy fire. Although the enemy was entrenched 200 yards away and was constantly covering the area with automatic weapons fire, Private D'AMICO, at a prearranged signal, dashed forward under a concentration of covering fire, and running through a hail of enemy bullets, effected the rescue. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class DONALD E. GREGAN, 30683600, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 7 to 10 September 1944 near DORFOT, France. Prior to, and during the crossing of the Moselle River, Private GREGAN, in conjunction with his duties as a litter bearer, courageously and skillfully assumed the responsibilities of an aidman, rendering medical treatment to the numerous and countless casualties. Private GREGAN unflinchingly remained in an extremely exposed position and despite the close proximity of bursting shells, continued with his hazardous task of caring for the wounded and assisting in their evacuation, thereby saving the lives of many and contributing immeasurably to the alleviation of their suffering. His intrepid and selfless devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Virginia.

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Private First Class CHRIST J. HERR, 36690824, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 November 1944 in the vicinity of FEY, France. Learning of the presence of a wounded soldier who had been lying in an open field 75 yards ahead of the most forward elements, Private HERR, and the remainder of his litter squad, decided to attempt a rescue despite the fact that a litter squad had been forced back from a previous attempt by heavy enemy fire. Although the enemy was entrenched 200 yards ahead and was constantly covering the area with automatic weapons fire, Private HERR, at a prearranged signal, dashed forward under a concentration of fire from infantrymen and, running through a hail of bullets, effected the rescue. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class EVANS L. HUFFSTETLER, 14149508, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 8 to 10 September 1944 near DORNOT, France. During an action to establish a secure bridgehead across the Moselle River, our forces suffered heavy casualties from enemy fire. Private HUFFSTETLER, an acting aidman, voluntarily attached himself to the Medical Detachment and assisted in the evacuation of the wounded. Through a sixty hour period, he continually braved all types of enemy fire in order to aid his wounded comrades. When the aid station became the target for enemy artillery, Private HUFFSTETLER helped evacuate all patients to a place of safety, even though the building was receiving heavy fire and was repeatedly hit. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class (then Private) JOHN E. KUDLINSKI, 33608076, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 1 January 1945 in the vicinity of WILDENLIEG, Luxembourg. Learning of the presence of four seriously wounded artillerymen at a howitzer position that had been under heavy enemy fire, Private KUDLINSKI, a litter bearer, without hesitation, secured an ambulance and with a companion went immediately to the vicinity of the weapon position. Loading the casualties despite the heavy enemy artillery fire, Private KUDLINSKI returned them to the station where immediate medical attention was initiated. Through his bravery and disregard for danger, resulting in the saving of lives, Private KUDLINSKI reflects great credit upon himself and the medical Department. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class DONALD H. MELLINGER, 33504846, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of HIPPENROF FARM, Luxembourg. Private MELLINGER, a wireman, followed directly behind the advancing foot elements to lay artillery wire to a new battalion observation post which the infantry was still in the process of taking. The infantry used all available cover, but because of essential speed, Private MELLINGER was forced to use a wire vehicle and proceed on the road, thus exposing himself to the hostile observation. When his vehicle was immobilized, he returned to the observation post on foot, surviving the wire to prevent it being severed. Due to his gallantry, despite the complete disregard for personal safety, vital line communications were established. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class JOSEPH RICCIO, 42956164, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 December 1944 near WAILLIEREN, Germany. When the armed reconnaissance squad, of which he was a member, was cut off from its unit, Private RICCIO, and a comrade, volunteered to work back to our lines and get help. While carrying out this plan under enemy fire, Private RICCIO's comrade was wounded. With disregard for personal safety, Private RICCIO worked his way back to our lines through enemy fire that had increased in intensity, as evidenced by the fact that his comrade was wounded again before they reached safety. Private RICCIO then led a relief party out to his original position and assisted them in over-coming the enemy. Entered military service from New York.

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Private First Class PAUL J. SULLIVAN, 31263462, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 November 1944 in the vicinity of FEY, France. Learning of the presence of a wounded soldier who had been lying in an open field 75 yards ahead of the most forward elements, Private SULLIVAN, and the remainder of his litter squad, decided to attempt a rescue despite the fact that a litter squad had been forced back from a previous attempt by heavy enemy fire. Although the enemy was entrenched 200 yards away and was constantly covering the area with automatic weapons fire, Private SULLIVAN, at a prearranged signal, dashed forward under a concentration of covering fire and, running through a hail of enemy bullets, effected the rescue. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private ROBERT E. CLARK, 42195292, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 7 to 8 February 1945 near BOHEMISCH, Luxembourg. As a rifleman with an assault company during the crossing of the Sauer River, Private CLARK was a member of the only squad able to cross in the original attack. Although seriously wounded as soon as he reached shore, he joined his squad in setting up defensive positions and assisted in fighting off enemy thrusts for thirty-six hours without relief or supplies. Despite his painful wound, Private CLARK insisted on remaining in the fight until other units were able to cross the river. His heroic determination and courageous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private EARL COHEN, 32904154, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 November 1944 in the vicinity of FEY, France. Learning of the presence of a wounded soldier who had been lying in an open field 75 yards ahead of the most forward elements, Private COHEN, and the remainder of his litter squad, decided to attempt a rescue despite the fact that a litter squad had been forced back from a previous attempt by heavy enemy fire. Although the enemy was entrenched 200 yards away and was constantly covering the area with automatic weapons fire, Private COHEN, at a prearranged signal, dashed forward under a concentration of covering fire and, running through a hail of enemy bullets, effected the rescue. Entered military service from New York.

VI -- AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 1 September 1945, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq BTMCA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 50, Hq BTMCA, 27 May 1944, the Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant NELSON A. POTTER, 0334394, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroism on 31 March 1945 in the vicinity of FRANKFURT-AM-MAIN, Germany. When the railroad station in FRANKFURT was enveloped in flames, the street-level floor contained film and miscellaneous storage items which were burning furiously. Approximately five feet from the door to the building, there was a wooden case containing about 100 pounds of ammunition. At the risk of his life, Lieutenant POTTER, and an enlisted man, entered the fire-filled room and removed the smoldering ammunition case to a place of safety. By his dauntless and courageous efforts, Lieutenant POTTER prevented the imminent danger of explosion which could have imperiled the lives of many American Soldiers. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) WILLIAM M. FIET, 6667658, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroism on 15 August 1944 in the vicinity of VILLERS, France. During a river crossing by improvised boats, one of the boats capsized in midstream. Standing on the shore, Sergeant FIET observed one of the

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personnel submerge, due to his heavy equipment and inability to swim. Without hesitation and at the risk of his life, Sergeant FINE dove into the swift current and, swimming to midstream, brought the stricken soldier to the surface and towed him to shore. By having respiratory treatment applied to his comrade, Sergeant FINE saved the life of his fellow soldier. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade KENNETH L. BAUCHER, 56052973, Quartermaster Corps, 5th Quartermaster Company, United States Army. For heroism on 24 April 1945 near MACHEN, Germany. A truck, loaded with two hundred five gallon cans of gasoline, burst into flame, hurling fire over a wide area. There was imminent danger of the fire spreading to other trucks loaded with gasoline, a large gasoline and oil dump and two loaded supply trucks. At the risk of his life, Technician BAUCHER, a clerk, undertook the hazardous task of moving the threatened vehicles and preventing the conflagration from spreading. Disregarding the exploding cans of gasoline and the scorching heat, he assisted in moving the vehicles to a safe distance and extinguishing the threatening fire. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade LAVERNE L. HOWORTH, 15912720, Quartermaster Corps, 5th Quartermaster Company, United States Army. For heroism on 21 April 1945 near MACHEN, Germany. A truck, loaded with two hundred five gallon cans of gasoline, burst into flame, hurling fire over a wide area. There was imminent danger of the fire spreading to other trucks loaded with gasoline, a large gasoline and oil dump and two loaded supply trucks. At the risk of his life, Technician HOWORTH, a mechanic, undertook the hazardous task of moving the threatened vehicles and preventing the conflagration from spreading. Disregarding the exploding cans of gasoline and the scorching heat, he assisted in moving the vehicles to a safe distance and extinguishing the threatening fire. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade TONY D. SAVIELLO, 32032757, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For heroism on 31 March 1945 in the vicinity of FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When the railroad station in FRANKFURT was enveloped in flames, the street-level floor contained film and miscellaneous storage items which were burning furiously. Approximately five feet from the door to the building, there was a wooden case containing about 100 pounds of ammunition. At the risk of his life, Technician SAVIELLO, and an American soldier, entered the fire-filled room and removed the smoldering ammunition case to a place of safety. By his dauntless and courageous efforts, Technician SAVIELLO prevented the imminent danger of explosion which would have imperiled the lives of many American Soldiers. Entered military service from New York.

III -- GRAD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 12 September 1943, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 32, Hq DTICUSA, 30 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq DTICUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers, warrant officer and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel ROBERT E. COOPER, 0372407, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 31 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) FRANCIS L. GARR, 0467843, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 September 1944 near MANTILLE, France. During the assault crossing the small river, the assault force was detected by the

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enemy who immediately directed accurate concentrations of mortar and artillery fire upon them. With complete disregard for personal safety, Captain GARR, an executive officer, immediately assumed command of the assault boats which had become dispersed and guided them downstream to a safe landing. Immediately upon landing, he organized the assault forces and led them from the river bank into position. By his actions and unswerving devotion to duty, Captain GARR aided materially to the success of the battalion's mission. Entered military service from Virginia.

Chaplain (Captain) THOMAS P. HENNESSEY, 0530768, Corps of Chaplains, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 22 to 23 March 1945 near GEINSHEIM, Germany. When assault troops crossed the Rhine River, Chaplain HENNESSEY volunteered to accompany the attached collecting company. An hour and a half heavy artillery barrage was launched into the area occupied by the collecting station, and Chaplain HENNESSEY exposed himself constantly to supervise the removal of wounded men. His outstanding devotion to his self-appointed mission was a great inspiration to the wounded and the men working with him and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Captain ROBERT J. SCOTT, 0355100, Medical Corps, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945 near GIESEN, Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

Captain THOMAS F. THOMPSON, 0353594, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 26 March 1945 to 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Captain JACOB R. TROMAN, 01172698, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 January 1945 to 27 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant VALENT E. ANDERSON, 01306528, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 near BREVIN, France. Entered military service from Minnesota.

First Lieutenant EARL R. CLIVE, 0391350, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 March 1945 near NIEDER, Germany. Although aware of the fact that the bridge across the Rhine River was subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire and strafing, Lieutenant CLIVE, a company commander, disregarding personal safety, unhesitatingly made a reconnaissance of a route leading to it and remained at the bridge until his unit was safely across. Despite continued enemy barrages he forged ahead in order to locate suitable weapon positions, thereby providing invaluable support to the advancing line forces and was largely responsible for repelling an enemy counterattack. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and his armed forces. Entered military service from Iowa.

First Lieutenant BRYON J. BERSKINE, 01047110, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

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First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) **BLIER H. GRAHAM**, 0843582, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 25 November 1944 to 2 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) **GORDON F. JACOBSEN**, 0135853, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When all elements of the battalion had crossed the Sauer River with the exception of one platoon and part of the attached automatic weapons squad, Lieutenant JACOBSEN, a platoon leader, despite intense enemy fire, searched along the bank of the river until he found an undamaged boat with sufficient paddles to propel it. Disregarding personal safety, he returned and reorganized his men, then guided them to the boat and successfully completed the crossing. His display of courage, calmness under fire and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Wyoming.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) **LEE R. JAMISON**, 0136227, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 to 12 November 1944 near VITRY, France. Entered military service from Colorado.

First Lieutenant **WILIE J. LEINBACH**, 01180581, Field Artillery, 10th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 18 to 20 November 1944 near LETA, France. Entered military service from Louisiana.

First Lieutenant **GEORGE MEYER**, 01187120, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 12 January 1945 to 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

First Lieutenant **LOUIS L. MORRIS**, 0409514, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Regiment and Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 August 1944 in the vicinity of BOUVAI, France. When leading his platoon encountered a large force of enemy storm troopers, preparations for a frontal attack were established and Lieutenant MORRIS, an executive officer, unhesitatingly maneuvered to a forward position to cover the exposed flank of the attacking platoon. When the enemy attempted a counterattack through his position, Lieutenant MORRIS, with utter disregard for personal safety, fearlessly engaged the enemy in a fire fight, inflicting numerous casualties on the attacking enemy and forced the remaining force to withdraw. His spirit and courageous action was highly instrumental in the platoon's attainment of its mission and reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant **THOMAS P. NEAL**, 01315832, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 12 to 31 December 1944 in France. Entered military service from Michigan.

First Lieutenant **HOWARD R. OLSEN**, 01185924, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 30 April 1945 to 3 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from California.

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First Lieutenant ROBERT M. WEBB, 01172707, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 August 1944 in the vicinity of STAMPES, France. Lieutenant WEBB, a forward observer, while exposed to heavy fire from enemy 20mm and 88mm weapons, went forward to the crest of a ridge where it was necessary to further expose himself in order to better observe the enemy. From this position he adjusted artillery fire on the enemy weapons until he was wounded by enemy fire. His heroism and disregard for personal safety reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kansas.

Second Lieutenant ALFRED B. GUERNSEY, 01056389, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945 near GROSS GERAU, Germany. As the platoon, of which Lieutenant GUERNSEY was platoon leader, crossed an open field before the city, they suddenly encountered a violent hail of fire from enemy positions dug in on a ridge at the edge of the city. Lieutenant GUERNSEY, realizing the excellent targets that his men offered in the open terrain, rallied his men into action and fully exposed himself to enemy fire on the enemy. His bold, courageous action enabled the platoon to advance, overrun the position and capture a number of prisoners. Entered military service from New York.

Second Lieutenant LARRY V. HOFFMAN, 0549140, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 6 to 21 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Second Lieutenant ALVYS DRAFFT, 2214, OSS Detachment, French Army, attached Headquarters 5th Infantry Division. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 October 1944 to 1 June 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Paris, France.

Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant) JOSE H. P. MURPHY, 02915610, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 January 1945 in the vicinity of KESCHENBERG, Luxembourg. When enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire was inflicted upon his observation post, Lieutenant MURPHY, a forward observer, demonstrated unswerving devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety by remaining at his post in order to support the infantry with accurate, observed artillery fire. He successfully aided the infantry by adjusting artillery fire on the town of KESCHENBERG, and succeeded on several occasions in obtaining excellent reports, making it possible to bring effective counter-battery fire on the enemy positions. His fearless devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Second Lieutenant JERRY RYKONDET, 802, 11th Detachment, French Army, attached Headquarters 5th Infantry Division. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 October 1944 to 1 June 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Paris, France.

Second Lieutenant LUREN C. STAN, 0534223, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 May 1945 at HORN, Austria. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Second Lieutenant DAVID E. TERRE, 02915645, Infantry, 3d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 6 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Warrant Officer Junior Grade WILLIAM H. SCHWETZER, W2111338, 46th 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 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Master Sergeant CHARLES F. CHAPMAN, 16012816, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 12 February 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Master Sergeant EMORY G. KEENE, 15059012, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, 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 Indiana.

First Sergeant JAMES F. BRANT, 6532588, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 18 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

First Sergeant GEORGE MARKOVICH, 33053393, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 26 December 1944 to 21 January 1945 in Luxembourg. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Sergeant (then Master Sergeant) FRANCIS J. SCHNEIDER, 3614253, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 27 February 1945 to 3 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Technical Sergeant RALPH W. BIDDIE, 36193651, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the periods 24 July 1944 to 3 December 1944 and 12 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Technical Sergeant EMMETT J. GOLDEN, R-465315, Infantry, 5th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technical Sergeant FREDERICK NEPLER, 36148256, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technical Sergeant ELMER J. KOCH, 35046781, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 29 February 1945 to 3 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technical Sergeant JAMES F. INGRAM, 36019798, Field Artillery, 1st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 October 1944 near GORZEL, France. While traveling along a road subjected to constant enemy artillery fire, Ingram hit was scored on a vehicle, fatally wounding both of his companions. Following in

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another vehicle, Sergeant MUDRA, a battalion supply sergeant, quickly observing the plight of his comrades, totally disregarded personal safety and rushed to the aid of the wounded men. Sergeant MUDRA feverishly administered medical treatment in an endeavor to save the lives of his wounded comrades. Although his efforts were in vain, Sergeant MUDRA's unstinting devotion to duty in the face of great danger reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technical Sergeant ELMER PORTER, 15046980, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 September 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technical Sergeant WILLIAM W. SAPP, 6684700, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) THOMAS SHEMATOVICH, 32100900, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 12 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Technical Sergeant JOHN J. SHOEMAKER, 15015311, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technical Sergeant PETER W. BANTULLO, 20251158, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant CHARLES D. MADSON, 33679498, 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 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant (then Corporal) ALFONSO F. BASILONE, 12029469, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 12 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant JOHN H. BLACK, 33664898, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 26 December 1944 to 21 January 1945 in Luxembourg. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Staff Sergeant KENNETH W. FURNS, 12090368, Counter Intelligence Corps, 5th CIC Detachment, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered Military service from New York.

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Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) HORACE W. BUSBEE, 34099973, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 July 1944 and 13 September 1944 near CAUMONT and COIXY, France. On two separate occasions, Sergeant BUSBEE, a platoon runner, volunteered to cross extremely hazardous and exposed terrain to deliver vital messages to the company command post. Continually endangered by the intense artillery and automatic weapons fire, Sergeant BUSBEE successfully accomplished both missions contributing greatly to the achievement of his company's missions. His courageous actions and unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT L. CHALLERS, 15058266, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 January 1945 near LANDSCHEID, Luxembourg. When the advance of his company was pinned down by intense enemy automatic fire in attempting to secure the enemy held town of LANDSCHEID, Sergeant CHALLERS, a platoon sergeant, without thought of personal safety, went forward to observe and direct mortar fire upon the enemy weapon emplacement. Fearlessly remaining in his exposed position and drawing the heavy enemy fire upon himself, Sergeant CHALLERS succeeded in liquidating the enemy strongpoint, thereby allowing our forces to resume their advance and attain their objective. His indomitable courage exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant HARVIN B. CRAFT, 7046353, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the periods 10 July 1944 to 10 September 1944 and 19 February 1945 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant CLINTON C. DURREAD, 6669313, Field Artillery, 1st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive 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 Ohio.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) MARCEL E. EGGLESTON, 3777273, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 November 1944 near MARLEY, France. Sergeant EGGLESTON, a forward scout, led a patrol into the town of MARLEY and to the hangar area of the airport near Fort Saint Privat. His ability to observe enemy movements prevented the patrol from being ambushed and annihilated on several occasions. At the airport area, his ability to observe and report the disposition of enemy troops and weapons aided materially in higher echelon planning of the assault on the area. When the patrol leader was wounded, Sergeant EGGLESTON assumed command of the patrol and led them back to our lines safely with the mission accomplished. Entered military service from Wyoming.

Staff Sergeant MICHAEL MURSTENBERG, 36919385, Infantry, 3d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 7 to 15 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) JACK A. GORDON, 3433716, Infantry, 3d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 January 1945 near DIEHNE, Luxembourg. Moving with difficulty through deep snow, the unit in which Sergeant GORDON was assigned leader, encountered heavy enemy small arms and mortar fire,

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wounding one of the personnel. Observing that unit aidmen were unable to reach the wounded man due to the intensity of the enemy fire, Sergeant GOODRUM, disregarding personal safety and oblivious to the hail of fire about him, crawled to his wounded comrade and removed him to a place of safety. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade) ERNO GRABOWSKI, 36222168, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant (then Corporal) HENRY W. HALBUR, 36230305, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 January 1945 near LANDSCHEID, Luxembourg. When the advance of his company was halted by intense enemy automatic fire, Sergeant HALBUR, an automatic weapons squad leader, realizing their precarious position and without thought of personal safety, deployed his automatic weapon section through the enemy fire to the position of a dwelling. Then bringing accurate and effective fire upon the enemy's emplacements, Sergeant HALBUR silenced their automatic weapons and forced the enemy's withdrawal. His courageous actions contributed materially to the attainment of our forces' objective with a minimum of casualties and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) JOSEPH E. HRIZAL, 36016872, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 March 1945 near RUSSELSHEIM, Germany. While his unit was moving in attack, a heavy enemy artillery barrage set fire to a vehicle. Upon learning that the vehicle was loaded with high explosives and gasoline, Sergeant HRIZAL, an assistant squad leader, abandoned thoughts of personal safety and leaped upon the vehicle and threw off valuable equipment until the explosions and flames prevented his further action. His prompt and daring actions saved irreplaceable property which was of paramount importance in the attack that followed. His indomitable courage reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) CHARLES HUNTER, 36273863, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 near LAVIGNY, France. When heavy enemy artillery, mortar and sniper fire caused numerous casualties among our forces, Sergeant HUNTER, a platoon guide, disregarding personal safety, rushed into the holocaust to administer medical treatment to the wounded. Undaunted by the continued fire, he then maneuvered to a position near a building that sheltered enemy snipers, and with an anti-tank rocket launcher, placed such devastating fire upon it that the entire enemy unit surrendered. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant WILLARD A. KAUFELI, 36225845, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 to 12 October 1944 near LERS, France. While occupying a portion of the perimeter of Briant, Sergeant KAUFELI, a squad leader, unhesitatingly volunteered to travel over a road that was under direct enemy observation and artillery fire in order to take supplies to

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our forces within the fort. Making repeated trips across the exposed terrain for three successive days, Sergeant HAUPPI successfully delivered vital supplies and equipment, thereby aiding immeasurably in the accomplishment of his organizations mission. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) JOSEPH KOSZOWSKI, 33103995, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 February 1945 in the vicinity of BREZEN, Germany. Sergeant KOSZOWSKI, a mortar observer, was attached to an infantry company during the assault crossing of the Sauer River. While leading into the assault boat with his mortar squad, they were subjected to an intense concentration of enemy mortar fire which disorganized the squad. Sergeant KOSZOWSKI then reorganized the men, got them back into the boat and proceeded to the far shore. Despite the intense mortar fire, he took his radio and crawled up a steep slope overlooking the enemy positions and by directing accurate fire, Sergeant KOSZOWSKI forced the enemy to withdraw to a pillbox which riflemen were able to eliminate. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant STANLEY KEEHNG, 3666417, 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 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant PAUL L. KENNEY, 3688306, Field Artillery, 1st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive 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 Ohio.

Staff Sergeant PAUL L. LEM, 36839632, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 February 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant THOMAS C. MC CRYSTAL, 30694727, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 March 1945 near GRAMMERN, Germany. In the face of heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, Sergeant MC CRYSTAL, an automatic weapons section leader, without any tools whatsoever, dismounted and repaired a damaged weapon. He then led his section forward, braving intense small arms and tank fire and when one of his gunners was wounded, he took over the weapon and inflicted such devastating fire that the enemy was forced to withdraw, thus allowing the platoon to attain its objective. His display of heroism, devotion to duty and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from California.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) PAUL R. MC CUEAN, 33427176, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 March 1945 near WITTELSDEN, Germany. During an attack on WITTELSDEN, the automatic weapons platoon in which Sergeant MC CUEAN was squad leader, had the mission of supporting the advance of the rifle troops. As they advanced, they were pinned down and temporarily disorganized by an intense barrage of mortar and small arms fire. Sergeant MC CUEAN, observing that one flank of the rifle company was

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exposed, organized his squad and assumed positions in time to silence an enemy weapon and render valuable supporting fire to the troops entering the town. His aggressiveness and inspiring leadership were an indispensable factor in the success of this operation. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant RICHARD H. MC BRATH, 20616878, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant JONATHAN MADDEN, 6985859, 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 1 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant EDWARD F. MALLISCH, 36227714, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant BOHUSLAV J. NOCEK, 36019146, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 27 December 1944 to 28 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant EARL A. MORRISON, 33845039, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 24 to 25 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. During a six hour enemy counterattack directed at his position, Sergeant MORRISON, a squad leader, held his squad together and conducted a successful defense of his position. Amid the intense small arms and panzer-fought fire, Sergeant MORRISON left his covered position and, despite heavy enemy fire, secured additional ammunition. His actions and leadership reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant SEYMOUR PESKIND, 36019307, 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 9 October 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) JOSEPH A. NICIATO, 37031317, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 27 December 1944 to 30 January 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant CHARLES F. RAYPOLE, 11064123, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 December 1944 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. Upon completion of clearing a small group of houses and establishing an outpost approximately 500 yard beyond forward battalion elements, it was decided to send a patrol into the town of ECHTERNACH. Sergeant RAYPOLE, a squad leader, being one of the first to volunteer, passed through enemy lines, investigated houses at the edge of town and found evidence of an isolated infantry company which was part of the company mission. The patrol returned safely with an enemy prisoner from whom valuable information was received. Sergeant RAYPOLE's display of courage reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

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Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) KELLY B. REED, 15014909, Infantry 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 November 1944 in the vicinity of AUGMY, France. Sergeant REED, a mortar observer, observed four enemy artillery weapons which were inflicting heavy artillery concentration on our troops. Aware of the absence of an artillery observer in the area, Sergeant REED, carrying his radio with him, crawled over six hundred yards of open and shelled terrain to a position where he was able to direct artillery fire upon them. His courageous action and superior fire direction resulted in the neutralization of all the enemy weapons and the elimination of numerous enemy crew members. His intrepid and unstinting devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant THOMAS REICHARDS, 15058923, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 September 1944 near DOMHOT, France. In order to give fire support to hard pressed troops on a bridgehead, Sergeant REICHARDS, a mortar section sergeant, had to place his observation post in an exposed position. Ordering his men to take such cover as was available, he manned the post alone under direct artillery fire, and was instrumental in breaking up the enemy counterattacks. His courage under fire and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant JAY ROBINSON, 56157075, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945 near TREBUR, Germany. Sergeant ROBINSON, and his automatic weapons section with a squad of riflemen, were given the mission of defending the battalion's left flank. While in the course of their mission, word was received that the battalion had been relieved and the unit began to move back to battalion area. While moving back, the unit was unexpectedly attacked by a force of approximately fifty enemy soldiers. Deploying his disorganized and bewildered men, Sergeant ROBINSON cleverly counterattacked, killing a majority of the enemy soldiers and forcing the others into disorderly retreat. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM H. D. ROSSITER, 14000429, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 5 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Florida.

Staff Sergeant NORMAN C. SATTENWHITE, 35182406, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 5 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Virginia.

Staff Sergeant JOHN J. SZARZINSKI, 15064986, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 22 to 23 March 1945 in the vicinity of TREBUR, Germany. After his unit had crossed the Rhine River near TREBUR to establish a vital bridgehead, a counterattack was made by a fanatic enemy force of infantry supported by tanks. Sergeant SZARZINSKI, a radio chief, realized the violence of the enemy assault and immediately joined in the fire fight at close quarters. When he saw an automatic rifleman wounded and overpowered, he manned his automatic rifle and completely exposed himself to enemy artillery and small arms fire to deliver a devastating rate of fire into the ranks of the attacking enemy, which materially aided in breaking up the enemy attack. Entered military service from Maryland.

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Staff Sergeant VIRLUS F. SMITH, 34148058, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM J. STONE, 6668332, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 to 11 September 1944 near ARRY, France. During a series of counterattacks against our positions, Sergeant STONE, a section leader, displayed a high degree of courage and leadership in the defense of our positions. Operating under heavy artillery and small arms fire, Sergeant STONE, without thought of personal safety, efficiently organized and coordinated the fire power of both his own unit and adjacent rifle troops, and was successful in repelling the counterattack, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy. His courageous efforts and inspirational leadership were greatly responsible for the success of our operations and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) ARNOLD W. TANK, 42086078, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 January 1945 near MERSCHID, Luxembourg. While advancing against the enemy, the company in which Sergeant TANK was a rifleman, encountered a heavy barrage of enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. As Sergeant TANK took cover, he perceived a wounded casualty approximately fifty yards away. Leaving his place of cover and advancing through the heavy fire to the wounded man, he brought him back to a place of cover and administered medical treatment, thereby saving the life of the wounded man. His actions are in accordance with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant DONALD L. VAN FOSSON, 37135703, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Missouri.

Staff Sergeant ANDREW VAVREK, 36119379, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 February 1945 near TREPENACK, Luxembourg. After his automatic weapons section and two rifle squads became pinned down by intense enemy fire, Sergeant VAVREK, a section leader, assumed command and organized the unit. For two days the unit was imperilled by heavy enemy fire and lack of water and supplies, but under the leadership of Sergeant VAVREK, the small unit was able to successfully defend its position. His leadership and calmness under fire was an inspiration to the men of the unit and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) DAVID H. VERRIER, 31061142, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 March 1945 near GROSS BERAU, Germany. While his mortar section was digging positions along the western approach to the city of GROSS BERAU, Sergeant VERRIER, a squad leader, observed noises in a house near his position. Moving forward to investigate, he encountered heavy small arms fire emanating from the basement of the house. Disregarding personal safety, Sergeant VERRIER rushed toward the house and, finding an entrance to the basement, fired his weapon into the enemy strongpoint and captured four of the enemy as they were routed. His heroic and daring action eliminated the threat to his comrades and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

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Staff Sergeant GILBERT WILSON, 15046790, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 September 1944 near CORNY, France. As leader of a volunteer patrol whose mission was to bring back vitally needed information, Sergeant WILSON led his men through an area under enemy observation, succeeded in bypassing an outpost and infiltrating their lines before being fired upon. Although wounded by subsequent fire, he covered the deployment of his men with small arms fire and directed them in repelling the enemy. Heading his patrol back to the company without further mishap, he was able to give important information necessary to subsequent operations of his unit. His courageous actions reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) CYCIL WRIGHT, 35359090, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 November 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. At night while laying a wire line from the mortar positions to his observation post, Sergeant WRIGHT, a mortar observer, came under enemy sniper fire. Realizing that the wire laying had been observed, he, together with another observer, decided to attempt to eliminate the snipers. Working their way across a road, they encountered a series of enemy foxholes and communications trenches. Crawling as close as possible to the positions, they heard movement in the connecting trench and to insure their success, crawled still closer and then throwing grenades, moved in on the trench and captured two wounded prisoners. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Third Grade (then Technician Fourth Grade) LEONARD W. KASLINDER, 35516540, Infantry, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 August 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) ARNOLD V. BISHOP, 36418030, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 December 1944 near FRAULAUTERN, Germany. While engaged in room to room fighting with the enemy, Sergeant BISHOP, an automatic rifleman, found himself separated from his unit by intense automatic and small arms fire. Carrying a wounded soldier to another room and although other members of his unit left for safer positions, Sergeant BISHOP remained with the wounded man to administer medical treatment. At night, he stealthily left his shelter and directed a litter team to the wounded soldier, thereby saving his life. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant EARL R. CLAYBORNE, 34721936, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 August 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Sergeant ROBERT H. CROSBIE, 51269610, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 October 1944 near METZ, France. Sergeant CROSBIE, an intelligence non-commissioned officer, volunteered to be a member of a three man patrol to locate an enemy patrol attempting to infiltrate the flank of his unit. Disregarding enemy artillery fire and potential numerical superiority, he ran forward aggressively and after a short time, a member of the patrol was located. Sergeant CROSBIE rushed the enemy soldier and

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after a short struggle, captured him without firing a shot. As a result of his bold action, an enemy officer was taken prisoner and valuable information on enemy troop disposition was obtained, reflecting great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) ROBERT E. DOROUGH, 34703192, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 January 1945 near HOSCHEID, Luxembourg. As the only radio operator in the area, Sergeant DOROUGH was called upon to maintain all communications with higher headquarters. Despite intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, he frequently went to forward assault elements to deliver vital instructions. He relayed calls for artillery fire and by his skill in transmitting information, the fire was delivered with maximum effect and minimum delay. His bravery, efficiency and untiring efforts contributed greatly to the success of the company's mission and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Alabama.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) THEODORE R. EDDY, 35603239, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945 in the vicinity of LANDELSHEID, Germany. Sergeant EDDY was a gunner of an automatic weapons platoon whose mission was to reconnoiter the town of LANDELSHEID. As the platoon approached the town, they encountered heavy enemy fire. The platoon immediately took cover, but Sergeant EDDY, with total disregard for personal safety, remained in his exposed position and returned fire upon the enemy. Silencing at least one enemy weapon, he enabled the other squads to secure positions and engage the enemy which undoubtedly saved the platoon from suffering heavy casualties. His indomitable courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) LEONARD J. EMERICK, 42144317, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 March 1945 in the vicinity of SCHAFHEIN, Germany. While acting as a motorized advance guard, the automatic weapons platoon in which Sergeant EMERICK was a messenger, encountered heavy small arms and mortar fire as they approached their objective. In the face of this devastating fire, the platoon took cover but Sergeant EMERICK, realizing that destruction of the vehicles and weapons mounted on them was imminent, voluntarily dashed to one of the vehicles and braving the hail of enemy fire, drove it to safety which subsequently enabled the unit to continue their mission. His courageous actions and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant OMER B. EMMEN, 6985597, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 6 July 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant JACK D. FINLEY, 13010203, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 January 1945 to 15 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant JOHN P. GRIES, 36035305, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 17 February 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Sergeant SQUIRE HALL, 35879830, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 March 1945 in ERDORF, Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant WALTER KULEBOKEON, R-1226471, Infantry, 5th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 October 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant EDWARD E. MAI, 36404177, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 12 September 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant ORREN S. ORNDORF, 33114042, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant KENNETH D. SANBORN, 36109905, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 25 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) JOHN E. SNYDER, 35088289, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945 in the vicinity of HANDELSHEID, Germany. Sergeant SNYDER was a gunner of an automatic weapons platoon whose mission was to reconnoiter the town of HANDELSHEID. As the platoon approached the outskirts of the town, they encountered intense enemy fire. The leading elements were pinned down and Sergeant SNYDER was given a message to take to the rear of the column. Braving the heavy barrage, he delivered the message and voluntarily returned to the forward group. A second message was necessary and again Sergeant SNYDER made the hazardous round trip and only after the last man had left the area, did he leave and this time, carrying a badly wounded comrade. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant FRANK R. SUSTERSICH, 33118500, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant LLOYD M. WILKINSON, 15046443, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 6 July 1944 to 15 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN J. BIES, 36009182, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 24 December 1944 to 5 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Corporal) LEO A. FLISBICK, 36154563, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army.

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For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 7 to 8 February 1945 in the vicinity of ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. During the crossing of the Sauer River by the Infantry, Technician BLISSICK was in charge of a shelling report team. Disregarding personal safety, he went into exposed positions and continually sent in shelling reports on the enemy concentrations. His devotion to duty under extremely hazardous conditions, with complete disregard for personal safety, reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN W. BRANTON, 38071294, Field Artiller, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 February 1945 near BEFFINGEN, Germany. When it was imperative that a field artillery survey be completed in a forward area to be later occupied by his Battalion, Sergeant BRANTON, a survey technician, led his men through two heavy nebelwerfer barrages and by his sterling examples of courage and calmness, inspired his section to continue their essential and exposed tasks without hesitation. Sergeant BRANTON efficiently supervised the evacuation of a wounded member of his section and personally undertook the work that was most subjected to enemy fire. The untless courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant BRANTON are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Texas.

Technician Fourth Grade WALTER T. BRAZELL, 36226199, Finance Department, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fourth Grade CECIL G. BURNETT, 36103418, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade WILLIAM I. BURRELL, 36120270, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 29 July 1944 in the vicinity of NOFFETT, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade FRANK W. D'ALESSANDRO, 32330531, Infantry Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 24 July 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fourth Grade ARCADIO G. DEVERA, 36024274, 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 5 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) CHARLES F. GEORGE, 34606918, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 12 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade) HARRY GOLDFARB, 17108361, Infantry, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 1 June 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota.

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Technician Fourth Grade PAUL J. HAISLIP, 20927322, Field Artiller 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Idaho.

Technician Fourth Grade WILLIAM E. HERMAN, 36015273, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade FRED B. BELLOGG, 35002415, Field Artiller 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 1 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade JAMES M. KNEESKERN, 57046592, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 March 1945 in Germany. Assigned to maintain vital communications during the initial crossing of the Rhine River, Technician KNEESKERN, a radio operator, set up his station on exposed ground at the crossing site. Withstanding intense artillery shrapnel, air strafings and bombings, Technician KNEESKERN continuously remained at his post without rest for 14 hours, thereby sustaining the channels for vital information. His fearless and determined actions contributed materially in the reorganization of forward units and the successes that followed. His indomitable courage and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Iowa.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) STANLEY E. LEWIS, 33113577, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade EDWARD MEYERS, 36227560, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade ENRIQUE OLIVEDA, 6674391, Infantry, 5th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 October 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade EMERY H. FENDERGRASS, 34088719, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Georgia.

Technician Fourth Grade GLEN E. RICE, 15059660, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 April 1945 to 1 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fourth Grade FRANK A. RUSCIC, 30316183, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 March 1945 near GERNHIL, Germany. As our forces approached GERNHIL, they

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encountered a sudden barrage of enemy artillery and small arms fire. Observing that many casualties resulted, Technician RUSCIO, a radio operator, disregarding personal safety, refused to seek shelter and remained within the holocaust, transmitting the situation and the urgent need for medical attention. As a result of his prompt and efficient efforts, counter-measures were taken to clear the town and the wounded were evacuated. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade RUSSELL J. SCHRADER, 36075338, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade FRANCIS A. TATAR, 6654734, Infantry, 5th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 October 1943 to 30 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Corporal BOYD C. ARMSTRONG, 35653383, 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 vital wire communications were needed between the artillery and infantry battalions, Corporal ARMSTRONG, a wireman, succeeded in establishing them across an unbridged swift river which was under intense enemy automatic, small arms and artillery fire. His heroic actions made it possible for the liaison officers to bring down vitally needed fire on the enemy position, saving many casualties among our own troops. His courage and devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Corporal EARL J. CHENEY, 37065753, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 March 1945 near GEMSHETH, Germany. As gunner in an automatic weapon section during the assault crossing of the Rhine River, Corporal CHENEY was among those pinned down by violent enemy automatic and small arms fire. Without hesitation and despite the violent fire, he crawled seventy-five yards over open terrain and set his weapon up in full view of the enemy. Disregarding personal safety, he opened devastating fire on the enemy unit which lessened the effect of their fire. His courageous action enabled rifle troops to continue their advance and accomplish their mission. His heroic determination reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Corporal JOSEPH F. CLARK, 56105036, 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 1 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal ALBERT V. BOXER, 36025725, 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 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal LYNN E. GEHLICH, 36206518, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 October 1944 near METZ, France. When enemy artillery fire of unprecedented severity caused numerous casualties within his unit, Corporal GEHLICH, a heavy vehicle driver, abandoning thoughts of personal safety, left the

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protection of his foxhole and crawled to a wounded man and administered medical treatment. Despite a continued barrage, he fearlessly maneuvered across seventy-five yards of perilous terrain carrying the injured soldier and brought him safely to an aid station, thereby saving his life. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Corporal RICHARD J. HARTMAN, 36025193, 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 1 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal LEWIS R. HOTT, 36052003, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal JAMES O. LEHON, 36104430, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 25 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal FRANCIS J. MC CLUSKEY, 16073284, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal JOHN M. MOUSEL, 36005849, 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 1 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal ROBERT E. MUNRO, 31364422, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945 in the vicinity of BRFELDEN, Germany. While attempting to enter the town through enemy sniper and automatic weapons fire, Corporal MUNRO, a lead scout, worked his way along a small ditch to a position where he inflicted a base fire with his weapon, permitting the squad to advance and enter the town. While his squad was moving forward, continuous enemy fire was resumed, causing great difficulty for Corporal MUNRO to continue his fire. His extreme bravery and patience in covering the squad reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Corporal ALEXANDER A. PORTER JR., 32919928, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 October 1944 near METE, France. When enemy artillery fire of unprecedented severity caused numerous casualties within his unit, Corporal PORTER, an assistant squad leader, abandoning thoughts of personal safety, left the protection of his foxhole and crawled to a wounded man and administered medical treatment. Despite a continued barrage, he fearlessly maneuvered across seventy-five yards of perilous terrain carrying the injured soldier and brought him safely to an aid station, thereby saving his life. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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Corporal WILEUR L. RUHNO, 36108760, 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 1 February 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal FERRY W. SMITH, 39181000, Corps of Military Police, MP Platoon, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 3 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Washington.

Corporal GEORGE H. SHIES, 36347612, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 25 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal JOSEPH WIEDER, 32815793, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 25 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Corporal EUGENE R. WICHA, 36233518, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 25 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM D. ANDERSON, 36131027, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 August 1944 near CORNF, France. Traveling well in advance of his organization, Technician ANDERSON, a radio operator, encountered an intense barrage of enemy artillery. With utter disregard for personal safety, he remained in the dangerous area and despite the bursting shells about him, relayed warning messages to the forces that followed. The promptness and pertinacity of Technician ANDERSON was largely responsible for saving many lives. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade ROY E. WISLINGER, 36127813, 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 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade CHRIS L. WARRER, 1501570, 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 3 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade JOSEPH T. BLETSZES, 36051978, 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 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT L. BOWERS, 36547785, 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 3 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.



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Technician Fifth Grade JOSEPH F. BRELSFORD, 33597459, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade CHARLES A. CERNIK, 36206138, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 November 1944 near CHEMINOT, France. When the establishment of a radio station became imperative during the attack on CHEMINOT, Technician CERNIK, a radio operator, when confronted with an enemy minefield over two hundred yards in length, disregarded personal safety and maneuvered through the dangerous terrain and set up his equipment. Oblivious to the hail of fire about him, he remained in his exposed position, relaying vital messages between forward troops and the regimental commander, thereby being largely responsible for the accomplishment of his organization's mission. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade GUSTAF R. DAHLSTROM, 17143415, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 January 1945 near ENGELDORF, Luxembourg. When a sketch of the Saar River became vital in planning for his unit's attack, Technician DAHLSTROM, a topographical draftsman, unhesitatingly volunteered to approach the river although aware of the strong enemy positions in the vicinity. Advancing beyond the front lines despite heavy enemy fire, he reached his destination and completed the sketch which rendered invaluable assistance to the Regimental Staff in the preparation for the attack. His skill and marked ability was largely responsible for the accomplishment of his organization's mission. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from North Dakota.

Technician Fifth Grade DONALD R. DAVIS, 35000420, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade CARL DIAMOND, 36014644, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 March 1945 near OBERKAIL, Germany. As our forces approached OBERKAIL, they encountered a sudden barrage of enemy artillery and small arms fire. Observing that many casualties resulted, Technician DIAMOND, a radio operator, disregarding personal safety, refused to seek shelter and remained within the holocaust, transmitting the situation and the urgent need for medical attention. As a result of his prompt and efficient efforts, counter-measures were taken to clear the town and the wounded were evacuated. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade LEONARD DEVINE, 36107013, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Technician Fifth Grade FRANKLIN L. GOODALL, 36052035, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT K. KEYS, 34288453, 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 18 August 1944 in the vicinity of CHARTRES, France. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Technician Fifth Grade MIKE KROSKY, 35009916, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944 near SAARLAUTERN, Germany. When an enemy artillery barrage of unprecedented severity caused the men of his unit to seek shelter and despite the fact that his helmet had been pierced by flying shrapnel, Technician KROSKY, a radio operator, maintained constant radio communications and cleared vital messages to regimental headquarters, thereby aiding immeasurably in the accomplishment of the mission. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade JOSEPH MC GOVERN, 34172465, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Technician Fifth Grade STEVE MATIEVICH, 16012888, Field Artillery 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 11 January 1945 to 6 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade CHARLES E. BELTON, 34084176, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Georgia.

Technician Fifth Grade LEONARD A. REIFKE, 36347610, 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 19 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM G. RUFF, 36347009, 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 12 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade JESSE W. SMATT, 35585348, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 6 July 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technician Fifth Grade LOUIS C. SOHNENSHAIN, 16030673, 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 30 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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Technician Fifth Grade JOHN STRIEGL, 36036951, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 November 1944 in LOUVIGNY, France. Although heavy enemy shelling caused his men to seek shelter, Technician STRIEGL, a radio operator, boldly and defiantly walked into an exposed position and set up a radio on the main street of LOUVIGNY. Despite the fact that shells burst continuously about him, he maintained his post tenaciously and transmitted vital messages to regimental headquarters, thereby aiding immeasurably in the accomplishment of the mission. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade LLOYD H. SUTHERLIN, 15330983, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade JUGEY V. TUCKER, 35141345, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 to 25 September 1944 in the vicinity of FURNY LA CHETIVE, France. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT E. WENNINGER, 35402570, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 October 1944 near CORZE, France. While traveling along a road subjected to constant enemy artillery fire, a direct hit was scored on a vehicle, fatally wounding both of its occupants. Following in another vehicle, Technician WENNINGER, a radio operator, quickly observing the plight of his comrades, totally disregarded personal safety and rushed to the aid of the wounded men. Technician WENNINGER feverishly administered medical treatment in an endeavor to save the lives of his wounded comrades. Although his efforts were in vain, Technician WENNINGER's unstinting devotion to duty in the face of great danger reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade REUBEN F. WILKINS, 36101878, 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 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade FRANK E. WILLIAMS, 36018341, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT C. WINGER, 35039808, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 2 March 1945 to 1 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade FREDERICK L. YODER, 36019712, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Private First Class JAMES A. ALMOND, 34774535, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class CARMELLO M. ARRIA, 31353173, 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. Private ARRIA, a member of a patrol, was assigned the mission of patrolling along the Moselle River, guarding against enemy patrol action and possible counterattack. During such a patrol, the enemy launched a barrage of artillery and mortar fire, wounding several men including Private ARRIA. Braving the intense fire and despite his own wound, Private ARRIA, crawling to his wounded comrades, administered medical treatment and succeeded in evacuating them to an aid station. His calmness under fire and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class MURPHY BALLINGER, 35462874, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 May 1945 near WALLEIN, Czechoslovakia. Although peace rumors were prevalent, there was no assurance that an enemy force ensconced in a heavily wooded area had received orders to cease firing. Despite the vagueness of the situation and expecting to be fired upon momentarily, Private BALLINGER, a litter bearer, disregarding personal safety, advanced to the edge of the enemy strongpoint in search of reported casualties. Although he found only one soldier mortally wounded and another unable to move because of enemy fire, his willingness to face danger was exemplary. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class MALCOLM J. BOYER, 36076563, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 January 1945 to 18 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class CHARLES M. BREZICKI, 31022211, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private First Class (then Private) LEWIS C. BUTLER, 42098081, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. As our forward elements advanced toward enemy positions near the Sauer River, enemy automatic weapons fire forced the units to deploy. Private BUTLER, an anti-tank rocket launcher gunner, exposed himself to the intense enemy fire and direct observation, and oblivious to the enemy fire, took careful aim and fired a well placed round into the midst of the enemy automatic weapons position. He was successful in silencing the weapons, killing two of the enemy and taking one prisoner. His display of courage and calmness under fire enabled our forward elements to advance and capture its objective with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from New York.

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Private First Class J. C. CALLAHAN, 34099778, 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 an enemy automatic weapons emplacement had pinned down an attacking rifle platoon making further advance impossible without suffering casualties, they radioed for mortar support to eliminate the enemy pocket. Private CALLAHAN, a mortar squad leader, led his men into positions through the only available route, which exposed them to the harassing fire from the same strongpoint which was his mission to destroy. By his careful selection of positions and direction of accurate and effective fire, Private CALLAHAN was highly instrumental in successfully annihilating the enemy position which enabled the platoon to resume its advance. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private First Class MICHAEL A. CAPIZZI, 32762789, 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 7 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class PAUL J. CHILDRESS, 38450995, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Private First Class WOODROW M. CURRY, 38115173, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 May 1945 near WALLERN, Czechoslovakia. Although peace rumors were prevalent, there was no assurance that an enemy force ensconced in a heavily wooded area had received orders to cease firing. Despite the vagueness of the situation and expecting to be fired upon momentarily, Private CURRY, a litter bearer, disregarding personal safety, advanced to the edge of the enemy strongpoint in search of reported casualties. Although he found only one soldier mortally wounded and another unable to move because of enemy fire, his willingness to face danger was exemplary. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class DEWEY DABNEY, 34729596, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class JEWELL O. DAVIS, 38565200, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 January 1945 to 15 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class (then Private) WALTER DACHANIAK, 32854369, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 March 1945 in the vicinity of BITBURG, Germany. During the advance on the city of BITBURG, our elements were forced to secure positions on the edge of town where they encountered extremely heavy artillery and mortar fire. Private DACHANIAK, an automatic weapons gunner, volunteered to go forward to the rifle platoon and obtain the attack order for the following day. Oblivious to the danger of shrapnel and small arms fire, he succeeded in obtaining the march order and returning safely to his section. His outstanding display

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of courage, calmness under fire and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class (then Private) JAMES W. DIAL, 34986336, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 January 1945 in the vicinity of PUTSCHEID, Luxembourg. When ammunition was urgently needed by his automatic weapons section in an attack against strong enemy forces, Private DIAL, an ammunition bearer, went through enemy sniper and direct tank fire to bring it forward. While returning with the ammunition, enemy artillery reached barrage intensity and enemy tanks were inflicting hazardous fire upon the return route. Another ammunition bearer, older in combat, considered it impossible to return, but knowing the urgency of the need, Private DIAL determinedly made the return trip and succeeded in delivering the ammunition to his section and contributed greatly to the eventual success of the operation. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class WILBERT C. DIXON, 34147977, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class EUGENE H. EIDSON, 34134416, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Private First Class DANIEL E. FERREE JR., 33949111, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 December 1944 in the vicinity of SAARLAUTERN, Germany. During the intensity of battle in the fortress city of SAARLAUTERN where every house was a pillbox and every street under heavy small arms, mortar and artillery fire, Private FERREE, an ammunition bearer, with utter disregard for personal safety, delivered ammunition to the company's forward automatic weapons post. Upon arrival, he estimated that more ammunition would be required and voluntarily returned through the same area to secure and deliver another supply. His devotion to duty and courageous action reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class EARL L. FLICKINGER, 33113101, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 February 1945 in the vicinity of FERSCHTELLEP, Germany. While advancing with his squad in an attack, Private FLICKINGER, assumed command of his squad when his Sergeant was wounded. While leading the squad forward, he was caught in an enemy mortar barrage and was severely wounded himself. Refusing to be evacuated, he reorganized his squad and led them in position and succeeded in repelling an enemy counter attack. The courage, intrepid leadership and unstinting devotion to duty displayed by Private FLICKINGER reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class (then Private) BERT H. FRANSEN, 39901433, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 December 1944 near CONSDORF, Luxembourg. While attacking a

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heavily wooded hill, a strong enemy force entrenched thereon concentrated a heavy artillery and mortar barrage on the attackers inflicting many casualties. Observing that the radio operator was wounded, Private FRANDSEN, a rifleman, abandoned thoughts of personal safety, and although exposed to enemy observation and fire, directed communications with higher headquarters for three continuous days without relief, thereby aiding immeasurably in the accomplishment of the mission. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Utah.

Private First Class EDGAR J. GALLANT, 31283989, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When an infantry company was preparing for an assault crossing of the Sauer River, the need of demolitions and small arms ammunition was urgent. Although the route to the company area was under constant enemy shelling, Private GALLANT, a quarter-ton vehicle driver, responded to the call for volunteers and, loading his vehicle and trailer with the needed supplies, started the hazardous mission. In an extremely exposed position while enroute, his vehicle stalled, but hastily making the repairs and refusing to abandon his mission, continued to his destination and completed his task which contributed directly to the success of the subsequent attack. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class WILLIAM R. GESTNER, 33715731, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 December 1944 to 1 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class EDWARD W. GIRARD, 32812103, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 February 1945 near SHANKWEILER, Germany. Although under heavy concentrations of artillery fire, Private GIRARD, as acting corporal gunner, willingly led an automatic weapon and an anti-tank rocket launcher team to cover rifle companies. Crouching his way through the night and impeded by heavy rains, Private GIRARD was discovered by an enemy outpost. Undaunted when enemy small arms fire pommelled the area, he quickly took up the fire fight and annihilated the enemy outpost. With superlative self-assurance he led his men to their destination without a casualty. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class EUGENE G. GOOSTREE, 16002579, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 to 13 February 1945 in the vicinity of ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class ABRAHAM A. GREENBLATT, 36016339, 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 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class LOUIS A. GROSSO, 32181408, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 12 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

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Private First Class **TORKILD C. HANSON**, 36211875, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class **RALPH F. HELLER**, 34705380, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class **ADDISON E. HIBBARD**, 42090844, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 Feb 1945 to 3 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class **FRANCIS B. HIBBS**, 36965385, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 to 13 February 1945 in the vicinity of ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class **PAUL W. HOUGHTELL**, 35545378, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 to 12 October 1944 near METZ, France. While occupying a portion of the fortification of Driant, Private HOUGHTELL, an ammunition bearer, unhesitatingly volunteered to travel over a road that was under direct enemy observation and artillery fire in order to take supplies to our forces within the fort. Making repeated trips across the exposed terrain for three successive days, Private HOUGHTELL successfully delivered vital supplies and equipment, thereby aiding immeasurably in the accomplishment of his organization's mission. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class (then Private) **ROBERT A. HUFF JR.**, 34937686, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 May 1945 in the vicinity of HAIDMUEHLE, Germany. When an outpost was established in a farm house, an enemy patrol succeeded in infiltrating to within forty yards of a supporting automatic weapons section. Immediately after the enemy opened fire, Private HUFF, an automatic weapons gunner, retaliated and continued to adjust such accurate and devastating fire on the enemy force that they were compelled to withdraw to a nearby wooded area. His courageous actions and unstinting devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class (then Private) **JAMES L. KISER SR.**, 34963339, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 January 1945 in the vicinity of PUTSCHEID, Luxembourg. When ammunition was urgently needed by his automatic weapons section in an attack against strong enemy forces, Private KISER, an ammunition bearer, went through enemy sniper and direct tank fire to bring it forward. While returning with the ammunition, enemy artillery reached barrage intensity and enemy tanks were inflicting hazardous fire upon the return route. Another ammunition bearer, older in combat, considered it impossible to return, but knowing the urgency of the need, Private KISER determinedly made the return trip and succeeded in delivering the ammunition to his section and contributed greatly to the eventual success of the operation. Entered military service from North Carolina.



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Private First Class JOSEPH W. KOZAK, 36109269, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 March 1945 near RUSSELSHEIM, Germany. While his unit was moving in attack, a heavy enemy artillery barrage set fire to a vehicle. Upon learning that the vehicle was loaded with high explosives and gasoline, Private KOZAK, an ammunition bearer, abandoned thought of personal safety and leaped upon the vehicle and threw off valuable equipment until the explosions and flames prevented his further action. His prompt and daring actions saved irreplaceable property which was of paramount importance in the attack that followed. His indomitable courage reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class LEO R. LAPRE, 31297643, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 August 1944 near NOGENT, France. After extensive interrogation of civilians, Private LAPRE, a scout and observer, learned of the positions of a large enemy force. In an attempt to inform his unit of their location, he was subjected to intense enemy artillery and mortar fire but undauntedly he crawled through the holocaust under enemy observation and delivered the vital information, thereby preventing regimental headquarters from being ambushed. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class JAMES R. LAUGHTER, 34176594, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 December 1944 to 21 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class LOUIS B. LAUZON, 36107428, Corps of Military Police, MP Platoon, 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class ARTHUR P. LEISS, 37583943, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 December 1944 near BEAUFORT, Luxembourg. Private LEISS, an ammunition bearer, assisted the non-commissioned officer in charge of the squad to traverse more than a half mile of exposed terrain raked by enemy shell fire, to the battalion aid station. Progress was necessarily slow because his comrade was suffering from a fractured leg, but Private LEISS patiently attended his charge. His unselfish solicitude for his comrade's safety and his unflinching courage in the midst of harassing enemy shelling reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class ERNEST E. LENTSCH, 32827597, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 May 1945 near LALLERN, Czechoslovakia. Although peace rumors were prevalent, there was no assurance that an enemy force ensconced in a heavily wooded area had received orders to cease firing. Despite the vagueness of the situation and expecting to be fired upon momentarily, Private LENTSCH, a litter bearer, disregarding personal safety, advanced to the edge of the enemy strongpoint in search of reported casualties. Although he found only one soldier mortally wounded and another unable to move because of enemy fire, his willingness to face danger was exemplary. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from New York.

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Private First Class EDWARD C. LENZ, 36658787, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 May 1945 near KUNZVART, Czechoslovakia. When his forward observation party was ambushed by the enemy, Private LENZ, a driver, volunteered to drive their vehicle out of the danger area. While attempting to remove the vehicle, it was destroyed by enemy automatic weapons fire. He then assumed a position from which he exchanged fire with the enemy until reinforced by tank-destroyers. When one driver was wounded, Private LENZ took over his vehicle which he used to evacuate the wounded men and salvaged equipment. His bravery, calmness and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class VINCENT R. LIBBON, 33708086, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 January 1945 near LIPPERSCHEID, Luxembourg. As the platoon in which Private LIBBON was an automatic weapons gunner was advancing on an enemy position, it encountered heavy enemy small arms fire. The automatic weapons expended their ammunition just as the enemy started to cover the area with artillery and mortar fire. Despite the intense enemy fire and disregarding personal safety, Private LIBBON crawled over open terrain to get ammunition. When he returned with the ammunition, the section was able to drive the enemy from strongly held positions. His courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class (then Private) PAUL V. LOGAN, 15064821, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class ALVINO L. LOPES, 31468879, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 April 1945 near HELLEFELD, Germany. While advancing with his company, Private LOPES, a rifleman, and his squad became separated from the main body of forces due to enemy fire. Without orders, Private LOPES immediately inflicted heavy fire from his automatic weapon on the crews of the enemy weapons. Adjusting fire, he succeeded in silencing one weapon, wounding two members of another and forced the third crew to abandon their position, thereby enabling his company to reorganize and continue its mission. His utter disregard for personal safety and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class ANDERSON T. MC CULLOUGH, 34358020, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the periods 10 July 1944 to 24 September 1944 and 2 January 1945 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class JOHN D. MC DONALD, 34147908, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class ROBERT W. MC KEE, 35632525, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in

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connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 December 1944 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. Upon completion of clearing a small group of houses and establishing an outpost approximately 5000 yards beyond forward battalion elements, it was decided to send a patrol into the town of ECHTERNACH. Private MC KEE, a rifleman, being one of the first to volunteer, passed through enemy lines, investigated houses at the edge of town and found evidence of an isolated infantry company which was part of the company mission. The patrol returned safely with an enemy prisoner from whom valuable information was received. Private MC KEE's display of courage reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class CHARLES R. MC NEIL, 36444798, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 2 January 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class FRANK L. MAC DONALD, 36456580, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 to 12 October 1944 near METZ, France. While occupying a portion of the fortification of Driant, Private MAC DONALD, an ammunition bearer, unhesitatingly volunteered to travel over a road that was under direct enemy observation and artillery fire in order to take supplies to our forces within the fort. Making repeated trips across the exposed terrain for three successive days, Private MAC DONALD successfully delivered vital supplies and equipment, thereby aiding immeasurably in the accomplishment of his organization's mission. His indomitable courage and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class JOHN MARKALCZYK, 33711701, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 August 1944 to 20 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class STEPHAN J. MARTIN, 32916776, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 24 to 26 December 1944 in the vicinity of HALLER, Luxembourg. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class BURNELL H. MATHIS, 36695557, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 December 1944 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. Upon completion of clearing a small group of houses and establishing an outpost approximately 5000 yards beyond forward battalion elements, it was decided to send a patrol into the town of ECHTERNACH. Private MATHIS, a rifleman, being one of the first to volunteer, passed through enemy lines, investigated houses at the edge of town and found evidence of an isolated infantry company which was part of the company mission. The patrol returned safely with an enemy prisoner from whom valuable information was received. Private MATHIS's display of courage reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class (then Private) ANTONIO B. MENDES, 31169196, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945 in the vicinity of BITEURG, Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

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Private First Class CARL E. MELTZ, 36038488, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 20 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class LANE MILLER, 15044439, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 May 1945 near GRAVENBERG, Germany. Private MILLER, a heavy weapons gunner, assisted by another soldier, went forward in advance of their reconnaissance platoon to determine the stability of a bridge. Observing an enemy demolition crew entrenched on the far side of the bridge, Private MILLER and his comrade dashed from their place of concealment and under cover of their own fire, completely surprised the enemy and forced them to withdraw. After skillfully disconnecting the demolition wires, they then inflicted such a devastating and accurate fire on the enemy, that the attempt to retake the bridge was frustrated and the platoon enabled to advance. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class DAVID L. MITCHEM, 35770770, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 April 1945 near ARNSBERG, Germany. While trying to find their company or contact neighboring friendly forces, Private MITCHEM, a rifleman, and two other men encountered two enemy soldiers in a wooded area. Taking them prisoner, Private MITCHEM learned that 84 more were in a position 250 yards away. Private MITCHEM ventured into the camp and the surprised enemy capitulated. The commander requested an American officer so he could surrender formally. Private MITCHEM managed to contact a nearby tank commander who approached with a platoon of tanks and negotiated the surrender. The extreme daring and courage displayed by Private MITCHEM reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class JAMES D. MOMJIAN, 42097952, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 March 1945 near GELNSHEIM, Germany. As ammunition bearer for a heavy automatic weapons section attached to a rifle company for the assault crossing of the Rhine River, Private MOMJIAN completely exposed himself to direct enemy tank and automatic fire and exploding grenades to run and crawl forward fifty yards to deliver ammunition. As a result of his brave action, the automatic weapon crew was able to maintain a devastating rate of fire to force the enemy back and permit the continued advance of rifle troops. His courage and outstanding devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class JOSEPH N. MONACO, 32820744, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 September 1944 near METZ, France. When his platoon lost several non-commissioned officers and became disorganized during a violent counterattack, Private MONACO, an acting assistant squad leader, completely exposed himself to direct enemy fire to assist the platoon leader in restoring order and reorganizing the platoon. When wounded and evacuated to the friendly side of the river, he refused further evacuation and insisted on remaining to assist other men who were more seriously wounded. His courage under fire and heroic devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

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Private First Class KENNETH W. MOORE, 6668232, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 3 February 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class HAROLD K. MURPHY, 36695431, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 22 October 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class THEODORE A. ORENAUE., 37583646, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 January 1945 near HOSCHIED, Germany. When his squad became pinned down by intense enemy automatic, artillery and mortar fire, Private ORENAUER, an automatic weapons gunner, disregarding personal safety, crawled over approximately one hundred yards of open terrain to set up his weapon. He succeeded in silencing two enemy automatic weapons, eliminating two squads and forcing the enemy to retreat. His courage and calmness under fire enabled his squad to escape without casualties and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from South Dakota.

Private First Class WILLIAM PALCHER, 37725040, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 October 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kansas.

Private First Class ROGER PALMER, 6810830, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 December 1944 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. Upon completion of clearing a small group of houses and establishing an outpost approximately 5000 yards beyond forward battalion elements, it was decided to send a patrol into the town of ECHTERNACH. Private PALMER, a rifleman, being one of the first to volunteer, passed through enemy lines, investigated houses at the edge of town and found evidence of an isolated infantry company which was part of the company mission. The patrol returned safely with an enemy prisoner from whom valuable information was received. Private PALMER's display of courage reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class DELBERT A. PARSONS, 15014352, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 March 1945 near ORDORF, Germany. While scouting the wooded area which surrounded his anti-tank weapon position, Private PARSONS, a driver, spotted an enemy automatic weapon position occupied by a crew of six Germans, obviously waiting for his weapon section to congregate and form a better target. Without delay and despite the excellent day-light visibility, Private PARSONS, armed with only a pistol, crawled toward the enemy position and reached a point so close that they were taken by complete surprise and forced to surrender. His initiative and courage reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class ROBERT S. PAYNE, 33822257, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 December 1944 to 30 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Virginia.

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Private First Class FRANCIS POIRIER, 31431928, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 September 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class LESTER U. PURCELL, 36017016, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 August 1944 near ELIMPES, France. When suddenly confronted with heavy enemy artillery fire while on a patrol, Private PURCELL, a scout and observer, tenaciously maintained his position, holding off enemy forces until reinforcements arrived. Observing that our vehicles were in danger of being destroyed by enemy shells, he entered the holocaust and despite grave personal danger, removed the vehicles to safety, thereby saving irreplaceable military property. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class EDWARD J. RAMPAGE, 36018314, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 18 to 19 July 1944 near VIDOUVILLE, France. When a determined enemy counterattack imperiled our forces at VIDOUVILLE, Private RAMPAGE, a bodyguard, with utter disregard for personal safety, volunteered to enter the holocaust in an effort to stem the enemy advance. Oblivious of the hail of fire about him, Private RAMPAGE tenaciously held his ground for 24 hours without food or rest, and aided in repulsing the enemy attack. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and calmness under fire reflects great credit upon himself and is in accord with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class MARIO RENZA, 31446577, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 May 1945 in the vicinity of AIGEN, Austria. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

Private First Class RUSSELL R. RITO, 36911116, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 April 1945 near ARNSBERG, Germany. While trying to find their company or contact neighboring friendly forces, Private RITO, a rifleman, and two other men encountered two enemy soldiers in a wooded area. Taking them prisoner, Private RITO learned that 84 more were in a position 250 yards away. Private RITO ventured into the camp and the surprised enemy capitulated. The commander requested an American officer so he could surrender formally. Private RITO managed to contact a nearby tank commander who approached with a platoon of tanks and negotiated the surrender. The extreme daring and courage displayed by Private RITO reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class LOUIS E. ROBINSON, 39709756, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 February 1945 in the vicinity of ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When the only remaining members of the platoon were organized as a reconnaissance patrol to contact a strong enemy force and bring back information of their disposition, Private ROBINSON, a rifleman, observed and

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realized that the enemy had let the patrol through to trap it. Attempting to withdraw, they encountered heavy automatic weapons fire but despite the great risk, Private ROBINSON fired a rifle grenade and silenced the enemy weapon which enabled the patrol to withdraw in time to warn the rest of the company and bring back desired information. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class THOMAS J. ROBINSON, 31300472, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class MICHAEL W. SAVIE, 53113652, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class HARRY J. SCHULTSKI, 31039780, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 September 1944 near CORNY, France. When the platoon in which Private SCHULTSKI was a cannoneer, moved into CORNY, it had expected to join another battalion, but due to unforeseen circumstances, the contact was not accomplished and the platoon was surrounded by the enemy. During the compulsory withdrawal in the face of intense enemy small arms fire, Private SCHULTSKI remained exposed and maintained a position in water for more than six hours to provide covering fire for his unit. His heroic action was responsible for inflicting numerous casualties on the enemy and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class HAROLD D. SHANNAN, 31456100, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 September 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private First Class CLIFTON L. SHEPHERD, 35659400, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 December 1944 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. Upon completion of clearing a small group of houses and establishing an outpost approximately 5000 yards beyond forward battalion elements, it was decided to send a patrol into the town of ECHTERNACH. Private SHEPHERD, an assistant squad leader, being one of the first to volunteer, passed through enemy lines, investigated houses at the edge of town and found evidence of an isolated infantry company which was part of the company mission. The patrol returned safely with an enemy prisoner from whom valuable information was received. Private SHEPHERD's display of courage reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class HERBERT W. SMITH, 37581475, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota. ✓

Private First Class STEVE SMOLYN, 36035555, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 March 1945 near CROSS GEREAU, Germany. When the platoon to which he was attached was stopped by heavy enemy fire while crossing the open terrain, Private SMOLYN, a member of a rocket launcher team, advanced and opened fire on the automatic weapon with a rocket launcher. As a result of this action, the automatic weapon was destroyed and

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the attack was enabled to resume. His quick thinking and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class CONLEY C. SOLE, 15014908, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945 near GEINSHEIM, Germany. After establishing a bridgehead over the Rhine River, forward elements advanced along a road and were suddenly pinned down by intense enemy fire. Private SOLE, an automatic weapons gunner, observed a wounded man lying forward of his unit in an exposed position. Disregarding personal safety, he crawled over open terrain to the side of the wounded man and despite the violent enemy fire, administered medical treatment and evacuated the man to safety. His outstanding courage and unselfish concern for the welfare of his comrade reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class (then Private) JOHN F. SPIETH, 55931114, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 April 1945 near HELLEFELD, Germany. While advancing with his company Private SPIETH, an automatic rifleman, and his squad became separated from the main body of forces due to enemy fire. Without orders, Private SPIETH immediately inflicted heavy fire from his automatic weapon on the crews of the enemy weapons. Adjusting fire, he succeeded in silencing one weapon, wounding two members of another and forced the third crew to abandon their position, thereby enabling his company to reorganize and continue its mission. His utter disregard for personal safety and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class JOHN E. STACKHOUSE, 37757420, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 March 1945 near GROSS GERAU, Germany. Advancing toward enemy positions, our forward elements were pinned down by a heavy enemy artillery and mortar barrage. Private STACKHOUSE, a rifleman, disregarding personal safety, braved the intense enemy fire and crawled 150 yards over exposed terrain and, securing an advantageous firing position, inflicted such devastating and effective fire on the enemy, that an automatic rifle team was enabled to advance and cover the movements of the forward elements while obtaining their objective. His courageous action and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class CECIL S. STRANGE, 33122684, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 November 1944 in the vicinity of METZ, France. At night while laying a wire line from the mortar positions to his observation post, Private STRANGE, a mortar observer, came under enemy sniper fire. Realizing that the wire laying had been observed, he, together with another observer decided to attempt to eliminate the snipers. Working their way across a road, they encountered a series of enemy foxholes and communications trenches. Crawling as close as possible to the positions, they heard movement in the connecting trench and to insure their success, crawled still closer and then throwing grenades, moved in on the trench and captured two wounded prisoners. Entered military service from Virginia.



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Private First Class ADAM TROUTMAN, 33876970, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945 near CROSS GERAU, Germany. The enemy launched a pre-dawn counterattack employing heavy mortars, rocket weapons, tanks and planes, in addition to small arms. This forced our forward elements to withdraw within 250 yards of our mortar positions. Private TROUTMAN, a member of the mortar section, remained at his position and continued firing over the forward elements and by his effective fire, was instrumental in breaking up the counterattack which, if successful, would have imperiled the position of the entire battalion. His display of courage and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class RUSSELL VAN WHY, 32767550, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 May 1945 in the vicinity of AIGEN, Austria. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class NICHOLAS VOLPE, 31050684, 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 heavy enemy fire caused the displacement of the regimental command post, Private VOLPE, a security guard, upon learning that valuable property had been left behind, unhesitatingly volunteered to recover it. Traveling 3 miles over shell cleaved roads exposed to enemy observation and oblivious to the hail of fire about him, he dauntlessly pursued his course and succeeded in saving the equipment. While in the exposed area and upon discovering a wounded soldier, he evacuated him to safety. His indomitable courage, intrepid actions and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

Private First Class JOSEPH H. WEMPLE, 33772695, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944 near SARRLAUTERN, Germany. When his squad was pinned down by intense enemy automatic, mortar and sniper fire, Private WEMPLE, a rifleman, with utter disregard for personal safety, left his position with the squad and upon locating an enemy sniper, completely exposed himself and eliminated the sniper who was inflicting harassing fire on his unit. His courageous action and unstinting devotion to duty undoubtedly prevented his squad from suffering severe casualties and enabled them to continue the advance and accomplish their mission and reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class WILLIAM H. WATKINS, 34389123, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 24 to 26 December 1944 in the vicinity of KRISFACH, Luxembourg. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class HARRISON E. WELLS, 33667370, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 March 1945 near GROSS GEMU, Germany. While reconnoitering for mortar positions, Private WELLS, a member of a reconnaissance patrol, was fired upon by the enemy from a nearby house. Disregarding personal safety, he dauntlessly advanced and entered the building and began searching for enemy personnel. Finding the enemy soldiers in the cellar, he quickly forced them to surrender and killed one who attempted to escape. By his intrepid and courageous actions, Private WELLS was responsible for capturing fifteen of the enemy and in eliminating their strongpoint, reflecting great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Arkansas.

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Private First Class J. C. WESSON, 38731738, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 April 1945 near ARNSBERG, Germany. While trying to find their company or contact neighboring friendly forces, Private WESSON, a rifleman, and two other men encountered two enemy soldiers in a wooded area. Taking them prisoner, Private WESSON learned that 84 more were in a position 250 yards away. Private WESSON ventured into the camp and the surprised enemy capitulated. The commander requested an American officer so he could surrender formally. Private WESSON managed to contact a nearby tank commander who approached with a platoon of tanks and negotiated the surrender. The extreme daring and courage displayed by Private WESSON reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Private First Class JOHN E. WEST, 34980693, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 April 1945 in the vicinity of SUIERN, Germany. During an approach march to an assembly area near SUIERN, the column was subjected to an enemy artillery barrage which damaged one of the automatic weapons vehicles following the rifle company. Despite the disorganization that followed and the rapid movement of troops to escape the barrage, Private WEST, an automatic weapons gunner, and another man remained behind to remove the ammunition and their weapon which was mounted on the vehicle. Successfully completing their task, they continued the advance with the rest of the troops. Private WEST's unstinting devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Florida.

Private First Class ROBERT WILSON, 34172486, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 July 1944 to 9 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class ROBERT E. WILSON, 35074252, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 April 1945 in the vicinity of SUIERN, Germany. During an approach march to an assembly area near SUIERN, the column was subjected to an enemy artillery barrage which damaged one of the automatic weapons vehicles following the rifle company. Despite the disorganization that followed and the rapid movement of troops to escape the barrage, Private WILSON, an automatic weapons gunner, and another man remained behind to remove the ammunition and their weapon which was mounted on the vehicle. Successfully completing their task, they continued the advance with the rest of the troops. Private WILSON's unstinting devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class CLAIRE L. WINTERS JR., 15014377, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 March 1945 near OBERKAIL, Germany. While on a liaison mission between his platoon and troop headquarters, Private WINTERS, a liaison agent, came into an area that was being heavily shelled by the enemy and where casualties were being inflicted on a marching infantry company. Observing a wounded man lying in an exposed position, Private WINTERS dismounted his vehicle and despite the bursting shells in the immediate area, administered medical treatment to his wounded comrade. Then placing him in the vehicle, he drove through the exposed terrain to an aid station. His actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

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Private First Class CHARLES E. WORKS, 36656418, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 27 to 28 March 1945 in the vicinity of FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class PAUL E. WYRICK, 15064300, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class JOHN YEZZI, 32935899, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 September 1944 near ARRY, France. When the automatic weapons platoon in which Private YEZZI was a gunner reached their objective, their ammunition supply had become dangerously low and would not be sufficient to give adequate support in case of a counterattack. Private YEZZI, voluntarily and without orders, made the extremely dangerous trip to the ammunition depot under constant enemy shelling and returned with sufficient ammunition which enabled his unit to successfully repel the subsequent counterattack. His unselfish devotion to duty and heroic action proved very instrumental in holding our precarious positions and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class TOPI A. ZAKEN, 36586181, 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 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private LOUIS ASARO, 36985175, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 January 1945 in the vicinity of PUTSCHEID, Luxembourg. When ammunition was urgently needed by his automatic weapons section in an attack against strong enemy forces, Private ASARO, an ammunition bearer, went through enemy sniper and direct tank fire to bring it forward. While returning with the ammunition, enemy artillery reached barrage intensity and enemy tanks were inflicting hazardous fire upon the return route. Another ammunition bearer, older in combat, considered it impossible to return, but knowing the urgency of the need, Private ASARO determinedly made the return trip and succeeded in delivering the ammunition to his section and contributed greatly to the eventual success of the operation. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private EDWARD GIFFORD, 36520156, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945 in the vicinity of GEINSHEIM, Germany. As his infantry company and an attached unit were advancing after crossing the Rhine River, they were pinned down by heavy enemy automatic weapons fire. After retaliating with a devastating rate of fire, the ammunition supply became dangerously low. Private GIFFORD, an ammunition bearer, then volunteered to replenish the supply and with utter disregard for personal safety, crawled approximately one hundred yards over open terrain to obtain the needed ammunition which enabled our forces to successfully rout the enemy and accomplish their mission. His dauntless and intrepid actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private (then Private First Class) FARMER HOLLEN, 15056318, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the

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enemy on 11 September 1944 near METZ, France. Private HOLLEN, an assistant gunner, crossed the Moselle River with his unit to join rifle troops, but due to unforeseen circumstances, the rifle troops had not arrived and the platoon was surrounded by enemy troops. Disregarding the violent enemy fire, Private HOLLEN mounted an automatic weapon on one of the vehicles and while fully exposed to the enemy fire, delivered withering fire onto enemy positions. His courageous action enabled the men of his unit to seek cover and organize a withdrawal. His bravery and heroic determination reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private JOHNNIE HUDSON, 34151789, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 September 1944 in the vicinity of CORNY, France. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private WILLIS M. METCALF, 36206312, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 27 February 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private (then Private First Class) PAUL P. RUDNICKI, 36603215, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private ARCHIE C. SHINGLEDECKER, 6985913, Cavalry, 5th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop (Mechanized), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 May 1945 near GRAVENBERG, Germany. Private SHINGLEDECKER, member of a reconnaissance platoon, assisted by another soldier, went forward in advance of their reconnaissance platoon to determine the stability of a bridge. Observing an enemy demolition crew entrenched on the far side of the bridge, Private SHINGLEDECKER and his comrade dashed from their place of concealment and under cover of their own fire, completely surprised the enemy and forced them to withdraw. After skillfully disconnecting the demolition wires, they then inflicted such devastating and accurate fire on the enemy, that the attempt to retake the bridge was frustrated and the platoon enabled to advance. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private ROBERT T. SHUMKE, 35650452, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 February 1945 to 15 March 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private DONALD H. WALDEN, 36245510, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 17 November 1944 to 25 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private ERNEST C. WILLIAMS, 42082062, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 January 1945 in the vicinity of GILSDORF, Luxembourg. When a burning building threatened to explode artillery shells loaded in a number of trucks parked beside the walls, Private WILLIAMS, a driver, drove them all out of danger, knowing that scores of high explosive shells might explode within a few feet of him at any moment. His hazard was

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increased by two concentrations of nobelwerfers which fell in his vicinity during this period. By his heroism and bravery, Private WILLIAMS saved essential stores of ammunition and the lives of his comrades in surrounding buildings. Entered military service from Delaware.

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IV--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL - REVOCATION OF AWARD. So much of Section III General Orders No. 60 (Extract) this Headquarters dated 30 June 1945 as pertains to Private First Class WILLIAM A. HENRICKS, 36653995, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army, is revoked.

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Award, Posthumous, of Bronze Star Medal . . . . .	SECTION I
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1--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 AFMUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq AFMUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant FRANK BARNHART JR, 36103470, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 to 28 January 1945, in Luxembourg. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal BORDY E. WICKENSHIER, 15255555, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 27 March 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Florida.

Private First Class SEYMOUR R. KELLER, 36653710, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 December 1944 to 13 April 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

2--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 AFMUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq AFMUSA, 27 May 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel FRANK V. LACCHETTI JR, 0364991, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 February 1945 to 31 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Major WILLIS DAVIS, 0174742, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 December 1944 to 12 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Major JOHN T. [Name], 024221, Signal Corps, 5th Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 20 February 1945 to 12 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain DAVID SOHML, 0482827, Dental 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 20 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

Captain EUGENE A. DE PALMA, 01715354, Dental Corps, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

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Captain HARRY S. DICK, 01695632, Medical Corps, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Captain ELLIS J. JOHNSON, 0316942, Dental Corps, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 31 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Captain EDWARD C. LOIZELER, 0344449, Medical Corps, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 31 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Captain AVIS L. MILLER, 0487918, Dental Corps, 7th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Captain ERNEST P. SCHLIZ, 0400312, Dental 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 3 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant ROBERT F. BASCH, 01237229, Infantry, 33d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 June 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM L. JOHNSON JR, 01237306, Infantry, 33d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 4 July 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Missouri.

First Lieutenant DONALD E. ALTMER, 01048769, 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 16 January 1945 to 25 March 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Lieutenant ROBERT E. ANDRIS, 0193343, Field Artillery 303d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 19 June 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Washington.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) CHESTER W. JENSEN, 01052237, 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 3 August 1944 to 6 September 1944, in France. Entered military service from Minnesota.

First Lieutenant ALONZO L. LARIBSON, 01048434, 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 26 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

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First Lieutenant HAROLD E. MARLATT, 0433316, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 3 March 1945 to 7 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Louisiana.

First Lieutenant GUSSEVE A. MILLER, 01048912, Coast Artillery Corps, 4th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 27 December 1944 to 22 January 1945, near LUXEMBURG, Luxembourg. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM R. SUTCLIFF, 01322331, Field Artillery, 303d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 January 1945 to 3 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Second Lieutenant THOMAS J. BARRON, 02025349, Counter Intelligence Corps, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 July 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from South Dakota.

Second Lieutenant KITCHEN N. CROW, 01343134, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 February 1945 to 31 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant) ROBERT B. SNIDER, 02015672, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 14 October 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Master Sergeant CHARLES S. LITTLE, 32183569, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 1 August 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

First Sergeant FRANK E. BELLE, 33109010, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 September 1944 to 23 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Sergeant GRADY C. HARTZOG, 20469435, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 8 March 1945 to 1 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

Technical Sergeant GEORGE L. SILLMAN, 32215270, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 September 1944 to 14 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Technical Sergeant JOHN L. BROSEL, 20253741, Field Artillery, 303d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 4 July 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Washington.



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Technical Sergeant EDWARD G. PAULEY, 32294272, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant THEODORE ADAMS, 15374513, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 June 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant CLIFFORD I. BRILLER, 39349113, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 31 December 1944 in Europe. Entered military service from California.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH A. PRAH, 33365300, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 14 October 1944 in France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH R. SILGERS, 31153123, 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 3 August 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Maine.

Staff Sergeant HARRY W. MERRILL, 33230667, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 June 1944 to 7 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Third Grade (then Technician Fourth Grade) EDWARD L. WHELAN, 33025335, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 9 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Third Grade CLYDE R. STUNTLEY JR, 11043062, 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 31 March 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

Sergeant RUSSELL L. ANDERSON, 31085183, 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 25 December 1944 to 23 March 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Sergeant ROBERT W. BARNOCHELL, 15059281, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 23 October 1944, in France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant HERMAN W. BROOKS, 39165344, Field Artillery, 109th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 June 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from California.

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Sergeant ARDY S. JULIK, 33291363, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 25 December 1944 to 30 March 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant LEON W. FREEDMAN, 33625331, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 6 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant ERNEST F. FUESSER JR, 31153381, 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 25 December 1944 to 30 March 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Maine.

Sergeant EDWARD MART IG, 37152775, Field Artillery, 303d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 March 1945, in HEMERICH, Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Sergeant STEPHEN A. KRIVNA, 36593596, Medical Department, 5th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant JOHN G. KACSMALTY, 11096012, 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 16 January 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Sergeant JOSEPH KURPILOSKI, 31199374, 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 29 June 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Sergeant RAND LARSON, 32697298, Counter Intelligence Corps, Headquarters 5th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 September 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant LEO J. LORACHS III, 37153224, Field Artillery, 303d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 4 July 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Sergeant ROBERT LARIBON, 31206335, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 June 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Sergeant DOMINICUS J. SHILLIS, 31085313, 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 12 to 18 November 1944, in France. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

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Sergeant CHARLES R. SHORE, 33371819, 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 31 April 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Maryland.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) GERALD J. VOSS, 32585413, 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 22 October 1944, in France. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant LUGENE A. ZUSMAN, 36176096, Infantry (Infantry), 737th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade MAX APPEL, 35677124, Military Intelligence Service, Interrogation Prisoner of War Team No. 3, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 1 April 1945 in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fourth Grade JAMES B. BARLER, 15053428, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 17 July 1944 to 14 October 1944, in France. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT J. BARTLEMAN, 36214754, Field Artillery, 403d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 4 July 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade WARREN C. BEILER, 33231937, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 14 January 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade BERNARD COOKIN, 31131238, 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 25 December 1944 to 29 March 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

Technician Fourth Grade JERRY G. EBBEN, 38304436, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period from 23 September 1944 to 23 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH J. GILLES, 33425110, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 14 October 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade WILLIAM F. DAI, 20054901, Field Artillery, 403d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 June 1944 to 1 April 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Washington.

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Technician Fourth Grade FRANK S. GERSHONIC, 33351850, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 June 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade WILLIAM L. KISSIK, 5989954, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 31 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fourth Grade INGVE W. LARSON, 32580531, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 31 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fourth Grade LIZA Y. RAIBO, 36101514, Medical Department, 38th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 9 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade WALTER J. STODDARD, 33295430, 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 9 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade ROY C. TIPTON, 7082025, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 14 October 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

Technician Fourth Grade EDWARD E. WINUS, 32202511, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 14 January 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN F. WHITEHILLER, 20956692, Field Artillery, 303d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 June 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Washington.

Corporal CHARLES S. BLOOD JR, 15154247, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 June 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal RALPH E. CLARK, 34302300, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 July 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

Corporal CHARLES L. JONHREY, 31191332, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 June 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Connecticut.

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Corporal (then Private First Class) VINCENT E. DRABIC, 39310777, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 June 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Oregon.

Corporal HEROLD HOLLOMAN, 35613859, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 3 September 1944 to 6 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Corporal ARTHUR L. HUGHSON, 37042434, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 October 1944 to 14 January 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Corporal JOHN JALGAR, 32396823, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 11 August 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Corporal ROBERT C. HALLER, 36347503, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 4 July 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal ROHILL H. HUSCH, 19119962, 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 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from California.

Corporal (then Private First Class) CONRAD E. PETERSON, 32769444, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 October 1944 to 1 March 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Corporal BENJAMIN J. ROLLINO, 32597209, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 September 1944 to 23 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Corporal WILLIAM L. SIMCOE, 33471665, 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 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal ROBERT F. SHERIDY, 31085194, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 June 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Technician-Fifth Grade CLEVELAND S. ALLEN, 31085197, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 31 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

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Technician Fifth Grade OSCAR O. ALDERSON, 38257656, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 14 October 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM J. BACCHOFF, 33919692, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 September 1944 to 23 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade PAUL B. M. MEDICUS, 39138657, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 31 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Washington.

Technician Fifth Grade DUCHE F. BLVILIS, 33023669, Field Artillery, 3090 Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 4 July 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Technician Fifth Grade PAUL J. B. CRLETT, 31207264, 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 23 December 1944 to 21 March 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade COY B. DOBAINS, 35127758, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 September 1944 to 14 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade GEORGE L. RAOH, 35561351, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 September 1944 to 10 March 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade STIMMON W. MARTEL, 31220978, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 June 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Maine.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM E. LYLES JR, 33417762, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 September 1944 to 12 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade JAMES T. MIDDLE JR, 34637639, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 June 1944 to 5 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Technician Fifth Grade PAUL S. LEO DONALD, 35917517, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 September 1944 to 14 October 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.



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Private First Class JOHN A. BULO, 15014550, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 14 August 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class (then Private) RALPH L. BARRELL, 33703394, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 29 January 1945 to 10 April 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class RUSSELL E. BILLIM, 31277057, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 16 September 1944 to 16 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private First Class JAMES E. BR-SHARRS, 13130173, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 September 1944 to 23 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class FREDERICK A. BROWN, 33704070, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 October 1944 to 15 January 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class JESSE P. BLON, 15014702, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 31 December 1944 to 31 March 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class MICHAEL FORFUMMO, 37337436, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 27 July 1944 to 27 October 1944, in France. Entered military service from Colorado.

Private First Class EDWARD J. HARTENBERGER, 34307387, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 14 January 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Alaska.

Private First Class CAROL F. LUIT, 348016, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 July 1944 to 7 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class CLAUDE W. FILLERS, 39503359, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 October 1944 to 1 January 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class JOHN A. JACKSON JR, 33703344, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 September 1944 to 23 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.



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Private First Class VERNON F. SUTTON, 42391949, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 16 August 1944 to 16 November 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class HARRY H. SHOOLSKY, 38847760, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 27 September 1944 to 27 March 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class HARRY J. BRADSHAW, 56654392, Field Artillery, 100th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 17 June 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class WILLIAM C. STEDER, 39548227, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 14 October 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class NOE SOLOMON, 32735348, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 September 1944 to 23 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class LITTLE S. SORRIS, 34790646, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 September 1944 to 23 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class ALEXANDER J. STOFFOROS, 36603201, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 25 November 1944 to 24 February 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class WHELMUTH F. THURNHORN, 37489045, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 January 1945 to 15 April 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class JOHN F. WALL, 34771344, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 2 October 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class PAUL J. VACCHIANO, 32139326, Field Artillery, 100th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 21 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class ALBION WYGIN, 70390717, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 11 July 1944 to 11 October 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Private First Class JOHN W. WHEELER, 15133577, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 September 1944 to 15 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class MARTIN YANKO JR, 33941234, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 December 1944 to 10 March 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private (then Private First Class) WILLIAM T. LOORE, 34232419, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 9 January 1945 to 9 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private MELBOD SMITH, 6935930, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 14 July 1944 to 14 October 1944, in 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 STOUJSA; 20 March 1944, as amended in Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq STOUJSA, 27 May 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named officers, warrant officer and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) JOHN H. ACUFF JR, 0361648, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Lieutenant Colonel WILLIAM H. BRIDGMAN, 017218, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 August 1944 to 8 September 1944, in France. Entered United States Military Academy from United States at large.

Major EDWARD J. BROWN, 0411312, Infantry, 203d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 4 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Washington.

Major CHARLES R. WYLS JR, 0375933, Cavalry, 203d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 4 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Georgia.

Captain ROLAND W. SINCLAIR, 0392346, Infantry, 203d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Washington.

Captain ROBERT E. FORD, 0405472, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 10 September 1944 to 10 December 1944, in Europe. Entered military service from Missouri.

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First Lieutenant FISH SHELPS, 01822104, Cavalry, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 4 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

First Lieutenant HARRY O. HAYLER, 01323142, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 22 to 23 March 1945, in the vicinity of GEINSHEIM, Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

First Lieutenant ROBERT J. HETAS, 01013500, Cavalry, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 21 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant HARRY G. KEMBLER, 01293652, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 25 to 30 September 1944, in the vicinity of ARRY, France. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Second Lieutenant HERMAN R. LELLY, 01173135, Field Artillery, 50th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 13 to 24 February 1945, in the vicinity of SHANKWEI, Germany. Entered military service from California.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade RALPH O. EAST, W2111334, 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 12 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant ARTHUR J. LIS, 32181287, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 12 July 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Sergeant JOHN E. MENTONELLI, 33351688, 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 28 March 1945 to 12 May 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

*Amended by G.O. 8 Jan 46*  
~~Private First Class WILLIAM L. CAMPBELL, 6732043, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 15 October 1944 to 15 January 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from New York.~~

Private First Class LESLEY A. FILLD, 37586337, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 23 August 1944 to 1 April 1945, in Europe. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class HARRY SACHBAZARIAN, 31309439, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive service in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

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BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL BROWN:

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1--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 men:

Second Lieutenant ROBERT R. GRITZFELD, 0538198, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 September 1944 near BOURNOY-LA-CHETIVE, France. When our defenses were weakened by casualties and a renewed enemy counterattack was imminent, Lieutenant GRITZFELD, a platoon leader, voluntarily assisted another officer on a reconnaissance to the probable point of penetration. Observing the infiltration already in progress, Lieutenant GRITZFELD personally engaged the enemy with a shoulder weapon in an effort to delay their advance. Unable to repel the attack, he secured another position to inflict flanking fire on the enemy and although this position was surrounded and his attempts to force the enemy to surrender were futile, Lieutenant GRITZFELD remained to inflict devastating fire on the enemy until mortally wounded. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) WILLIAM R. DANIELS, 15924710 Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 10 to 17 September 1944 near ARBY, France. When counterattacking enemy tanks knocked out an automatic weapons squad by firing directly into its position, Sergeant DANIELS, an automatic weapons gunner, observing the desperate situation of the wounded members and the importance of manning the position, ran through intense fire to the hazardous position and manned the weapon himself. After delaying the enemy and being ordered to withdraw, he carried a wounded soldier to safety and then repeatedly crossed artillery concentration areas to carry ammunition for his company. Wounded during this act he refused evacuation and with great devotion to duty, continued his efforts in behalf of comrades. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant DOYLE W. FRYSENGER, 15100750, Infantry, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 March 1945 near TRUNNE, Germany. Having passed a force of infantry and tanks, the enemy succeeded in penetrating our lines, seriously threatening Sergeant FRYSENGER's unit. As a tank approached to within 20 yards of his unit, Sergeant FRYSENGER, a squad leader, abandoned thoughts of personal safety and led an anti-tank rocket launcher team to a position where it could fire effectively upon the tank. Although exposed to observation, he was undaunted and remained in his exposed position until mortally wounded. His indomitable courage, intrepid leadership and calmness under fire reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the armed force. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant HARRIS O. SMITH, 36784176, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 December 1944 near BOCHERWACH, Luxembourg. Before casualties could be evacuated from a wooded area, night permitted the enemy to infiltrate and

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endanger a litter team and a patrol, hindering their efforts to reach the wounded men. Sergeant SMITH, a platoon member, then volunteered to attempt a rescue of the wounded soldiers. Leading a small party, he reached the casualties despite the enemy attempt to stop him. He then helped to carry one of the wounded and led the way back to safety. Sergeant SMITH's gallant action saved the wounded soldiers from freezing or further injury. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class EUGENE F. BOYLE, 36084162, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 February 1945 near BRITZEL, Germany. When the leading squad of an assault company was delayed due to intense enemy automatic weapon fire, Private BOYLE, an automatic rifleman, volunteered to go forward and silence the enemy emplacement. Braving the intense enemy fire, he crawled to within fifty yards of the enemy position and, disregarding personal safety, opened fire and succeeded in silencing the enemy position. Private BOYLE was mortally wounded by sniper fire on his return to his squad. His dauntless action, bravery and unswerving devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

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 officer:

First Lieutenant STANISLAW J. KRUSZEWSKI, 01170041, Field Artillery 203d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 27 March 1945 near SACHSEHAUSEN, Germany. When it became necessary to take a shell report and select gun positions in a bridge-site area during bridgehead operations across the Main River, Lieutenant KRUSZEWSKI, a company commander, disregarding personal safety, entered the impact area to obtain the vital report. While registering the necessary information from a building which was under heavy enemy artillery fire, another officer occupying the same observation post was wounded. Lieutenant KRUSZEWSKI remained to complete his shelling report and then evacuated his fellow officer to a place of safety. His unstinting devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

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 men:

Sergeant HERBERT BERMAN, 35160171, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 May 1945 in the vicinity of BRITZEL, Austria. While directing the withdrawal of his reconnaissance patrol after being pushed by enemy infantry and tanks, Sergeant BERMAN, an assistant squad leader, continued to engage the enemy and cover the movements of his men. While returning devastating fire on the enemy, Sergeant BERMAN was mortally wounded by direct fire from an enemy tank. His courageous and gallant actions and intrepid leadership contributed immeasurably to the successful withdrawal of his men with a minimum of casualties and was instrumental in repelling an enemy counterattack against the battalion positions, reflecting great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class CLAYTON I. WHITE, 36500105, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 May 1945 in the vicinity of BRITZEL, Austria. While directing the withdrawal of his reconnaissance patrol after being pushed by enemy infantry and tanks, Private WHITE, an assistant squad leader, continued to

engage the enemy and cover the movements of his men. While returning devastating fire on the enemy, Private WHITE was mortally wounded by direct fire from an enemy tank. His courageous and gallant actions and intrepid leadership contributed immeasurably to the successful withdrawal of his men with a minimum of casualties and was instrumental in repelling an enemy counterattack against the battalion positions, reflecting great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

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 enlisted men:

Sergeant DONALD B. CHRISTENSEN, 39120759, Field Artillery, 833d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 December 1944 near CONSDORE, Luxembourg. Sergeant CHRISTENSEN, a tank destroyer commander, disregarding personal safety, repelled many enemy attacks and inflicted many casualties. Upon locating a covered draw which the enemy was using to launch a counterattack, without orders from superiors, Sergeant CHRISTENSEN moved his destroyer into position and fired upon the enemy, preventing another attack. Every attack the enemy attempted was repelled and his position was maintained until reinforcements arrived from friendly infantry and additional tank destroyers. His heroic actions are in accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

Sergeant DANTE L. NASCIADRELLI, 31210911, 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 25 February 1945 at BERTINOW, Germany. A foot reconnaissance party was subjected to intense machine gunner and artillery fire when Sergeant NASCIADRELLI, a chief of section, observed a driver who had been severely wounded. Leaving his place of protection, Sergeant NASCIADRELLI and another man proceeded three hundred yards to render imperative medical treatment. Although still exposed to the intense enemy artillery fire, Sergeant NASCIADRELLI and the other man carried the wounded soldier to a vehicle and evacuated him. His heroic actions, calmness under fire and unwavering devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) FRANKLIN F. FARO, 32737082, Field Artillery, 803rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 October 1944 in the vicinity of WISELTI, Germany. Technician FARO, a tank destroyer driver, and another crew member were on the alert in their tank destroyer when unusual noises emanated from the direction of the enemy. Technician FARO immediately dispatched the other crew member to notify their commander. While waiting alone, he observed an enemy self propelled weapon moving into position and, without hesitation, he loaded his weapon and fired, eliminating the enemy weapon. Other crew members arrived and Technician FARO fired three more rounds into the vehicle in an unsuccessful attempt to burn it. His deep devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Corporal GEORGE F. BUTLER, 31215308, 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 17 September 1944 near LA LOUE, France. During the assault on Fort Draint, Corporal BUTLER, a range setter, and his weapon section encountered heavy enemy shell fire, making it necessary to evacuate valuable equipment. Corporal BUTLER, and two other volunteers, without regard for personal safety and despite the

continued enemy fire, proceeded to remove the weapons and vehicles to a place of safety. When two of his comrades were seriously wounded, Corporal WELLS made his way through the unceasing fire, rendered the necessary medical treatment and remained with the wounded men until other assistance arrived, at which time, he assisted in evacuating them to safety. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Corporal BERNARD T. ECKMAN, 33396490, 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 8 September 1944 near CORZE, France. While our troops were trying desperately to effect a crossing of the Moselle River, Corporal ECKMAN, a gunner, and his weapon section moved into a position on the approaches of the Moselle River Valley under the observation of the well concealed enemy. Almost immediately, concentrated enemy shells, landing within twenty-five yards of the position, made it necessary for all personnel to take shelter in a nearby field. When the shelling continued unabated, Corporal ECKMAN, with four other enlisted men, left their shelter and in the face of heavy enemy fire, assisted in the evacuation of all material. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal (then Private First Class) TRUMAN D. ELSWICK, 35442674, 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 17 September 1944 near LA LOPE, France. During the assault on Fort Driant, Corporal ELSWICK, a cannoneer, and his weapon section encountered heavy enemy shell fire, making it necessary to evacuate valuable equipment. Corporal ELSWICK, and two other volunteers, without regard for personal safety and despite the continued enemy fire, proceeded to remove the weapons and vehicles to a place of safety. When two of his comrades were seriously wounded, Corporal ELSWICK made his way through the unceasing fire, rendered the necessary medical treatment and remained with the wounded men until other assistance arrived, at which time, he assisted in evacuating them to safety. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Corporal HENRY C. SIEMKIEWICZ, 35161714, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 February 1945 near STOGGEM, Germany. When informed of the advance of some enemy self-propelled weapons, Corporal SIEMKIEWICZ, a tank-destroyer gunner, despite his sick condition which warranted medical attention, remained with his crew while their weapon was moved into position from which they could inflict direct fire on the enemy weapons. Through his determination and skillful firing, Corporal SIEMKIEWICZ was highly instrumental in destroying three of the enemy weapons before they could return destructive fire and imperil the advance of our infantry. His courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Corporal EARL E. TEBERLEY, 37152269, Field Artillery, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 March 1945 near TERNUR, Germany. When his tank destroyer was attacked and immobilized by a heavy enemy tank during the engagement for the city of TERNUR, Corporal TEBERLEY, a corporal gunner, disregarding personal safety, remained in his exposed position and continued to engage the superior enemy vehicles. By inflicting a direct hit which destroyed the enemy tank, Corporal TEBERLEY enabled other tank destroyers to deploy and liquidate a number of other enemy tanks. His courageous determination and aggressive action reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from South Dakota.



Technician Fifth Grade ALFONSO J. BETTINE, 38023650, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 March 1945 near REIMS, Germany. Technician BETTINE, a company aidman, with utter disregard for personal safety during an intense enemy artillery barrage, exposed himself to great danger and by half dragging and half carrying two wounded men, successfully evacuated them from an exposed position to the comparative safety of an aid vehicle. Technician BETTINE further distinguished himself by rescuing an enemy soldier from a burning tank. His dauntless and courageous actions undoubtedly saved the lives of his wounded comrades and the enemy soldier reflecting great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Technician Fifth Grade HAROLD C. FOLL, 36153223, 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 8 September 1944 near SOREZ, France. While our troops were trying desperately to effect a crossing of the Moselle River, Technician FOLL, a half track commander, and his weapon section moved into a position on the approaches of the Moselle River Valley under the observation of the well concealed enemy. Almost immediately, concentrated enemy shells, landing within twenty-five yards of the position, made it necessary for all personnel to take shelter in a nearby field. When the shelling continued unabated, Technician FOLL, with four other enlisted men, left their shelter and in the face of heavy enemy fire, assisted in the evacuation of all material. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade TOWN L. STEWART, 20826413, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 December 1944 near WESSLOFF, Luxembourg. When an enemy plane dropped a bomb on the battalion command post, one officer was mortally wounded and several enlisted men were seriously injured. Immediately following the disaster, Technician STEWART, a medical aidman, despite the falling and burning wreckage which inflicted burns on himself, entered the building and rendered medical treatment to the wounded men and then evacuated them to safety. His utter disregard for personal safety and prompt heroic action undoubtedly saved the lives of the wounded men and reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class ASHLEY S. CARTER, 33224512, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 December 1944 near WESSLOFF, Luxembourg. During an evening counterattack when the battery area came under heavy enemy fire and was forced to withdraw, Private CARTER, an automatic weapons gunner, volunteered to remain behind with another enlisted man to guard equipment. Heavy shelling continued and for the next twenty four hours, Private CARTER remained with the equipment although constantly exposed to the enemy attack. Several times during that period, with utter disregard for personal safety, he shifted various items of material to shield them from direct shell fire. When transportation arrived the next day, Private CARTER assisted in loading and evacuating the equipment. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class WILLIAM L. BRUNER, 33254126, 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 7 September 1944 near SOREZ, France. During the intensity of an enemy barrage, Private BRUNER, a heavy vehicle driver, with utter disregard for personal safety, drove his vehicle into the impact area, assisted in loading ammunition and other equipment and moved it to a safe position. He then

returned to the area to pick up the remaining personnel and succeeded in evacuating them to safety. His coolness under fire, courage and determination were largely responsible for the successful evacuation of the men and material and his heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class LOUIS C. GUNNOE, 15174621, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 February 1945 near BOLLENDORF, Luxembourg. Private GUNNOE, a medical aidman, observing two severely wounded soldiers lying in a snow covered enemy mine field, disregarded personal danger and without a moment's hesitation, entered the mine field and proceeded to the wounded men. After administering medical treatment, he directed litter bearers through the mine field and evacuated the casualties. One man died as he was placed in the ambulance but the other survived. Private GUNNOE's disregard for personal safety and prompt heroic action saved the life of a wounded man and reflect great credit upon himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class EDWARD J. TEGALO, 37612610, 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 30 September 1944 in the vicinity of LA LOFFE, France. During a relentless barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire in the vicinity of LA LOFFE, Private TEGALO, a 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 Moselle River. When, on numerous occasions, lines were severed by bursting shrapnel, Private TEGALO, despite the great danger, succeeded in repairing the disrupted communications. His loyal and unswerving devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class (then Private) LEE ROY WELTON, 34517729, 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 8 September 1944 near GORZE, France. While our troops were trying desperately to effect a crossing of the Moselle River, Private WELTON, an ammunition relayman, and his weapon section moved into a position on the approaches of the Moselle River Valley under the observation of the well concealed enemy. Almost immediately, concentrated enemy shells, landing within twenty-five yards of the position, made it necessary for all personnel to take shelter in a nearby field. When the shelling continued unabated, Private WELTON, with four other enlisted men, left their shelter and in the face of heavy enemy fire, assisted in the evacuation of all material. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private First Class MELVIN C. ROLLINS, 31156596, 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 8 September 1944 near GORZE, France. While our troops were trying desperately to effect a crossing of the Moselle River, Private ROLLINS, a heavy vehicle driver, and his weapon section moved into a position on the approaches of the Moselle River Valley under the observation of the well concealed enemy. Almost immediately, concentrated enemy shells, landing within twenty-five yards of the position, made it necessary for all personnel to take shelter in a nearby field. When the shelling continued unabated, Private ROLLINS, with four other enlisted men, left their shelter and in the face of heavy enemy fire, assisted in the evacuation of all material. Entered military service from Vermont.

Private First Class CARL W. SPADER, 32024709, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, (II), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 December 1944 near HALLER, Luxembourg. During an evening counterattack when the battery area came under heavy enemy fire and was forced to withdraw, Private SPADER, an automatic weapons gunner, volunteered to remain behind with another enlisted man to guard equipment. Heavy shelling continued and for the next twenty-four hours, Private SPADER remained with the equipment although constantly exposed to the enemy attack. Several times during that period, with utter disregard for personal safety, he shifted various items of material to shield them from damage by shell fire. When transportation arrived the next day, Private SPADER assisted in loading and evacuating the equipment. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class BERTICE TRUTZ, 12134310, Coast Artillery Corps, 449th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, (II), United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 July 1944 in the vicinity of LA-HAVE-DU-PUITS, France. When a member of his weapon crew was injured by a TNT blast, Private TRUTZ, a gunner, without regard for personal safety and despite his knowledge of other charges in the pit which had failed to go off and might explode any minute, returned to the site of his stricken comrade and removed him from the pit as the other charges went off, and rendered the necessary medical treatment. His courageous and unselfish actions are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private (then Corporal) FRANKLIN H. HILL, 36351857, 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 8 September 1944 near CORZE, France. While our troops were trying desperately to effect a crossing of the Moselle River, Private HILL, a range setter, and his weapon section moved into a position on the approaches of the Moselle River Valley under the observation of the well concealed enemy. Almost immediately, concentrated enemy shells, landing within twenty-five yards of the position, made it necessary for all personnel to take shelter in a nearby field. When the shelling continued unabated Private HILL, with four other enlisted men, left their shelter and in the face of heavy enemy fire, assisted in the evacuation of all material. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, and pursuant to authority contained in Section I, Circular No. 30, Hq AFMUSA, 20 March 1944, as amended by Section I, Circular No. 56, Hq AFMUSA, 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 CHARLES W. HOOE, 0388304, Field Artillery, 46th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 29 March 1945 in the vicinity of FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. When forward elements of the infantry had crossed the Main River into FRANKFURT and it became necessary to install wire communications between the infantry and supporting artillery, Captain HOOE, a communications officer, with utter disregard for personal safety and in the face of intense artillery fire, crossed the river in amphibious vehicles and led his wire crew in the laying of a line, resulting in the installation of a rapid, efficient channel for transmission of fire calls. His coolness and courage under fire and his devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Captain BENJAMIN SHELTER, 0478514, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 2d Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7

May 1945 near WILBERN, Czechoslovakia. When informed of casualties which had been sustained by occupants of an armored car, Captain SELTZER, a battalion surgeon, unhesitatingly advanced two miles beyond our lines to a point 200 yards from an enemy strongpoint in an effort to reach the stricken men. With complete disregard for personal safety and despite previous warnings of spasmodic sniper fire, Captain SELTZER approached the vehicle to find one man mortally wounded and the other unharmed. Shortly thereafter, the enemy soldiers emerged from a wooded area and negotiated a formal surrender with Captain SELTZER. His courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

First Lieutenant CHARLES E. WICKERS, 0189346, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When all elements of the battalion had crossed the Sauer River with the exception of one platoon and part of the attached automatic weapons squad, Lieutenant WICKERS, a platoon leader, despite intense enemy fire, searched along the bank of the river until he found an undamaged boat with sufficient paddles to propel it. Disregarding personal safety, he returned and reorganized his men, then guided them to the boat and successfully completed the crossing. His display of courage, calmness under fire and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) FRANKLIN D. WELLS, 0117477, 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 ZWISSEM, Germany. While acting as forward observer with advanced elements in an attack on EIVSSE, Lieutenant WELLS was pinned down by enemy automatic and mortar fire. Regardless of the great danger, he proceeded to establish radio communication to contact his artillery for fire, until a direct mortar burst disabled his radio and severed the only means of communication. Disregarding personal safety, Lieutenant WELLS made his way over exposed terrain to an infantry unit and, having access to their radio, completed adjusting artillery fire through communications channels. His courageous actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Florida.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) JOSEPH T. GEORGE, 33685617, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 December 1944 near COETZELACH, Luxembourg. Upon completion of clearing a small group of houses and establishing an outpost approximately 5000 yards beyond forward battalion elements, it was decided to send a patrol into the town of COETZELACH. Sergeant GEORGE, a squad leader, being one of the first to volunteer, passed through enemy lines, investigated houses at the edge of town and found evidence of an isolated infantry company which was part of the company mission. The patrol returned safely with an enemy prisoner from whom valuable information was received. Sergeant GEORGE's display of courage reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant RICHARD E. WILK, 15061377, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 February 1945 in the vicinity of DOLLENDORF, Germany. During the assault on DOLLENDORF, the supporting heavy weapons of the company were delayed and separated from the rifle platoons by the darkness, precipitous terrain, and inclement weather. Although not his responsibility, Sergeant WILK, a mortar observer, returned through the enemy fire to guide the supporting automatic weapons and mortar platoons into the town, and he assisted in carrying ammunition and weapons and scouted in advance for better routes of approach. Then going forward with a few men to clear some houses, Sergeant WILK set up a defense and established line communications which enabled the company to capture and defend the town. Entered military service from West Virginia.

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First Lieutenant CHARLES B. WICKERS, 01889346, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 February 1945 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. When all elements of the battalion had crossed the Sauer River with the exception of one platoon and part of the attached automatic weapons squad, Lieutenant WICKERS, a platoon leader, despite intense enemy fire, searched along the bank of the river until he found an undamaged boat with sufficient paddles to propel it. Disregarding personal safety, he returned and reorganized his men, then guided them to the boat and successfully completed the crossing. His display of courage, calmness under fire and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) FRANKLIN D. WELLS, 01174777, Field Artillery, 19th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 February 1945 near EISEN, Germany. While acting as forward observer with advanced elements in an attack on EISEN, Lieutenant WELLS was pinned down by enemy automatic and mortar fire. Regardless of the great danger, he proceeded to establish radio communication to contact his artillery for fire, until a mortar burst disabled his radio and severed the only means of communication. Disregarding personal safety, Lieutenant WELLS made his way over exposed terrain to an infantry unit and, having access to their radio, completed adjusting artillery fire through communications channels. His courageous actions reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Florida.

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) JOSEPH T. GEORGE, 3368561, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 December 1944 near ECHTERNACH, Luxembourg. Upon completion of clearing a small group of houses and establishing an outpost approximately 5000 yards beyond forward battalion elements, it was decided to send a patrol into the town of ECHTERNACH. Sergeant GEORGE, a squad leader, being one of the first to volunteer, passed through enemy lines, investigated houses at the edge of town and found evidence of an isolated infantry company which was part of the communication. The patrol returned safely with an enemy prisoner from whom valuable information was received. Sergeant GEORGE's display of courage reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant RICHARD E. HILL, 15064677, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 February 1945 in the vicinity of EISENTHORF, Germany. During the assault on EISENTHORF, the supporting heavy weapons of the company were isolated and separated from the rifle platoons by the darkness, treacherous terrain, and inclement weather. Although not his responsibility, Sergeant HILL, a mortar observer, returned through the enemy fire to guide the supporting automatic weapons and mortar platoons into the town, and he assisted in carrying ammunition and weapons and scout 1 in advance for better routes of approach. Then going forward with a few men to clear some houses, Sergeant HILL set up a fire and established line communications which enabled the company to capture and defend the town. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technical Sergeant (then Private First Class) ARTHUR WILLIAMS, 15085947, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 November 1944 near PELTRIE, France. When strong enemy forces launched a counterattack against our troops, forcing them to withdraw to a more advantageous position, Sergeant WILLIAMS, an automatic weapons gunner, remained at his post in exposed terrain and under intense enemy fire, continued to man his weapon until the main force could secure new positions. Not until he had inflicted heavy casualties and expended all his ammunition did Sergeant WILLIAMS leave his position. Due to his aggressiveness and courageous efforts, the counterattack was repulsed and our troops were enabled to attain their objective, reflecting great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant HERBERT BLOCK, 32386320, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 March 1945 near FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Germany. Sergeant BLOCK, a squad leader, was in charge of an advanced prisoner of war enclosure and was directed to establish and maintain collecting points across the Main River at the same time the battalion was attacking. To prevent casualties among our forces, Sergeant BLOCK crossed the bridge first and had the guards send the prisoners to him. By his outstanding direction of the evacuation of prisoners, casualties were eliminated and the intelligence department was immediately supplied with prisoners from whom vital information was obtained which contributed greatly to the subsequent success of the regiment. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant (then Private) VINCENT P. CERBITO, 36973245, Infantry, 10th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 January 1945 in the vicinity of PUTSCHERD, Luxembourg. When his position, with the leading elements attacking a strongly defended town, was overrun and his squad virtually annihilated, Sergeant CERBITO, an automatic rifleman, was forced to fight his way out of a group of enemy infantrymen. In his attempt, he observed a comrade lying on the ground, wounded and too weak to move. With heroic courage and devotion, Sergeant CERBITO added to his own danger to pick up the wounded man and carry him through enemy fire to safety. His gallant action reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant ERNEST L. FOX, 6665176, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 November 1944 near MERTZ, France. When enemy artillery severed communications between the regimental command post and an assault battalion, two men attempting to locate the break were mortally wounded. Realizing the vital need for communications, Sergeant FOX, a regimental wire chief, volunteered to locate and repair the break. Fully exposed to the violent enemy fire, he repaired a recently severed line and with shells still exploding around him, continued to search for the original break. Upon locating the severed wire, he successfully repaired it and restored the vital communication line, reflecting great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) JOHN MAGILL, 36447847, Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, United States Army. For distinctive heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 September 1944 near ARRY, France. When a heavy barrage of enemy artillery fire disrupted vital communications from the platoon and command post, Sergeant MAGILL, who was then serving in the capacity of radio operator and platoon runner, volunteered to repair the lines. By this action, the forward observation post again functioned, bringing fire on the enemy, thereby smashing a counterattack and killing several of the enemy. His bravery and courage reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.